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LYTCHETT MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

Rocket Park

The new roundabout has been installed in Rocket Park and is easily accessible to all being at ground level. There is also a new access gate and new soft flooring surrounding the roundabout. Unfortunately, the flooring has some defects so the installer will be returning early in September to replace it.

The main work will be In October and will be a more comprehensive upgrade of the Rocket Park play equipment. We will have more details of the next adventure in September. Meanwhile, preparatory work will start with removing the rocks in the toddler end to make space.

The Route To The Manor

The Parish Council were surprised to see Dorset Council Highways Dept create a series of pedestrian safety refuges along Foxhills Road. Disappointingly we were not consulted on this, but is part of their insistence that the best and safest pedestrian and cycle route to Lytchett Minster School (The Manor) is down Foxhills and then the path through the wooded area to Post Green.

The prospect of more houses at that end of the village will only create more traffic on Foxhills Road, making the road section of the route more dangerous. The refuges are being built as a result of traffic having no passing points and wearing away the side of the road and creating deeper ruts alongside the tarmac. Highway's solution is building pedestrian refuges and not passing points for cars. These would slow traffic down and provide a benefit for all road users, something we will take up with Highways.

Lytchett Matravers Flower, Craft & Produce Show

The Parish Council would like to congratulate the organisers of the Flower, Craft & Produce Show for yet another successful show. This year marked the 150th anniversary of it first being held. Long may it continue.

Pétanque/Boules

The Parish Council installed two pitches for pétanque or boules a few years ago. It's a very simple game. Who ends up nearest the jack, the small target ball. The wonderful weather has brought out more people playing on the balmy evenings. It's free, fun and sociable. Give it a go!

Parish Council Vacancy

At the time of writing, we still have 2 vacancies for Parish Councillor, so do please contact the Parish Clerk to find out more about this role. It only takes a few hours per week and is a direct way to participate and help in your community and is so rewarding. Why not come along to one of our meetings to hear how it works, or call our Clerk or any Councillor if you have questions.

Parish Council Meetings

Our next Finance & General Purposes meeting is on September 9th at 7pm, and the next Full Council meeting is on September 23rd at 7pm, both in the Blanchard Room at the Village Hall. Agendas are published online and reports are available from the Parish Clerk. All our meetings begin with a public participation session. That is open to any resident who wishes to raise an issue, express and opinion or ask a question. So please come along, it's your village.

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Chair, Lytchett Matravers Parish Council

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