



DENNE NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL HORSHAM

Winter 2011



Denne Neighbourhood Council covers a large area of the town running from Hills Farm Lane in the south-west up to Warnham Nature Reserve in the north, taking in the town centre and Horsham Park. Our outer border follows the railway line and the inner border runs along Warnham and Guildford Roads.

Denne NC is a non-political consultative body representing nearly 5,000 households at grass roots level.

What does Denne NC do on your behalf?

We raise matters important to our area with the appropriate authorities and are regularly consulted by Horsham District Council and West Sussex County Council. We are involved in many local issues including Horsham Park and all aspects of the town centre; all planning applications, policing, transport and highways, emergency, winter maintenance, health provision and the environment.

West of Horsham Development: 1,044 houses between Hills Farm Lane and the A24.

The first phase of 196 units and the access road across the Riverside Walk to Hills Farm Lane is underway. Denne NC has regular consultations with Berkeley Homes, Horsham District Council, West Sussex County Council and the Environment Agency to minimise any detrimental effect for local residents. We have monthly site visits and can contact the site manager immediately if any problems arise.

The fenced-off section of the Riverside Walk is only temporary, but it makes level access more difficult. At the instigation of Denne NC. Berkeleys Homes and HDC have agreed to improve access to the Riverside Walk opposite Stoneybrook by installing steps.

It was necessary to close the footpath across the site for safety reasons but Denne NC has requested an alternative permissive footpath to give access to the west.

Denne NC is concerned about flood risk and is a stakeholder in the HDC consultations to improve safety at Warnham Mill Pond.

HORSHAM PARK

Denne NC is consulted by HDC about changes to the Park. If you have ideas or opinions on its future, please let us know. We have been involved in arranging the new, all-weather table tennis table near the Café – give it a try – equipment for hire from the Pavilions.



Denne NC Involvement in local news

Horsham Railway Station: Work has started to improve the internal layout and access to the lifts and to replace the platform canopies. Thanks to Denne NC's insistence the project will now include refurbishing the platform toilets.

Linden House: (Old Sun Alliance Building) Denne NC approves this redevelopment in principal but has objected to the proposed design as it was too predominant and out of character with the location.

The Needles Bus Shelter: after long delays this should soon be installed.

The Needles Community Centre Garden: work just about to be completed.

Pondtail Road: Denne NC is very concerned about the safety of pedestrians walking under the railway bridge because the pavement is so narrow. After a meeting with WSCC, work will take place soon to improve visibility and signage.

Tanbridge Retail Park footpath: No more muddy feet or searching for access to the Riverside Walk path behind parked cars! At Denne NC's request the footpath has been realigned along the side of the Staples building.

Albion Way / Worthing Road roundabout: Work should take place soon to remove the damaged red tiles.

Horsham in Bloom: This year the Denne NC award was presented to the volunteers responsible for the beautiful Age U.K. garden in Lavinia House, Denne Road.

Dressed for Success: Denne NC is keen to support our local markets. This year the Neighbourhood Councils will award a prize for the best market stall.

Horsham Town Community Partnership:

The partnership was formed to further local projects highlighted by residents. HTCP is currently managed by representatives from all three of Horsham's Neighbourhood Councils, Horsham in Bloom and The Horsham Society. After wide spread consultation with residents, the inaugural meeting was held in October to decide which of the projects to tackle first, working together with local volunteers. HTCP aims to support community projects which are not being dealt with by existing volunteer organisations or local authorities. The partnership is a not-for-profit organisation but its company status entitles it to apply for grants to support the chosen projects and improve our town's facilities and services.

If you are interested in joining this volunteer network then please contact: Jane Apostolou Tel: 07761 735 139
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Help! We need somebody!

We currently have some vacancies for
Denne Neighbourhood Councillors.

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