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to
unpack
life's
big
questions

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who's



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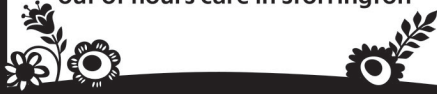
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



Welcome to the April edition of Southwater News!

April has turned out to be a bumper edition of Southwater News with lots going on in Southwater over Easter and beyond. There are plenty of dates to put into your diaries. The Village Hall Centenary (p10) is our first big anniversary. It will be followed next month by the church which is celebrating 175 years - Holy Innocents was consecrated on 7th June 1850. This month Alex Jeffery talks about the paddling beach in the Country Park (p12) and, by pure coincidence, it is also the theme of this month's article from the Southwater Local History Group (p23). There's a sponsored walk for lobular breast cancer leaving from Southwater on 24th May and a big prize for the person who raises the most money. The Parish Council Newsletter (P16-17) contains lots of useful information - and - as it is Easter, why not come along to one of our church services or the church open day on Easter Day (p9) or consider joining our Alpha course which starts on 1st May

The Editor.

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Your Local Property Expert

Leanne, our Senior Branch Manager in Southwater has over 20 years experience in the industry and is well known and respected in the community. She enjoys helping the residents of Southwater with their house moves and also enjoys welcoming new families to the area.



How Valuable is your home?

House prices fluctuate depending on everything from the time of year to the Bank of England's interest base rate, your location, and even how close your house is to a school.

Getting your house price right ensures that you don't undervalue your property. It also means you don't scare off potential buyers by pitching it at a price that is too high. Starting with an accurate asking price could double the likelihood of achieving that figure and reduce the time it takes to sell.

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Brighten up and fix up

A few pots of paint brighten up your interior (and exterior) and make it feel fresher and more appealing to potential buyers. Along the way, you can carry out minor repairs such as fixing that squeaky floorboard or removing any mouldy sealant in bathrooms or kitchens. Pay special attention to the front of the house. Remember that first impressions are crucial. A peeling, dilapidated frontage will instantly turn potential buyers off at the garden gate.

Speaking of the garden...

Gardens are a big selling point for a property, and a beautiful, well-kept space can add considerably to the market value of your home. If it's got a little out of hand it would be wise to tidy it up. Make sure the grass is trimmed, any stray leaves and debris are cleared away and any garden furniture is cleaned and placed in a neat and complimentary way.

Declutter & Expand

Potential buyers will be looking at your home for it's space, as well as some key features. Make sure to stage your home ideally for people to view your home in it's best light. Remove any bits and bobs that don't need to be on the kitchen table, and accentuate your home's key features like a fireplace or arched doorways.

For any property information or help to understand the value of your home please call our friendly team on 01403 731901.



Southwater Church Directory

Holy Innocents: Southwater Parish Church

www.southwaterchurch.org.uk

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warden@southwaterchurch.org.uk

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Elim Family Church

www.elimfamilychurch.com

Minister **Dave Taylor** **0786 085 9253**
hello@elimfamilychurch.org.uk

The Shrine of our Lady of Consolation and St Francis

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This month's front cover features the Alpha course that is being run at Holy Innocents Church, Southwater, starting on Thursday evening 1st May (see page 38 for further information)

From the vicar's pen,

Easter (a man who was dead rose again) is the greatest good news the world will ever hear. Good Friday is on the 18th and following that we celebrate Jesus' resurrection on the 20th April. William Tyndale, translator of the Bible, wrote, 'Evangelion (that we call gospel) is a Greek word and signifieth good and merry, glad and joyful tidings that maketh a man's heart glad, and maketh him synge, daunce and leape for joye.'

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb, says the scripture. That is a dark beginning, in the dark, before dawn it was discovered that the tomb was empty. Let's be clear about these gospel tidings—Easter is not one another good news bulletin. This is not good news of the kind that declare the English have just beaten the Australians by an innings and two hundred runs. Good news, but more matches to play. It is not the birth of a grandchild news, the beginning of something new and different. Nor is it even the news that the man who fell off the fishing boat at sea has been discovered alive and well. It is not another happy ending story to what looked like a sad tale. Easter is good news for all time and for everyone – you, me and everyone literally. Good Friday and Easter tell us about the possibility of sins being forgiven, new life in the present and assurance of life with God in Christ after this life in this world. We really should be merry and glad, dance and leap for joy.

Jesus lives life fully and dies fully. According to John's gospel, he dies saying, 'It is accomplished'. Jesus lives the human story and fulfils it. Jesus is the human story. A life lived in hope, grace and goodness, that ends in death. Except, of course, it doesn't end in death. Easter is relevant for you and me because it teaches us about life after death.

Easter story is matchless; it is the whole story, the real story. Jesus has lived our life, died our death; and now lives. The grace and glory will never end. Easter is the greatest news that the world will ever hear. Eternal and everlasting life not death, light not darkness, grace not betrayal, glory not shame, love not hatred will triumph. As one song writer puts it, "Life is worth the living just because He lives."

Wishing you a very happy and blessed Easter,

Godfrey



WHAT'S ON IN SOUTHWATER APRIL 2025

Tue 1 st	Belfry Lunch Club	P34
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Holy innocents - Southwater Parish Church

Easter- Holy Week

Wednesday 16th April Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

Maundy Thursday 17th April 7.30pm with foot washing

Good Friday 18th April

- 10 am Family Communion followed by hot cross buns
- 12 noon Walk of Witness
- 2 pm Meditation at the Foot of the Cross

Saturday 19th April 5 pm Easter Vigil

(with fire pit and lighting of the Easter candle)

Easter Day- Sunday 20th April

- 10am Family Communion
- 3pm-5pm Open Church with Easter lilies and live music

Alpha Course starts Thursday 1st May 6.45pm for 7pm

VE Day 80th Anniversary -Open Church Thursday 8th May

Start the Month 6th April
Refreshments 5pm Service 5.30pm



OR IS IT...

Holy Innocents - Southwater Parish Church
Church Lane, Southwater, RH13 9BT

Open Afternoon at Holy Innocents

Easter Sunday 20th April

3pm-5pm

Please come along and enjoy
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Holy Innocents, Southwater Parish Church
Church Lane, Southwater RH13 9BT



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Village Hall Centenary

JUNE 2025

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secretary@southwatervillagehall.org.uk

SOUTHWATER VILLAGE HALL IS 100 YEARS OLD!!

Southwater Village Hall held its official opening ceremony on Thursday 11th June 1925 after Southwater WI started fundraising in 1921 for a parish hall.

After lengthy and determined fundraising over the next few years, sufficient funds were raised to go ahead. Although originally proposed to be built of brick, cost considerations meant that the hall had to be built of timber, clad with corrugated iron, with a corrugated iron roof. The building was erected by local builders H Baker & Son at a total cost of around £690. The hall was officially opened as a “centre for social activities” by Sir Lancelot Aubrey-Fletcher, whose family donated the land.

Over subsequent years, many improvements and alterations have been made to the original building, including a rear extension (now the ‘Robert Piper Room’), the building has been re-clad, re-roofed, re-wired, new floor and recently a new green heating system installed and the kitchen refurbished. Externally, a car park extension has been added, as well as a dedicated play area and outdoor classroom for the Pre-School.

During the War the hall was used as a school for children evacuated from London and this educational use has continued with the Southwater Village Hall Pre-School having been the hall’s primary user for over 50 years. As probably the only provision for under-5s in the village for many years, many local residents went there, followed by their children and grandchildren.

For many years the hall was the home of Southwater Amateur Dramatic Society and saw many productions on its stage. Southwater Horticultural Society was also a long-term user and regularly used the hall for meetings, annual shows, plant sales etc and also for annual pantomime productions. The hall is, through the Elim Church, also a place of worship and over the years has been a library and has been home to four badminton clubs. In the 60s it hosted South London group ‘The Spirits’ featuring an electric organ and a Beat Group called ‘The Blueberries’.

For over 30 years the hall has been home to the Trefoil Guild and Brownies and today’s regular users include Elsdon Dance Company, Southwater WI, Southwater Art Club, AA, Games Afternoon and Welcome Club and can be booked for children’s parties on Sunday afternoons.

We will be celebrating our centenary In June at the hall, more details to follow. If you have any photos, stories, memories you would like to share with us as part of our celebrations, please email secretary@southwatervillagehall.org.uk

Letter from Alex Jeffery.

HDC Councillor for Southwater South & Shipley Ward

Update on Southwater Paddling Beach

As we begin to move out of the dark winter months into spring, many leisure activities come to mind with many looking forward to the longer days and lighter evenings. After spring comes summer which gets many of us thinking about sun, sea and relaxation - with the country park and paddling beach situated in the heart of the village what better way to spend a summer's day lounging on the grass banks with the option of a dip to cool off when the temperature gets a little too much.

Many will already be aware that last year I successfully lobbied for the removal of the booking system at the paddling beach. I am delighted to say that after trailing the removal of the booking system that this went without a hitch and as such the booking system will not be returning anytime soon. Last year I informed residents that I would look into the removal of the fencing erected during the covid-19 pandemic should no issues arise. Following a recent poll conducted in which a seismic 91% of residents who took part would like to see the fencing removed, I will be scheduling meetings with officers at HDC to look at removal of the fencing in time for this summer so that residents can once again move freely between the paddling beach and grass banking as before. I do however acknowledge that there will be others who take a different view, my door is always open to feedback.

HDC Budget For 2025/26 Financial Year

In other news, in February HDC passed a balanced budget for the 2025/26 financial year without any cuts to frontline services. A council tax increase of 2.7% was agreed raising the annual council tax bill from HDC by £4.67 per year for a band D property whilst still securing the lowest council tax in Sussex.

We understand that the cost-of-living crisis is still affecting many residents which is why HDC has introduced up to 100% council tax relief for those struggling most in our District. If you believe you qualify please contact me or HDC directly.

Finally, I will be hosting my next District Councillor surgery on Saturday 19th April at The Selsey Arms, Coolham.

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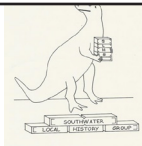
SOUTHWATER VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 14th April 2025 at 7.30pm
To be held at Southwater Village Hall**

SVH is a local charity run by volunteer trustees for the benefit of the local community. We have had an exciting year and have more plans for the future. If you would like to know more about the Village Hall please come and join our AGM.

The agenda for the meeting will be displayed on the Southwater Community Facebook page and the Parish Council main Noticeboard at least 14 days before the meeting.

For further information about the AGM please contact Ilanit Slowly on 01403 732543 or email secretary@southwatervillagehall.org.uk



SOUTHWATER LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

WW11 Flight Operation over Sussex



Talk by

Ian Miles

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Monday 7th April 2025

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Monday 5th May 10.00 – 12.00

*Southwater Village Hall, Church Lane,
Southwater RH13 9BT*

✦ Southwater Parish Council ✦

✦ Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come! ✦



INCREASED CAR PARK CHARGES

Monthly Eco Tips:

Fight Against Food Waste

£80! This is how much the average family of four could save each month by reducing their food waste. Around 40% of the rubbish in an average West Sussex waste bin is made up of food waste. For top tips on reducing food waste, visit:
[westsussex.gov.uk/FightAgainstFoodWaste](https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/FightAgainstFoodWaste)

Your Plastics -Did you know you can recycle plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays of any colour? To find out the latest recycling tips go to : www.westsussex.gov.uk and search Think Before You Throw

Let's connect:



- **Approval Secured for Footway Improvements at Nutham Lane and Cedar Drive** - Southwater Parish Council (SPC) is pleased to share an update on the Community Highways Scheme application regarding the much-needed footway improvements at the junction of Nutham Lane and Cedar Drive. West Sussex County Council has approved this proposal for inclusion in their works programme, with feasibility and design set to take place across the financial year 2025/26. The scheme aims to enhance pedestrian safety and accessibility by installing a formalised footway on the grass verge between the junction of Nutham Lane and Cedar Drive and the nearby bus stop on Cedar Drive. The path will provide a safer walking route for residents and visitors and help ensure better connectivity in the area. For more info visit <https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/news>
- **Consultation on Proposals for a Mayoral combined Authority Now Open** - The Deputy Prime Minister, Rt Hon Angela Raynor has announced that Sussex will be one of the places on the Devolution Priority Programme and that the Government will be moving to consult on the formation of a strategic combined authority and elected mayor. Also included in the announcement is that West Sussex County Council, and other authorities on the list, will not be holding elections this year. A consultation on proposals for a Mayoral Combined Authority for Sussex and Brighton is now open, inviting residents, businesses and organisations to have their say before the deadline on 13 April. Residents and stakeholders are encouraged to take part and share their views by visiting the Government's website at Sussex and Brighton Devolution. For more info and to access the consultation go to: <https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/post/a-consultation-on-proposals-for-a-mayoral-combined-authority-for-sussex-and-brighton-is-now-open>
- **Increased Car Parking Charges** - Councillor Vickers has written to the Leader of Horsham District Council regarding significant increases in car parking charges proposed in the 2025-26 budget. They have sought reassurances that no charges will be introduced in Lintot Square and will provide further future updates.

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Fairbank Rd, Southwater, RH13 9LA
Tel: 01403 733202
Email: enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk

SPC Team x

More News

- **Skatepark Users 16+ - Let's See Your Skills** - SPC are inviting skatepark users to send a video of their best trick, filmed at Southwater Skatepark. This is open to skatepark users aged 16 and over, send your video to veronika.toth@southwater-pc.gov.uk or via Instagram DM @southwaterskatepark and as a reward you can pick up a free blue Lucozade while stocks last from Beeson House during opening hours.
- **Southwater Neighbourhood Warden's Friendship Group** - Our Wardens held the first set up meeting for a friendship group for residents at Roundstone Park. The idea being to tackle loneliness and to help connect like-minded people. The group will be holding a further meeting on 20th March and the next one will follow on 17th April.
- **Food Waste collection to start next year** - A phased roll-out of weekly food waste collection will launch in March 2026. This is being introduced to help improve recycling rates as well as to comply with the Government's simpler recycling scheme which was introduced to create consistency in the way recycling, food waste and garden waste are collected across the country. Currently some 41.5% of the rubbish in an average Horsham District waste bin is made up of food waste.

Volunteer Opportunity



Horsham Green Gym

HGG is an independent volunteer nature conservation group run by its members, with support from Horsham District Council. they work at various sites in and near Horsham, getting exercise and fresh air while improving the local environment, learning new skills and making new friends. Membership is free.

They meet at 10am every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the year. the Tuesday group often has more than 20 people, up to 15 members join on the Thursday meetings. You can attend on either day, or both and they aim to finish work by 1pm.

Tasks include coppicing, installing simple benches, erecting fences, creating paths, resurfacing, planting hedges and trees and clearing streams, ponds and public rights of way to name but a few.

If the above has piqued your interest find out more by emailing horshamgreengym@hotmail.com.

Event News



3rd April - Scam Savvy Event from 11:30AM at Beeson House.

SPC Councillor Surgery - First Saturday of every month. Next date: 5th April.

6th April Spring Craft Fair - in aid of Southern Sighthound Rescue at St Mary's Barn, Causeway Horsham. Free parking and definitely dog friendly.

11th April Wellbeing Walk - Meet Southwater Country Park car park (off Cripplegate Lane). Not need to book just turn up at 11am. Walk along bridleways, country lanes and return via the Downs Link. Sorry no dogs. Not suitable for wheelchairs or prams

12th April Sustainable Southwater - will have their stall from 10-12 at Lintot Square. People can get refills, purchase sustainable items and learn about how to be more environmentally friendly.

26-27th April Spring Live - South of England Showground, Ardingly celebrate the arrival of spring with a weekend packed full of fun and activities. You could win a family ticket by entering their competition:

www.sussexlocal.net/features/competitions

Winner will be drawn on 17th April.



Lobular Moon Shot Project

Know the facts about lobular breast cancer.

1

Lobular breast cancer rarely shows up on mammograms and ultrasound.

2

It is the 2nd most common type of breast cancer and it generally does not form a lump.

3

22 people a day are diagnosed with lobular in the UK. 1,000 a day globally.

4

It is the 5th most common form of female cancer.



Lobular does not have a specific type of treatment.

A local campaign was setup in 2023 to change this.

Join our sponsored walk on the **26th May 2025** or learn more about Lobular breast cancer and our locally launched campaign which over 275 MPs support by visiting:

lobularmoonshot.org



Sponsored Walk for Lobular Research

24 May 2025 - 10:00 start - Southwater



**Two nights bed and breakfast at the 5 star South Lodge Hotel & Spar
for the person who raises the most money**

Several sponsored 22km (13.67 miles) walks have been organised to raise money for lobular breast cancer research at the Manchester Breast Centre. 22km represents the 22 people diagnosed with lobular breast cancer every day in UK.

The Southwater walk starts in the overflow carpark at the Country Park on Stakers Lane at 10:00am and is mainly on public footpaths and bridleways around Copsale, Maplehurst and Nuthurst.

Registration from 09:30am. What 3 words location -shins.masterpiece.nips

Walking shoes recommended – plus sun screen, water, snacks and rainwear

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Thank you very much. Your help is truly appreciated.

Eunice Pearson - Distribution Co-Ordinator.

Blood Test Booking System

A new blood test booking system is being introduced at Horsham, Crawley and East Surrey hospitals.

Up until now patients could just turn up for an on-the-spot test but from 3rd March people will have to book in advance using SwiftQueue. There will be check-in kiosks in the phlebotomy departments



Audio Park Development

Construction is well underway on the Audio Park development in Southwater Business Park. Developer Chancerygate was granted planning permission to speculatively build 103,000 sq ft of Grade A urban logistics space on the old 4.59-acre Sony site next to the Country Park. It will comprise seven units ranging from 8,325 sq ft to 33,940 sq ft. The projected gross development value is approximately £27m, with units available on both a freehold and leasehold basis.

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But this is not the first time that swimming took place here. During WWII, Woodgetters in Shipley Road was commandeered by the War Office and Canadian soldiers were billeted there. The Cock Inn, now The Topsy Fox, was a favourite haunt, as were the weekly dances at the Village Hall, and more than one romance began there and at least one Canadian soldier married, working at the brickworks for a short time before returning to Canada to find a home for his new family, who followed him shortly after. Another very popular activity was swimming in the clayhole lake. Many of the local lads would join them, learning to swim, although it was rather dangerous, the water as now being deep and cold. Nevertheless a swimming club was formed and continued for many years.

Swimming in the main part of the lake is quite definitely to be indulged in, only taking place during the occasional triathlon, when wet suits are worn for warmth and there is strict safety observed. That clay pit is very deep and very cold!

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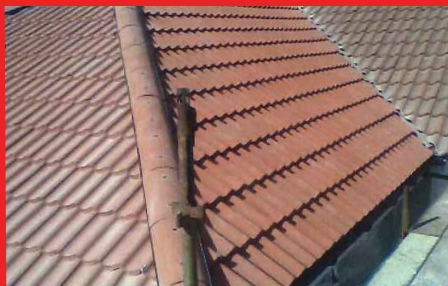
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Recycling News

Church Lane Recycling:

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But they will take a range of other hard-to-recycle items such as spectacles, asthma inhalers, disposable razors, toothbrushes, contact lens cases, small bottle tops, milk bottle tops, aluminium ring pulls, rubber gloves, wine corks (not plastic), water filters, pens/felt tips/highlighters, etc. postage stamps (not plastic), ink cartridges and mobile phones.

Sustainable Southwater Pop-Up:

On the second Saturday of each month, **Sustainable Southwater** has a pop-up stall in Lintot Square, outside the Co-op, from 10-12.00. They will take your old cables, chargers, small electricals, mobile phones, water filters, toner cartridges and vapes.

Hop Oast Recycling Centre

From 1st April, the recycling centre at the Hop Oast will switch to its spring/summer opening times as follows:

9am to 6pm – Monday plus Thursday to Sunday. Tuesday & Wednesday closed.

You need to book online at www.westsussex.gov.uk to visit the centre.

Hard Plastics Recycling

Due to changes in the global market for hard plastic materials, as of January 2025, hard plastics **can no longer be recycled** at WSCC recycling centres, including the Hop Oast. This includes items such as plant pots, plastic garden furniture and coat hangers.

Fruit and Veg Nets

Did you know you can recycle the plastic nets that your fruit and veg come in? Snip off the metal clips and pop them in with your soft plastics to take back to the supermarket.

Battery Recycling Made Easy

And did you know how easily you can recycle small household batteries, such as AA, AAA, D, C, 6v, 9v, button, mobile phone and laptop (with the terminals taped) batteries? Pop them in a clear plastic bag and when it's full tie the top and leave it **on the top** of your green or blue-topped bin on collection day. No need to book. Larger batteries for cars, 12v, vapes or corroded batteries must be taken to the recycling centre.

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Southwater Office opening hours are:

Monday - Friday 09:30 - 12:30 and 14:30 - 17:00

Southwater Community Police Office

Beeson House, Lintot Square, Southwater

Tel: 01403 734417



Notes from the Past....

By Robert Piper

Now spring is here - on 16th March 1865 the Woodman Beer House in Worthing Road (now Woodmans) opened. No one in the village signed in favour of it. On 6th April 1875 teg (young sheep) were for sale at 48s (£234.70 RPI) per head at Horsham market. In April 1885 it was reported that the new oil lamps and glasses in the main body of the church, supplied by Messer Bennetfinks, cost £14-17s-6d (£1619.93 RPI) and were used for the first time at the Good Friday service.

During the school board meeting in April 1895, the members looked at transferring the school to the Horsham school board. This would add 1-1/4d in the pound (£13.93 RPI) to the rates. The Rural Dean pointed out that the monies would go to Horsham school board and may not be spent on Southwater school, so it was decided to keep the school going for one more year if the vicar was happy to keep running it.

Over 109 people attended The Easter service in April 1910. The church was decorated with spring flowers for the Sunday service .The unemployment fund had a large number of unsold pimps (lighting wood) that were offered at 4s per gross (£19.97 RPI). On the 8th April 1915 the 22nd service battalion of the Royal Fusiliers put on a concert at the council school. All funds were to go to the church. Mr Edger Charman was fined 7-6s (£32.63 RPI) by Horsham court for not having dog licenses

In April 1945 the church received a donation of £25 (£914.45 RPI) to go towards the church yard fund, Mrs Jeans of Pound Farm won a special prize at the Chiddingfold Show for the best Channel Island bull. Great House farm had mangolds for sale at 50s (£91.45 RPI) per ton. The WI members were asked to knit garments for children in the occupied countries and to grow tomato plants that were grown from Canadian seed. A notice appeared in the West Sussex County Times to say that Greengarth ,Worthing Road, had been put up for sale along with 2 acres of land. It was built in 1937 and had mains water and a telephone line. Sale would be complete in 6 weeks

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No more meetings in April
Next meeting - May 2nd

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2nd Monday: Book Club am

2nd Tuesday: Girls who Gossip am, Discussion am

2nd Friday: Rummikub pm

3rd Tuesday: Card Craft am, Quiz pm

4th Friday: Garden group am

4th Tuesday: bimonthly general meetings with guest speakers pm.

Various days: Out and About

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Southwater Local History Group

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Mon 5th May – Speaker Ben Hasker
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Contact

Jeremy Senneck 01403 731247
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Southwater W.I. News

Well, spring is well and truly here now and with the lighter, longer days we all feel a bit more like getting out and doing things. The Walking Wonder Women have been out and about, soon to be resuming their evening walks, the Gardening Gang have been tweeking the War Memorial and the Charities Committee have been busy as usual! After Christmas they collected a car load of plastic sweet tubs to be made into garden furniture.

We're all looking forward to our up and coming meetings. In March we have a talk about women in sport from Maureen Jones who has contributed to the athletics world for many years, and then in April we have our annual quiz, featuring our very own Triple Q (Quiz Mistress), the ever challenging Sandra Fruish.

We love meeting new people so if you have recently moved to the area the W.I. is a great way to become acquainted with Southwater. We meet in the Village Hall on the last Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm

Next meeting - Wednesday March 26th Women in Sport

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Alpha

Holy Innocents celebrates its 175th Anniversary

Sunday 1st June

- 10 am Family Communion with Bishop Martin of Chichester
- 5 pm Songs of Praise - the Village Choice

Friday 6th June - Sunday 8th June - Flower Festival

Village Choice - Your Favourite Hymns

On Sunday 1st June at 5.30pm Southwater Parich Church is holding a special Songs of Praise at our Start the Month service. We are asking the village to send in their favourite hymns and songs and Godfrey, our vicar, will be choosing the seven or eight most requested hymns to be sung at the service

Please email or phone Godfrey to let him know your favourite hymn or write it down and drop it through the vicarage letterbox. The cut off date for requests is Friday 9th May so we have time to prepare the service and publicise the final list

Do join us on the day. Refreshments are served from 5pm

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Churchwardens: churchwardenhisouthwater@gmail.com

10.00 a.m. Sunday Service with Holy Communion.

Tea, coffee and biscuits are served after these services to give us an opportunity to meet informally and to get to know one another.

Start the Month services explore various forms of worship and are held at 5.30pm on the first Sunday of the month. Refreshments are served before the service at 5pm.

Midweek Communion is held every Wednesday at 10.30 am followed by tea and coffee.

Home Communion - if anyone you know is too frail or unwell to come to church and would like **Home Communion** please contact Godfrey.

Youth Group meet i at 10 a.m. on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday in the month

Baptisms/Christenings normally take place at 12.30 p.m. at a short service following the main Sunday service

If you want to know more about any of these services or want to enquire about a baptism, wedding or a funeral please contact Godfrey or one of the churchwardens or speak to them after a service

The next Julian meeting will be held on Monday 7th April at 10.30 am at Steeplefield. All are welcome to join us for readings and a time for contemplative reflection. Please contact Pat Chapman on 01403 738338 for further details and to learn more about the Julian meetings.

The church is open every day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

OTHER CHURCH ACTIVITIES



Prayers for the Community

At our 10 am Sunday services prayers are offered for people who live in specific roads in Southwater. If you are in need of prayer support please let Godfrey know (no names need to be mentioned). All are welcome to the service on the day we pray for your street or road.

- 6th April– Woodlands Way
- 13th April – College Road
- 20th April– Ash Road
- 27th April– Ivy Close and Oak Road

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Please contact the church wardens.

churchwardenhisouthwater@gmail.com

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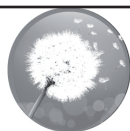
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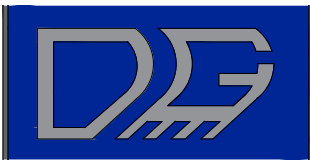
We would love to connect with you, so why not get in touch. A warm welcome awaits you!

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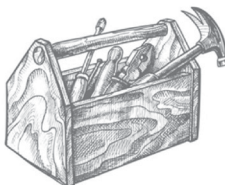
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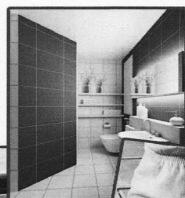
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