



## **Lancing Parish Council**

*Working in partnership  
with the local  
community to make  
Lancing a great place to  
live, work, visit and enjoy.*

**Autumn 2019**

## Message from the Chairman of the Council

This is my first Newsletter as Chairman, so I'd like to start by saying a big "Hello". As an active local resident, I've been knocking about in Lancing for a while now, getting involved in all kinds of projects, events and initiatives in our community. I was co-opted on to Lancing Parish Council as an Independent last September and now find myself as Chairman; which is a huge honour and one for which I'm immensely grateful.

There's a bit of a theme in this Newsletter about how essential it is for "normal people" to get involved, or more involved, in the community that is Lancing. Whether it's shopping in the Village centre and the Farmers' Market, supporting local initiatives and events, walking or cycling short journeys or even just looking out for your neighbours, small changes make all the difference. Lancing Parish Council are currently involved in a range of projects that support, enhance and promote our community, some of which feature in this Newsletter, so please get in contact if you want to know more.

**Councillor Lydia Pope**

### Garden Competition Winners

The Annual Garden Competition is growing in popularity. Guest Judge, Jean Griffin, BBC Radio Presenter, accompanied Cllr Robin Monk in visiting and judging those many lovely gardens around Lancing that had been entered. The Front Garden category was sponsored by Gardner & Scardifield with Hanging Baskets, Tubs & Containers being sponsored by Jacobs Steel. This support by sponsors is very much appreciated.

The list of the prize-winners is, as follows:

Place	Front Garden	Hanging Baskets, Tubs & Containers
1st	Trevor Mayhew 30 Manor Road	Kevin Banfield 5 Chester Avenue
2nd	Faye & Terry Ritchie The Old Cottage, Mill Lane	Mary Moody 102 Cokeham Lane
3rd	Eric & Audrey Puffett 65 Chester Avenue	Anita Cornwell 23 Penstone Park

### Monks Rec. Improvement Project

The Project remains on track with nine new trees having recently been planted along the eastern boundary. The final detailed designs to complete Stage 3 of the process have been received and are being scrutinised by the Working Group. Further community engagement is anticipated when the plans for the new building are due for approval.



*View approaching the proposed pavilion / café coming from the northern side of the site.*

### Community Land Trust

A presentation from the Sussex Community Housing Hub (part of Action in Rural Sussex) was recently made to the Parish Council about

community-led housing. The Hub was set up to provide essential support for communities across Sussex wishing to pursue successful community-led housing projects. It aims to increase the supply of community-led housing, primarily affordable homes, to meet local needs.

Community-led housing in the form of Community Land Trusts (CLT) (basically “not for profit” bodies, with volunteer boards of directors, but independent from local councils) hold their assets in perpetuity through a legal ‘asset lock’. This ensures assets can only be sold or developed in a manner that benefits the local community.

Please contact the Parish Council Office if you’d like to know more or want to become involved.

### **Annual Residents’ Meeting**

The Residents’ Meeting held in May was very successful with many comments for the Council to consider. These were mainly concerned with improving the Village centre. It was confirmed that the Parish Council is working with Adur District Council to regenerate the Village centre.

### **Lancing Parish Youth Council (LPYC)**

The Youth Council is considering involvement in a collaborative anti-bullying campaign as well as declaring Lancing a “no bullying” Village. This could be coordinated with other agencies, such as schools, to devise a strategy of awareness, support resources, contacts and identifying safe places in the village where young people who are the victims of bullying can seek support. These places may be included in another scheme the Youth Council is developing, named ‘A Safe Place by the Sea’. Further details regarding this scheme will follow.

## **Transport Survey Results**

The Parish Council has heeded the responses of those who participated in the recent Transport Survey. The No. 16 Bus Service's importance to the community was recognised, such as preventing many older residents from experiencing social isolation, so it has been agreed to commit £8,000 from General Reserves. However, to continue to run the service from 1st September until 31st March 2020, the timetable has had to be revised to minimise the cost of the subsidy required, including discontinuing the Saturday service, since this was the least used.

The Parish Council believes that public transport is an important public service enabling people to get to work, school, appointments, shops and activities in a sustainable and convenient way. For the subsidy to be viable, more people must start using the No. 16 Bus Service. Over the next few months, passenger usage data will be scrutinised to determine the future and the implications of this investment and if ongoing funding by this Council should be considered in future budgets.

## **Events**

The Community Cinema is held at the Parish Hall monthly, starting at 7:00 pm, costing £3.50. New Luxor memorabilia is on display.

Beach Green Fireworks are on Wednesday 30th October at 8:30 pm where Parish Councillors will be marshalling. Don't forget to bring a torch and wear some warm clothing. Bring scarf and gloves!

The Remembrance Parade and Service will take place on Sunday 10th November. Volunteers are sought to marshal the road closure. If you are willing to help with this, please contact – [lancing.chairman@rbl.community](mailto:lancing.chairman@rbl.community)

# Dates for the Diary

## September

**Mon 2** Cinema: Stan and Ollie

**Sat 21** Adur Market, North Road

## October

**Mon 7** Cinema: The Favourite

**Thurs 10** Autumn Residents' Meeting

**Sun 13** Lancing Motor Show, Beach Green

**Sat 19** Adur Market, North Road

**Wed 30** Beach Green Fireworks

## November

**Mon 4** Cinema: Mary Poppins Returns

**Sun 10** Remembrance Sunday

**Sat 16** Adur Market, North Road

## COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings are held in the Council Chamber, Parish Hall on Wednesdays. All residents are welcome to attend.

### Full Council

25 Sept - 7:00 pm      27 Nov - 7:00 pm

### Amenities & Environment

4 Sept - 7:00 pm      6 Nov - 7:00 pm

### Finance & General Purposes

11 Sept - 7:30 pm      13 Nov - 7:30 pm

### Planning

11 Sept - 7:00 pm      23 Oct - 7:00 pm

2 Oct - 7:00 pm      13 Nov - 7:00 pm

### Youth Council

18 Sept - 7:00 pm      20 Nov - 7:00 pm

16 Oct - 7:00 pm

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