



Tackling Climate Change in the Horsham District

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In these newsletters we share with you the progress Horsham District Council is making on reducing our carbon emissions. We also share information on local community initiatives, national campaigns, and suggestions on how you too can make a difference.

JOIN US in tackling climate change.

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New electric street sweepers to join the Council's fleet

In line with the Council's corporate priorities to tackle climate change Horsham District Council agreed at a recent Cabinet meeting to purchase two new electric street sweepers to help deliver a reduction in carbon emissions.



These new electric sweepers represent another step forward in our removal of diesel vehicles from the Council's fleet and will both improve air quality and reduce noise pollution, particularly in the early morning hours when they will operate in Horsham town centre.

Horsham District Hot Bin Trials expanded

We are combatting food waste by expanding our Hot Bin trials across the District.

We have 15 new hot bin volunteers who will be part of this second stage of the trial, and this time we have also included community groups including St Mark's Church Holbrook, pictured here.



We will gather the feedback from those taking part and use the data to inform our understanding of food recycling and perhaps also explore promoting Hot Bins at a subsidised price for Horsham District residents going forward.

[Find out more](#)



Recycling NEWS

1. New coffee pod recycling collections for Horsham District

A new coffee pod recycling scheme for residents will be introduced alongside the Council's already very successful new initiatives to increase recycling collections from residents' kerbsides.

The new coffee pod service will help support the Council's aim to reduce waste, increase recycling and achieve carbon savings to help tackle climate change. It is the latest in a series of our innovative recycling initiatives, including the kerbside weekly collection of batteries, textiles and small electrical items, and a recent food waste collection trial.

2. Coffee container recycling

Sussex Green Living have joined a new TerraCycle brigade the Taylors of Harrogate coffee and can now take all brands of coffee bean pouches, coffee bag sachets and ground coffee pouches.

[Find out more](#)

3. More opportunities to recycle your hard plastics

Clean plant pots, drain pipes/guttering, garden furniture, plastic buckets and plastic hangers can all now be recycled at Burgess Hill, Crawley, Chichester, Shoreham and Worthing Recycling Centres.

Healthy Eating Week: 13-17 June

"Eat well for you and the planet"

The theme for this year's Healthy Eating Week is **'Eat well for you and the planet'** and it highlights what we can all do to have healthier lifestyles.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Globally, food production is responsible for about a third of all greenhouse gas emissions (which drives global warming) and uses over two-thirds of our freshwater.
2. The foods and drinks we choose are not just important for our own health but also for the health of the planet!

Find out more from the British Nutrition Foundation to help you have a healthier and more sustainable diet.



[How to enjoy a Healthy and Sustainable Diet](#)

World Refill Day - 16 June

World Refill Day is a global public awareness campaign to help people live with less waste and to prevent plastic pollution.

Watch this short [Join the Refill Revolution advert](#).

Refill stores in Horsham District

Did you know we have a number of refill stores in Horsham District? Each of the following local businesses sell some refillable products in order to spread the zero-waste message. You can take your containers along and fill with the items you need:

- The Natural Way, Horsham



- Cornerweighs, Steyning
- The Greenhouse, Pulborough (pictured)
- Fairkind Child, Horsham
- Sussex Green Living's monthly Sussex Green Hub

The **Sussex Green Hub** offers a refill service of personal care and household cleaning products. A 400ml bottle of Faith In Nature shampoo costs £2.25 to refill compared to £5.50 – £6.50 to buy new in the supermarkets.

[Find out about Sussex Green Hub refills](#)

Local processing plant reduces landfill waste

Our Recycling and Waste Cabinet Member, Cllr Toni Bradnum (pictured), visited the Langhurstwood Road site in Horsham recently to learn more about this cutting-edge Mechanical and Biological Treatment plant that processes over 310,000 tonnes of waste per year.

Full of high-tech equipment the site separates everything we throw in our household waste bins, from paper bags to food waste and virtually all of life's rubbish. Even street sweepings are re-used.



Recent statistics reveal that the site in Horsham has reduced landfill waste to just 9% in the last three years from just under 30% in 2018/19.

Can you spare 10 minutes of your day to help pollinating insects?



Pollinating insects play a vital role in our environment, ensuring that many of our crops and wild plants are able to set seed and produce fruit.

The UK Pollinator Monitoring Scheme (PoMS) is looking for volunteers to help them to find out how pollinator populations are changing, and they need your help to gather data on a wide range of flower-visiting insects.

[Find out more](#)

Help share the news of our Climate Action work

We'd love to share our Climate Action newsletter with more people so that they can stay up to date with our news and stories.

If you know someone who you think might like to start receiving a copy please do forward them this email and encourage them to sign up. Thank you.



[Sign up here](#)



Useful Links

[Find out about how we are tackling climate change](#)

[Read our latest climate action blog posts](#)

[Horsham District Community Climate Fund](#)

[Learn about the Wilder Horsham District partnership](#)

[Find out about our Nature Recovery Award scheme](#)