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## ENTERPRISING HORSHAM

Creating Sustainable Prosperity Across Horsham District

### *Business Newsletter Quiz Winner: Pepperscombe Farm*



Each fortnight we give you, our newsletter subscribers, an opportunity to win a mention in the next newsletter. This edition's winner is Pepperscombe Farm Holiday Cottages and Glamping, a family-run business on the outskirts of Steyning.

On their farm they offer a pretty cottage, shepherd's hut, horsebox and yurt, with direct access to footpaths and trails in the picturesque South Downs National Park.

Recognised with a Green South Downs Silver award for sustainability, the farm is a 15-minute walk from Steyning town centre - with local shops, pubs and restaurants on the doorstep, and a 20-minute drive to the coast.

**Would you like the opportunity to win a mention for your business to over 2,600 subscribers? Scroll down to the bottom of this newsletter for this week's quiz.**

**Pepperscombe Farm**

### *Top young talent recognised at Horsham Young Traders' Market competition*



We were delighted to welcome a vibrant mix of young entrepreneurs to Horsham's West Street Entrepreneurs Markets recently.

Seven talented young traders competed in the local heat of this year's Young Traders Market, as part of a national competition run by the National Market Traders Federation (NMTF).

Horsham's competition winner for 2026 was Daniel of Silver Hollow Jewellery who impressed judges with his custom-made silver jewellery and unique selection of gift products.

Also earning high praise and progressing to the regional final were:

- ★ Faithful Creations
- ★ Garden to Jar
- ★ Sophie's Pens

The Southeast Regional Final will take place in Greenwich, London on Saturday 18 July 2026.

### Young Market Traders

*Bookings are now open for our Horsham Business Leaders Forum*

A promotional poster for the Business Leaders Forum. The background is a collage of images showing a modern building, a golf course, and a traditional house. The text is centered on a dark blue background. A pink circle on the left says 'You're invited'. A circular icon on the right shows three people connected by lines. The text reads: 'BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM', 'Connect, collaborate, and co-create solutions', 'Tuesday, 20 October 2026', '9.30am - 2pm', 'Leonardslee Wine Estate, Hammerpond Road, Mannings Heath, Horsham, RH13 6PG'. Logos for 'gdb' and 'Horsham District Council' are at the bottom right.

**You're invited**

# BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM

Connect, collaborate, and co-create solutions

Tuesday, 20 October 2026  
9.30am - 2pm

Leonardslee Wine Estate,  
Hammerpond Road,  
Mannings Heath,  
Horsham, RH13 6PG

**gdb**

**Horsham District Council**

Following the success of our first forum earlier this year, which brought together over 50 senior business leaders from across Horsham District, we're looking forward to returning this October with even more opportunities to connect and collaborate.

Join us on Tuesday 20 October 2026, 9:30am-2pm, at Leonardslee Family Vineyards Wine Estate for high-value networking, expert insights, and interactive panels. If you're a senior leader in a Horsham District business, employing 10+ staff, sign up today.

The Business Leaders Forum is supported by Horsham District Council's Enterprising Horsham Team and Gatwick Diamond Business.

[Book Now](#)

*Last chance to book your stand at the Horsham District Jobs and Skills Fair*



**Benchmark**

Employers from across Horsham District are invited to exhibit at our popular Jobs and Skills Fair, taking place on Wednesday 30 September 2026, 3:30pm - 7:30pm, at Horsham's Drill Hall.

**Book your stand by 17 July** so you don't miss out on this opportunity to join some fantastic exhibitors showcasing their businesses, job vacancies and training opportunities to hundreds of local jobseekers.

Employers who have participated in our Jobs Fairs previously, have often left positive feedback and returned to showcase their opportunities.

Head of Talent Acquisition from Benchmark Capital commented: “After attending the Horsham Jobs Fair last year, we are pleased to be exhibiting again in 2026. We saw strong engagement from local candidates and successfully hired into both Finance and Operations roles from the event, reinforcing the value of connecting with talent in the Horsham community”.

**Book Your Stand**

### *How is your business making the most of Friday Lates?*



Our popular Friday Lates event programme attracts thousands of visitors to Horsham Town Centre for an evening of live music and great food.

Organised by Horsham District Council and Food Rocks Markets, the events take place every Friday night from 6pm to 8pm throughout June, July and August at the Horsham Carfax Bandstand.

Once the music ends, many visitors are then looking to keep the night going after, creating a fantastic opportunity for local businesses.

If your business is offering (or interested in offering) entertainment, special promotions and other activities for Friday Lates visitors, we'd love to hear from you so we can help promote what you're doing.

Your Horsham are hosting a dynamic map on their website where businesses are already promoting their Fridays offerings, along with any events taking place after the Lates end.

Contact us at [communications@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:communications@horsham.gov.uk) and make sure you tag us in any existing activities on social media @horshamdc

**How are you making the most of Friday Lates?**

### *Road Safety Survey*

Horsham District Community Safety Partnership has Road Safety as a priority for 2026-2027 and would like to hear from residents and businesses about any road safety concerns they may have.

A short survey has been created, open until the end of July, which should only take a few minutes to complete.

**Complete the Survey**

### *Enterprising Horsham attends Gatwick Diamond: The Power of Place*



The Enterprising Horsham team recently attended Gatwick Diamond Business's brand new 'Gatwick Diamond: The Power of Place' event, celebrating one of the UK's most dynamic and connected business regions.

It was another great opportunity to promote our District, network with businesses and organisations from across the region and hear from inspiring speakers.

Key learning points included:

- The importance of community-led, collaborative and authentic placemaking
- The role of culture and events in driving footfall and identity
- The need to develop a clear identity for Sussex and Brighton

Are you looking to start or grow your business in Horsham District? Email us via the link in the blue box below.

[The Power of Place](#)

*VisitEngland launches new Regenerative Tourism case studies*



Get inspired by those who have taken action on regenerative tourism and have seen real business benefits as a result, through VisitEngland's newly published collection of case studies to help your destination bring Regenerative Tourism principles to life.

From activity providers to holiday parks, museums to stately homes, they are a varied bunch with one thing in common - they have all embedded sustainability into the heart of their operations.

The new case studies are available for free via the VisitEngland Business Advice Hub.

**VisitEngland Business Advice Hub**

### *Business Academy July Events*

July's Business Academy events are here!

Join the UK Government's Business Academy throughout July for free, practical webinars designed to help your business grow, adapt and thrive.

Explore the full programme from starting and running a business to digital skills and selling overseas.

**Business Academy**

### *Business Newsletter Quiz*

Submit your three correct answers to the following questions via our online form. A winner will be picked at random at midday on Wednesday 15 July, who will receive a mention for their business/organisation in the next issue.

Please note: maximum of two wins per organisation.

Q1) Who won the 2026 Horsham Young Trader's Market?

Q2) What time do Horsham's Friday lates take place?

Q3) When is the Horsham District Road Safety Survey open until?

**Submit Your Quiz Answers**



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