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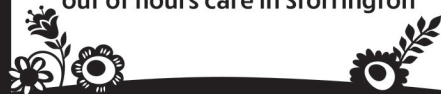
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



Welcome to the March edition of Southwater News!

This has been a busy month with a lot of interesting information coming in to keep us updated about what is happening in our village and the surrounding areas. Alex Jeffery, the HDC Councillor for Southwater South & Shipley Ward, will be writing each month to inform residents about what is going on locally - this month he talks about devolution. This month's magazine theme is sustainable food choices. The front cover features Easted's Allotments - what better way to eat sustainably than to grow your own - and it tastes so much better anyway. If digging and watering is not your thing why not visit the Community Fridge or take part in the Plant to Plate activities planned for April 2025 seems to be the year of anniversaries. We have the 80th VE Day on May 8th, the village hall is 100, the church is 175, even the library is celebrating its centenary. Watch this space for all sorts of special events that will be taking place in our village in the coming year. If you are planning an event or new initiative, please do let us know - we'll be happy to help you advertise it and, whatever it is that rocks your boat, it's bound to help towards the rich tapestry of our lives.

The Editor.

*Please contact newsouthwater@gmail.com or leave a message on 07736 581 858 to submit an article or advertisement. The 2025 advertising rates and special rates for community groups are below. The deadline for contributions is the **10th of the preceding month**. We look forward to hearing from you!*

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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.

Three simple ways to help achieve the best price and a quick sale

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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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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Easteds Allotments - photo kindly provided by Southwater PC. There are 68 allotments costing £25 p.a. (2025-26) with an additional charge for water & maintenance. If you are interesting in renting an allotment please contact eastedsallots@yahoo.com to add your name to the waiting list

From the vicar's pen,

Lent begins on the 5th March, Ash Wednesday which is a journey that culminates on Easter Sunday. The apostle Thomas is often known for his doubt about Jesus' resurrection. However, his story is one of transformation—from doubt to faith. Do you have a faith? What do you think about Easter? What is the relevance of Easter faith today?

Thomas, upon hearing the news of Christ's resurrection, expressed doubt, insisting that he needed to see and touch Jesus's wounds to believe. This reveals a human struggle – needing physical evidence to believe in the supernatural. Jesus, in His compassion, appeared to Thomas, inviting him to see and touch His wounds. This personal encounter with the risen Christ is what brought transformation in Thomas's life.

Nonetheless, Jesus commends those who believe without seeing. This affirms the essence of faith – believing without seeing, as echoed in 2 Corinthians 5:7, "For we live by faith, not by sight."

The story of Thomas's journey from doubt to belief offers valuable lessons for us all. It highlights that doubts, when brought before God in prayer, can be transformed into faith. Thomas's life encourages us to believe in Christ's resurrection and His promises, regardless of what we see. This inspires us to live by faith, not by sight, trusting in the character and promises of God even in the midst of uncertainty.

The Holy Innocents Parish church, Southwater will be running an Alpha course, from May, for those who would like to explore faith in God. "The Alpha Course is created to outline the core principles of the Christian faith. By focusing on the fundamentals of Christianity, it opens the door for Alpha to be used in almost any context so that everyone can engage in discussions and be transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Alpha is organised as a series of sessions over 10 weeks, including a day or weekend away. Each session has a talk and then discussion in small groups. The talks aim to cover the basic beliefs of the Christian faith.

Alpha is now used in various churches around the world. Its supporters include many Catholic cardinals, Anglican archbishops and bishops, and leading figures of all denominations. Former Archbishop of Canterbury, George Carey described the course as "superb." More details about the course can be found elsewhere in the magazine (pp32-33). Faith in God is liberating as it teaches you that you are never alone and gives you an eternal perspective.

With prayers and all good wishes, **Godfrey**



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Sun 23 rd	Christ Hospital Angus Ross Concert	P11
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Wed 26 th	Games afternoon	P28
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Letter from Alex Jeffery.

HDC Councillor for Southwater South & Shipley Ward

On the 5th of February, we learned that County Council elections across West Sussex and 9 other authorities had been cancelled by the Government after these authorities were successful in their application to join the 'Devolution Priority Programme'. While the concept of devolution had been discussed before the Government announcement in December 2024 – the Labour manifesto did not include this 'rapid' widespread local government reorganisation.

The reality is Horsham District Council (HDC) and West Sussex County Council (WSCC) will cease to exist, with services provided by both, absorbed into a new larger Strategic Authority of around 1.7million residents - headed by an elected Mayor of Sussex. Proposals include three unitary councils, under the Strategic Authority, with our area's services supplied by one of these. HDC had limited sight of these proposals, with East & West Sussex County Councils & Brighton & Hove City Council applying to the Government to join the programme. HDC has been given 6 weeks to submit an initial proposal for reorganisation. This is the largest local government reorganisation in our area, since the formation of the current structure in the mid-1970s.

Opinion Piece

While some argue that one-tier systems are more efficient, I have several concerns regarding the proposals:

- Less local representation with fewer councillors representing residents and handling casework on their behalf.
- The potential loss of 'non-statutory' services provided by the district council - services the council is not legally obliged to provide e.g. grants for community projects, Horsham Lates, and The Capitol Theatre.
- Impact on essential services during a 'rushed reorganisation' – why the hurry?
- No public mandate for these changes.

HDC is a well-run district council serving the residents of Horsham District. Other nearby councils such as Woking and Brighton have risked taxpayers' money, incurring large losses, resulting in the reduction of services. Without a 'settlement', it is difficult to see how any new unitary council could continue to provide local non-statutory services including Leisure, The Arts, Parks & Countryside etc. There is limited information on how the Government will address these concerns. I will look to update residents as and when we know more.

In the meantime, residents can get in touch with me via email or telephone. I also hold regular District Councillor Surgeries with my next dates below:

Saturday 1st March: The Selsey Arms, Coolham (12-2pm)

Saturday 22nd March: The Topsy Fox, Southwater (12-2pm)

Email: alex.jeffery@horsham.gov.uk

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Sunday 2nd March - 3.00pm - Big School
The Band Concert

Sunday 9th March - 4.00pm - Chapel
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The Angus Ross Concert

For further information about other events and to book tickets
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E: boxoffice@christs-hospital.org.uk T: 01403 247434

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2025 World Day of Prayer for The Cook Islands
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A service for **everyone**
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3 Springfield Road, Horsham RH12 2JP

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Sunday 2nd March
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Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!



- The Big Southwater Bin Survey - Community Consultation -**
 SPC has launched community consultations and is committed to engaging with residents and ensuring that local voices shape the future of its community. Throughout the year, it will be running a series of short online consultations on various topics, allowing residents to share their opinions and help guide decisions on local matters. The first consultation focuses on public bins across Southwater, covering everything from general waste bins to recycling and dog waste bins. They want to hear your thoughts on their locations, types, and whether there are enough to meet the needs of our community. These surveys are designed to be quick and easy to complete, ensuring that everyone has a chance to contribute without taking up too much time. Paper copies are available from SPCs office in Beeson House, Lintot Square or you can scan the QR code or visit their website above to complete online.
<https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/>
- Southwater Parish Council (SPC) Budget and Precept for 2025-26** - SPC approved the budget for financial year 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026 at the Full Council Meeting of 15th January 2025. This represented a total precept requirement of £542,528, resulting in Band D Council Tax of £117.37. This equates to an increase of 46 pence per month to a Band D Household. To view the approved budget please visit www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/annual-budget
- Upcoming Tree Works in Southwater** - Further to a recent tree survey carried out on behalf of SPC, essential tree works will be actioned in the area by Sussex Tree Specialists and are anticipated to last for approximately two months.
- The 80th Anniversary of VE Day - 8th May 2025** - This significant day marks eight decades since the end of World War II in Europe, and our community is coming together to honor this historic moment. SPC is looking to take part in bringing this event closer to everyone in collaboration with the Southwater Community Partnership. SPC is currently investigating ways to show the importance of this historic moment to the community. Keep an eye on our website and social media pages and more in this newsletter for the announcements closer to the event.

Southwater Parish Council:

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 Email: enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk

SPC Team x

The Big Southwater Bin Survey



THE BIG SOUTHWATER BIN SURVEY!

Monthly Eco Tips:

Recycling Process -

Curious about what happens after your recycling is collected? Want to see how plastic, paper and other materials are sorted and processed? check out the West Sussex Recycling video here:
<https://www.youtube.com/@WSRecycles> or book a visit to the facility yourself at <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk> and search Ford Materials Recycling Facility

Be Energy Efficient - A

fully loaded dishwasher can be more water efficient than washing by hand. Even if you are using a washing-up bowl.

Let's connect:



More News

- **Millais School Change of Status Decision** - The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Learning and Skills has approved the publication of formal statutory proposals to change the status of Millais School from a single sex girls school to a co-educational from September 2026. the allocation of £1.5m capital funding from the basic need budget to deliver the necessary works, as detailed in paragraph 2.7 of the report, to enable the school to change status to co-ed provision should it be determined that this should proceed to implementation following conclusion of the statutory proposal period. For more information visit <https://westsussex.moderngov.co.uk> and click on Decisions.
- **Your Views on Pharmacy Services** - West Sussex County Council is seeking residents views on pharmacy services across the county, to help understand how local residents and communities use these services. A public survey is now open until Monday 3 March (midnight) inviting residents to give their views on these services in West Sussex. The survey is anonymous and includes services from your high street pharmacy, online or mail order, dispensing GPs and appliance contractors. To have your say go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/pharmacy

Volunteer Opportunity



Library Volunteers

West Sussex Library Service is committed to involving volunteers and provides a diverse range of volunteer roles. Involving volunteers helps to achieve their goals and also has a positive impact on the library service, customers, the local community and on individuals. Whatever time or skills you have, there is a role for you. They aim to offer a positive experience for volunteers and library staff and are committed to allocating appropriate resources to recruit, train and support and recognise volunteers. For more information and to search current vacancies, which include children's library services volunteer; digital volunteers and home library direct volunteers to name a few, go to www.westsussex.gov.uk and search Library volunteer.

To contact them email library.volunteers@westsussex.gov.uk

Event News



SPC Councillor Surgery - First Saturday of every month. Next 1st March

8th March Sustainable Southwater - will have their stall from 10-12 at Lintot Square, between the Co-op and Domino's. People can get refills, purchase sustainable items and learn about how to be more environmentally friendly.

15-16th March South of England Mineral Show - There's gold panning, geode cracking and sculpt your own fossil at the South of England Mineral Show. you can explore a wide variety of vendors offering unique crystal specimens, fossils, jewellery, beads and more. Go to www.natureuneearthed.co.uk for all the details

30th March - Clothes4Clothes by Coco's Foundation

The charity is taking donations between 9.30 and 10.30am at Lintot Square. <https://www.cocosfoundation.org.uk/>

Love Food - Hate Waste

In the UK, approximately 9.5 million tonnes of food is wasted each year. This staggering amount not only represents a significant waste of resources but also contributes to environmental issues such as greenhouse gas emissions and water wastage.

Community Fridges have emerged as one particular solution to this issue, serving as a bridge between those with surplus food and those who wish to prevent fresh food from going to waste. They are run by community groups, in shared spaces such as schools and community centres, and they make the food they have rescued freely available to members of the public.

Community Fridge vs Food Bank

A community fridge is a space where local people can share surplus food, including fresh produce from supermarkets, local businesses, and households

The primary goal of a community fridge is to reduce food waste and is available to all in the community

Community fridges are open to everyone, with no restrictions on how many times you can visit, and the food is free

Community fridges often offer fresh, good-quality food and operate on a trust basis without means testing

A food bank provides short-term, crisis food support to individuals and families in financial hardship

To receive food from a food bank, you typically need a voucher, which can be issued by calling a helpline

Food banks often have a cap on the number of visits a household can make within a certain period

Food banks usually distribute non-perishable food items and may have set times for distribution

If you are interested in supporting a local Community Fridge and their work to reduce food waste and its associated impact on the environment, try visiting one of those listed below.

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| Southwater | Holy Innocents Church, Church Lane, Southwater RH13 9BT
Second Saturday of each month, 10-11am:
<i>Get there early for the best picks!</i> |
| Horsham | London Road Methodist Church, London Road,
Horsham, RH12 1A
Every Tuesday 10-11am and Thursday 1-2pm |
| Horsham | United Reformed Church, Springfield Rd, Horsham RH12 2RG
Last Saturday of each month, 10-11am |
| Billingshurst | The Weald School House, Billingshurst, United Kingdom,
RH14 9RY : Every Wednesday 10-12.00 noon |

For more info and tips on reducing food waste, checkout the article from Horsham District Council on page 17

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10AM - 11AM

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These are the dates

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12th March, - 9th April

14th May - 11th June

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Talk by

Bill McNaught

in Southwater Village Hall, Church Lane
at 7.30pm on

Monday 3rd March 2025

All welcome. Non-members £3

Please do not attend if you have Covid-19 symptoms



**Horsham
District
Council**

Making sustainable food choices



Did you know that you can make really simple food choices that will help reduce your individual or family's carbon footprint, protect the environment and save you ££'s?

Get involved

See the article on the adjoining page to find out more.

www.horsham.gov.uk/get-involved-in-climate-action



Making Sustainable Food Choices

Two national campaigns this month help us to focus on how to reduce our food waste: Cultivation Street (cultivationstreet.com/) which celebrates community gardening, and Food Waste Action Week from Love Food Hate Waste (lovefoodhatewaste.com).

Did you know that a shocking 40+% of our household waste in Horsham District is food, and salad and fresh vegetables make up 27% of our food waste! This is bad for the environment whilst a recent report by WRAP estimates the average family loses around £80 per month on food nationally.

From buying loose fruit and veg, through to freezing leftovers, growing your own salads, or visiting your local Community Larder, there are many ways to think about how to buy wisely and reduce food waste. You can also share the food you won't use, such as through the Olio App (olioapp.com/en).

Local initiatives

Have you visited your local Community Fridge? Here you can rescue free food from local grocery stores which would otherwise be wasted. There is also a community garden you can get involved with. See details below and visit our Get Involved webpage for more suggestions: horsham.gov.uk/get-involved-in-climate-action

Community Fridges/Larders/Pantries

- Horsham Community Fridge, Pops Up@Southwater: Holy Innocents Church, Church Lane, Southwater, RH13 9BT. <https://faredivide.org.uk/horsham/> (Open 2nd Sat of the month, 10-11am)

Community Gardening and Allotments

- Easteds Allotments, Easteds Lane, Southwater: www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/allotments or eastedsallots@yahoo.com
- Southwater Parish is looking to start a community composting facility – get in touch with the Parish Council if you would like to get involved: southwater-pc.gov.uk/climate-action-plan or enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk

PLANT TO PLATE FESTIVAL— brought to you by Sussex Green Living
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From 10am-4pm on Saturday 26th April, Horsham will come alive to celebrate green living in Sussex – perfect for mums, dads, and little ones alike. It's a day packed with local food, expert talks and eco-friendly fun that will inspire you and your family to live more sustainably.

Spread across four unique venues in central Horsham, come along for a day of free goodies, family-friendly activities, and caring community vibes at the Plant to Plate Festival!

At the Sussex Green Hub, in the United Reformed Church, you will find advice and simple energy-saving hacks to reduce utility bills, our popular Horsham Repair Café who might help you fix that zip, clock or kettle. There will be free food stalls at the Horsham Community Fridge, our Refill Shop to top up on all of the essentials, and don't forget to treat yourself to one of the Sussex food or drink artisan delights – of course all in line with reducing waste.

At the Unitarian Church Hall and gardens, green thumbs can get hands-on gardening tips from the experts with activities like 'take it away' seedlings, books and goodie stall and ways to reduce your food waste. There's also the chance to get your hands dirty with composting and wildlife-friendly gardening advice and nature activities for the kids.

The Quaker Meeting House will play host to an array of expert talks and demonstrations, including how to avoid that problematic packaging that just can't be recycled and ideas on how to cook tasty healthy meals that can reduce your impact on the planet.

Stop off at the Bishopric Market on your way between the venues, hosting fresh fruit, veggies, plants, and even retro pre-loved treasures for your home. Enjoy live music, meet warm-hearted community volunteers, and explore the vibrant eco float that's been creatively refurbished to lighten our carbon footprint. (cont. page 19)

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

Magazine Deliverers Needed

We are very grateful to everyone who delivers the magazine around the village but, for various reasons, we now need to recruit new people to take on this small task in the following areas:-

Roman Way; Centenary Road; Hayler Gardens; part of Blakes Farm Road; various parts of the Berkley Homes estate.

If you are able to help at all please contact me direct at
distribution@southwaterchurch.org.uk

or on 01403 731360 where there is an answerphone.

Thank you very much. Your help is truly appreciated.

Eunice Pearson - Distribution Co-Ordinator.

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My Garden Birds

We all like to see birds on our walks or from our windows. Over nearly 20 years I have been systematically recording what birds fly by, who comes to a feeder or who takes a bath. Looking at the data I can say 976 records were noted, for the British Trust for Ornithology, Garden BirdWatch in 2024. Why do this? It helps us understand more about how bird populations use garden habitats. My garden has grass, fruit trees, hedges, mature native species of trees and importantly a bird bath, a small pond and wild areas. I follow a 'no-mow-May' policy for most of the grassed areas, which I extend to September for the benefit of butterflies and insects.

Records show I recorded 40 different species. Most recorded bird species were Blue Tit and Robin, recorded in every week. The top weeks in 2024 were weeks in January, February (with winter migrants) and June when I reported 20 species of wildlife that is birds and butterflies.



© Robin Philip Croft BTO



© Blue Tit Liz Cutting BTO

Records of other wildlife see the importance of garden spaces for wildlife more broadly. In 2024 I submitted records for 36 species of wildlife other than birds, for example Grass Snake, Slow-worm, Frog, Fox, bats and many butterflies.

An analysis shows that compared to other rural gardens in Southeast England, my record of 40 bird species puts the garden in the top 30% of gardens in terms of bird diversity. Some notable sightings in 2024 were: Siskin, Kestrel, Lesser Whitethroat, Marsh Tit and Buzzard.

Each year of data is incredibly valuable to the BTO, and reveals how garden bird populations are changing over time. As a new year launches I'm excited to see a pair of Stock Doves prospecting at a nesting box put up two years ago.

What will you see today?

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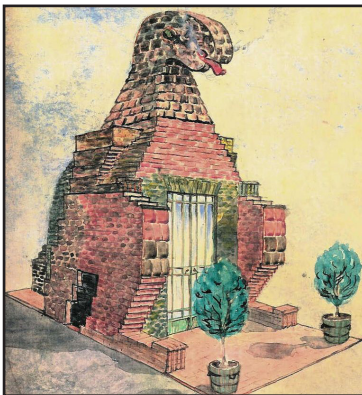
Southwater Local History Group - Dino Discoveries

It's quite difficult to imagine a time when Southwater was a tropical swamp with dinosaurs plodding about the Country Park and the Sports Club. However, as we know, there were certainly iguanodons in the district and bones were found in the clay pits which form the Country Park Lake!



We now have the excellent sculpture in Lintot Square, made by Hannah Stewart and fondly known as Iggy. It's a particular favourite with the local children who like to visit it after school, patting its nose and clambering on its back.

This wasn't the first attempt at depicting it, however. The Building Trades Exhibition was held annually at Olympia in West Kensington from 1924 until 1957 and the Sussex Brick Company were regular exhibitors. In 1932, their exhibit took the form of a very strange construction, described as "a cross between an Iguanodon and tank and making a striking spearhead to a row of brick stands just within the main entrance."



A rather less flattering view was that of "Impressions of an Impartial Observer" "The pavilion erected by this firm was designed to resemble the Iguanodon which countless thousands of years ago inhabited

the Weald of Sussex. It is well that such a monster has long been extinct, but I cannot reconcile the portrayal of it in a more recent and far more lasting material with the use of clay to produce the assumed likeness. Artistic it could not be called, nor illustrative of the use and value of the Wealden beds, contemporaneous with the formation of which it appears to have lived. The firm is one of such importance, and produces such excellent quality goods that it can afford to father a joke on the serious and preoccupied architect, surveyor or builder. As an onlooker, it made me shudder, rather." We think it looks rather jolly!



We notice that Horsham Museum currently have a free exhibition “Cretaceous Horsham Discovering Dinosaurs”. On until April 21st.

SLHG meet at the Village Hall, Church Lane, Southwater at 7.30p.m.
 Mon 3rd March 2025 – Speaker Bill McNaught – ‘Brunel - Father Son and Grandson’ - Three very clever gentlemen
 Mon 7th April 2025: Speaker Ian Miles, ‘WWII Flight Operations over Sussex’ Contact Jeremy Senneck 01403 731247 for more SLHG information.



Spring has sprung and the daffodils are in full flower. March is a quiet month in the village. In March 1885 it was reported that the concert at the school raised £8-10-6 (RPI £928.88) for the choir fund. There was also sad news of the death of Mr Charman of Great House Farm who, aged 76, was one of the oldest residents of the village. In March 1915 the paper reported that Kings Farm was to be sold by auction as part of the late Mr C C Eversfield Esq of Denne Parks estate. Mr Booker and his wife from the Post Office thanked all subscribers for the new roll top desk which was bought for their wedding present. It can be seen at the Post Office.

In March 1945 three members of Southwater WI agreed to take in three refugee children from The Netherlands for two weeks. There was a lady's BSA Cycle for sale in Shipley Road for £5 (RPI £183.09), a wash house man was wanted from mid-April at Christ Hospital school, Staker Farm had one ton of swedes for sale and a whist drive was to be held on the 2nd April at the Village Hall, admission was 1/6d (RPI £2.75) including tea and cakes for the Welcome Home Fund.

In March 1955, 63 happy Sunday School children had tea and cakes and watched a Charlie Chapin film in the Village Hall.

March 1965 began with extremely cold winter weather with six inches of snow and ended in summerlike heat.



NEIGHBOURHOOD
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Your Neighbourhood Wardens

- We meet the needs of the community to improve the quality of life for the residents through engagement, promotion and support.
- We develop projects that benefit the local residents to tackle community safety issues and promote inclusivity.
- We promote community cohesion, resilience and solidarity to encourage and empower communities to resolve issues.
- We support vulnerable members of the community with activities, advice, welfare checks and signposting.
- We engage with residents daily to get to know our community to become a trusted friend to offer advice, guidance and educate.
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Our opening hours are:

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

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Southwater Community Police Office

Beeson House, Lintot Square, Southwater

Tel: 01403 734417

Southwater Group



SOUTHWATER FRIDAY LUNCHEON CLUB

Fridays 12 noon – 3pm

The Boar's Head

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Southwater Folk

2nd Monday every month

7.30pm - 9.30 pm

Church Room

Southwater Church RH13 9BT



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Contact: folk@panda.me.uk

Knit & Chat Meets Wednesdays 12.00 – 2pm

The Lintot

**Southwater
contact Gill**

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Southwater Village Hall & SNN

Games afternoon

Every other Wednesday

2pm - 4.30pm

Southwater Village Hall

**Rummikub, Scrabble, Dominos,
Knitting, Crochet, Tea and Chat**

Contact Teresa 07957 449701

or Chris 07854 826724

ps and Clubs Listings...



SOUTHWATER WELCOME CLUB

Formed in 1960



For the over 55's

Please join us in the Village Hall on alternate Wednesdays, 2.30-4.30pm. for an afternoon of activities. We serve tea & cake and always hold a raffle. Cost £3 each.

5th March, Talk about Punch & Judy

19th March, 65th Anniversary Party

**Call Deborah Bailey 731891 or
Kris Massie 731553 for details**

SOUTHWATER YOUNG AT HEART

Anyone over 60 is welcome to come along and meet others socially in an informal setting Fridays from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Cost £3 a session which includes refreshments and the cost of activities undertaken.

7th March - Decoupage pots
14th March - Boccia
21st March - Yarn flowers
28th March Flower arranging
4th April - Lunch together

Please ring Tina Andrews on 01403 731839 for more information.or follow us on Facebook



Southwater U3A is small and friendly, an advantage in many ways as people get to know one another very quickly. We have group activities taking place on various days every month. They are: -

Every Mondays: Pitch and Putt am (weather permitting)

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

To be a member of our u3a you must no longer be in full-time employment. If you would like to find out more, why not come to a taster session of an activity that interests you or attend one of our General Meetings. Membership is £9 pa.

Phone our chairperson on **01403 732018** for further details or visit our new website at **<https://southwater.u3asite.uk>**

SOUTHWATER NEIGHBOUR NETWORK

We provide the kind of help a good neighbour might offer

We are a good neighbour scheme, run and provided by volunteers, offering help to Southwater residents who have difficulty getting out because of mobility problems or who are socially isolated. We can provide transport, if it is local, help with shopping and collect prescriptions. We also offer befriending, arrange regular outings, and help run a fortnightly Games afternoon which our service users can attend.

All our volunteers are DBS checked and use their own cars to provide transport. The service is free, but contributions are always welcome.

For further information

07766 088967

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<http://southwaterneighbournetwork.org>

[Interested in becoming a volunteer?](#)

We would love to hear from you.



Southwater Girl Guides



1st Southwater Guides
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Scout & Guide HQ,
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SOUTHWATER TREFOIL GUILD

The Trefoil Guild  is
the adult section of
Girlguiding. Anyone over
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and trying new things -talks, crafts
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Southwater Village Hall, 1st Wednesday
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conversationstarterproject.org.uk

Southwater W.I. News

We've continued to be busy as the new year has got underway. In January we had our usual "start the year with a bang" session with Lou. This year we did it sitting down, to make it more accessible to all. Well, who knew that one needs such good coordination to keep fit in a chair? We had really good fun! Then in February we had our A.G. M. followed by a magician which certainly made for a much jollier session! March sees a talk about Women in Sport, a subject that is certainly close to my heart!

As the days are getting brighter if not warmer, the walking group has swung back into action. It's certainly proved to be a really good way to meet people and make friends. We've also been busy maintaining the War Memorial outside the Doctors Surgery. Our gardening elves have a plan to add more slate to it to smarten it up as well as pruning and weeding.

If you want to come and join us we meet on the last Wednesday of the Month in the Village Hall at 7.45pm. We love to see new people!

Next meeting - Wednesday March 26th Women in Sport

Enquiries to southwaterwi@gmail.com



Try Alpha

Alpha
is here!

Stay Curious

Try Alpha

starting on May 1st 2025
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Parish Church

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Alpha

Holy innocents - Southwater Parish Church
Church Lane, Southwater RH13 9BT
Dates for your diary

Ash Wednesday March 5th - services at 10.30am and 7.30pm
Mothering Sunday 30th March 10 am with posies for all carers

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 weekly for 10 weeks.

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

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

HOLY INNOCENTS
SOUTHWATER PARISH CHURCH
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Godfrey can be contacted 01403 730229
email: office@southwaterchurch.org.uk

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 in church at 10 a.m. on some Sundays.

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 3rd March 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.

Churchwardens can be contacted at
churchwardenhisouthwater@gmail.com

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.

- 2nd March – Mill Straight
- 9th March – Foxfield Cottages, Treetops
- 16th March – Shipley Road
- 23rd March – The Gables – Foxes Close
- 30th March - Beechwood

The Music Group we are always looking for musicians and need someone to lead the church choir. Please email music.group@panda.me.uk if you are interested

Recycling - We manage the Terracycle hub in the church car park and re-distribute many difficult to recycle items from a central point. Contact Sustainablesouthwater@gmail.com for more information

Gardening - If you like gardening, why not help in the church garden or our flower and produce garden. Email garden@panda.me.uk

The church is open every day from 9 a.m. to 4p.m.

Joyce E Colgate 6th August 1924 - 15th January 2025

In 1991, Joyce moved from Ockley to Woodhatch, Southwater and spent 30 very happy years there and made lots of friends. Throughout the 2020 Covid year, she was in and out of hospital many times and wasn't well enough to remain at home on her own. A Residential Home was found and she was well cared for, safe and loved for the next 4 years. Joyce managed to reach her 100th birthday last August and it was an absolute joy for her to receive a card from King Charles and Queen Camilla. She was such a lovely lady, positive, kind and smiling to the last and she will be sorely missed. May she rest in peace.

ELIM FAMILY CHURCH

Southwater

Please join us for our Sunday service at Southwater Village Hall.

We have a great team of teachers and helpers for our busy Sunday School too. We have various groups that meet during the week these include:

Bible study & Prayer - Tuesday evening
Womens group - Tuesday mornings
Mens group meets once a month
Babies & Toddlers - Wednesday morning
We look forward to meeting you soon. Please feel free to get in touch by email for more information at:

hello@elimfamilychurch.org.uk.

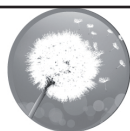
**The Shrine Church of Our Lady
of Consolation & St. Francis,
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SOUTHWATER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Mass at 11.15am

The Sunday morning Mass includes a separate Children's Liturgy (for 3 year olds upwards). Coffee and other Refreshments are served after this Mass. Please make yourselves known to Kate Goddard, Parish Administrator and the parishioners.

For Baptism, preparation for first Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, etc Please contact Kate Goddard in the first instance on 01403 710273

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WEBSITE: www.connectsouthwatercommunitychurch.net

Sundays @ 10am for worship at Southwater Junior Academy and via Zoom!

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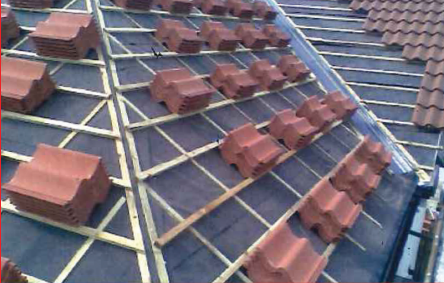
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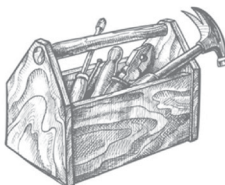
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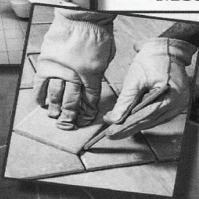
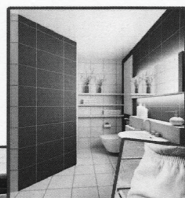
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