

# SOUTHWATER PARISH COUNCIL



## Councillor Surgeries

Southwater residents can raise concerns directly with councillors online. 1st Saturday of most months except August. Details of the surgery will be placed on Southwater Parish Council's website and Facebook pages: <https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/default.aspx>, <https://www.facebook.com/southwaterpc> and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/582024346049891/> each month or contact Executive Officers at [enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk) or call the Parish Office on 01403 733202.

## Vacancies

Southwater Parish Council (SPC) has the following vacancies; 3 x volunteer Parish Councillors. Details are on the SPC website and Facebook page, or call the Parish office on 01403 733202.

## In the news

- **Coronavirus (COVID 19) - Keeping up to date** – The government has removed remaining domestic restrictions in England, this includes the removal of requirements for wearing face coverings, isolation following positive COVID tests as examples. However, individuals are reminded of their continued responsibility and support to the wider community. For more information, see <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/public-reminded-to-stay-safe-as-covid-19-england-restrictions-lift>. Both West Sussex and the NHS can support residents, See <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/fire-emergencies-and-crime/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-and-information/community-hub-covid-19/> and <https://nhsvolunteerresponders.org.uk/>. Residents may also contact Horsham District Council Hub at 01403 215100.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)** – Residents are requested to report ASB for example, verbal abuse, drug taking, irresponsible alcohol use, theft or damage to property, etc. Without notification, the police do not know an incident has occurred and cannot respond. The sooner an incident is reported, the faster the resolution could be. Report using telephone number 101 or online using <https://www.sussex.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us/>. If it is an emergency, Call 999.
- **Changes of Chairman and Vice Chairman of Southwater Parish Council** – Councillor Steve Lewis Chairman of Southwater Parish Council resigned in March 2022. On the 16<sup>th</sup> March, at the Full Parish Council meeting, Councillor Derek Moore was elected Chairman by parish councillors. Derek moves up from vice chair of the parish and also resigned his position as Chairman of the F&GP to ensure separation of the duties within the parish council. Councillor Graham Watkins was voted in as Vice Chairman of the Parish Council. Councillor Geoff Scoon continues as Vice-Chairman of F&GP. The

Chairman of the F&GP committee will be appointed at the next F&GP committee meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

- **Two new Councillors at SPC** – At the 16<sup>th</sup> March, Full Parish Council meeting, councillors of Southwater Parish Council voted in Councillor Nicola Brown and Councillor Graham Turnwell. Both councillors bring with them many years of history and knowledge as residents of Southwater. Southwater Parish Council Staff and Councillors look forward to working with Nicola and Graham in the very near future.
- **Working with local businesses** – Southwater Parish Council met with local businesses early April 2022 with the intent to establish a local business association that would have more influence in the area and especially in the case of ASB that could possibly improve communication with the police.
- **Southwater Infrastructure Delivery Plan (SIDP)** – Southwater Parish Council (SPC) would like to thank all residents and local businesses who submitted response forms for the SIDP. Southwater Parish Council will now continue to process the feedback received which will assist the Council with respect to Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) as a result of potential further development in the area.
- **2022 Tree Survey works on Southwater Parish Council (SPC) property** – On the 16<sup>th</sup> March Full Council meeting, SPC made the decision to invite a select number of tenderers to an interview process meeting to provide more clarification of their tenders. These interview process meetings were carried out shortly after and proposals will be offered to SPC for final decision. The 2022 Tree Survey works includes some Ash Dieback works and other general tree maintenance works necessary to meet safety requirements on SPC owned property.
- **Southwater Parish Street Lampposts** – Southwater Parish Council are responsible for 50+ lampposts within the parish. A schedule of works is being drafted for the repair, maintenance and where necessary upgrade. It is hoped this work will commence as soon possible.

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