

Aldwick Parish Council Newsletter – February 2022



Recycling



We're all used to recycling our paper and cardboard, but do you really know what items can and can't be put in your bin? For instance, wet cardboard is a no-no as it clogs up the machinery. West Sussex Council have handy reminders on their website, but here are the main points:

You *can* recycle: Plastic pots, tubs and trays (any colour, including black plastic); Card (corrugated and non-corrugated); Newspapers, magazines and other recyclable paper; Shampoo and shower gel bottles; Glass bottles and jars; Cans and aerosols.

It's also really important you make sure your recycling is: CLEAN - free from food and drink leftovers - a quick rinse will do. DRY - keep your recycling bin lid shut – and LOOSE – not tied up in plastic bags. You *can't* recycle shredded paper; Paper towels or tissues; Plastic bags and film; Pet food pouches; Food or crisp packets and more. Go to the West Sussex website – Recycling - for a handy flyer to print and keep on your fridge.

Small change - Planning responses from Arun....

If you've applied for planning permission in the past months, you'll have noticed that Arun is no longer posting out its responses to you, the applicant. Instead, responses will be made by email or sent to the appointed agent. If you don't have an email or an agent, you should receive a letter. The quickest way to check a response is via the Arun website where decisions will appear soon after they are made.

.....to no change -Aldwick Parish Council – proud to save on your behalf.



The precept (the amount allocated to individual parish councils from district funding) that Aldwick Parish Council has requested for the year 2022/23 is the same as last year and we're proud that our parish council represents excellent value for Aldwick residents.

Plant a tree to honour Her Majesty the Queen



Arun District Council has released its tree planting strategy for 2021 to 2031 with an emphasis on sustainability, mitigation of climate change and a 'right tree in the right place' policy. Six trees will be planted by the council in West Park this year; they are four hawthorn (*Crataegus Laevigata*), one Hop Hornbeam (*Ostrya Carpinifolia*) and one Wild Service Tree (*Sorbus Torminalis*). As this month marks the Queen's platinum anniversary, why not plant your own tree in commemoration? There are suitable trees for small gardens or even balconies. Plenty of websites will offer advice, but you might like to start

with: <https://www.rhs.org.uk/plants/types/trees/smaller-gardens>