

Broadbridge Heath Parish Council



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Election Year for BBHPC

This May is an Election year for Broadbridge Heath Parish Council. All current Councillors are required to stand for re-election if they wish to continue to serve as a Parish Councillor.

We would like to invite all residents to get in touch if they have any interest in becoming a Councillor or have any questions regarding the election process.

Horsham District Council are running two briefings sessions for candidates and agents via Zoom and are for anyone standing for election or re-election and will explain how the election will be run for the parishes and district council.

2 March at 4pm - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83386090387>

7 March at 6pm - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83775163599>

Further information can be found on Horsham District Council's Website, District and Parish Elections – 4 May 2023.



Community First Responders

Southwater Community Responders recently delivered some invaluable Defib Training at the Parish Office.

Please see their words below:

Community First Responders (CFRs) play a vital role in supporting the village of Broadbridge Heath and the surrounding areas. These volunteer members of the community are trained to respond to emergency calls in conjunction with the South East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAMB).

As they live and work in the local area, CFRs are able to attend the scene of an emergency within a few minutes, often before the emergency service arrives. This means that they are able to offer life-saving first aid, which increases the patient's chances of survival.

SECAMB currently has over 400 CFRs spread across Kent, Surrey, Sussex, and north east Hampshire. These dedicated volunteers attend roughly 20,000 emergency calls per year, with over 10,000 of these calls being categorised as life-threatening, including more than 1,000 cardiac/respiratory arrest calls.

In addition to providing emergency medical care, CFRs also play an important role in educating the community about how to respond to emergencies. They work to raise awareness about the importance of first aid and CPR, and they are often involved in training local residents in these vital skills.

Overall, the work of CFRs in Broadbridge Heath and the surrounding areas is crucial in ensuring that the community is well-prepared and able to respond quickly and effectively to emergencies. Their dedication and training make them an invaluable asset to the community, and they are an integral part of the emergency response system in the area.

We have several Defibs located in the village. The Parish Council are responsible for the Defibs located at the Parish Office and Church Hall.

Defibrillator Locations

-  Village Centre
Wickhurst Lane
-  Parish Office
Sargent Way
-  St Johns Church
Church Road
-  Indoor Bowl Club
Wickhurst Lane
-  Tesco
Wickhurst Lane





Walking in England

Please see the below shared from John Harris who maintains the **Walking in England Website**:

With Spring on its way, we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Sussex <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/sussex> has loads of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (who maintains the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web, but it is difficult to find. Walking in Sussex (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So, home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

Community Litter Pick

Come and get involved with our community litter pick on Saturday 18th March 10am-12.30pm from the Parish Office, Sargent Way.

We would like to see as many people involved as we can! Equipment will be provided.





Dates for the Diary

FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS AT THE PARISH OFFICE

- Monday 6th of March 19.30
- Monday 3rd of April 19.30

PCSO ADRIAN BELL, DROP IN SESSIONS AT THE PARISH OFFICE

- Tuesday 21st March 10.00-12.00
 - Tuesday 25th April 10.00-12.00
- (Other dates will continue throughout the year)

AGE UK— Cuppa & Chat continues monthly at the Shelley Pub

- Tuesday 7th March 13.30-15.30
- Tuesday 4th April 13.30-15.30



Annual Parish Meeting 2023 6pm—8.30pm at the Parish Office, Sargent Way

Last year we welcomed community representatives and it was great to see so many residents join Councillors and staff. Further details for this year's meeting will be shared soon via our Website & Facebook page.

