



## VE DAY 80 TWO MOMENTS OF SHARED CELEBRATION

**THURSDAY 8 MAY 2025**



On Thursday 8 May 2025 West Horsley Parish Council will be hosting two community events bringing residents together in a 'Moment of Shared Celebration' to mark the end of World War II in Europe. There will be a coffee morning at West Horsley Village Hall followed by a 1940s jazz night with beacon lighting in the evening. Details are as follows.

### EVENT #1

#### MORNING COFFEE

**10.30am -12pm**  
**at West Horsley Village Hall**

*This is a free, ticketed event.*

Join members of the Parish Council for coffee, hear the VE Day 80 Proclamation and listen to local historian June Davey share anecdotes of what life was like in Horsley towards the end of WWII.

Book your free tickets now at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/westhorsleypc](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/westhorsleypc)

### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS - CAN YOU HELP?

West Horsley Parish Council is looking for volunteers to help during the evening event. If you are interested, please email [clerk@westhorsley.info](mailto:clerk@westhorsley.info). There will be a free drink waiting for all our volunteers at the Parish Council's pop-up bar.

### EVENT #2

#### 1940S JAZZ NIGHT & BEACON LIGHTING

**7-9.30pm**  
**at West Horsley Place**

*This is a free entry community event for all ages.*

The main VE Day 80 celebration will take place in the stunning grounds of West Horsley Place. There will be music, dancing, vintage jeeps, food, drink and games.

**MUSIC & DANCE:** Throughout the evening there will be live music performed by The Sarah Jane Eveleigh Jazz Quartet, and a series of free 1940s SWINGDYHOP dance workshops which you can sign up for via our online box office at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/westhorsley](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/westhorsley).

**JEEPS & GAMES:** Climb aboard one of our WWII jeeps for a family photo opportunity and enjoy some traditional games in the recently opened Sensory Garden.

**PICNICS, FOOD & DRINK:** We invite you to find a picnic spot in the beautiful Rose Garden, and tuck into some of the locally produced food and drink that will be on offer. Enjoy some traditional fayre from Howes Fish & Chips, artisan sausages and burgers from Rupert St. Catering, and ice cream from Gray's Gelato. Wash it down with a hot cup of English tea from Tigerlily Bus Company, a Gin & Tonic from Silent Pool, a chilled bottle of ale, lager or a soft drink from The King William IV tent, or a glass of sparkling wine from the Parish Council's pop-up bar.

**BEACON LIGHTING:** Towards the end of the evening we will assemble in front of the Manor House and join communities across the UK in a 'Moment of Shared Celebration'. We will listen to the VE Day 80 Proclamation and a rousing performance by Horsley Choral Society, after which we will light our beacon. Vice Lord Lieutenant of Surrey Mary Cresswell will do the honours.

### VILLAGE LITTER PICK

**10AM-12PM, SAT 15 MARCH**

West Horsley Parish Council holds two litter picks a year. They are very well organised and sociable events and if you are able to spare a couple of hours to help we would really appreciate it. Meet us at West Horsley Village Hall at 10am. All equipment and instructions will be provided. Join us afterwards in the Village Orchard (at the junction of Ripley Lane and The Street) where tea and coffee will be served from 11.30am.

Email our litter pick coordinator, Paul Dodgson at [cllrddodgson@westhorsley.info](mailto:cllrddodgson@westhorsley.info) to get involved, or feel free to turn up on the day.



Join our Litter Squad on 15 March

### WEST HORSLEY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**7-9PM, TUESDAY 29 APRIL**  
**AT WEST HORSLEY VILLAGE HALL**

*The Annual Parish Meeting is a meeting for all West Horsley residents; it is not a Parish Council meeting.*

Please join us for the Annual Parish Meeting. Listen to our guest speakers, Tel Martin, Age UK Surrey, who will talk about how to plan for your future as you approach or enjoy retirement, and Cllr Dennis Booth, Surrey County Council, who will give us an update on the Government's plans for devolution and what the reorganisation of local government in Surrey will mean for residents. Hear the annual report from the Chairman on the Parish Council, and updates from West Horsley Youth Council and other local groups, including Grace & Flavour, The Horsleys' CAN and The Friends of Horsley Station. Refreshments will be served. Afterwards we will invite you to visit Information Hub in the Cedar Room where all our speakers will be waiting to meet you.

### CONTACT DETAILS & CREDITS

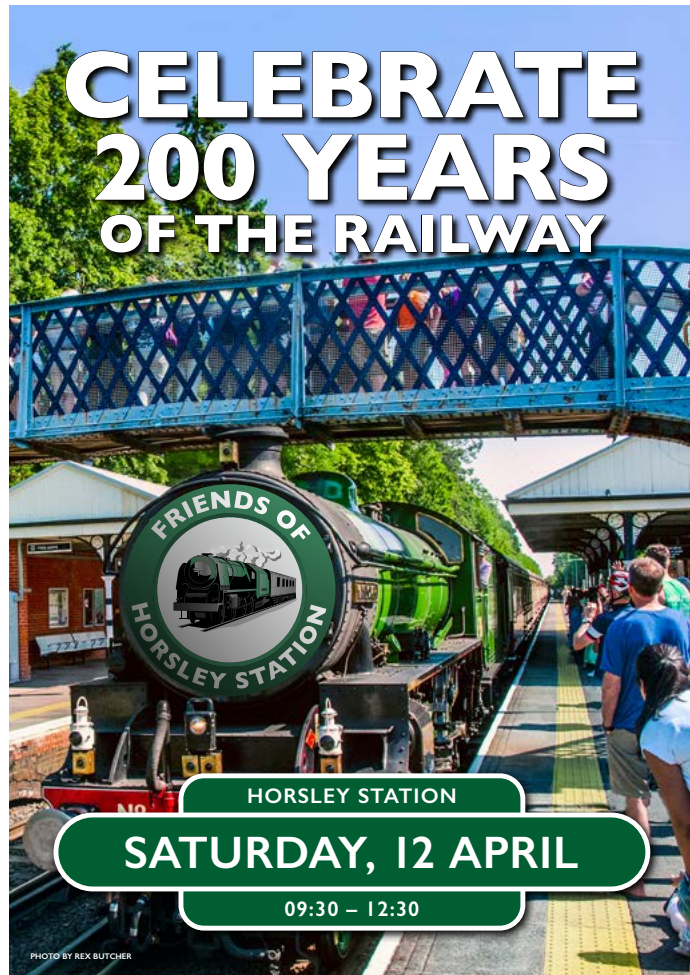
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# HORSLEY STATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

**9.30AM-12.30PM, SAT 12 APRIL**

Join The Friends of Horsley Station to celebrate the station's 140th anniversary. There will be lots of activities to enjoy, including: guided "History Mystery" tours with local gurus including long lost station sights; free competitions to win books telling the inside story on the Horsleys' vivid history; the launch of a "Welcome to the Horsleys" noticeboard; previews of the first written history of Horsley Station; 'Wild Life' tours with nature experts; and a display by The Friends of Horsley Station logging the group's first six years. Refreshments will be available. Free parking.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

<b>15 March</b>	Village Litter Pick, meet at West Horsley Village Hall
<b>12 April</b>	140th Anniversary Celebrations at Horsley Station
<b>24 April</b>	Student Study Hall begins at West Horsley Village Hall
<b>27 April</b>	West Horsley Youth Council's Clothes Swap, West Horsley Village Hall
<b>29 April</b>	The Annual Parish Meeting at West Horsley Village Hall
<b>8 May</b>	VE Day 80 Coffee Morning at West Horsley Village Hall
<b>8 May</b>	VE Day 80 Jazz Evening with Beacon Lighting at West Horsley Place
<b>1 June</b>	The Horsley Hustle Fun Run at West Horsley Place



# West Horsley Youth Council

## THE HORSLEY HUSTLE FAMILY FUN RUN

**SUNDAY 1 JUNE**

**HOLD THE DATE:** The Horsley Hustle Fun Fun is back and this year it promises to be bigger and better than ever! There will be 2K, 5K and 10K routes to choose from and participants of all ages and abilities are welcome to walk, jog or run. Fancy dress will be encouraged. Keep an eye on our website for all the details, including the online registration form.



## CLOTHES SWAP

**SUNDAY 27 APRIL**

West Horsley Youth Council's Clothes Swap returns to West Horsley Village Hall. Drop off your unwanted clothes at the Village Hall on Saturday 26 April, and come and shop on 27th! Now's your chance to declutter your wardrobe in time for summer! Help your old items find their perfect new home and find some new preloved favourites for yourself. Clothes must be in good condition and will be accepted at the discretion of the organisers. Full details will be on the Parish Council website soon. Entry is free and open to anyone.



## STUDENT STUDY HALL

**APRIL-JUNE AT WEST HORSLEY VILLAGE HALL**

West Horsley Parish Council, in collaboration with West Horsley Youth Council, is delighted to launch its 'Student Study Hall' initiative to support our young people ages 14-18 during their stressful exam period. We will offer a free and safe space for study at the Village Hall from 5-7pm on Thursday & Friday evenings from mid-April to mid-June.

The first study sessions will run on 24, 25 April, and 1, 2, 9, 15, 16 May with further dates to be announced in due course. Keep an eye on the Parish Council's website for further information.

