# The Big Nibble is back Tuck in!

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## Calling all food and drink lovers!

The Horsham District Food and Drink Festival is back. Four weeks of fantastic food events, offers and promotions on your doorstep.



## On your marks... with The Big Nibble

Once again the Big Nibble food celebration weekend will launch the month long district food festival this year on **Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 September** in Horsham town centre. The festival will then run for a further four weeks with special offers and foodie events across the whole district.

#### Have a nibble on Saturday Horsham town centre from 9am to 5pm:

- The Little Nibble Children's Food Festival returns to the Forum for those with smaller mouths to feed and entertain
- Lots of competitions, side shows and much more...

#### Have a nibble on Sunday Horsham town centre and district from 10am to 4pm:

- Food from around the world prepared for you by Horsham's best restaurants in East Street and surrounding areas at the International Food Festival
- Events and special offers across the district's market towns

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• Free vintage bus tours across the whole district recreated from the 60s and 70s

#### Nibble all weekend Horsham town centre, Saturday and Sunday:

- A huge festival street food and produce market will fill the Carfax and surrounding streets
- Live cookery theatre from top chefs and local producers throughout both days
- Horsham Beer Trail around the town, starting at Hepworth's Bar in the Carfax.

For more information visit **www.thebignibble.co.uk**.





# Keep nibbling all month

After the Big Nibble launch Weekend, the Horsham District Food and Drink Festival continues throughout September and into October.

If you love your food and drink and care about supporting local business, then this year's festival holds many delicious treats in store for you and promises to be a feast of flavours for all tastes.

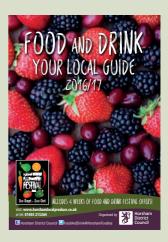
Now in its 14th year, the successful festival promotes all that is good about the district's food and drink businesses. With over 120 varied suppliers taking part, from food retailers, farmers and farm shops to restaurants, cafes and bars all showcasing their delicious wares, you will be spoiled for choice.

Thanks must go to this year's Festival Guide sponsors and media partners – Bangers Galore, Federation of Small Businesses, Horsham Publications, District Post and West Sussex County Times.

#### Don't forget your Local Food and Drink Guide 2016/17

To enjoy the best of what's on offer and benefit from all the special discounts and promotions, you will need this year's Local Food and Drink Guide. This is available to download now online at **www. horshamlocalproduce.co.uk** and from all participating local businesses, leisure, arts and cultural venues, as well as direct from the council.

To find out more or to receive your Local Food and Drink Guide please email **business.** development@horsham. gov.uk.



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## Horsham to host Sussex Street Food Award finalists

Horsham's Carfax, the home of great street food and award winning markets, is honoured to be hosting the Sussex Street Food Awards this year on Sunday 23 October.

The 10 most nominated street food vendors in the county will be vying for visitors' taste buds and votes. The street food community in our district is thriving and to be hosting these awards is a real tribute to our markets.

The Sussex Street Food Awards were launched in 2014, grounded in the belief that "Food to Go" is some of the tastiest food to eat.

Look out for more details at www.foodrockssouth. co.uk.



### Let's hear it for Henfield!

Great news that the market town of Henfield is hosting its own food and drink festival for the first time this year. The festival, named Henfood, will take place on Saturday 10 September and will involve a whole day of entertainments and street food, showcasing the very best the town has to offer. Local shops have also organised a food inspired treasure hunt around the town.



# Explore the food flavours of Steyning

Once again this year Steyning has organised its own 'Festival within a Festival'. The Stevning and District Food and Drink Festival ties in neatly with the districtwide festival, and this year it is bigger than ever. With its quaint tea houses offering baked delights, its pub walks, best allotment competition and celebrity author dinner and much more besides, there is something for all ages and tastes and it is most definitely worth a visit. For a full programme of events visit www.steyningdistrictfood drinkfestival.co.uk

Both Henfield and Steyning have their own sections in this year's Local Food and Drink Guide so don't forget to get your own copy for more details, or go to www. horshamlocalproduce. co.uk.

# Vote for your favourite local food and drink providers!



Once again Horsham district businesses feature strongly in the list of finalists for this year's Sussex Food & Drink Awards.





The awards recognise and support Sussex farmers, food and drink producers and the businesses which sell and promote their produce in the local market place. This year is the 11th year of the awards and the finalists in various categories were announced at a special 'Big Reveal' event on Monday 4 July at Ridgeview Wine Estate, Ditchling.

Our 2016 finalists are: A C Coughtrey Butchers (Pulborough), New Street Butchers (Horsham), Seriously Real (Pulborough), Charlie's Farm Shop (Bury), Dyke Farm Shop (Pulborough), Swains Farm Shop (Henfield), Horsham Local Produce Market, Pulborough Farmers Market, Steyning Farmers Market, Firebird Brewing Company (Rudgwick), Nyetimber Vineyard (West Chiltington), Silly Moo Cider (Cowfold), Stopham Vineyard (Pulborough), The Countryman Inn (Shipley), Steyning Butchers (Steyning), Albourne Estate (Albourne) and Wobblegate (Bolney).



Don't miss out on your chance to support local businesses – VOTE NOW! www. sussexfoodawards.biz.

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# Taking a look at licensing

The council's Environmental Health team works to protect and improve your safety and health, safeguarding where you work, what you eat and the environment around you. The team's licensing and registration function is responsible for issuing licences and permits for a wide range of activities.

Regulating through licensing enables the council to protect public safety and animal welfare by setting and maintaining standards expected of licence holders.

For further information about our licensing services and how we work to protect the public's health and safety, contact Environmental Health Services by email at environmental. services@horsham.gov.uk, or search licensing at www. horsham.gov.uk.

## An A-Z of our licensing service to the public:

From acupuncturists to zoo owners, they all need a licence to legally carry out their work.



## Tattoo hygiene award launched

This year, the council's team implemented "The Tattoo Hygiene Rating Scheme" – a national award to ensure safe and consistent standards in tattoo parlours. Since launching the scheme four tattoo studios in the Horsham district have achieved the top four star rating and one has achieved the three star rating.



Four tattoo studios in Horsham district have achieved the top four ... star rating.

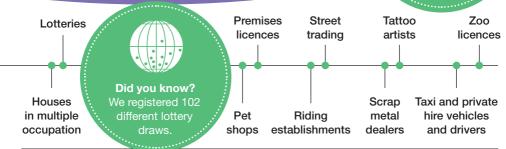
Did you know? We issued 260 taxi/private hire driver licences in the past year.

# Proactive training for taxi drivers

Our team promotes good practice and earlier in 2016, they teamed up with the national charity Barnardo's to provide free training for taxi and private hire drivers on the prevention of child sexual exploitation. The training helps drivers to recognise the signs and dangers of child sexual exploitation and know how to respond to suspected cases. We are also looking to enable taxi drivers to be dementia friendly, to recognise the signs of dementia in their passengers and be able to tailor their service accordingly.

> Did you know? In the past year we issued one zoo icence.

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# Reducing vehicle emissions and cutting costs

The council has recently been awarded substantial funding towards the cost of providing electric vehicles to help us drive down carbon emissions in the district.

The funds were awarded by the Government's Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV).

The low emission vehicles have been leased by the council for use by staff whose jobs involve business travel. Electric charge points for each of the three vehicles have also been provided as a result of the funding. We took delivery of the vehicles and new charging points in May 2016.

The use of these vehicles reduces air pollution and very much supports the council's commitment to being at the forefront of environmental innovations in transport.

These vehicles will also be cheaper to run than the internal combustion engine equivalents, so it's a win, win all round. The council is one of only 19 local authorities across the country to receive the OLEV funding as part of the Government's Low Emission Vehicle Readiness Programme.

# New car park options for local commuters

#### Myrtle Lane Car Park, Billingshurst

The council has recently opened a new long stay car park in Myrtle Lane, Billingshurst in response to demand from residents and commuters.

Myrtle Lane Pay and Display Car Park is just a short walk from Billingshurst train station and provides 33 new parking spaces in the village. The car park is a 24 hour car park which can accommodate commuters parking from Monday to Friday. Customers are able to buy season tickets for £150 a quarter or £600 a year. For day commuters there is a pay and display machine with a day charge of £3.50.

#### Park View Car Park, Hurst Road, Horsham

September 2016 sees a new car park opening in Hurst Road, Horsham, on the site of the former ambulance station. Ideal for commuters, the Park View Car Park is available to season ticket holders only and offers 21 spaces with one additional disabled parking bay.

The new car park will be open from 8am to 6pm from Monday to Saturday and season tickets are available at £210 a quarter or £840 a year.



For further information or to buy a season ticket please call Parking Services on 01403 215452 or email parking@horsham.gov.uk.



Pictured: Myrtle Lane Car Park is officially declared open: *left to right* Horsham District Council's Parking Performance and Marketing Officer, Charlotte Burnside, Senior Asset Manager, John Loxley, Cabinet Member for the Local Economy Cllr Gordon Lindsay, Cllr Kate Rowbottam (Billingshurst and Shipley) and Thakeham Homes Technical Director, Clive Canning, Marketing Director, Pippa Bugby and Head of Marketing and Sales, Donna Spencer.



### Highlights coming up at The Capitol



#### **A PARTY TO MURDER**

A Halloween murder mystery game comes to an unexpected and terrifying conclusion. Starring Oliver Mellor (Coronation Street), Natasha Gray (Emmerdale) and Michelle Morris (The Knock).

Thursday 29 September – Saturday 1 October at 7.30pm Saturday matinee at 2.30pm From £20



#### THE THREE DEGREES

Well known for their soulful voices, beautiful gowns, and fabulous stage shows, The Three Degrees are known all around the world for songs including "When will I see you again", "Dirty Ol' Man" and "Take Good Care Of Yourself". The Three Degrees are Helen Scott, Valerie Holiday & Freddie Pool.

Saturday 8 October at 7.30pm From £26



#### **STEELEYE SPAN**

Folk rock pioneers, Steeleye Span, are touring with a new live show. Maddy Prior – the voice of the band – leads a line-up featuring faces old and new. Their 2016 performances will see them perform new gems alongside classics that have made them one of the most successful British Folk Rock bands ever.

Sunday 30 October at 7.30pm £23.50 (Concessions / Friends £22.50)



#### **ROMEO AND JULIET**

Ballet Theatre UK's new production tells the tragic tale of star-crossed lovers with astonishing grace and heart-breaking intimacy.

**Wednesday 18 January 2017 at 7.30pm** £18.50 (Concessions £17.50 / Child £12)

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# What's on diary

You'll be spoilt for choice this autumn and winter with a host of events and activities taking place in Horsham. And the good thing is, they are all free!



Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 September 2016
THE BIG NIBBLE

Food & Drink Festival organised by Horsham District Council.

Huge Local Produce and Street Food Market and Little Nibble Children's Food Festival, Live Cookery Theatre Saturday with Michelin Star chefs, International Food Festival on Sunday and Classic Bus Rally at Hop Oast Depot.



#### Sunday 18 September 2016 BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY

Based in Horsham's Carfax and organised by the Royal Air Forces Association and the council.



#### Wednesday 14 September 2016 HORSHAM DISTRICT JOBS & SKILLS FAIR

Taking place in Horsham's Drill Hall, Denne Road, this event matches local jobs to local people. A great event for jobseekers or those looking for training opportunities.



#### Sunday 2 October 2016 FRENCH MARKET, VINTAGE FAYRE & ASTON MARTIN OWNERS CLUB

Organised by Horsham Markets and the council. Aston Martin car event in East Street and Market Square.

Traditional French Market, a retro themed fayre and the excitement of James Bond's favourite cars makes it a great Sunday to visit Horsham.



All events and activities are organised by Horsham District Council and partners.

For more information go to www.horsham.gov.uk or check out www.horshamtimewellspent.co.uk.



#### Half Term Week beginning Monday 24 October 2016 HALLOWEEN THEMED FUN FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

A trick or treat town trail, organised by Horsham Rotary and the council.



#### Saturday 17 December 2016 CAROLS & FIREWORKS ON THE FORUM

Taking place on the Forum, Horsham, and organised by Horsham Churches Together and the council.



Sunday 13 November 2016 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Each year the numbers paying their respects in Horsham's Carfax grow. There will be a small display of military vehicles and wartime music on the Bandstand following the service.



#### Tuesday 21 February 2017 HORSHAM CHARITY PANCAKE RACES

Organised by Horsham Rotary and supported by the council and partners, business teams of four compete along with mascots for some coveted trophies in Horsham's Carfax.



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## Welcome to the enchanted forest

A carved owl keeps watch over the play area at Ropeland Way in Horsham which has undergone a fun transformation into an 'enchanted forest'.

> The play area, located within a housing estate in North Horsham, was reopened in June 2016 and provides imaginative play opportunities for families with young children.

Specifically designed for children aged one to eight, the play area has a see-saw, swings and a special 'tree house' with slide and climbing units. Following a leaf and paw print trail leads to a discovery of forest animals and insects, and along the way, giant mushrooms provide resting places under the canopy of an enchanted tree.





"There's never a day when I don't want to come in and get the job done."

> Sam Giacomelli, volunteer

Improve our environment Learn new skills Meet new people

# Valuing our volunteers

"From 17 to 70 – there are no age barriers to countryside volunteering."



The council owns and maintains some 450 hectares of beautiful parks, green spaces and woodlands.

The job of nurturing these natural areas falls to a small team of wardens who admit they would be lost without their army of volunteers to help.

Sam Giacomelli, a 17 year old agriculture student from Chichester College, has been volunteering across all of our various green spaces for almost 12 months and shares a typical day as a volunteer with our Parks and Countryside team:

- "I have always liked being outdoors and am currently working with the council every Monday.
- "Today I've been moving sheep from Chesworth Farm to a new grazing area, which is trickier than you think; health checking some cows, so my agricultural studies came in handy; and felling trees to make more space for heathland to grow.
- "There's never a day when I don't want to come in and get the job done."



David Jessop is the founder member of Horsham's Green Gym and frequently puts his "green army" through their paces as they volunteer twice a week working with the council's wardens.

Sharing his experiences, he tells us:

"I began working with the council fifteen years ago when I retired and later became involved with the Horsham Green Gym.

"I am now 73 but our oldest member is 86 – so age is no barrier to countryside volunteering. All types and ages volunteer – skilled and unskilled – and we are pleased the membership is so varied. We all appreciate belonging to a group with a purpose, meeting friends and making new ones."



Are you looking for a way to make a difference by helping to protect our district's countryside or looking after livestock and wildlife? We'd love to hear from you.

We also organise group and company team volunteering days.

Call our Volunteer Support Warden Ryan Allison on 01403 256890 or email him at ryan.allison@horsham. gov.uk.

### Volunteering dates for your diary

Thursday 13 October Hazel coppicing and rhododendron removal at Warnham Local Nature Reserve. Meet outside the Café, Warnham Road, RH12 2RA.

#### Thursday 27 October

Half Term MEGABASH at Owlbeech Wood – birch pulling. Meet at the Owlbeech Way play area, RH13 6AW.

#### **Tuesday 20 December**

Holiday holly hacking at Leechpool Wood – Join us at this festive time of year and take home some leafy vegetation to decorate your house! Meet in the Harwood Road car park, RH13 6SG.

#### Thursday 23 February

Half Term MEGABASH at Owlbeech Wood – birch pulling and "nesting pond" creation. Meet at the Owlbeech Way play area, RH13 6AW.

Green Gym sessions run from 10am to 1pm All tools, equipment and training are provided. For more information visit www.horshamgreengym. org.uk.

# THINK before you BIN it!

Nearly 20% of what we're throwing away could instead be recycled in the blue-top bin.

orsham's residents are excellent at recycling and have helped to achieve an impressive 45% recycling rate; the highest in West Sussex.

Despite this success, recent analysis has shown that nearly 20% of what we're throwing away could instead be recycled in the blue-top bin. That's thousands of tonnes of newspapers and magazines, glass, plastic bottles and trays, cartons, tins and more, that is going to landfill instead of being turned into new material, all for the sake of putting it in the right recycling bin.

### Recycle those pots, tubs and trays

Plastic pots, tubs and travs were introduced to the recycling scheme last year but still make up 7% of the items that are being thrown away in the wrong bin instead of aoing into the blue-top bin for recycling. A high number of beverage cans and aerosols are also still being thrown in the wrong bin. Aluminium in particular is extremely carbon-hungry to extract and recycling one can saves the equivalent of running a TV for three hours!

This valuable material is no use to any of us once in landfill. Tin cans can take 50-100 years to decompose and a plastic bottle can take around 450 years!

So we're asking Horsham residents to THINK before they BIN it. Could it instead be recycled?

Remember, if you're unsure, you can order a recycling sticker for FREE by visiting www.horsham.gov.uk/bins/ recycling.



# **'Bulky Bags'** a great new service



The council's newly launched Bulky Bag service offers a new, low cost solution for large household waste.



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#### Call Horsham District Council

When the bag is full and we will collect it from you within one week.

The new service is helping residents to dispose of their large waste using a cheap, easy and reliable alternative to the more costly skip they could hire.

### Items suitable for the bulky bag includes:

- House clearance/furniture
- Tiles and bathroom waste
- Rubble and garden waste
- DIY waste
- Commercial waste

Bags come in three sizes; Medium, Large and Mega. The medium bag can hold up to one tonne of nonhazardous waste, suitable for everyday DIY. Those undertaking larger projects such as bathroom or kitchen refurbishments, or other work that generates heavier waste and rubble, should consider a Large or a Mega bag. These take up to one-anda-half tonnes and are up to three cubic metres in size. Collections will be made up to 20 miles from Horsham town centre. For full terms and conditions please visit our website.

Bags can be ordered online at www.horsham.gov.uk/ bulkybag or by calling 01403 739391.

# Update on your new leisure centre

New plans unveiled for your exciting new multi-million pound leisure centre – improving your health and wellbeing.

Artist's Impression, July 2016



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The council will be investing some £12.3m in the district's largest public dry sport and leisure centre at Broadbridge Heath which will complement our existing facilities in Horsham, Billingshurst and Steyning. This centre will meet both



the needs and future aspirations of the growing community and sports clubs.

This new centre will be developed in Broadbridge Heath next to the site of the existing leisure centre, adjacent to the Indoor Bowls Club. The outdoor running track will be retained to the west of the new centre for the next few years. Five multi-use games areas will be provided, as well as new football pitches, a club house, and an additional skate park. Additional car parking will also be made available.

The current leisure centre will be open throughout the construction process with all services and activities continuing as normal. Subject to final consultations and planning approval, work will start on site in early 2017 and the new centre will open in spring 2018.

Follow the progress on the council's website www.horsham.gov.uk.





## What facilities will be provided?

### Inside the new leisure centre

- a six court sports hall
- an 80-station gym, a cycle studio and three fitness studios
- a café and extended catering facilities
- a sensory room
- changing for indoor and outdoor activity, including a Changing Places disabled changing facility
- a Clip and Climb facility.

## Outside the new leisure centre

The plan will also provide:

- a retained outdoor athletics track
- car parking
- three multi-use games areas.

In conjunction with the Countryside Wickhurst Green development, there will also be:

- football pitches and open recreational space including a changing area and new club house
- a skate park
- two more multi-use games areas.

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## Funding to create new ways of improving community services. We need your views!

#### The council is committed to improving services for our residents.

Tackling the increasing challenges presented by such issues as affordable warmth, lack of digital services and accessing debt and financial advice is key to providing local solutions to local needs, particularly in more isolated locations.

#### **Bid for funding**

A project group is currently working to submit a bid to the Reaching Communities Big Lottery Fund to attract in the region of £500,000 of funding to support a five year project. If successful, the project will work to provide a mobile service across the district, giving enhanced support and advice to residents in these key areas of need.

#### Here's where you come in

As part of our bid to the lottery fund we would like to include the views of our residents on the key areas that we believe need to be improved, not only to support our bid application but also to help us shape the services we need to build. We would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete and submit the following survey which focuses on questions about the four key areas the bid aims to tackle.



### Horsham District Council Community Service Survey



Please share with us your views about key community services and you could **win £100 shopping vouchers**. It should take you no more than five minutes to complete. Thank you.

#### 1. Affordable warmth

Did you cut back on heating your home over the last two years because you could not afford the energy bills?

🔵 Yes



### How would you describe the level of warmth in your home during the winter?

- Too cold and uncomfortable
- About right and comfortable
- Too warm and uncomfortable
- Either too warm or too cold and uncomfortable

If you live in a cold home in the winter does this affect anyone in your household in any of the following ways? (tick as many answers as relevant).

- Made an existing health problem(s) worse
- Brought on a new health problem
- Made me/us feel miserable, anxious or depressed
- Did not feel able to ask friends or family to the house
- Spent as much time as possible away from the house
- Stayed in bed longer to keep warm
- None of the above

#### 2. Debt and financial advice

If you're happy to, please provide information to support your answer to help us plan future services, all answers will be kept anonymous.

**Do you think you make the most of your money?** eg living within your means, having insurance, saving, being a savvy shopper, bank account that suits your needs.

) Yes



#### Do you have a bank account?



O No

Would you like advice on managing your

**money?** eg prioritising bills, making payments to different credit cards, concerned about spending too much on food, shopping, and other bills.





Have you ever applied for a payday loan or borrowed money? (not including from high street banks).

🔵 Yes

() No

#### If Yes, did you apply for a loan to:

- help you get by month to month
- because of an unforeseen circumstance
- both of the above

Do you understand what a credit rating is and how it can have an impact on your options for the future?



🔵 No

#### 3. Health and wellbeing

Do you have concerns over any aspects of your health and wellbeing? If so please state below:

Have you ever accessed a service other than your GP to improve any aspects of your health and wellbeing?



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	I am not convinced of the benefits of the internet		
	I do not feel safe on the internet		
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4. Accessing digital services How confident do you feel about using	Your age:		
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email. (Please tick one).	Is there anyone under the age of 18 living		
Not confident with no skills	with you?		
Not confident with basic skills	Yes No		
Quite confident	Do you:		
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#### Thank you for completing the survey. Please return it to us by 23 September 2016.

#### Post:

#### **Community Development**

Horsham District Council Parkside Chart Way Horsham West Sussex RH12 1RL

#### Email:

community.development@horsham.gov.uk

#### **Online:**

If you have access to the internet the questionnaire can also be completed on the council's website **www.horsham.gov.uk**.

The winner of the prize draw will be notified by **14 October 2016**.



#### **Prize Draw Terms and Conditions:**

- 1. This prize draw is open to Horsham district residents, excluding employees of Horsham District Council and elected members of Horsham District Council and their families.
- 2. Entries must be received by midnight on **23 September 2016**. Proof of posting or sending is not proof of receipt.
- All correctly completed entries will be entered into a prize draw which will take place on 30 September 2016. No photocopies or multiple entries are permitted.
- 4. The prize is £100 shopping vouchers from Horsham town centre. The prize is strictly nontransferable. The prize is not redeemable for cash or exchange. The prize cannot be used in conjunction with any other discounts or special offers.
- 5. The winner will be notified via email or telephone by 14 October 2016.
- 6. To obtain details of the winners please email **contact@horsham.gov.uk** stating the name of the prize draw in the subject heading four weeks after the closing date.
- 7. By entering this prize draw, all entrants consent to the use of their personal data by Horsham District Council for the purposes of the administration of this prize draw and to use your comments for publicity and promotion in the Horsham District News magazine.
- 8. By entering the prize draw each entrant agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions.

# Men's Sheds movement spreads to Horsham

Thanks to support from the council a band of local men have now got together to launch the first Men's Shed project in the district.



O a rally call for venues, members and equipment to get the ball rolling to launch a Men's Sheds movement in our community.

Community Safety and Health and Wellbeing Manager Greg Charman picks up the story: "We are delighted at the response we have had from local residents, with so many of them wanting to get involved and share their skills and also the many kind offers of tools and equipment to support the activity.

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> Greg Charman, Community Safety Manager

In Shipley, a shed is being built at the football ground by the A272 near Dragon's Green. The group in Horsham are yet to secure a home but are in talks with various shed owners.

Local resident Ben Pickstock has taken on the role of leading the Horsham shedders.

Commenting on his new role he said:

- "The enthusiastic response means we now have some 25 men eager to take part.
- "The age range is from midtwenties to mid-seventies,

giving a good mix of energy and experience. In addition to providing a social network, for older men, the Horsham shed will also aim to mentor younger men in their work and family lives."

The idea originally started in Australia in 2006 with the aim of helping older men to get together and have a natter while they tinker with hammers, nails and other boys' toys.

"The age range is from mid-twenties to midseventies, giving a good mix of energy and experience."

> Ben Pickstock, local resident

If you would like to get involved, know of a potential site for the Horsham shed or simply want more information please call Greg Charman on **01403 215124** or go to **www.menssheds.org.uk**.

# Funds on offer to boost your community



Our district is served by many wonderful local community and voluntary groups. These groups work hard to offer lots of opportunities to local people.

The types of support they provide include:

- Holding lunch clubs for older residents
- Running outreach projects for young people
- Supporting local families with disabilities
- Providing creative and sporting opportunities across the district.

These organisations often rely on their hardworking volunteers who give many hours of their own time for the benefit of others.

Horsham District Council's Grants and Funding Officer, Melanie Stowell, is able to give information and advice to these groups and suggest organisations that can give further support, as well as direct you to a number of grants available through different funders.

#### Section 106 funding

Community groups may also wish to consider applying for Section 106 funding. This funding is paid by property developers to use on community infrastructure projects. Funding differs from area to area but can only be used on capital projects.

Recent examples of funding include:

- Village hall enhancements
- New play park equipment
- New sports changing facilities.

If you are a member of a community group or sports group and think you may have a suitable project, please contact Melanie Stowell on **01403 215358** who will be able to give you more information.

For more information please email community. development@horsham. gov.uk or search for community support and funding at www.horsham. gov.uk.

# District Jobs and Skills Fair is back

Local job hunters and employers alike will gather for our second jobs and skills fair on 14 September, hoping to make that perfect match.

ollowing the success of our first Horsham District Jobs and Skills Fair in September last year, employers offering apprenticeships and career opportunities will once again come together to showcase their vacancies and meet with job hunters at the Drill Hall in Horsham on Wednesday 14 September. The Fair, organised by Horsham District Council in partnership with The District Post, Horsham Jobcentre Plus and The College of Richard Collyer will be a great opportunity for those seeking a job, thinking of changing their existing one or considering on the job training through an apprenticeship to meet a wide range of employers eager to recruit and grow their organisations.



#### Improve your job seeking skills

Once again there will be workshops designed to help people improve their employability and job seeking skills. Additionally, employers will have the opportunity to sit down with prospective employees in a separate one to one meeting area and a café space with refreshments will be available to all.

If you're on a quest for that first job, a change of direction or some career advice, or know someone else who might be, this year's Horsham Jobs and Skills Fair may well provide the end of your search and the beginning of your journey to work and a fulfilling career.

For more information contact Leigh Chambers on 01403 215264 or email leigh. chambers@horsham.gov.uk.



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## Community Link Alarm Service

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Community Link alarm pendents can be used inside the home and outdoors.

#### How does it work?

The Community Link Alarm Service provides alarm pendants to Horsham district residents.

If the user needs help they simply press the pendant which connects to our control centre. The control centre staff will then raise the appropriate help.

#### Who is this for?

Most people assume this service is for the elderly, but it can benefit anyone regardless of their age. We look after every age – our youngest customer is 18 years old and our oldest is 103. Residents use the community alarms to help them be more independent "just in case" an incident happens.

If you would like to see how we can help you and your family just call **01403 215230**, email **community. link@horsham.gov.uk** or complete and return the slip below. For more details go to **www.horsham.gov.uk/ communitysupport**.

For a no obligation demonstration or to find out more, send your details to: Community Link Housing Services, Horsham District Council, PO box 106, Horsham, RH12 1BR. Licence No. SEA 6963

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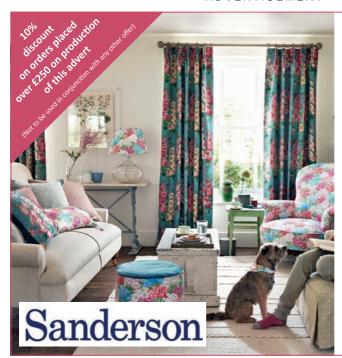
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Longfield Manor
Rapkyns Care Home
Upper Mead

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Care homes for people with learning and/or physical disabilities, neurological conditions, acquired brain injury and autism:

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Woodhurst Lodge	Crawley	01444 401228

STOP PRESS: Brand new purpose built facilities now available to view for anyone wishing to arrange a visit. The service provisions include specialist care facilities for people with acquired brain injury, profound learning and physical disabilities and residential services for people with Autism.

#### Great care starts with great people - are you one of them?

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To find out more about our homes and the services we offer, contact: Corrine Wallace Director of Operations

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### Tackling anti-social behaviour in our district

# Understanding your teenager's behaviour

Many parents find coping with a teenager difficult, but for those who are faced with violent behaviour, verbal abuse, stealing, substance misuse and poor school attendance, life at home can become unbearable and parents are often left feeling unable to cope.

The council provides a number of services to help parents who find themselves in this situation, one of which is the new Understanding Teenage Behaviour course.

Organised by the council's Community Safety team, the course has been designed to empower parents to think about the behaviour of their teenager and manage it through a range of different strategies.



As course facilitator, Denise Campbell explains:

"The course has been put together by a psychologist and uses a cognitive behaviour approach to help parents understand why their child might be acting in a certain way. We then give parents tools for improving communication, setting boundaries and putting in place consequences.

"We find that parents who access the course benefit a lot from being able to share their stories and experiences. Parents feel that they aren't alone and gain the confidence to tackle the issues they are facing."



The next courses are running in November and December 2016. Sessions are free but places are limited. For more information and to book a place please call the council's Anti-Social Behaviour team on **101 ext. 530233**.

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Local mother Katie, whose son suffers from a brain condition that can affect his behaviour, was suffering from his violent outbursts at home and struggling to get him to school.

Picking up her story she told us:

"Attending the

Understanding Teenage Behaviour course has really changed things for me. I feel so much closer to my son and home life is now much calmer. I now realise what I was doing wrong and have the tools to change where I need to.

"I feel so grateful to have been on this course and would fully recommend it."



# Giving you more power over what happens in your own neighbourhood

Communities are able to set out a positive vision for how they want their community to develop over the next 10 to 20 years.

Neighbourhood planning provides the opportunity for communities to set out a positive vision for how they want their community to develop over the next 10 to 20 years, in ways that meet identified local needs and make sense for local people – let's face it, you know your own areas best.

Horsham district now has over 90% coverage of parishes or neighbourhoods across the district progressing Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP's). Two of the most recently designated parishes are Cowfold and Rusper. Henfield (in addition to Nuthurst) has now made a Neighbourhood Plan following a successful referendum held in April 2016. This means that in Henfield Parish, the locally produced plan will be used to help decide planning applications, including where new development will take place. Other areas are also well on the way to the production of their neighbourhood plans.

You can find out the latest on the council's website www. horsham.gov.uk/planning/ neighbourhood-planning.

# Have your say on planning for smaller scale developments

In November 2015, the council formally adopted a Local Plan to show how land in our district will be used to accommodate new housing and employment.



Believing that early engagement and collaboration with neighbourhoods and local businesses is essential, in autumn 2016 the council will launch a public consultation to gather your views on the proposals suggested in the Site Allocation Document.

As part of this overall plan, the council's planners are now preparing a Site Allocation Document. This document will allocate specific pockets of land for such things as:

- Economic development
- Town centre regeneration such as the future use of the Bishopric area in Horsham
- Gypsy and traveller accommodation.

Look out for more details on how you can have your say on our Planning Policy pages at www.horsham.gov.uk.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

## Go to www.gov.uk/ register-to-vote to register

An annual enquiry form was sent to all households in July to obtain information on the residents. Any new electors are then invited to register individually.

H orsham District Council urges young people who have recently turned 18, or will be 18 soon, to register to vote. This is your responsibility and not something your parents can do for you.

Parents are reminded that adding the name of a young voter to the annual form will not place them on the register but only enable a registration form to be sent out. If you are not registered it can affect your credit rating.

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If you have recently moved or are not registered please go online to register. If you are unable to register online you can obtain a form from Electoral Services 01403 215126 or email elections@horsham.gov.uk.

# Tales of the unexpected



# HOME& Build

When it comes to building homes anything can happen, as many of our residents found when they embarked upon their extensions.

The council's building control team help homeowners overcome the unexpected to achieve their dreams.

Hundreds of local residents across Horsham district choose to extend or improve their homes every year and, whilst most of these projects go to plan, some homeowners stumble across the most unexpected problems once the work starts. When this happens, the council's Building Control team (known as Sussex Building Control) can really make a difference by working with your builder and architect to find solutions that enable your building work to carry on.

Here are some examples where our team came to the rescue when homeowners were faced with unforeseen problems.

### Water everywhere

Sussex Building Control worked with Roland Branch builders on a home renovation project in Coneyhurst. The site had problems with excess water and our Building Control team were called in to offer advice on drainage to ease the problem.

During the renovation, the builder discovered that the property had huge cracks in some of the walls and the original walls were subsequently knocked down and re-built which means that the house has better insulation and stays warm.



### **Undiscovered water tanks**

Whilst digging the foundations for a two storey extension in the back garden of a house in Warnham, Green Manor Building Limited uncovered two Victorian water tanks. They worked with our Building Control team and a structural engineer to design a revised foundation that would support the new building. By working closely with us they could resolve the problem quickly and costeffectively.







### A hidden well

When Gaffney Architecture were overseeing the construction of a new home in Horsham, they discovered a well in the back garden where the new house was to be built. Sussex Building Control went to the site and worked with the architects to find a solution.

To read more about how the council has helped local people create their dream homes visit **www.** homeandbuild.co.uk.



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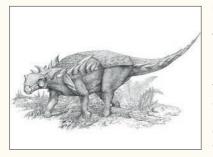


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## Horsham Museum & Art Gallery Diary of events





### Until 5 September HORSHAMOSAURUS RUDGWICKENSIS

Not a medical condition but a unique, so far, dinosaur named after the town where it is on display, in Horsham Museum and the place of discovery Rudgwick. The remains of this large armadillo-like dinosaur are quite small, but years of research by palaeontologists have enabled The Friends of Horsham Museum to commission leading artist John Sibbick to recreate the dinosaur that walked these lands 65 million years ago.

### 10 September to 8 October HORSHAM HOUSES RE-VISITED

Some 30 years ago Anabelle Hughes wrote Horsham Houses, revealing to the town the fascinatingly rich history of the buildings and their occupiers. This year, Dr Hughes as she became, has drawn together decades of further research and written a fully updated version. Thanks to the support of Rooney & Co., The Friends of Horsham Museum are publishing Horsham Houses Re-visited with new research, new photographs and new illustrations.





### 24 September to 17 October HORSHAM FESTIVAL OF THE WATERCOLOUR

Launching an annual event that builds on Horsham's ambition to create a permanent collection of watercolours by noted artists. Supported by Tooveys the exhibition of loaned items reveals the fascinating story behind this popular art form. Look out for associated talks and workshops.

From early November to 25 December ART AND CRAFT EMPORIUM

# Christmas gifts are sorted this year as Horsham Museum hosts a two month long emporium of craft and art work ideally priced for Christmas gifts, either for your loved ones, or yourself. After the success of last year's event the Museum is pleased to be able to host a wide range of local artists showcasing their creative works. Full details are on our website www.horshammuseum.org.

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