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Save the date for Horsham's Big Nibble event this September

The BIG Nibble

DISCOVER SUSSEX PRODUCE

Sunday 6 September
10am to 4pm
Carfax, Horsham

FOOD ROCKS

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Horsham town centre's Carfax is set to host a fantastic celebration of Sussex food and drink at the 'Big Nibble' on Sunday 6 September 2026 from 10am to 4pm.

Residents and visitors are invited to come along and discover local produce through a vibrant food and drink market together with a live cookery theatre featuring top Sussex chefs, hosted by food guru Hilary Knight.

Organised by Food Rocks and Horsham District Council, the Big Nibble will build on the success of their Sussex Six market in 2025, highlighting the very best of Sussex food and drink.

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Council supports Swan Walk Shopping Centre businesses to trade from Horsham's Markets



As a result of the impact of the ongoing safety closure of Swan Walk Shopping Centre, Horsham District Council, has offered market stalls to Swan Walk businesses free of charge.

The Council is working in conjunction with Your Horsham BID to achieve this along with Swan Walk and the market operators.

Swan Walk Car Park is fully open and accessible via the Medwin Walk lift and stairs (next to Boots). Carfax and West Street Markets will feature Swan Walk businesses as well as all of your favourite traders.

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Response team activated to support Horsham businesses

A dedicated response team has been established to coordinate support for Horsham town centre businesses and visitors affected by the temporary safety closure of Swan Walk Shopping Centre.

The group is being led by Horsham District Council and Your Horsham BID, with participation from Swan Walk, Crickmay Chartered Surveyors and Market Operators, Coden Events, Food Rocks South and representation from Horsham Town Council.

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Have your say - help shape future parish council arrangements

Community Governance Review

2nd Consultation



“have your say”

from 24 July to 7 September 2026

Horsham District Council is inviting residents, parish councils and local organisations to take part in the second stage of its Community Governance Review, which launches today (24 July 2026).

The first stage of consultation has now been completed, with responses considered by the Governance Committee. Draft recommendations have been developed and the Council is now seeking feedback on these proposals through a six-week consultation.

The review looks at parish boundaries and governance arrangements across the district to ensure they continue to reflect local communities and support effective local government.

Council announces £7.2 million investment in infrastructure to benefit Horsham communities

Horsham District Council has approved more than £7.2 million of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding for a range of projects that will enhance facilities, improve connections and support healthier, stronger communities across the Horsham District.

The investment will help deliver improvements to sports and leisure facilities, transport and active travel infrastructure, healthcare provision and public spaces, ensuring local communities benefit from the investment that accompanies new development.

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Open Gardens Day in Billingshurst - Community grant helps annual event flourish



Hundreds of visitors enjoyed the Billingshurst Community Partnership's annual Open Gardens Day in June, following support from Horsham District Council through its Better Billingshurst Community Grant.

The grant helped the Billingshurst Community Partnership deliver this year's popular event, which welcomed residents and visitors to explore a range of local gardens while bringing the community together.

The Better Billingshurst Community Grant forms part of Horsham District Council's wider Better Billingshurst Programme, a major investment initiative designed to improve facilities and infrastructure for residents and businesses in the parish.

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[Winning pupils name new food waste collection trucks](#)



Horsham District Council recently invited primary school pupils across the District to come up with fun and imaginative names for two of its new food waste collection trucks.

Pupils were asked to submit names inspired by food waste, recycling and the environment. The competition was launched to celebrate the successful roll out of the Council's new weekly food waste collection service and to help raise awareness among children and their families about the importance of reducing and recycling food waste.

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[New promotional guide highlights Sussex honey](#)



Visitors and residents can now discover the best of Sussex honey through a new illustrated guide showcasing local honey, bee-related products and unique visitor experiences across the county.

A complementary downloadable family activity pack has also been created, full of fun facts, jokes, colouring pages, puzzles and things to learn about bees and honey.

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[Accessibility and enjoyment for all at centre of The Capitol's refurbishment](#)



The Capitol Horsham closed its doors on 4 January this year as it prepared for its first major refurbishment in more than 20 years. The good news is that work is progressing well and remains on schedule for completion in early November 2026, just in time for the panto season.

A key focus of the refurbishment is ensuring that The Capitol can be enjoyed by as many people as possible, with improvements designed to create a more welcoming, comfortable and inclusive experience for all visitors.

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