

# 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; 4 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.
- **New Southwater Parish Chairman** – At the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022, Councillor Steve Lewis was elected Chairman of Southwater Parish Council. Steve has been a Councillor of SPC for some time and is currently engages with Project Southwater, the multiagency task force including HDC Youth Support, Neighbourhood Wardens and Sussex Police matters. Staff and Councillors of SPC congratulate Steve and look forward to working with him in the future.
- **Southwater Infrastructure Delivery Plan (SIDP) Consultation** – Throughout the month of March, residents and businesses of Southwater Parish were given an opportunity to have their say on the SIDP. This was their chance to provide feedback, add their views and add potential further infrastructure required to the list of possible projects which may be undertaken by SPC, funded from Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) monies raised from further development within the development area. Further updates will be posted on SPC Website and Facebook pages.

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- **Southwater Youth Council (SYC)** – At the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Full Council Meeting, SPC proposed and agreed to move forward with a Southwater Youth Council (SYC). SYC will be an advisory group whose role is to represent the views and voices of young people aged 11 to 18 who live, work, study or socialise in Southwater. The aim of the SYC is to increase the capacity of young people to be engaged in their community about issues important to children and young people and to participate by having input in the decision making process. SPC will provide more details as this matter progresses.
- **Appeal for DC/20/2564 (Woodfords, Shipley Road, Shipley)** – SPC has submitted a response to the Planning Inspectorate regarding developer appeal APP/Z3825/W/21/3283648 - DC/20/2564 (Woodfords, Shipley Road, Shipley). The response is based on 4 points. 1) The site is not allocated for development, is in the countryside and therefore contrary to the adopted Development Plan. 2) The development has not demonstrated it will not have an unacceptable impact on highway safety, nor has it demonstrated that it will not have severe cumulative impacts on the local highway when considered alongside development already approved/implemented and development allocated in the adopted development plan. 3) It has not been demonstrated that the proposed development will not have an adverse impact on the Arun Valley SAC/SPA and Ramsar sites and 4). The proposed development will result in unacceptable landscape harm, contrary to the adopted Development Plan.

**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.

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733202, email [enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiry@southwater-pc.gov.uk) or website  
<https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/default.aspx>

Neighbourhood Wardens - Dominic  
Woodhead – 07789 943193 or Jacquie  
Cave – 07789 943156, Tweet them on  
[@HorshamWardens](https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens), or email  
[Southwater.Wardens@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:Southwater.Wardens@horsham.gov.uk)  
and web page including monthly reports  
<https://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/Neighbourhood-Wardens.aspx>