

IBSTONE PARISH COUNCIL
VILLAGE NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2023

Ibstone Parish Council held a meeting on Monday 23rd January which included discussion on the following topics, with some **important dates for your diary**:

1. Village Precept

The precept for 2023, which is included in your Council Tax has been set at £9,800 which equates to £67.26 for a Band D property and is a reduction of 9.3% from the current year.

2. Village Litter Pick

Rass and Irene Randall have once again kindly agreed to co-ordinate a village litter pick, this year on **Saturday 1st April**. With enough helpers the exercise only takes an hour or so and makes a big difference to the village so please put the date in your diary if you will be around. Full details will be provided nearer the time. Many villagers regularly pick up litter throughout the year and if anyone would like to borrow litter sticks or Hi Viz jackets at any time you can do so upon reasonable notice from Simon and Karen Hammond (01491 638260).

3. AED Training

You will be aware of the village defibrillator located in the telephone box adjacent to the village noticeboards.

There will be a free training session (and valuable refresher for those who have been before) on **Saturday 25th February** at 9.30 am at Ibstone School Hall.

It will be run by resident SCAS community first responder Simon Everitt and senior paramedic Tracy Mould. It will be interactive lasting about 90 minutes and will include basic life support, effective CPR and use of the AED, finishing with a Q and A session.

This will be a valuable experience to enable you to gain confidence in using this life saving machine and we hope as many villagers as possible will take the opportunity to attend.

Please inform Melanie Grimsdale (melanie.grimsdale@ibstone.org) if you can attend so that we have an idea of numbers, although you will not be turned away if you don't know until the last minute.

4. Coronation Big Lunch

Now that Buckingham Palace has released details of the timetable for the King's Coronation we are planning to have a Coronation Big Lunch on the cricket pitch at 1.00 p.m. on **Sunday 7th May**.

The format will be similar to the very successful Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party held last year except that subject to receiving a grant which is available to parish councils there will be a free hot lunch. Full details and your invitation, which will require an RSVP, will follow as soon as possible. Everyone will be welcome to participate in our local celebration of this unique occasion.

5. Ibstone Village Show

The Show will be held on **Saturday 5th August**, preceded as usual with a Village Music Night on **Thursday 3rd August**. Karen Hammond is keen to hear from anyone who can help organise these key events in the village social calendar beforehand and/or on the day.

6. Stokenchurch Patients Participation Group

We are all interested in the efficient running of the Stokenchurch Medical Centre and the SPPG exists to help communication and feedback to our doctors and their support staff. Any feedback can be sent to stokenchurchpatientsgroup@outlook.com

7. Other matters

You can raise any matter of concern with the parish council by contacting our Clerk Lorna Coldwell or any Councillor and our contact details can be found at www.ibstoneparishcouncil.org .

Please communicate all of the information in this newsletter to any new neighbours who may not yet be on our mailing list. They can join it at any time by providing their details to clerk@ibstone.org

STOP PRESS!

Our very own Chilterns Fox will re-open this Wednesday 1st February. See you there!