Ringmer Parish Council Newsletter - April 2024

Fingerpost Field

In addition to the construction of the new skate park, the Parish Council have accepted a quote to upgrade the playground area. It is hoped that both facilities will be available for the summer.

Jubilee Gardens

The Parish Council are hoping to work with Goldcliff Garden Centre to re-stock the two flower beds that have been rather neglected. If any resident who would like to help with the planting and routine maintenance of the Jubilee Gardens, please contact the Clerk in the Parish Rooms on 01273 813242.

Police Report

Each month we receive a report from our PCSO. It is disturbing to read that incidents of illegal or unruly behaviour occur so frequently. If you are a victim of, or witness, such behaviour, or have information that may help apprehend the culprits, please telephone 101.

Ringmer Village Library

The Parish Council were pleased to approve a grant of £230 to the library to enable a monthly sociable Saturday session from May onwards and three craft sessions in September and October to take place. The library will publicise the events.

Road Verges

We often get complaints about the state of the verges in the village. Sadly, the Parish Council has no power to address this issue. We have referred the problems to East Sussex Highways but it does not meet their criteria to repair. It is clear that as our roads have become busier with more parked cars, there are times when vehicles mount the verges as the roads are not wide enough to pass the parked cars. We would welcome any ideas that you may have on how to stop this happening and could we politely ask that we all, as residents, park courteously without causing damage to the verges.

Sussex Nature Recovery

Local Nature Recovery Strategies (LNRS) are a statutory requirement from the Environment Act 2021. Their aim is to protect the important places for nature that are left, and identify the opportunities to restore or create it, where it can have the most benefit for wildlife and people. East Sussex have started the process of mapping existing protected areas and seeking other areas that may be included in the mapping process.

The Parish Council have completed the 'group' survey and local organisations supporting wildlife such as Wildflower Ringmer and St. Marys Eco Group have the opportunity to complete the 'group' survey . There is also a survey available for individual residents to complete. With so much threatened development it will be important to protect and develop our wildlife areas. To access the survey just type 'sussexnaturerecovery' into your search engine.

Swimming Pool

Lewes District Council approved their budget in February and the revenue budget to support the running of the pool was confirmed.

Remember to support wildlife by planting pollinator friendly species this Spring