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Bishopstoke Carnival

Bishopstoke Carnival is hosting a Scavenger Hunt on Glebe Meadow at 3pm on Sunday 21st August. Tickets will be available online or on the day. The hunt will be following an “Eco” theme – the theme for Carnival this year.

The Carnival itself takes place on Sunday 11th September and will feature the River Float competition at 10:00am by Bishy Beach, Duck Races from 11:15am, also at Bishy Beach, and the usual array of stalls, games and entertainment from Noon on Glebe Meadow itself.

Please come along and support your local Carnival and if you feel you can help out in any way either in the planning stages or just on the day itself we would love to hear from you. Carnival is run by a smaller group of people every year and every extra person makes a huge difference so please get in touch if you would like to help.

Play Area trail

The first of the Bishopstoke Parish Council Village Trails is almost ready. We are putting plaques featuring various animals in each of our play areas. There will be a booklet given out to local school children, and also available to download from the website, with a bit of information on each play area – including where they are – and with enough space to do a pencil rubbing of each plaque in the various play areas, Bring your completed booklet to Carnival on Sunday 11th September to claim a prize.

Vacancy – Assets Officer

Bishopstoke Parish Council has a vacancy for an Assets Officer. The post is 30 hours per week and involves managing Bishopstoke Cemetery and being responsible for inspections of all the Council’s assets. It does involve outdoor work in all weathers so please bear that in mind when applying. For further details and an application pack please contact the Clerk or visit the website at www.bishopstokepc.org.

Hampshire County Council – funding for school transport for children with SEND

County, Borough and Parish Councillor Louise Parker-Jones reported to the Parish Council at its last meeting that the children and young people select committee had met and agreed to cut funding for the home-to-school service for SEND children. Bishopstoke Parish Council is hugely disappointed in this decision as it removes a vital support system for some of those in most need, and in particular will affect residents of Bishopstoke. This is being discussed further at a meeting at Hampshire County Council on the 28th July at 2:30pm. If you want to comment you can do so by emailing members.services@hants.gov.uk.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 13th September at 7.30pm.
For details of where the meeting will take place and any other information please visit the Parish website.

For further information, please contact the Parish Clerk: David Wheal by email: clerk@bishopstokepc.org or visit the Parish website at: www.bishopstokepc.org