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Tackling climate change in the Horsham District

November 2024

In these newsletters we share with you how Horsham District Council, our partners, and communities across the District are working to reduce carbon emissions and improve the local environment.

Look out for updates on Council and community initiatives and events, national campaigns, plus suggestions on how you too can make a difference. If you have any comments or suggestions please [email the communications team](#).



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Wilder Horsham District extended for another three years

At a recent Cabinet meeting senior councillors agreed a three year extension to its five-year Wilder Horsham District initiative, supporting this vital work for nature recovery and biodiversity in the Horsham District until at least 2028.

Horsham District Council Cabinet Member for Climate Action and Nature Recovery Cllr Colette Blackburn commented:

"We want to continue the momentum for change to encourage, inspire and support more individuals, landowners and community groups to reverse the decline in nature, and create better and more connected habitats."

The project also works with other organisations such as West Sussex County Council and neighbouring authorities to develop joint projects that will help to deliver the Nature Recovery Network. This includes the [Weald to Waves](#) scheme and the [Adur River Recovery](#) project.



[Find out more about Wilder Horsham District](#)

Celebrating two years of our Climate Action Network

This October marked two years since the launch of our Parish and Neighbourhood Council Climate Action Network. This network came out of a series of workshops in the autumn of 2022 to support parish and neighbourhood councils in formulating and implementing climate action plans and to help them understand their influence locally.

We were pleased to welcome representatives from 14 parish and neighbourhoods who recently attended an anniversary meeting at the Council offices. Here they were able to share inspirational stories, celebrate their progress, work on their One Planet action plans and discover areas for collaboration. Pulborough, Shipley, and Southwater (see [Southwater's new logo here](#)) also gave presentations detailing their progress on developing their own climate action plans. Great work everyone!

The aim of this network is to connect all the Parish and Neighbourhood Councils within Horsham District in their climate action, and we are delighted that it has continued to grow over these past two years, with over 80% of our Parish and Neighbourhood Councils now involved.

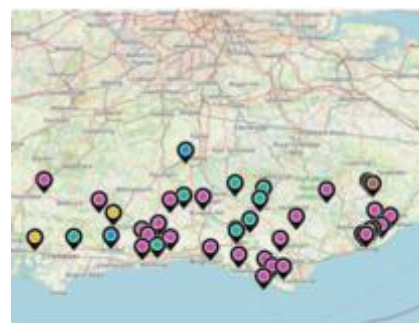


[Get involved](#)

Map your actions for nature

If you are a member of a group or organisation working for the benefit of nature in Sussex, please help by mapping your actions.

Whether they are large or small, in progress, implemented or planned, the Sussex Local Nature Recovery project (SLNR) want to hear about them! Your answers will inform the priorities for nature at the heart of [SLNR Strategies](#).



[Map your actions](#)

There's still time to apply for a Nature Recovery Award

There is still time to apply for a Nature Recovery Award of up to £5,000 as part of our Wilder Horsham District project.

This award, set up with support from the Sussex Wildlife Trust, offers funding and guidance for landowners and community groups who would like to develop practical schemes to help wildlife thrive and to improve their local natural landscape.



Applications close 29 November.

[Read more](#)

Brush up on your recycling knowledge

According to a recent County survey, 60% of residents want to know more about what can and can't be recycled in your recycling bin at home. For example, have you ever wondered what to do with foil, biscuit and sweet tins, and aerosol cans?

Our new recycling videos, part of our **Think Before You Throw** campaign produced in partnership with the West Sussex Waste Partnership, will answer your most common recycling questions.



Check out County's A-Z of recycling for a full list - and see the article below for NEW Items that you can now recycle!

[Think Before you Throw](#)

[A-Z of recycling in West Sussex](#)

New opportunities to recycle your waste

1. Toothpaste containers

Good news! We can now accept squeezezy toothpaste tubes in your kerbside recycling. The lid just needs to be closed to ensure any residue toothpaste doesn't spread onto other recycling items. Visit County's [A-Z of recycling](#) for details.



2. Unwanted paint

Working with Community RePaint (sponsored by Dulux) there are now opportunities for donating and/or collecting unwanted paint to help reduce waste and redistribute it.

The following Recycling Centres offer paint reuse:

- Horsham
- Crawley
- Burgess Hill
- Littlehampton
- Shoreham
- Westhampnett

Residents can donate paint for reuse as long as it is in good condition (for example, it has not dried up) and the paint container at the site has capacity to accept it.

[The Community RePaint scheme](#)

NEW Mobile App

Download our **free app** to get the latest information direct to your phone wherever you are: Check when your next recycling and waste collection day is, search for what can and can't be recycled, find your nearest recycling site, and more.

You will also receive personal notifications letting you know when to put your bin out and also if there is a delay to collecting your recycling or waste.

[Download our mobile app](#)

Repair, reduce and reuse pop up events this month



Sussex Green Living will be bringing a pop-up eco-Christmas gift and 'less waste shop' to the following repair shops this month:

Saturday 2 November 10am-12 noon

Ashington Repair Cafe, Ashington Church, London Road, Ashington, RH10 3JR

Saturday 9 November 2pm-4pm

Steyning, Bramber and Upper Beeding Village Hall, High Street, Upper Bedding, BN44 3WN

Saturday 16 November 10am-12 noon

Henfield Repair Cafe, The Henfield Haven, Hewitts, Henfield BN5 9DT

Saturday 23 November 10am – 12 noon

The Amberley Eco Hub, St Michael's Church Hall, Church St, Amberley, BN18 9ND

Saturday 30 November, 10am- 2.30pm,

The Sussex Green Hub, United Reformed Church, 45 Springfield Road, Horsham RH12 2RG

Other repair cafes

There are lots of other repair cafes in Sussex found [here](#). And don't forget, if you do want to have something repaired (perhaps those old Christmas lights that have been in your cupboard for a year!), do book it at least a month in advance. If there are beyond repair you can recycle them - just [book our small electrical collection service](#).

[Find a Repair Cafe](#)

News in brief



COP 29 11-22 November 2024 Baku

This year Azerbaijan has been selected as the Presidency of the 29th Conference of the Parties (COP29). It will bring together leaders from governments, business and civil society to advance concrete solutions to address the climate crisis.

The conference will also see countries present their updated national climate action plans under the Paris agreement, which are due by early 2025.

Find out about:

- What is net zero and why is it important?
- Issues and the value of financing climate action.
- Why is energy key to tackling the climate crisis?
- Initiatives for a just transition that benefits people everywhere.

[Read more](#)



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If you have any projects, initiatives or events that you would like to share with subscribers of this newsletter, please send the details to communications@horsham.gov.uk

Useful Links

[Read how we are tackling climate change](#)

[Get involved in climate action](#)

[Apply for a Community Climate Fund](#)

[The Wilder Horsham District project](#)

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

[Sussex Green Living EVENTS calendar](#)

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[Visit the West Sussex Climate Action Hub](#)

