CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



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Parish Council Updates

Police and Neighbourhood Watch
Just a reminder that Crawley is a NO cold calling zone (NCCZ) – this means that there should not be any cold callers at all in the village and you may remind callers of this. The Police are notified if businesses break this rule by your NHW coordinator (NCCZ Locations are listed on the HCC site so businesses should check this).
Unfortunately, Rural Crime remains a concern – if you see anything / anyone suspicious in and around our farms or in the village do call 101 or 999 as appropriate.
SGN are undertaking night time surveys to identify gas leaks. This has just commenced and will run through to mid-summer 2027. We do not have exact dates for Crawley but don't be too alarmed if you see a SGN van in the village at night.
NEW to the village ? want regular NHW updates? Contact Alison Carey : alisonmc96@yahoo.com

Crawley Village Library
Next opening Friday 2nd October at 3 pm and this winter we will be sticking with the afternoon opening times so…. November 6th and December 4th. All welcome.

Churchyard Tidy
The parish councillors carried out a 'tidy' of the churchyard on the morning of 12th September. They cut down a dead tree, removed ivy, cut down and removed grass and weeds.

Village Pond
The much-needed recent rain has improved the water level of the pond. The grant of £1k from the Three Maids AD Plant Community Benefit Fund grant has now been received. This will enable the pond improvement project to commence soon. The Parish Council will also be supplying some funding towards this project.

Winchester City Council – Local Plan
Following the adoption of our Winchester District Local Plan in March of this year, WCC is now preparing their next Local Plan.
The Government has changed the timeline and process for the preparation of new Local Plans, and now require them to be prepared within a 30-month timescale, following defined stages

The first stage is a scoping consultation. This is the very first step in preparing the Local Plan 2044 The consultation is asking for views on the main issues the plan should address, such as housing, the environment, infrastructure and climate change which have been informed by the Government's updated National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in August 2026. It runs from 18 September until 23.59 on 09 October 2026.

This first stage consultation is a technical document primarily aimed at organisations such as National Highways, the Environment Agency and other councils, although anyone is welcome to respond.

Commenting at this stage -
Please be aware, that this stage does not include locations of future housing or employment sites - these will be considered at a later stage of the plan preparation process and will be prepared with full public consultation. You can comment here -
https://localplan.winchester.gov.uk/local-plan-2026-2044

Hampshire County Council
The Crisis and Resilience Fund (CRF) is a UK government funding scheme running from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029 to support low-income households facing financial crises. The CRF will provide needs-based support with essentials such as food, energy, housing costs and essential transport related costs as well as money and budgeting advice to help people manage their finances and avoid future problems.

Hampshire County Council is working in partnership with Citizens Advice to deliver an interim scheme to enable individuals, if eligible, to be able to access support. A longer-term scheme will be available from later this year. https://citahants.org/crisis-resilience-fund/

Grant towards cost of moving from oil heating -
A £9,000 government grant is available through the Apply for the Boiler Upgrade Scheme: Overview - GOV.UK to switch to an air-source or ground-source heat pump. The Boiler Upgrade Scheme (BUS): The off-grid grant sits at £9,000 (increased from £7,500) for homes fully replacing fossil fuel systems like oil boilers. This enhanced rate is available for installations running until 31 March 2027.

Online Newsletter and other Parish Council communications
The Parish Clerk would like to set up a new village e-mail distribution list. If you would like to receive Parish Council communications such as the newsletter by e-mail, please email clerk@crawley-hampshire.org.uk. Many thanks.
The hard copy will continue to be delivered in the Parish Magazine for the moment.

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Meetings dates
The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 16th November 2026 @ 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Members of the Parish Council and their responsibilities

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