

Churchill Gardens Newsletter

July 2018

In this quarterly newsletter, we have included articles from people who are really involved in your community.

They make a difference and bring the community together. There are many things you can get involved in, so don't be shy.

Be a part of this vibrant, diverse, friendly and enthusiastic community.

The Friends of Churchill Gardens



'The Friends of Churchill Gardens' is a friendly and community-minded group bringing people together in our neighbourhood from all walks of life. With the weather so nice at the moment, we are beginning to see the fruits of our labour down at the community allotment in Churchill Gardens, which is run and cared for by members of the community.



We currently have 4 raised beds for growing fruits and vegetables, and when ready, **anyone** can 'pick a portion' for themselves or their family. Some of us meet regularly and even though some of our members can't commit to regular meetings' they still like to be involved by planting, watering and weeding whenever they have time to spare. The project is open 24 hours 7 days a week, in order to be flexible for everyone from the morning Lark to the night Owl in us. Why not come down, have a look, get involved if you like, maybe try something grown locally with your dinner.

Follow the activities of 'The Friends of Churchill Gardens' on Facebook



Boscombe People Project.

Free Weekly Health Walks

Tuesday 2pm

Meet at JOY café for a leisurely stroll.

No need to book, just turn up.

Wear comfortable shoes and clothing and bring along a bottle of water.

Walking is a great way to improve your health and meet new people.

Free Family Football Sessions

Tuesday 5pm

A fun family football skills and coaching session.

Suitable for parents/grandparents and children to play together.

Free Adults Football

Friday 6pm

Join in on a weekly knockabout.

Brush up on your footy skills, get a bit more exercise in to your week, and meet new people.

We can also offer you coaching qualifications – just let us know if this is of interest to you.

Pick up a leaflet from the Joy Cafe



The Joy Cafe

Hello from the Joy Café.

We're loving summer and are now open Tues to Fri 8.45am-4.30pm
& Sat 11.00am-3.00pm.

Pop over for a coffee & bacon bap, summer smoothie, super salad,
avocado bagel or homemade cake!

You'll always get a warm welcome from our friendly team.

On Thursday's we have free bike repairs, Fri 3.30pm-4.15pm a kids dance
workshop kicks off .



Communal Bins Trial

Bournemouth Borough Council has been trialling communal street bins in Churchill, Borthwick and Walpole Roads. This is the largest trial of communal street bins we have carried out in Bournemouth and 3 months on we are still adjusting the service. We had so many people wanting to recycle, since the trial began we have increased the collections from once a fortnight to twice a week, so thank you everyone! As we are still making changes it was felt that the bins have not had sufficient time to settle in and so the trial has been extended to 6 months.

In the meantime, before a decision is made as to whether the communal bins should become permanent, we want to know what the residents of Churchill Gardens think.

Feedback forms can be collected from Joy Café or by emailing recycle@bournemouth.gov.uk

If you use the garden waste or food collection service, please continue to use these in the same way you did before, collections are on a Tuesday. If you experience any problems with these collections you can check and report these at www.bournemouth.gov.uk/missedbin

To find out more about communal bins please visit: www.bournemouth.gov.uk/communalbins

Operation Galaxy

Operation Galaxy is ceasing in its current form and a wider Targeted Enforcement project is being launched in August 2018. We will still be keeping the name Operation Galaxy, however, the area covered will be much wider and will include other electoral wards such as Eastcliff and Springbourne. Phase Two of Operation Galaxy, which targeted houses in multiple occupation, has had a significant amount of success to include:

- Investment to properties in the target area of over £100,000.
- Over 300 formal enforcement actions taken to include anti-social behaviour, accumulation and disrepair action.
- Around 200 support referrals made to partner agencies to improve the quality of life of those living in the area.

Churchill Gardens has obviously been a significant focus for us in the last year and I am pleased with the gradual improvement to properties. Some works are still ongoing and we will continue to liaise with owners over these, and also the installations of the front boundary walls to eligible properties.

The recent Boscombe Opinion Survey shows resident satisfaction for living in Boscombe has risen from 61% in 2015 to 80% in 2017, higher than the Bournemouth average.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the local residents, owners and landlords for your engagement with the project to date and hopefully we can continue the improvements as we move into the new Targeted Enforcement Project.

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