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# WILLINGDON & JEVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEW S L E T T E R AUTUMN 2023

## MEADOWBURNE PLACE PLAYGROUND OPENING



On Saturday 14th October at 11am Barratt David Wilson Homes arranged the unveiling of its playground at its Meadowburne Place development on St Martins Road in Lower Willingdon.

Willingdon and Jevington Parish Council Chair John Pritchett BEM was pleased to cut the ribbon with Managers from BDW Homes and officially open the play park. Barratt David Wilson Homes organised for an ice cream caravan and face painters which proved to be very popular. All the children were encouraged to play on the equipment including some adults, including Chairman John Pritchett BEM and Cllr Stephen Shing, who bravely tried out the zip wire!



## NEW COUNCILLOR

We are delighted to announce that Ryan Weedon was recently co-opted back onto the Parish Council. We warmly welcome Ryan back as a Councillor who we are sure some of you will already know!



## CHRISTMAS CAROL EVENING 2023!

**Thursday 14th December 2023 – 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm**

There will be Christmas Carol singing with Wealden Brass from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm at Willingdon Library.

Free mulled wine and mince pies will be served to you by your local Councillors.

From 6.00 pm there will be a variety of stalls selling gifts and Father Christmas will be handing out presents for all the good children.

Please join us for our Christmas Carol Singing Evening to get in the festive spirit!



**Updated Website** - We have launched our new website, and we are very excited to introduce you to our new look. If you have any feedback or comments on our new site please let us know.

## WILLINGDON REMEMBERS



Saturday 11th November 2023 at 11.00 am there was a Remembrance Service at Jubilee Gardens outside the Parish Council Offices. Very many thanks to Deacon Sue Wilkinson for leading the service, the Standard Bearer Peter Davy, Ian White Piper, Derry Green for Last Post and Reveille and to all the residents who attended and supported this service.

## PRESENTATION OF LONG SERVING COUNCILLOR AWARD TO CHRISTINA LYNN



Chairman John Pritchett congratulated Christina Lynn on her long-standing service as a Parish Councillor for the last sixteen years following her recent retirement as a Councillor. Christina was presented with flowers and a commemorative glass paperweight. Christina thanked the PC and gave a brief talk about her years as a Councillor which started because of her passion

about the community she lived in. Christina was the Chair of Events for many years which she loved doing and was particularly proud of Willingdon in Bloom and Music in the Park events. As a Councillor Christina was proud that the PC managed to secure the public toilets, create a new Parish Office at the Triangle and save the Community Library which is so well used. Christina thanked Nicola Williamson for her work behind the scenes to organise the events and all the Councillors that regularly helped on all the different events over the years. Finally, Christina wished the next Chair of Events good luck.

## REMEMBRANCE PARADE - SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2023



A huge thank you to everyone involved in Sunday morning's brilliant Remembrance Parade led by Parade Marshall James Punchard, and the Service at St Mary's Parish Church led by Reverend Adam Ransom. Everyone should be proud of the part they played in this from the young people, their parents and carers and the Groups they represent - 1st and 2nd Willingdon Scouts, Guides, Brownies etc, St John Ambulance as well of course as the Willingdon Branch of the Royal British Legion. Grateful thanks to Liam and Liz Avery for playing the drums, Derry Green on the trumpet and Ian White the Piper who piped everyone into church and afterwards.

## THE RUTHLESS SERVICE



THE RUTHLESS SERVICE to remember the ten American Airmen who sadly lost their lives when their Liberator Bomber crashed was held on the Downs at 3.00 pm in the afternoon and had a good turnout of residents. This was led by Chairman John Pritchett and the short service was read by Reverend Danny Pegg from St Mary's Church Willingdon. Caroline Ansell MP and the Mayor of Eastbourne Cllr Candy Vaughan also attended.

## NEW POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER

We are delighted to announce that there is a new PCSO for Willingdon and Jevington.

The new PCSO point of contact for Willingdon and Jevington from 16th October 2023 will be Isaac Wood. Please note his email address is [isaac.wood@sussex.police.uk](mailto:isaac.wood@sussex.police.uk)



## TOTT YEW RECREATION GROUND

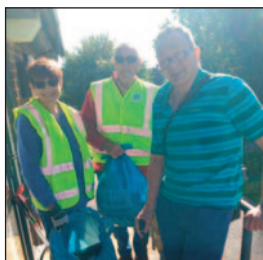


We are delighted to announce that the new playground equipment in Tott Yew Recreation Ground has now been installed and tested and is open. We hope this will be

enjoyed by many. The last couple of years have seen significant improvements to Tott Yew Recreation Ground as it has been refurbished with additional equipment and repairs carried out to the surface and there has been the addition of the Green Gym. The safety of the children using the play areas is of primary importance to the Parish Council and monthly play area inspections are carried out on behalf of the Council by Lewes District Council. Any urgent repairs identified are treated as a priority and are quickly dealt with.

If you become aware of any problems relating to the play area equipment in either park then please visit the Parish Office, The Parish Office, The Triangle, Willingdon, Eastbourne BN20 9PJ or telephone 01323 489603.

## COMMUNITY LITTER PICK SATURDAY



We had a very successful Litter Pick Day on Saturday, 23 September 2023.

Thank you to all the Councillors and residents who supported this event. Twelve bags of rubbish were collected!

In the Parish we have some amazing volunteers who regularly litter pick to keep it looking beautiful and we would like to thank all those who help.

Well done and thank you again!

## DOG MESS

Could we please make an appeal to all dog owners to pick up their dog mess, bag it and dispose of it in either a dog waste bin or to take it home.

Please keep Willingdon and Jevington Tidy. Thank You.

## DEFIBRILLATORS

Just a reminder that there are four Defibrillators in the Parish.

These are located at the following places:

Parish Office , The Triangle, Willingdon  
The Pavilion, Huggetts Lane Recreation Ground  
The Eight Bells, Jevington

Willingdon Memorial Hall, Church Street, Willingdon – the defibrillator at this location has now been moved into the red telephone box outside Willingdon Memorial Hall where you will find the book borrowing scheme has been reinstated.

## DATES OF EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARIES FOR 2024

### Annual Parish Walk

Sunday 19th May 2024 at 2.00pm

### Music in the Park

Sunday 2nd June 2024

from 11.30am to 4.30pm

### Beacon Lighting

to commemorate 80 years since D Day  
will take place in the evening on  
Thursday 6th June 2024.

### Two Litter Pick Mornings

dates to be arranged in due course

## OPERATION CRACKDOWN

Operation Crackdown allows you to report careless, dangerous or aggressive driving. You can also report vehicles driving in contravention of a prohibition, such as a weight or width restriction, or against a one-way system. It only takes a few minutes; all reports are logged, and actions may include police investigation or warning letters to drivers.

When you use Operation Crackdown to report dangerous or anti-social driving, the system:

- Automatically checks whether the vehicle has been reported previously
- Links to the DVLA database and obtains the registered keeper's details

Over 95% of reports result in a letter to the driver and most drivers are not reported again, in the 12 months that records are kept.

Further details can be found at

<http://www.operationcrackdown.org>

## NEW SENSORY GARDEN

We now have a gorgeous sensory garden with lavender and thyme in The Triangle that will appeal to all the senses.

**Finally, the Parish Council would love to hear about the type of events you would like to see in the village.**

**Please let the Parish Office know your ideas or suggestions.**

**We hope you enjoyed reading the Parish Council Newsletter and would love to hear your feedback.**

**If there is any content you would like to see featured in our future editions please let us know.**

## Willingdon and Jevington Parish Councillors

(WRA - Willingdon Residents Association)

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