

PARISH MATTERS

PORINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

September/October 2022



MULBERRY FIELD PLAYGROUND CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2022.
2.30pm - 4.30pm at THE PAVILION

Many of you may have seen the play equipment on Mulberry Field is looking a little tired.

The equipment has been there for at least 12 years and as time goes on the wear and tear is now becoming very apparent. Combined with some recent vandalism the Parish Council have decided to look at a full replacement of the equipment in both parks.

As a result of the proposal of replace the parks we have taken the decision to hold a consultation to ask the people who use this park what you would like to see.

A consultation will take place on Wednesday 21st September at the Football Pavilion, The Footpath. This is next to the Primary School and doors will be open from 2.30pm - 4.30pm so please do pop in and give our team your thoughts and ideas of what you would like to see.

The Parish Council appreciate that not everyone will be able to make the consultation so we have set up an online survey. If you would like to take the survey please visit the link below or email the Assistant Clerk with feedback to a.clerk@poringland-pc.gov.uk.

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/4GWJQT/>



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II 1926-2022

Following the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Poringland Parish Council's Chair, John Joyce shared the following words:

I would like to express the deep sadness with which we received the news of the death of Her Majesty The Queen. The Queen has served with distinction and honour throughout her reign and our thoughts and deepest sympathy are with His Majesty King Charles III, and the rest of the Royal Family at this sad time.

At the Community Centre a book of condolence has been placed out since the 9th September. This will be removed three days after Her Majesty The Queens funeral but should you wish to add your thoughts after this time please contact the parish office.

Community Land Consultation

Thank you to everyone who attended the consultation in July. Cllr Tim Boucher and architect Jerene Irwin from Chaplin Farrant visited Framingham Earl High School and Poringland Primary School. The feedback was incredibly informative. The event held at the community centre was well attended and there were a steady stream of people visiting the centre to look at the boards, ask questions and give feedback.



Following the event the boards and information remained out on display for 4 weeks and the parish staff received a lot of feedback and comments about the proposals. These have now been passed to our architects and the Parish Council will in due course answer many of the comments raised.

Following this consultation the Parish Council have been moving forward with various land surveys that took place over the summer and the Parish Council will be looking to submit a pre planning application late autumn time.



FIREWORKS 2022

Following the huge success of the fireworks event held last year, the Parish Council have decided to hold another this year.

This year's event will be held on Saturday 5th November on the Community Land from 4pm - 9pm.

This year we will not only be having our fantastic firework display but there will be live music to enjoy, a thirty minute pyrotechnic display, more fairground attractions as well as food and drinks vendors. Tickets will be available to be purchased from 1st October. Tickets will cost £5 per adult and £3 per child. Please keep an eye on social media and our council website for more information on how to purchase tickets.



Dog Bins & Pollution

In early July Cllr Tim Boucher visited Poringland Primary School to speak to Year 4 children about things that are concerning them within the parish. The children highlighted to Tim that some dog owners were not picking up their dog waste and not using the bins provided by the parish. The felt it was was horrible. At present the Parish Council are currently responsible for 32 bins that are located around the village but people not picking up their

dogs waste appears to be a common issue and is regularly reported to the Parish Council. As a result the children were asked to draw a poster to encourage people to use the bins provided around the parish with the best posters to be made into signs which will be situated around the village. Congratulations to the seven winners, the signs have been made and will shortly be erected. Keep an eye out for the fabulous designs!

Another issue that the children raised was the number of cars on the roads and the impact this has on the environment. As a Parish Council we are aware that we all have a social responsibility to ensure we are helping the environment whether that be through recycling, turning appliances off when not in use or by taking public transport/cycling to work rather than driving a car.

It has been recognised by The Parish Council that a van is now required to carry out the expanding responsibilities that we have across the village. At a recent Parish Council meeting a decision was made to lease an electric van rather than the diesel option. Due to supply issues this may take a couple of months but we hope you will spot us as we carry out our tasks in the village soon.

Community Centre and CC's Café

The Community Centre has had some overdue maintenance and improvements over the summer months. The walls in the centre and café area have had a fresh coat of paint and with the the help of a grant we have been able to give the kitchen a refit so that it can offer more to hirers who may want kitchen usage but also it was important that it is more functional for our Community Café.

Whilst the upgrade was being done our Café Supervisor, Bev has worked on getting the menu updated with some welcomed new additions as well as rebranding the café as 'CC's'.

The café has been running for two years now and the centre has regular customers as well as new to enjoy the freshly baked cakes, cream & savoury teas and sausage rolls as well as the delicious bacon/sausage baps, jacket potatoes and toasties.

CC's is currently open from Monday to Friday 9.00am - 2.00pm, however we are looking at the possibility of staying open a little later on a few afternoons. We hope that you will come and try out CC's ou.

As a result of Covid, the Community Centre lost a number of regular hirers and the Parish Council staff have worked hard to replace these bookings. We are now welcoming new hirers along with our exisiting activities such as Zumba, Pilates, Yoga, Ballet for all ages, Musical Stage Schools, Karate, Thai Chi to name but a few. Please take a look at Poringland Community Centre website or our facebook page for further information. For any further enquiries call the parish office on 01508 492182



PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

DO YOU CARE ABOUT WHERE YOU
LIVE AND ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT
YOUR COMMUNITY?

DO YOU HAVE THE COMMITMENT
AND TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

We are currently looking to co-opt a parish councillor. This is a voluntary role and you should try to be available for monthly meetings as well as being able to assist on at least one advisory group.

Please contact the Clerk for further details

Email: clerk@poringland-pc.gov.uk
Tel: 01508 492182

STAFF VACANCY BOOKINGS AND EVENTS OFFICER

The Parish Council will shortly be looking to fill a vacancy within the parish office. This role is varied and will occasionally require flexibility on working hours. Your would be working within a fast paced and ever changing office environment to work with the demands of council.

Please keep an eye on our website
www.poringlandparishcouncil.gov.uk or
for more information call the clerk on
01508 492182