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COPPULL CHURCHES IN THE SNOW

Photos Courtesy of John Cobham, taken on 16 January 2024









CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Residents

I hope you enjoyed your Christmas and New Year festivities and are now looking forward to the warmer weather to come (hopefully)!

The Christmas lights switch-on was a huge success. The Parish Council intends to hold this event each year from now on. The date of the switch on is Friday 29 November 2024. This time, at the start of the Snowman Festival. We must thank Mary Russell for the time she spent organising the festival which was also a huge success and will take place this year on Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December 2024.

You may have noticed that quite a few defibrillators have been installed around the village, more information on those is on page 6.

The Village Hall is now nearing completition and will be available to hire shortly at reasonable cost for local groups. If you have any activities where you are looking for a new venue, please contact the Clerk in the first instance. The venue is situated over two floors, the downstairs will be used for a pre-school and the upstairs (with a lift) will be available for other activities, Parish Council meetings, etc.

The Parish Council is due to receive another Community Infrastructure Levy payment at the end of April 2024. Although some of this will be used to complete the Village Hall and for improvements to the Leisure Centre, there will be a good amount available for improvements elsewhere in the village. Please contact the Clerk if you have any suggestions. Projects must be beneficial to the residents of the village and be held/located within the village.

The 80th Anniversary of D-Day is approaching and there are a few planned events within the village. See page 7 for further details.

The Parish Council's Annual Picnic in the Park will be held on Sunday 9 June and will be loosely themed around D-Day. Please keep this date in mind, we hope to see you all there again to enjoy a fabulous, fun and virtually free day out!

The Parish Council has signed up to the Civility & Respect Pledge. By signing the Pledge the council is agreeing to treat councillors, clerks, employees, members of the public, and representatives of partner organisations and volunteers with civility and respect in their roles.



CIIr Michael Atherton

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COPPULL NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE



Great news! We are now on version five of the Coppull Neighbourhood Plan and the Steering Group are working as hard as possible to get a version ready to present to the all the residents for consultation.

We are looking at preserving our Local Green Spaces, our blue and green assets (water and land), those areas of Coppull that make up our

uniqueness, our red brick core of terraces and many other assets like green landscaping. Remember, we cannot stop building in Coppull but the Neighbourhood Plan gives a recognised framework for what type of developments can happen and what considerations need to be made when planning these developments.

The Steering Group works have been long and involved and we want to thank those of the group for their diligence and steadfastness in ploughing through lots of information that is new to them and they having to learn about National Planning Policy Framework, Chorley Local Plan, what can and can't be included in a Neighbourhood Plan to name but a few.

If you'd like to exercise your brain cells please consider getting involved, even if you feel you may not have any relevant experience or understanding, we still need people to do research and surveys to complete the plan. An hour or two will make a welcome contribution to the Steering Group, we'd love to have you on board.

Please register your interest to help by contacting us via the following:

- Coppull Parish Council Clerk at coppullparishcouncil@gmail.com
- Joining our Facebook Group 'Coppull Neighbourhood Plan'
- Contacting via the Coppull Parish website http://coppullpc.co.uk

LOST PROPERTY - There are a number of items that have been found on the park which are in the Parish Council office. If you have lost anything in the last few months/years please contact the Clerk with a description. If the items are not claimed by the end of March 2024, they will be disposed of.

COMPETITION WINNERS - A prize has still not been claimed for the last dog competition - it was for a dog named Diamond.

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NEW DEFIBRILLATORS

The Parish Council was very pleased to donate towards the fund set up by the Printers Arms to get a public defibrillator installed and this is what happened!

"Due to the exceptional generosity of all, we have managed to purchase not one but two, publicly accessible defibrillators for the community. One outside the Printer's Arms on Chapel Lane and one outside the Wheatsheaf Hotel on Spendmore Lane. I would like to thank the following:

- Everyone who donated to the fund raiser.
- Everyone who sold or bought a calendar.
- Exceptional effort by the girls in Taylor Maid.
- Dave Livesey and his team from Collingwood Electrical for installing the devices.
- Janet and staff from the Printers Arms for supporting the lads.
- Lastly the non-calendar boys themselves, without them this would never have happened.

"THE BOYS DONE GOOD" Steve Simm.

Since the above happened, the Parish Council received match funding to provide a further three defibrillators in the village. The match funding was provided by London Hearts. They are being positioned as follows:

- The new Village Hall, Chapel Lane
- AW Fire in the centre of the village (opposite the Co-op)
- The Spar Shop on Spendmore Lane

Many thanks to the Spar Shop and to AW Fire for allowing the defibs to be placed on their properties. Thanks also to Phil from AW Fire for undertaking the installation in conjunction

To obtain the access code, please dial 999 and follow their instructions

- A.W. Fire **(PUBLIC)** Spendmore Lane (opposite the co-op)
- Birkacre Garden Centre (PUBLIC) New Road
- Coppull British Legion, Springfield Road
- Coppull Clinic, Springfield Road
- Coppull Conservative Club (PUBLIC) Spendmore Lane
- Coppull Parish School, Roe Hey Drive
- Coppull Primary School, Park Road
- Coppull United Football Club, Springfield Road
- Coppull Village Hall (PUBLIC) Chapel Lane
- Screentek (PUBLIC) Chapel Lane Business Park
- Spar Shop (PUBLIC) Spendmore Lane
- Springfield Park Leisure Centre
- St. John's School, Preston Road
- St. Oswald's Primary School, Spendmore Lane
- The Printers Arms (PUBLIC) Chapel Lane
- Tree Face Cafe, Yarrow Valley Park
- Wheatsheaf Public House (PUBLIC) Spendmore Lane
- If you know of any other locations in or around Coppull, please inform the Clerk to update the list.

PICNIC IN THE PARK 9 JUNE 2024 AND THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY

There are quite a few events being held on and around the date of this anniversary, 6 June 2024.

On the actual day, Thursday 6 June, a service is to take place at the memorial at St. John's Church. This will commence at 8.45pm and a beacon will be lit to commemorate the anniversary, in conjunction with other beacons which will be lit around the country. The service will end at 9.30pm. There will be a piper and poems will be read out. Schools and local clubs will be joining in and everyone is welcome.

On Saturday 8 June, 12:00 to 17:30, there will be a D-Day event at the Royal British Legion clubhouse on Springfield Road North. There will be vintage vehicles, militaria stalls, 1940s/war re-enactors, produce stalls and fun activities for the children. The event is going to be both inside and outside the RBL Clubhouse with a selection of stalls, live music, vehicles and a fairground attraction. The Vicar of St. John's Church will be saying a prayer at the end of the event



6th June 2024 St John the Divine Parish Church



From 8:45pm til 9:30pm

LAMP LIGHT OF PEACE

COME AND JOIN US

nationwide Beacon lighting to commemorate
So years since D- Day.
This ceremony is to symbolise the light Emerging from the shadows of war.
We will be remembering those members of the Army, Nauy, Air Force
And civilian services who gave their all for their country.
So let's bring the community together and let's all light a candle of peace.

Bagpiper will start the service as they did on that very day the troops marched onto the beach. Readings, prayers and tributes will be done by members of the community. At 9:15pm the beacon of light will be lit in a nationwide ceremony of remembrance throughout

The UK and Other Allied Forces Worldwide.



Provided by Community veterans events team

On Sunday 9 June, the Parish Council is again holding the annual Picnic in the Park which will be loosely themed around the anniversary of D-Day.

This will commence at 12 noon until 6.00 pm and, as in past years, there will be lots of free activities for the children. Just bring along a picnic and enjoy a virtually free afternoon of fun and games.

There will be bouncy castles, a children's entertainer, Coppull & Standish Brass Band and the Youth Band, the Samba Band, Party Animals (petting farm), and much more! If anyone would like to volunteer to help on the day, please get in touch with the Clerk.

SNOWMAN FESTIVAL and

What a wonderful display of snowmen we had all around the village and a selection of them are shown below. There were too many to put in!

Thanks go to Mary Russell for organising the event in conjunction with the Parish Council. The event culminated in the first proper Christmas Lights Switch-on. The Frosty the Snowman switched on the lights and everyone enjoyed a mulled wine and mince pie, with sweets and drinks for the children.

Make a note in your diary for this year - Switch on event on Friday 29 November 2024, followed by the Snowman Festival, Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December 2024. Photos courtesy of Sheila Southern and the Parish Council.

















CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON





















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Coppull Library offers regular events and activities for all ages. In addition, we often have exciting one-off events. Here is a selection of some upcoming events. Please contact the library or the Friends of Coppull Library Facebook page for more information.

Creative Libraries with Lancashire Adult Learning - Starting Friday 23 February 9:30 – 11.45am - Explore your creative side with this 4 week course. Places limited, booking essential.

Mebs: My Life and My Career with Lancashire Constabulary - Presented by The Friends of Coppull Library - Saturday 24 February 11am – 12:30pm. Mebs is back with his fascinating talk all about his humble start to a successful career. No need to book, just turn up.

Winter Help Event with Tracy from Jigsaw Homes and The Friends of Coppull Library - Thursday 29 th February 10am. This popular help event is back with local partners offering advice and support to see you through the winter months. No need to book, just turn up.

World Book Day Story Time Special Thursday 7 th March 10:30am. We will be celebrating World Book Day with stories, songs and crafts. Feel free to dress up as your favourite book character or come as you are! No need to book, just turn up.

Dom Conlon for British Science Week - Presented by The Friends of Coppull Library - Saturday 16 th March 10:30am. Join Dom Conlon, celebrated author of the Meet Matilda series, on a journey to the Moon. How far will it be? Are we there yet? How fast will we travel? ARE WE THERE YET? From how the Moon was formed to how important it is for life on Earth, this event will be out of this world! No need to book, just turn up.

Railways Around Chorley with Steve Williams - Presented by The Friends of Coppull Library - Tuesday 19 March 5:30pm – 7pm. The Lancashire market town was well served with by railways until the 1960s. This talk is very much in the now and then format with many never seen before photographs. No need to book, just turn up.

Easter Fair - Presented by The Friends of Coppull Library - Saturday 23 March 9:30am – 12pm. Are you a local crafter? Would you like a stall at our Easter Fair? £10 a stall and a donation of a raffle prize politely requested. Come along on the day for free children's crafts, refresments and wonderful local crafts to buy.

Easter Holidays 2024 - Stuck for something to do with the children in the holidays? Did you know the library has a selection of games and jigsaws to use and keep them happy? Just turn up!

Are you looking for a volunteer role?

The Friends of Coppull Library (FoCL) are a group of friendly and enthusiastic volunteers who would like you to join them! They help to raise funds which support events and activities in the library benefiting the whole community. They meet once a



month on a Saturday morning (with a brew and biscuits), but you dont need to attend these regularly or at all. Examples of the types of volunteering done on an ad hoc basis are:

- Serving refreshments at events
- Helping in the library garden
- Attending monthly meetings and making decisions about events and projects
- Coming up with new and exciting ideas!
- Making posters to advertise events
- Liaising with local businesses
- And much, much more!

In particular, FoCL would love to recruit a volunteer Treasurer to keep a track of project spending. If you have a little time to spare, please contact the library on 0300 123 6703 or the Friends of Coppull Library Facebook page and you will receive a warm welcome!



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- PCSO 7932 Maria Fetherstone 7932@ lancashire.police.uk PCSO 7828 - Julie Belshaw
- **7828@** lancashire.police.uk

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Coppull Parish Council meetings are held in the meeting room at the Leisure Centre on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, with Management & Finance committees meetings now convening as and

when necessary.
The two notice boards are - Berry's Garden, Chapel Lane, near The Printers Arms, and in front of the Library. There is also a new smaller notice board at the entrance to the Leisure Centre. Agendas are posted in all the notice boards, in the Leisure Centre and also on the Parish Council website.

Please contact the Clerk if you wish to attend a meeting, as there is very limited room.

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