



## South & South East in Bloom

We are proud to announce that Horley received three awards at this year's South & South East in Bloom Awards Ceremony, which was held in Gillingham on Friday 10 September.

A Silver Gilt Award was won for Horley Recreation Ground and a Silver Award for the town centre. We were delighted to receive the Pub and Restaurant award for the Gatwick Public House, which was chosen by the judges as the best from all the entries across both the Southern and South Eastern regions.

The judges commented that "Horley Town Council continues to improve the townscape of Horley for its residents and businesses alike".



*Cllrs Simon Marshall and Jack Chapman receiving one of the awards*

# Town Awards

Horley Town Council is delighted to announce that there were two worthy recipients of the prestigious Town Awards for 2010. The awards were presented at the Horley in Bloom Awards Evening, which was held at Regent Hall on Friday, 24 September.

One Award was presented to Dr Jim Williamson and a posthumous Award was made to Kathleen Tremble and collected by her husband, Alex Tremble. The Awards were presented by Cllr David Pay, the Mayor of Reigate & Banstead, assisted by Town Mayor, Cllr Simon Marshall. A summary of the two citations follows:

### Kathleen Tremble

"Kathleen campaigned to keep Horley in Surrey and worked hard to raise funds for the Horley Anderson Centre. She was a passionate supporter of literacy and, as a volunteer at Court Lodge, Sangers and latterly Manorfield Schools, helped a great many Horley children learn to read. Kathleen was active in the development of Manorfield School and for nearly thirty years served as a Local Education Authority Governor, until just before her death in March 2010. Kathleen was also active in the initial setting up of the Horley Learning Partnership, one of the first such confederations in the country."



*Alex Tremble receiving the award*

### Dr Jim Williamson

"Jim is warmly remembered for his kind and compassionate manner as a GP. He was also a School Governor at Sangers Junior School and continues his association with the area as a judge for the Court Lodge in Colour competition, as well as being involved with both the Horley in Spring and Horley in Bloom events. Jim's wife, Antonia, has been a constant source of support to him and he was delighted to do the same for her in her many years as Chairperson of the Friends of St Barts. They freely make their garden available for fund raising activities, with Jim's trains bringing great delight to visitors. Jim is a much respected member of St Francis' Church and is a long standing trustee of Smith's Charity – Horley."



*Dr Jim Williamson receiving his award*

The Town Awards scheme has been in operation since 2000. Nominations for the Town Award are invited every year, when any member of the public can complete a nomination form, together with a seconder, to propose an individual for outstanding service or commitment to Horley.

The Town Council is responsible for the administration and final selection of award winners according to strict guidelines and criteria. An Awards Sub Committee reviews and makes recommendations and presentations are usually made either at the Annual Town Meeting, or at other appropriate events, subject to the award winners' approval.



# Horley in Bloom Awards Evening

The annual Horley in Bloom Awards Evening was held on Friday, 24 September 2010, at Regent Hall, Horley. The Awards were presented by Borough Mayor, Cllr. David Pay and Town Mayor, Cllr. Simon Marshall.

The evening was hosted by Cllr Mike George and Cllr Jack Chapman introduced the Allotments Category. Further awards were also presented to the winners of the Court Lodge in Colour and Horley Floral Art Group competitions.

Cllr Pay remarked that he was delighted to see the Awards Ceremony so well attended and added that it was indeed commendable that Horley had kept gardeners in abundance.



Mr John Byrne receiving his Certificate of Excellence



The Managers of the Gatwick receiving one of their awards

# Christmas in Horley

The Horley & District Chamber of Commerce organised a Christmas Fayre in the Town Centre Precinct on the afternoon of Wednesday 24 November. The event included the switching on of the Christmas Tree in the Precinct. The tree was, as usual, provided by Horley Town Council. The festivities included stalls, Father Christmas and a barbecue.

Saturday 18 December sees the annual Town Centre Carol Service, which takes place around the Christmas Tree in the Precinct at 11.00 am. The event is organised by the local Churches of Horley and everyone is more than welcome to take part. The service is followed by refreshments, provided by Horley Town Councillors, which are served at the Albert Road Sports & Social Club (Formerly the Horley Royal British Legion).

On Thursday 23 December there will be free parking in the Town Centre car parks in Horley, giving local people an ideal opportunity to complete that last minute Christmas shopping!

## Councillor Profiles

### Peter Chapman



Peter Chapman represents the Town Council as a Councillor for the South East Ward. He is a member of the Conservative Group and has served on the Town Council since 2007, having previously been a member of Burstow Parish Council. Peter is a member of the Finance & General Purposes Committee and also serves on the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee.

Peter has lived in Smallfield for most of his life, but for the past four years he has lived in Horley. He thinks that Horley is a small friendly town with a strong sense of community spirit. Peter has his own business, where he works as an Electronics Design Engineer.

Peter enjoys serving the community and speaking on behalf of local residents. He is pleased to be in a position to influence decision making at local level. He sees exciting times ahead and hopes that Horley will expand as a vibrant self sufficient town.

### Fiona Stimpson



Fiona Stimpson represents the Town Council as a Councillor for the North Central Ward. She is a member of the Conservative Group and has served on the Town Council since 2007. Fiona is a member of the Leisure & Amenities and Planning & Development Committees. She also serves on the Emergency Plan Sub-Committee, as well as being a member of the Horley Open Spaces and Horley in Bloom Advisory Committees.

Fiona moved to the area from Scotland in 1993 and moved to Horley itself in 1997, when she bought Rosemead Guesthouse, which she still owns and runs. She likes the fact that Horley is quite small and that, when you meet new people, they nearly always seem to know somebody that you know. Fiona enjoys walking her three beagles around Horley's open spaces and loves to witness the changing seasons, particularly the start of Spring.

Fiona is a member and former Chairman of the Gatwick Guesthouse Association, as well as being a member of the Horley & District Chamber of Commerce. She is very proud of her business and is delighted that Rosemead has won and retained its 4 Stars and Silver Award for its facilities.

## Forthcoming Local Walks

### The Reigate Group of the Ramblers

The Reigate Group of the Ramblers is part of the Ramblers Association, which works to promote walking and to improve conditions for all walkers. Most of the walks are around 5-8 miles but there are also shorter ones, as well as much longer walks of up to 25 miles. All forthcoming walks are available on the website [www.reigateramblers.org.uk](http://www.reigateramblers.org.uk)

On Sunday 9 January there is the "Clock on the Hill" walk. This is a circular morning walk of approximately 6.75 miles. Meet at Earlswood Lakes Car Park at 10.00 am.

(Grid Ref: TQ 268484). Fairly flat but numerous stiles and can be marshy in places. No dogs please. Leaders' mobile: 07941 265578.

On Sunday 20 February there is a 6 mile circular morning walk. Please meet at Horley Recreation Ground at 9.00 am for car sharing. This is an undulating walk which includes part of the South Downs Way. 01293 773198. Mobile on day of walk only: 07925 167548.

### Gatwick Greenspace Partnership

On Friday 3 December there is a 4 mile North of Gatwick walk, starting at 10.00 am. Park on Povey Cross Road, Horley, heading away from the Longbridge roundabout and meet at cross roads by van hire centre. This is a surprisingly rural walk, which takes in a section of the River Mole.

On Saturday 22 January there is a 6 mile Charlwood Walk starting at 10.00 am. A walk through fields and woods with a pub lunch towards the end. Meet at Edolops Copse car park, off Stanhill, Charlwood (close to hotel).

For further details of these and other walks, please visit the Gatwick Greenspace website at [www.sussexwt.org.uk](http://www.sussexwt.org.uk)

## Look out for your Right to Vote

An electoral registration form has been delivered to your home. Please make sure that the details are correct and post it back, or you may lose your right to vote. You can also register online at:

[www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk](http://www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk)

# Horley Town Council Grant Scheme

Horley Town Council is delighted to announce that the following grants have been awarded for deserving projects:

Repairs to Parson's Tomb, Old Churchyard	£175
Degree Course Funding for Horley PCC Youth Project	£500
Use of Horley Day Centre for Reigate & Banstead Live at Home Scheme	£300
Training of Horley Volunteers for Victim Support	£500
Purchase of Defibrillator for Community First Responders (Horley area)	£1000

Applications can be made to the Town Council Grant Scheme between March and June each year. Applicants are invited to apply for financial assistance, for what they consider to be a worthwhile project.

Grants can be made for capital or revenue expenditure or for special projects. In considering applications for financial assistance, the Town Council will take into account the purpose for which the grant is required, the organisation's accounts and how the grant will benefit the residents of Horley. The maximum figure payable for grants is £1,000.

## The Town Remembers

One of the largest ever attendances was seen at The Annual Remembrance Parade on Sunday 14 November 2010. Branch Chaplin, the Reverend John Glasspool, conducted the Service at the Memorial Gardens.

The parade was led by the Band of The Redhill Corps of Drums. Local Councillors and residents joined members of the Royal British Legion to remember those who had made the ultimate sacrifice for their Country.



*The Remembrance Ceremony*



*Cllr Michael Miller laying the Official Wreath*

## HIGHLIGHTS *in brief...*



### Annual Accounts 2009/10 Conclusion of Audit

BDO Stoy Hayward LLP has completed the Annual Audit for the financial year ended 31 March 2010. The Auditor is satisfied with the Council's financial standing and issued a Notice of Completion on 27 September 2010, 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 documentation that is covered by the legislation.

### Mayor's Charities Brambles Respite Care Centre and St Catherine's Hospice

Town Mayor, Cllr Simon Marshall, recently took part in the 20th Annual Balcombe Fundraising Walk in aid of St Catherine's Hospice, as well as the Wheelathon Challenge in aid of Brambles. He was accompanied by other Town Councillors and the Town Clerk.



Cllr Marshall also attended the "Strictly Brambles" event, which was held at Regent Hall, as well as "Showtime" at the Harlequin Theatre, Redhill, an event featuring the Crawley Millennium Concert Band and Vegas Nights Live. Both these events raised funds for Brambles.

The ever popular Mayor's Charitable Curry Evening is due to take place at the Regent Hall on Saturday 19 March 2011. Music will be provided by Vegas Nights Live and Brambles Amateur Theatrical Society (BATS).

Cllr Surrinder Banwait will once again be arranging the delicious curries and there will be a raffle and live auction on the night. One not to be missed! Contact the Town Council for further details.

# Horley Environment Week

Horley Environment Week started as an embryonic idea in July this year. An excellent team, ably led by Environment Committee Chairman Cllr David Powell and assisted by Cllr Richard Bethell, worked fast and furiously to facilitate the birth of Horley Environment Week, which took place from Monday 20 September to Saturday 25 September.

The Environment Week was planned with a single objective in mind: to actively encourage local residents and businesses to lower their use of fossil fuels by making sensible lifestyle changes, thereby making a significant contribution towards the prevention of climate change.

A vigorous publicity campaign was set in motion. Cllr David Powell came up with our slogan: "Go Horley - go green!" and, to everyone's delight, Britanniacrest Recycling supplied free yellow tee shirts, complete with the logo, which were worn by many, members and staff alike, during the week.

Some examples of the initiatives promoted were:

- Reducing/eliminating plastic shopping bags during the Environment Week.
- Improving residents' recycling participation.
- Bringing together a "Friends of Horley" group of residents to periodically participate in environmental campaigns.
- Organising one or two litter-picking forays of "Grot Spots", using volunteers from youth/community groups



*The Recycling Stand in the Precinct*

and volunteer residents.

- Improving business and household conservation of energy, water and other vital resources.
- Involving local schools in an Eco Art competition

Residents were asked to tick at least 5 out of the 10 pledges listed in a specially prepared leaflet, and to add anything else that they believed should be considered, to help protect the environment. These were submitted either by post or via the town council's website.

The week began with the arrival of the Reigate & Banstead Recycling Roadshow, which stood in the Pedestrian Precinct for most of Monday, allowing local residents to ask questions and make comments about local schemes. The rest of the week passed at a meteoric pace.



There was an overwhelming response from Waitrose, Tesco and Collingwood Batchellor to support the campaign. Many other shops in Horley agreed to promote the event by displaying Environment Week posters.

Tesco at Hookwood established a shop front display in the foyer manned by two ladies dressed in green selling two "Bags for Life" for the price of one, whilst a "Bag for Life" cartoon character created a bit of fun around the stand. Town Councillors visited the store throughout the week, distributing the pledge leaflets, assisted at various times by the local Scouts and Sam Gyimah MP. Waitrose in Horley gave away around 1500 Bags for Life during the week and the pledge leaflets were in abundance around the store. Collingwood Batchellor also joined in the campaign, distributing free linen bags for life to their customers.

*Horley Scouts distributing leaflets at Tescos*

Four schools entered the Eco Art competition and the entries from Horley Infant, Meath Green Infant and Manorfield Primary & Infant Schools were judged during Environment Week. Langshott Infant School is due to take part later when their new Headteacher is settled in post.

The judging of the artwork started in earnest at the start of Environment Week with many

masterpieces to consider – a none too easy task! Decisions were eventually made and prizes were presented to the winners at the three schools by Sam Gyimah MP, Reigate & Banstead Mayor Cllr David Pay and Town Mayor Cllr Simon Marshall. The prizes took the form of vouchers, provided at a discounted price by Mud Pie Ceramics in Horley.

Funding might have been a

stumbling block but for a number of committed environmentalists who put their money where their mouth was. Therefore the Council would particularly like to thank Ray Foss of Britanniacrest Recycling and Cllrs Dorothy Ross-Tomlin, Kay Hammond, Allen Kay, Simon Marshall, Richard Olliver and Alex Horwood. Also, it is important to acknowledge and thank Sam Gyimah MP, as well as Borough Cllrs Joan Spiers (Council Leader), Julian Ellacott (Executive Member for Environment) and David Pay (Borough Mayor) for their ongoing encouragement and support.

A report of the week has been published and is available from the Horley Help Shop, Horley Library and the Town Council Offices. All in all the week was an unqualified success and we look forward to achieving even greater things next year!



*Sam Gyimah MP presents a prize at Horley Infants*



*Manorfield Primary & Infant School*



*Meath Green Infant School*

## Horley Young People's Centre

The Horley Young People's Centre is now open to the public. It is situated in the Old Fire Station in Albert Road, just off the High Street in the centre of Horley and includes Katie's Café Meeting Place with internet access, as well as a studio space, radio station, sexual health clinic and youth counselling.

Opening times are as follows:

### Monday to Friday

8.00 am to 9.00 am – under 19s  
9.00am to 3.00 pm – everyone welcome  
3.30pm to 5.30pm – under 19s

### Monday & Thursday

6.00 pm to 9.00 pm – under 19s

### Thursday

6.00 pm to 9.00pm – Open Mic Nites for under 19s

### Saturday and Sunday

11.00 am to 4.00 pm – everyone welcome

For more information, please contact 01293 772053



Horley Young People's Centre in Albert Road

## Helping Young People into Work

Thanks to a partnership between Reigate & Banstead Borough Council, Surrey County Council and Job Centre Plus, a group of young people have been given six month work placements and will be helping to keep the Borough's parks, open spaces and town centres clean and tidy.

Government funding for the placements has been secured through the Surrey Future Jobs Fund.

We are delighted to welcome Bob Freestone to Horley three afternoons a week, where he is helping to keep our town and parks clean and litter free. We hope that these placements will help the youngsters find permanent jobs soon.



Bob ready for work

## New Horley Leisure Centre

Demolition of the former Court Lodge School in Horley has been completed to make way for the new Leisure Centre. The work is being carried out by Pellikaan Construction Ltd. As the main buildings were demolished, the masonry was crushed on site to provide hardcore for the foundations of the new building.

Construction has now commenced and it is anticipated that the new centre will be open to the public in January 2012. The centre will feature a 25 metre swimming pool with full disabled access, a teaching pool, sports hall, fitness gym and exercise / dance studio. Plans and photographs are on display in the Town Council Offices.

You can also contact the Project Manager, Tim Prior, on 01737 276113, if you have any further queries.



Town and Borough Officers and members at the start of the demolition

## Horley Saturday Market Special Events

Saturday 23 October saw another successful "Super Saturday", with entertainment once more provided by local band, "Vegas Nights". We are delighted to welcome Farmers Market stalls to these events, the "Giggly Pig" proving to be particularly popular.

Another "Super Saturday" took place on 27 November and there will be a midweek market in the week leading up to Christmas on Wednesday 22 December. As usual there will be a variety of traders including a butcher and a baker 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 (plus Wednesday 22 December).



















More information is available from the Town Council on 01293 784765.



Vegas Nights performing

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 Contact the council for further information.

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 necessarily those of the Town Council.

## MP's Surgeries

The newly elected MP for East Surrey is Sam Gyimah. His contact details at the House of Commons are:

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 London, SW1A 0AA  
 020 7219 3000  
 sam.gyimah.mp@parliament.uk

Saturday  
 27 November  
 10.00am – 12.00pm

Saturday  
 11 December  
 10.00am – 12.00pm

To arrange an appointment, please telephone: 01883 715782

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

Please note that representatives of Town, Borough and County Councils will also be available on the same dates as the MP, and they will be delighted to discuss any issues you may have. You are welcome to turn up on the day to speak to a Councillor, however you are required to book a prior appointment to see your Member of Parliament. Further details are available on our website.

Alternatively contact Alan Jones, Town Clerk (01293 784765) and he will make arrangements for you to speak to or meet with a Councillor.

### Meeting Dates 2010

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 are also downloadable from our web site

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 phone or email the Town Clerk.

**December**  
 Tuesday 7

Full Council

**January**  
 Tuesday 4  
 Tuesday 11  
 Tuesday 18

Planning & Development  
 Leisure & Amenities  
 Finance & General Purposes

**February**  
 Tuesday 1  
 Tuesday 15

Planning & Development  
 Full Council

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