

South & South East in Bloom



We are proud to announce that Horley received two awards at the South & South East in Bloom Awards Ceremony held at the Grand Hotel, Brighton in September. A Silver Gilt Award was won for Horley Recreation Ground and a Silver Award for the town centre.

The awards were presented for the excellent quality of the beautiful hanging baskets and the

high standard of maintenance in the Memorial Gardens. The judges commented that "Horley does incredibly well with the resources available." Town Mayor, ClIr Simon Marshall, and Chairman of the Leisure Committee, ClIr Jack Chapman, received the awards from Mr Chris Collins, a gardening presenter on the television programme 'Blue Peter'.



Town Award Presented to Mr Tom Anglim

The prestigious Town Award was presented to Mr Tom Anglim at the Horley in Bloom Awards Ceremony held at Regent Hall, in October 2009. The Award was presented by Town Mayor, Cllr Simon Marshall, assisted by the Mayor of Reigate & Banstead, Cllr Richard Mantle. Cllr Marshall was delighted to present this award to Tom for his invaluable service to the town and the community over many years. Tom's citation read as follows:

"Tom is a well known local figure and can always be seen in town in his bright yellow rocket shaped invalid car. He is always chatting to somebody and, despite his illness, spends a great deal of his time working for local organisations and charities. He also works at

Two New Town Councillors co-opted

We are pleased to announce that, at an Extraordinary Council Meeting in June, two new Town Councillors were co-opted. They are Graham Knight, representing the Horley North West Ward (replacing Sonia Odds) and Michael Robinson, representing the Horley South Central Ward (replacing Janice Gall).

Graham is employed in the Financial Services industry. His main areas of interest are the ongoing regeneration of the town centre, the need for a coherent and sustainable planning policy and recycling and carbon reduction issues. Graham believes that his extensive knowledge of finance and law will be an additional asset to the Council.

Michael has lived in Horley all his life. He currently works as a Customer Service Agent at Gatwick Airport. His interests include football, golf and snooker. Michael is dedicated to shaping the future of Horley, and he is particularly keen to campaign for improved leisure activities for the teenagers and young people of the town.



the Tadworth Court Children's Hospital shop in Horley one day a week. After military service he joined Surrey Police at Guildford and later moved to Horley. In 1969 he attended the air crash at Fernhill and was subsequently awarded the Queen's Award for Bravery. Tom has shown great courage and determination in the face of a painful and debilitating illness and gives his time freely and cheerfully to help others."





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Horley in Bloom Awards Evening

The annual Horley in Bloom Awards Evening was held on Friday 2nd October at the Regent Hall, Horley. The Awards were presented by Cllr Richard Mantle, the Mayor of Reigate & Banstead, assisted by Town Mayor, Cllr Simon Marshall. Awards were also presented to winners of the Court Lodge in Colour competitions, as well as Horley Country Markets and the Horley Floral Art Group.

Cllr Mantle said, "This was a very enjoyable evening. Residents of Horley are setting a very good example to the rest of the Borough by brightening up where they live with care and colour".

Results of Horley in Bloom competition (judged on 13 July 2009)

Residential Front & Back Garden Joint 1st June Ward Joint 1st Kenneth Greaves

Residential Back Garden

1st Sue Sherwin 2nd Veronica Brewis

Cottage Garden St Wilfrid's Church

Hanging Basket 1st June Ward 2nd The Farmhouse

Schools Joint 1st

Langshott Infant School Joint 1st Meath Green Junior School

Community

1stRosemary Court, Sheltered Housing2ndMitchell Court

Commercial

1stThe Farmhouse2ndThe Gatwick Arms

Guesthouse/B & B

1stRosemead2ndGatwick White House

Best Newcomer

Nan Bennett

Church Road Allotments

1stRudi and Anna Buob2ndRoy Hunt3rdRebecca Humphrey

Newcomer Peter Shelswell



Horley Saturday Market

The Saturday Market, which is regularly held in the High Street Car Park off Consort Way East, is now being managed by the Town Council. A number of initiatives to promote and publicise the market will be undertaken, aimed at bringing more traders and customers to Horley Town Centre every Saturday.

There are a variety of traders, including a butcher and a greengrocer, as well as market stalls selling hardware, cards and stationery, pet food, watches, flowers and plants. The market opens from 9.00 am until 2.00 pm every Saturday. More information is available from the Town Council on 01293 784765.



Gatwick Greenspace Partnership

Gatwick Greenspace Partnership is an urban wildlife and community project, working in Horley, Crawley, Charlwood and Horsham, and supported by the local Councils including Reigate & Banstead Borough Council and Horley Town Council.

We run a range of activities including volunteer habitat management days and guided walks. We have developed



the wild flower plots at Emlyn Meadows, worked with local schools, and helped manage a number of sites including Riverside Park and Hurstland Wood. We are also looking to revive Horley's health walks - social walking in a group for gentle exercise. If you are interested in finding out more about the countryside on your doorstep, please contact us or have a look at our website.

Events coming up in Horley and Charlwood: Thurs 17th/ Wed 23rd December Coppicing Edolphs Copse Charlwood Wed 6th January Coppicing Tanyard Pond, Langshott Sat 9th January Burstow Stream stroll (4.5 miles) from Langshott Estate Sun 10th January Coppicing at Hammonds Copse, Newdigate Thurs 4th February Coppicing, Hammonds Copse, Newdigate Wed 10th February Hedgelaying, Riverside Park Sat 13th February Winter Woodland Walk (6 miles) from Edolphs Copse Thurs 18th February Coppicing, Glovers Wood, Charlwood

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Horley Town Council is affiliated to the Gatwick Greenspace Partnership.



War Memorial

Horley Town Council is most appreciative of the work undertaken by Reigate and Banstead Borough Council who brought their brand new "Graffiti Buster" into the Horley Recreation Park to give the War Memorial and surrounding paved area a thorough clean up, just in time for the South & South East in Bloom judging in July.

Grants Scheme 2009

The Town Council has awarded grants totalling £2,000 to two local organisations. Many varied applications were received. We are pleased that we have been able to assist the following with their very worthwhile schemes:

Friends of Horley Infant School	
Creation of outside learning environment	£1,000
Horley Parochial Church Council	

Degree course and placement for Youth Worker over 3 yrs £1,000

"Wheelathon" in aid of Brambles

On Sunday, 20 September 2009, Brambles Respite Care Centre joined forces with the Town Council to host a charity bike ride and sponsored wheelchair push. Many cyclists took part in the ride that covered cycle paths around the town. Those more ambitious cycled through Smallfield, Copthorne, Worth Way and Crawley. Between £1500 and £2000 was raised.

The event was so successful that another is planned for next year and will be held on Sunday, 19 September 2010.



Charlesfield Road Entrance to Horley Recreation Ground

Residents living in Charlesfield Road are becoming increasingly concerned about anti social behaviour caused by youths leaving the Recreation Ground late at night, particularly at weekends, and spilling out into Charlesfield Road.

They are understandably very keen to have these matters resolved as quickly as possible. The Town Council has ensured that its CCTV cameras are regularly monitored and have organised regular security patrols in all the parks. Surrey Police also regularly check these areas, particularly at weekends. Some local residents want a gate installed at this entrance. However, the status of the path leading through the park is currently being reviewed by Surrey County Council. This will involve consultation with the Town Council as landowner of the park and with Reigate & Banstead Borough Council as owner of the footpath leading from the park into Charlesfield Road. Clearly any action such as a locked gate would impact on shift workers etc who might be unable to access or leave the park by this entrance at night.

The Town Council is keen to seek the views of all Horley residents who use the footpath which would assist all parties before any decision is taken. Please contact us and let us know your views.

HIGHLIGHTS in brief....



Annual Accounts 2008/09 Conclusion of Audit

BDO Stoy Hayward LLP has completed the Annual Audit for the financial year ended 31 March 2009. The Auditor is satisfied with the Council's financial standing and issued a Notice of Completion on 8 October 2008, with an unqualified opinion, which means that the Town Council fully complies with the statutory requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2006. All cash reserves are held at UK banks and there has been no exposure to any offshore financial institutions.

The Council also fulfils the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and any member of the public may, having given due notice, inspect any documentation that is covered by the legislation.

Consultation on Corporate Plan

Horley Town Council is in the process of updating its Corporate Plan for the next five years and the draft Plan will be presented to Full Council in December. Thereafter the Plan will be put out for public consultation. It will appear on the Town Council's website from 9 December 2009 and the consultation period will run until mid January 2010.

Hard copies of the Plan will also be available from the Town Council Offices at 92 Albert Road. We would love to have your comments on the Plan, as well as any ideas you might have for any future projects which could benefit the town. Please let us know what you think!

Landscaping work in the Ornamental Gardens at Horley Recreation Ground

Earlier this year, the Town Council commissioned extensive landscaping works at the Ornamental Gardens, situated in the central area of the Horley Recreation Ground. The works were carried out by Horley Garden Design & Landscaping, a local company. The Council's aim was to create an attractive and more open area, with additional access points and new benches, where visitors could relax in a pleasant and tranquil atmosphere.

To enhance the shrub beds and make them look more attractive, it was decided to dress some of them with bark chips and others with grey slates. Sadly, the subsequent actions of a small minority caused considerable problems, with slates being blatantly thrown around the park and into the playground and adjoining Bowling Club, causing safety issues for park users and considerable problems with mowing machinery. Increased visits by Security Patrols failed to resolve the problem and, reluctantly, after much discussion with local police, the Town Council had no option but to remove all the slates and replace them with bark chippings.

Anyone with information surrounding these selfish acts of vandalism may contact Surrey Police on 0845 125 2222, quoting Reference: 39709, or call the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

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All councillors may be contacted at their home address Contact the council for further information

Meeting Dates 2009/10

All council meetings usually commence at 7.30 pm (but check with us first). Agendas for all meetings are posted on town centre notice boards a few days beforehand. Agendas are also downloadable from our web site

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

For further details and for any general enquiries, please phone or e-mail the Town Clerk.

Full Council - Precept

Planning and Development Leisure & Amenities Finance & General

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Planning & Development Full Council

Other Notable Dates

December Tuesday 8

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January Tuesday 5

Tuesday 12

Tuesday 19

February

Tuesday 2

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30 April Annual Town Meeting 6 May Local Elections

MP's Surgery

9 January

6 March

To arrange an appointment please

East Surrey Conservative Association 2 Hoskins Road, Oxted, Surrey RH8 9HT

Please note that Town, Borough and County Councils will also be available on the same dates as the MP, and they will be delighted to discuss have. You are welcome to turn up on the day to chat to you must have already booked an your Member of Parliament.

Further details are available on our web site

If you know of someone who would benefit from an audio or large print copy of this newsletter, please contact the Town Clerk