

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 or call the Parish Office on 01403 733202.

In the news

- **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)** – Residents are requested to report ASB. 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. For the latest updates on this and other subjects, see Neighbourhood Wardens monthly reports at <https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/Neighbourhood-Wardens.aspx>
- **West Sussex County Council (WSSC) Ash Dieback works continue** – WSSC action to remove trees affected by Ash Dieback continues through the 2022/23 tree felling season. WSSC will be working on the A24 – Southwater Area and A281 – Horsham to county boundary, amongst other sites and routes within the County between September and March. The disease leaves the trees in a weakened condition resulting in branches and trees falling causing damage or harm. Private landowners are strongly advised to check their trees for signs of Ash Dieback.
- **Time for Dementia project** – Local families affected by dementia are being invited to take part in an award-winning programme, to help train healthcare professionals of tomorrow and improve dementia care. The project, supported by Alzheimer's Society, pairs families affected by dementia with undergraduate students, helping to better educate them about life with dementia and the challenges that come with it. If any Southwater Parish resident would like to know more about the project, or know someone with dementia and a family carer who would like to take part, contact timefordementia@alzheimers.org.uk or call 07483 137539. More information can also be found at <https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/get-involved/time-dementia-programme>
- **Stakers Lane Skate Park- update** – At the planning meeting held by the Local Planning Authority at Horsham District Council on the 6th September 2022, the planning application for the replacement of the Stakers Lane Skate Park was granted. Southwater Parish Council are aiming for installation completion and opening of the skate park around Spring 2023.

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- **Community Drop-in sessions - Horsham District Council** – From August 2022 Horsham District Council (HDC) are providing help and advice support on the following subjects; food or fuel concerns, money advice, Carers support, community safety, Isolation, emotional wellbeing. HDC have advisors to help from Family Support Work (charity), Community Link, Health and Wellbeing, Neighbourhood Wardens, Citizens Advice, Carers Support, Age UK, Horsham Matters, W Sx MIND, Relate and Job Centre to help provide guidance and advice. For further information please contact Liz Burt: liz.burt@horsham.gov.uk
- **Southwater Parish Council (SPC) tree maintenance works progress** – The first phase of 2022 tree maintenance works carried out by SPC is coming to an end by tree maintenance contractor and arborist. Of the 177 trees identified as needing some form of maintenance in the initial survey carried out by specialist contractor, over 60% were Ash. The survey for the next phase of tree maintenance is due to be completed shortly, this will be followed by further maintenance works allowing for seasonal weather conditions and subsequent bird nesting.
- **BBC Question Time is coming to Horsham** – The political debate programme will be in Horsham on the 3rd November 2022. Location still to be advised. See <https://www.sussexexpress.co.uk/news/people/bbc-question-time-to-be-held-in-horsham-3828858>. The BBC urge anyone who wants to take part to contact them as soon as possible. Audiences are requested to provide two questions to be considered for the programme. To take part in the debate, apply at <http://bbc.in/3yIKg0B>
- **New Building Regulations** – On 15 June 2022 significant changes to building regulations came into effect for new homes, extensions, existing buildings and non-domestic buildings to reduce levels of CO2 emissions. For more details on this subject see <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/building-control/new-building-regulations-from-june-2022>.

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