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Village Green Improvements



Alongside the new circular memorial bench around the jubilee oak tree, there have been a number of additional items installed on the village green. These include three new planters and two new litter bins. It is hoped that this will enhance the village green area.

The planter on the traffic island has also been replenished and a new Loose Parish Council noticeboard has replaced the old one, on the ragstone wall opposite the Green.

King George V Playing Field (KGVPF) & Pavilion

The playing field is for use by all residents, and is very popular with families and dog walkers. We ask that users respect each other and the space provided for all. Organised events MUST be agreed with the Council prior to taking place so we can co-ordinate bookings and ensure LPC, and all users, comply with insurance and Covid regulations. This applies particularly to sports clubs and coaches. Please be aware that the Pavilion & Playing Field carpark is always locked overnight. Any cars left in the carpark **after 6pm** will not be let out until the following morning.

We are once again taking bookings for the Pavilion. Please contact the Deputy Clerk, Nicky Bourne with all enquiries: office@loose-pc.gov.uk or 07957 564541.

LPC - Council & Committee Meetings

The council has returned to meeting at the Loose Parish Pavilion. The schedule of meetings can be found on the parish council noticeboards and website. Members of the public are welcome to attend any council or committee meeting.

Councillor Vacancy

Do you have new ideas or plans for your local community? Would you like to have your voice heard? Why not join like-minded volunteers and become a parish councillor?

You just need a few hours a week (particularly free Monday evenings) and a keen interest in changing things for the better. It can be very rewarding seeing your ideas come to life for the benefit of all the local community.

Contact the Loose Parish Clerk, Kim Owen, for more information. office@loose-pc.gov.uk

Coffee Mornings

Following the anticipated easing of lockdown restrictions on 19 July 2021, the parish council is returning to hosting coffee mornings on the second Wednesday of each month, from 9am-12 noon.

If you are feeling lonely or vulnerable and would like to make some new friends, or perhaps get together with some old ones, please come along on **Wednesday 11 August**, any time between 9am and 12 noon. It will be lovely to see you. Teas and coffees are free but donations of cash, cakes or biscuits are welcomed. There is also a book and jigsaw swap service available (50p per item).

If you would like to help with making teas and coffees, or can help with setting-out and clearing-up the room, please contact Anne Rigby on 07419 986538 or email office@loose-pc.gov.uk

Live in Loose and need help?

If you live in Loose, are vulnerable and need help with shopping, collecting prescriptions, etc., please contact **Community Warden, Liz Lovatt** Tel: **07813 712107**

Cancellation of Loose Fete

In view of the current uncertainty over the coronavirus situation, the Parish Council reluctantly decided to cancel the Loose Fete and Dog Show, due to be held on 4 September this year. Although COVID restrictions are now being relaxed, the fete needs a good deal of forward preparation, much of which had not been possible or feasible under the circumstances of the past few months.

Another effect of the COVID uncertainty was that many events normally held in July and August moved their dates to September, most notably locally the Coxheath Custard Pie Contest which has chosen 4 September as its new date! We know many locals have been disappointed by the loss of other traditional events this year but Shayler's Funfair will still be on the King George V Playing Field 3-5 September.

The Parish Council is committed to seeing a return of the fete in 2022, hopefully on 3 September. Although the Council oversees the fete, it is organised by a group of councillors and other members of the public, some representing groups such as NLRA and All Saints Church. If you wish to join them, you would be very welcome. Contact office@loose-pc.gov.uk.

Residents can find out more on Loose Parish Council activities via:-

- The parish council website www.loose-pc.gov.uk
- By liking the Loose Parish Council facebook page
- In the local publication In and Around Loose
- Via this Community Alert – **encourage your friends and neighbours to sign up**