

BISHOPSTOKE PARISH COUNCIL PRESS RELEASE – SEPTEMBER 2017

Bishopstoke Carnival

We would like to thank all the people who made Bishopstoke Carnival possible this year, from those who helped put it together throughout the year, to those who turned up on the weekend and made it such a successful event. The river floats and duck races were really enjoyable and despite the weather we still managed to have the parade and a full selection of stalls and entertainment on the meadow. There has been a lot of positive feedback from the people who came and we are all eagerly looking forward to next year.

Carnival Street Collection

This year the Carnival Street Collection raised £380.00, all of which has to be given to local organisations and charities. This year there were five applications – Age Concern, Bishopstoke Community Association, Unshakeables +, Friends of Stoke Park Junior School and ARK Eastleigh. The Parish Council agreed to top the amount up by a further £575 so that each organisation could receive the amount they applied for. We look forward to hearing how the money is put to good use.

Parish Council Grants

Along with all the responsibilities that the Parish Council has, it is also able to give grants to local groups and organisations. The latest grant of £1,640 has been awarded to the Bishopstoke Memorial Hall to help with various maintenance costs.

Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour

Recently there have been a number of incidents of vandalism and anti-social behaviour. These cost the Parish Council quite a lot of money and time in organising clearance and repairs. We would like to encourage all residents to report such incidents whenever they occur. The police are always collecting data about where incidents are happening to allow them to better target their patrols and resources, so please help us help them.

Armistice day

This year the 11th November falls on a Saturday. As usual the Parish Council will be involved in a commemoration service at the Memorial Hall. Please see the website for further details

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be the AGM on Tuesday 24 October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Parish Council Office, Riverside, Bishopstoke.

For further information, please contact the Parish Clerk: David Hillier-Wheal on 02380 643428; email: bishopstoke.pc@btconnect.com or visit the Parish website at: www.bishopstokepc.uk