

## CDC REPORT TO PARISH COUNCILS FOR NOVEMBER 2022

### Chichester Youth Connections Service

This service has been set up in response to the negative impact of the coronavirus on young people. It supports young people who live or go to school in the district who are lonely or isolated or lacking in self-confidence and unable to connect to others. There is a counselling service: advice on careers, money or housing, or activities in a new interest, eg. Sports or the arts. Young people can access this in 6 or 8 sessions. If you know anyone between the ages of 13 and 19 who may benefit from help please email the team at: [chichesteryouthconnections@chichester.gov.uk](mailto:chichesteryouthconnections@chichester.gov.uk).

### Supporting You team

As part of the Supporting You campaign, from 1 November a new team will provide holistic support for those who are struggling with the rise in the cost of living. Contact is [supportyou@chichester.gov.uk](mailto:supportyou@chichester.gov.uk) or call 01243 534860.

### Xmas Parking in Chichester

There will be free parking in the Ave de Chartres car park after 4 p.m. for the Xmas lights switch-on on 26 November and for the late night shopping events on Thursdays 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December. The 'one hour free parking when selecting two hours' by using MiPermit will be reintroduced to apply throughout the district.

### Environmental matters

CDC recently resolved to join WSCC's concession contract for the planning and deployment, service and maintenance of electric vehicle charging points across West Sussex. The provider for this is Connected Kerb who will be looking at where to install the EVCPs and has already proposed 15 locations within Chichester District, with an emphasis on providing EVCPs close to residential dwellings that do not have access to off-street parking.

CDC has recently acquired 2 electric vehicles and 2 electric bikes for staff to use on work-related journeys. One of the bikes is folding to enable it to be taken on the train or in a car to be used in a different locality. The office-based vehicles are to encourage staff to use public transport to get to work.

### Neutrality Mitigation

In October the planning committee resolved to enter into a legal agreement with a local landowner and SDNPA to deliver a mitigation scheme to offset the building of 150 units of accommodation, in order to achieve neutral development (which does not cause harm to Chichester harbour as a result of nitrogen being discharged into the harbour). It is hoped that entering into this scheme will help to determine applications that have been held up by the need to demonstrate nutrient neutrality.

### Contract Services

Bottle tops can now be recycled at home. WSCC have announced that plastic bottle manufacturers have changed the type of plastic which means it is easier for CDC to collect and recycle bottle tops so long as the tops are placed back on the bottles. NB No loose lids in recycling smaller than that of a jam jar. Loose lids clog up the machinery and get lost. For what can and can't be recycled visit <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/land-waste-and-housing/waste-and-recycling-and-waste-prevention-in-west-sussex/a-to-z-of-recycling>.