



# PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

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## Parish & District Councillor walk-in surgeries

Come and talk to your councillor's, raise your concerns. 1st Saturday of each month except August. Informal, no booking required. 10am to 11am Beeson House, 26 Fairbank Rd, Southwater, RH13 9LA.

## Vacancies

Southwater Parish Council has the following vacancies; 2 x volunteer Parish Councillors. For further details, please contact the Clerk at [clerk@southwater-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@southwater-pc.gov.uk) or call and speak to the Clerk on 01403 733202.

## In the news

- 2020/21 Parish Budget & Precept – The Parish Budget & Precept for 2020/21 was approved at the Full Parish Council (FPC) meeting on the 29th January 2020. Based on a Band D property, the Parish provision of your Council tax represents an increase of 4.29% on 2019/20, equivalent to 12p per week.
- Horsham District Local Plan 2019 - 2031 – From mid February to the end of March, Horsham District Council are consulting on the first complete draft of the Local Plan. The Local Plan lays out the strategic planning strategy to meet social, economic and environmental needs of the District. This includes housing, development of community infrastructures, transport links and opportunities for local jobs. To have your say and to receive updates to the Local Plan, visit the Horsham District Council website.
- Leisure and Community Centre (LCC) and Laurie Apted building update – The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) has been given its official name. The CIO will be known as the Southwater Ghyll CIO.

The building itself will also be renamed as The Ghyll, taking its name from the location at Pond Farm Ghyll South. Trustees for the CIO have been identified and work is ongoing to establish all remaining matters. For further updated information please see the draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 29th January 2020 and published on the Parish Council website.

- Grants – at the Full Parish Council meeting of the 29th January, SPC were happy to grant £500 to Sporting Moments – Know Dementia, to aid them in their work at The Ghyll in Southwater. SPC have continued to work with them in ensuring that the current changes to The Ghyll have not impacted their hire and activities. They will be working with Infinity Gymnastics from April 2020 to enable continued use of the main Hall.

## Did you know?

- The process of claiming Section 106 funding collected by Horsham District Council (HDC) is detailed. Highlights are: An application for funding must be supported with 3 quotations. An application will be considered by the Council-appointed [HDC] Planning Obligation Panel. Applicants should show a cash contribution in the order of 10-20% from their own funds/fundraising. Payment of funding will be made once work is completed (or stage of work is completed). The complete process can be found at [www.horsham.gov.uk/community/grants-for-community-projects/section-106-funding](http://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/grants-for-community-projects/section-106-funding).
- S106 funding can only be used for capital projects and not revenue.

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Council tax payment support for residents. For more information on Council Tax Reduction (CTR) Scheme, Disabled Persons Reduction Scheme or Discount for the severely mentally impaired, go to [www.lgss-revs-bens.com](http://www.lgss-revs-bens.com) or call 0808 164 8610

Concerns over alleged planning breaches, visit [www.horsham.gov.uk/planning/report-an-alleged-planning-breach](http://www.horsham.gov.uk/planning/report-an-alleged-planning-breach)

Neighbourhood (Community) Wardens - Dominic Woodhead – 07789 943193 or Jacque Cave – 07789 943156, Tweet them on @HorshamWardens, or email [Southwater.Wardens@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:Southwater.Wardens@horsham.gov.uk) and see web page [www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/Neighbourhood-Wardens.aspx](http://www.southwater-pc.gov.uk/Neighbourhood-Wardens.aspx)  
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