

## Election of Chairman & Town Mayor

At the Annual Council Meeting held on 15 May 2012, Cllr Richard Olliver was elected as the Chairman and Town Mayor for 2012/13. Cllr David Powell was appointed Vice-Chairman and Deputy Town Mayor.

Cllr Richard Olliver said that he was very proud to accept the office of Chairman & Town Mayor and was keen to achieve as much as possible for the town and its residents. He stated that he would continue to support St Catherine's Hospice and Brambles Respite Care Centre as mayoral charities and would, in addition, be nominating St John Ambulance, Horley, a charity with which he had a long association.

Outgoing Chairman, Cllr Simon Marshall, told members that it had been an honour and a privilege to represent Horley as Town Mayor for the past five years and said that he had worked tirelessly to raise the profile of both the Town and its Council. He thanked members and staff for their enduring support.

This was the first meeting of the new municipal year. The schedule of Council meetings is available on the Town Council's website, as well as on town centre notice boards.

## What's New at our Parks

The Town Council owns and manages open spaces at Court Lodge Fields, Emlyn Meadows, Horley Recreation Ground and Michael Crescent Centenary Park.

Using powers devolved from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council, the Town Council is also responsible for Riverside Garden Park Riverside Walk, Bay Close Space, Church Open Meadows and Yattendon Road Recreation Ground. We regularly aim to make as many improvements to the areas as our finances will allow. Our "flagship" park undoubtedly Recreation Ground where we take special pride in the upkeep of the Memorial Gardens. Riverside Garden Park has been enhanced recently with the area surrounding the lake opened up and new bins and seats installed.

We intend to open up areas of the park still further this autumn.

Following a number of site visits with local groups at Church Meadows, we have now reduced the area left as long grass and we have planted a wild flower meadow which has been very successful. The long grassed area itself has been planted with yellow rattle to inhibit the growth of the grass and encourage wild flowers. Again, we have added new seats and litter bins.

Summer renovation work has just been completed on our four football pitches at Court Lodge Fields and we have also installed brand new



Church Meadows

nets at our tennis courts at Horley Recreation Ground, where tennis can be played for free all year round. Throughout the summer holidays there will also be activities for children on a Tuesday, organised by Adventure Unlimited.

Please contact us for further details.

The management and maintenance of all these areas is discussed at our Leisure Committee meetings as well as at meetings of our Open Spaces Committee, which is attended by representatives from a variety of local organisations, as well as local residents.

If you are interested in joining the Open Spaces Committee, please contact the Town Council for further details.



Adventure Unlimited at Horley Recreation Ground







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## Planning & Development Committee

The Town Council is a legal consultee on all Planning Applications within the parish boundary of Horley. The Planning & Development Committee acts for the Council on these matters, and all comments and all applications are published on our website. The Town Council also comments on many consultations. Recent Consultations considered are shown below, with the full responses available on our website:

| TOPIC                             | DETAILS  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Draft Airport Master Plan         | Proposed operation, development and future direction of Airport  |
| Core Strategy Outstanding Issues  | Preparing for the Future   |
| Horley Regeneration               | Horley Riverside Green Chain   |
| Surrey Flood Alleviation Measures | Flood Risk Management Strategy   |
| North East Sector                 | Management of New Primary School   |
|                                   | Draft Airport Master Plan Core Strategy Outstanding Issues Horley Regeneration Surrey Flood Alleviation Measures |

We continue to see and welcome an increase in the number of residents who use the Public Forum at our meetings. Councillors may be addressed on matters of interest or concern in their neighbourhoods. Meeting dates are shown on the back page of this Newsletter. In the next few months, we shall review the implications of the Localism Act, and the National Policy Framework, both of which will have a major impact on the planning process.

## Horley Town Meeting

At the Town Meeting held on 27 April 2012, members received various reports from the Council. The Annual Report was presented (copies available from the Town Council website and Council Offices).

The Guest Speaker was Inspector Richard Haycock, Neighbourhood Commander, who gave a very interesting talk on several current topics. He explained the process for the election of Police Commissioners in November this year, and the setting up of a Police and Crime Panel.

A lively question and answer session followed and several topics were discussed. Inspector Haycock emphasised that Neighbourhood Policing Teams in Horley would remain, despite the removal of the front desk in the Police Station, and added that there was now a Mobile Counter Service.

Special presentations were made to two members of Town Council staff.

The first was to our Finance Officer, Sue Dalley, who was retiring after 12 years of dedicated service, and we wish her a long and happy retirement.

The second was to our caretaker, Roy Martin, on the momentous occasion of his 90th Birthday; someone who continues to work and provide invaluable support to us all at the Town Council.

#### QR Code

On page 1 we have added a Quick Response (QR) code to enable access from a smartphones for quick and easy access direct to our Town Council website.

## Town Awards 2011

Town Awards were presented at the Town Meeting to Veronica Ballard and Alison Brice, who were nominated by the public for their services to Horley.



Alison Brice

Alison Brice became a CAB Advisor after taking early retirement, running sessions at the Regent Hall Day Centre to help older people claim benefit entitlements, complete forms and deal with various problems.

She was invited to join the Regent Hall Management Committee, giving important advice to the management staff on a range of issues, including welfare rights and henofits

She founded the Regent Hall Book Club in 2009 and, although she suddenly lost her sight a few months later, she has continued to organise the Book Club meetings.

Veronica Ballard was a teacher at Burstow Primary School for 37 years and has been involved with Girl Guiding in Horley and Surrey for over 45 years. She was awarded the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award as well as other Long Service Awards for her Girl Guiding work.

Veronica is a long standing enthusiastic member of both the Horley Photographic Club & Local History Society, setting up local exhibitions, giving talks and writing local history books.

She has been a CAB Advisor for over eight years and is also a behind the scenes volunteer at the Archway Theatre.



Veronica Ballard

#### Nominations for Town Awards

Members of the public are invited to submit nominations for the Town Award. The award is presented to worthy individuals for their outstanding service to the town of Horley and its residents.

Nominations can be made at any time and will be considered by Horley Town Council at various times during the year. Worthy recipient(s) will be presented with their awards at chosen events. This may be the Horley in Bloom Awards Evening, the Horley Town Meeting, or another occasion. Information on all previous winners can be viewed in our Annual Report. For further information and a nomination form, please contact the Council's helpline on 01293 784765, or e-mail town.clerk@zen.co.uk.

Forms may also be downloaded from the Town Council's website: www.horleysurrey-tc.gov.uk

# Southern Gas Networks (SGN) Community Action Programme (CAP)



A team from Southern Gas Networks (SGN) very kindly spent a day sprucing up all the 'Welcome to Horley' signs around the town.

Kevin Wort and Rob Farrington, who both work in the SGN Connections team, hit the streets of Horley armed with cleaning and painting gear to give all five signs some much-needed attention. After scrubbing the signs clean, Kevin and Rob painted each one, restoring them to their former glory.

The pair, who are based at the company's Station Approach head office, spent a day brightening up the signs as part of SGN's Community Action Programme (CAP). Through the programme, all employees are allocated one day a year to help out in their local community.

Town Clerk, Alan Jones, said: "Thank you to Kevin and Rob for not only carrying out such a professional job, but for completing all five signs around Horley. Since the work has been completed we have received many compliments from our Councillors, residents and the wider community."

## Surrey Police

## Action against antisocial use of motor vehicles

Surrey Police Force is committed to dealing with the antisocial use of motor vehicles. They aim to tackle this in a number of different ways in tandem with partner agencies, including operations such as Drive Smart and Park Smart. Antisocial use of vehicles can include many things, from speeding and inconsiderate parking to performing screeching handbrake turns in a housing estate.

Where a police officer (in uniform) has reasonable grounds to believe a motor vehicle is being used in a manner which commits an offence of careless and inconsiderate driving or is likely to cause alarm distress or annoyance to members of the public, the officer has certain powers. In the first instance, a formal waming is issued, advising the person that the repeated use of the vehicle in this manner will result in the vehicle being seized. Once the warning is issued, it remains in force for a period of 12 months. Where it appears that the

use has continued or has been repeated after the warning has been given, the vehicle will be seized.

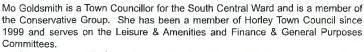
When a vehicle is seized, the owner must pay to have the vehicle released. (A minimum sum of £150.) The vehicle will not be released until certain documents are produced including a valid certificate of insurance. In addition the person having the vehicle seized may well be prosecuted for offences such as driving without due care and attention, which attracts further fines and penalty points on the recipient's driving licence.

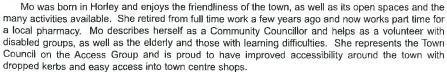
PC Fulham recently seized a vehicle under the powers after verified reports from members of the public that the vehicle had been acting in an antisocial manner, mainly skidding and sliding in residential roads.

Further information is available on the Surrey Police Website, under the 'Your Questions Answered' section.

## Councillor Profile

## Mo Goldsmith





# Highlights in brief....

## Hall Hire availability at Edmonds Community Hall Albert Rooms

We currently have some hall hire availability for any new potential regular sessions as well as ad hoc private hire. Further details and an Application Form can be obtained from the Town Council Offices.

## **Langshott Allotments**

A new site has been laid out, located off Ladbroke Road, for the new fully equipped allotments. These will be managed by the Town Council, the land having been gifted by Barratt Southern Counties.

Known as the "Langshott Allotments", they will go some way towards reducing the heavily subscribed waiting list for allotments. We will begin to contact people on our waiting list once all the site arrangements have been completed.

### **Edmonds Community Fund**

Did you know that organisations can apply for a grant from the above fund?

To find out more about supporting your community or about applying for grants, please visit the Community Foundation for Surrey's website: www.cfsurrey.org.uk or tel: 01483 409230 or email: info@cfsurrey.org.uk.

## Football at Court Lodge Fields

We are pleased to report that the demolition of the Horley Anderson Centre is now complete and new heating and hot water systems installed in the Innes Pavilion changing rooms. The car park is now under the full control of the Town Council.

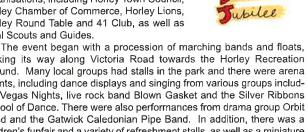
A series of pre-season friendly matches will be held at Court Lodge Fields from 11th August 2012 up until league fixtures for the new season start in September (dates to be confirmed). Full details and pitch allocations for all matches are updated weekly on the Town Council website.

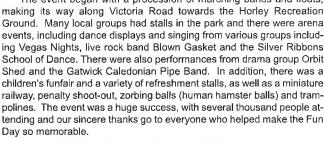
Any football queries or booking enquiries should be directed to the Town Council, marked for the attention of Joan Walsh, email: joan.walsh@horleysurrey-tc.gov.uk.



## Jubilee Fun Day "A Right Royal Knees Up"

The Jubilee Fun Day took place on Bank Holiday Monday, 4 June, and was run by local organisations, including Horley Town Council, Horley Chamber of Commerce, Horley Lions, Horley Round Table and 41 Club, as well as local Scouts and Guides.















## Around the Clubs

## The Colorado Western **Dance School**

A small group that meets at the Albert Rooms on Monday evenings. The aim is to learn some new western dances and have fun in the process. Start time, 8.00pm and finish about 10.00pm. You can also come along and join us at the Colorado CMC at Regent House, Albert Road on a Friday evening, from 8.00pm till 11.00pm(ish) where we dance to live music.

For further details, please call 01342 892381(H) 07922 073269(M).

We look forward to greeting you on any Monday or Friday evening. Not quite sure? Come along anyway and talk to us.

## Sports Karate Federation Kickboxing & Karate Club

Classes for students who are looking to be pushed further in all areas of fitness, Karate and Kickboxing. Classes are held at the Edmonds Community Hall, 92

Horley every Wednesday and Friday evening.

Beginners always welcome, and the first lesson is

## Horley Carnival 13 July 2013!

Due to public demand, we are delighted to announce that plans are already underway for next year's event, which will take place at Horley Recreation Ground, following the procession through the town.

A dedicated website will soon be up and running, if you would like any further information in the meantime, please contact the Town Council.

## Horley in Bloom 2012

The results of the Horley in Bloom competition, judged on 3 July, are as follows:

#### Residential Front Garden

1st: Peggy Clarke 2nd: June Ward

Highly Commended: Brian Hawes

#### Residential Back Garden

1st: Tony Lawrence 2nd: Dr Jim Williamson

Highly Commended: Eileen O'Malley

#### Cottage Garden

1st: Ken Greaves 2nd: June Ward

#### Flats

Equal 1st: John Hay & John Byrne

#### Hanging Basket

1st: Brian Hawes 2nd: The Farmhouse

#### Schools

1st: Langshott Infant School 2nd: Charlwood Village Infant School Highly Commended: Horley Infant School

#### Community

1st: Douglas House 2nd: St Wilfrid's Church

Highly Commended: Norman Coyne

#### Commercial

1st: The Farmhouse 2nd: The Gatwick

Highly Commended: The Coppingham

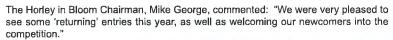
Arms (Jai Ho Restaurant)

#### **Best Newcomer**

1st: Dr Jim Williamson

#### **Best Jubilee Entry**

1st: June Ward



Å presentation evening will be held on Friday, 28th September, at Regent House, Albert Road, when the awards will be presented by the Borough Mayor Cllr Roger Newstead and Chairman & Town Mayor Cllr Richard Olliver.



Tony Lawrence - 1st Residential Back Garden courtesy Surrey Mirror



Peggy Clarke - 1st Residential Front Garden



John Hay - Equal 1st Flats

## South & South East in Bloom

We hope that everyone is enjoying our display of summer flowers, especially now that the weather is improving. The judges were here in early July to judge the Town Centre and Horley Recreation Ground.

The results will be announced in September, so fingers crossed until then! We would particularly like to thank our sponsors, which include Countrywide Grounds Maintenance and Connells.







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## Meeting Dates 2012

All Council meetings usually commence at 7.30 pm (but check with us first).

Agenda for all meetings are posted on town centre notice boards a few days beforehand. Agenda may also be downloaded from our website.

Members of the public are cordially invited to all meetings which are held in the Albert Rooms, Albert Road, Horley, and they may, if they wish, address Councillors during the public forum part of the meeting.

For further details and for any general enquiries, please telephone or email the Town Clerk.

August Tuesday 14 Planning and Development Tuesday 28 Full Council

September Tuesday 11 Tuesday 18 Tuesday 25

Planning & Development Leisure & Amenities Finance & General Purposes MP's Surgeries Surgeries for Sam Gyimah MP (Member of Parliament for East Surrey) are held at the Town Council Offices, 92 Albert Road, Horley RH6 7HZ

Forthcoming dates for Horley Surgeries in 2012 are:

Friday 14 September 4pm - 6pm Friday 26 October

To arrange an appointment please telephone: e-mail admin@esca.org.uk

Or write to: East Surrey Conservative Association 2 Hoskins Road Oxted, Surrey RH8 9HT

**Meet Your Councillor** Members of the public are also welcome to contact Local Councillors.

Contact details are available on the Town Council notice boards and from the Town Council Offices, the Help Shop and the web site (www.horley-Alternatively contact Alan Jones, Town Clerk (01293 784765) and he will make arrangements for you to speak to or meet with a Councillor.

Two forthcoming "Meet Your Councillor sessions will be held in the Town Centre Precinct from 10 am until 12 noon on: Sat 11 August Sat 15 September No prior appointment

Other sessions later in the year will take place on Saturdays 13 October, 10 November and 8 December. Venues will be website later.