

## BULLETINBOARD

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### WHAT IS A RIPARIAN OWNER?

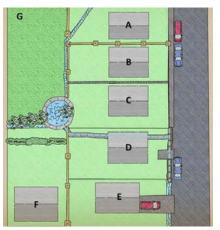
If you own land alongside a watercourse, you are legally termed a riparian owner. Water coursers can be natural or an artificial channel, such as a river, stream, ditch or culvert (an underground covered channel or pipe). As a riparian owner you have certain rights and have the responsibility for maintenance and clearance of these watercourses. If left unchecked, they can result in flooding issues in the surrounding area. Good Practice Guides can be found on our website.

- House A is responsible for all of the watercourse.
- House B is responsible for the watercourse behind the fence at the bottom.
- House C is responsible for the watercourse behind the fence AND the pond.
- House D is responsible for the culverted (piped) watercourse buried in the ditch in front of their land AND the underground pipe which runs beneath their property to the pond.
- House E is responsible for the open ditch in front of their house AND the piped section under their access bridge.
- House F is responsible for the watercourse at the end of their garden behind the hedge.

 Landowner G is responsible for both the watercourses running along the edges of their land AND the pond.

Shared land Riparian owners are responsible up to the middle of each watercourse:

How to find out if you are a Riparian Owner: Your title deeds should show you where any watercourses run on your boundaries and land. https://westhorsley.info/Riparian\_ Ownership\_44763.aspx



# ROAD SAFETY & ROAD **FLOODING**

Many of us have experienced issues with recent flooding at the A3, Ockham Road North and Long Reach. These areas are within The

Ockham Parish Council Boundary. Kevin Deanus, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Community Resilience visited the flood sites in response to our complaints.

We have been advised that The Ministry

for Food & Fisheries own the land by ORN roundabout. Surrey Highways believe the blocked gulleys are responsible for the flooding. Until they are cleared we will not know if it is



### A FIRST FOR GRACE+FLAVOUR -THE HORSLEYS' KITCHEN GARDEN

In addition to our usual social events, for the first time we will open on Sunday 2nd July, from 10.30am-5pm as part of the National Open Garden Scheme. Entrance £5 for adults, free for children. No booking required.

Car parking and refreshments will be available. Further details are available at www.findagarden.ngs.org.uk/ garden/44510/grace-flavour-cic

just the gulleys. Under the Bridge on The Street flooding, we have escalted the situation to the Head of Highways and Transportation.

Some drains have been cleared but it seems tree roots are the Issue. We are waiting on the next team with cameras to find out where the problem lies. In the meantime, we hope more Riparian Owners will clear blocked ditches on a more regular basis too to help with flooding.

Should you have concerns about your safety when driving, perhaps because the road is too flooded to see the uneven camber please log it with SCC Highways https://tinyurl.com/report-a-highway-problem

### WHAT'S ON...

#### **Easter Walk**

**1st April – 30th April Around the Horsleys** Every Year walk map is posted on our Parish Website for all to enjoy over the Easter Holidays.

#### WI (West Horsley)

**2nd May** Meeting at Village Hall. First one Free and membership thereafter. Contact Sue Stratford *01483281669*.

#### **Councillor Election Day**

*Thursday 4th May* Please remember to vote for your Guildford Councillors via your local polling station.

#### Coronation Day Saturday 6th May

West Horsley Parish Council Invite residents to celebrate and raise a glass to the King as well as a lighting of a Beacon at West Horsley Place 7pm-9pm.

#### Surrey Hills Classic Cycle Race Saturday 13th May

## Reminder that ORN & ORS will be out of action during the race. Please avoid the area unless on foot!

#### West Horsley Parish Council Statutory Meeting

*Tuesday 16th May* First meeting after Election – meet your new councillors. 7.30 pm.

#### **Horsley Hustle**

Sunday 4th June A fun run being arranged by the West Horsley Youth Council around West Horsley Place grounds. Gates open from 10.30-1pm.

#### West Horsley In Bloom Monday 5th June

Closing Date for Entries. For further information visit our website.

### For more information on upcoming events please click below

UPCOMING EVENTS

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## THE HORSLEY HUSTLE - **SAVE THE DATE**

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FUN RUN FOR ALL WALK-RUN-JOG

WEST HORSLEY PLACE, SUNDAY 4TH JUNE ARRIVE FOR 10.45

### THE KING'S CORONATION CELEBRATION

#### by The West Horsley Parish Council

Join us for 'A Coronation Celebration' at West Horsley Place, 7-9pm on Saturday 6th May 2023

Live Music - Food & Drink on Sale - Beacon Lighting - Free Entry & Parking. Local distiller Mews Gin, Tigerlily Café Bus Company, and Gray's Gelato, will be selling their produce, including a selection of bespoke alcoholic and non-alcoholic 'Coronation Cocktails'. There will be live background music from Utterly Unique and at 8.30pm the Mayor of Guildford, will invite everyone to raise a glass to Their Majesties, King Charles III and Queen Camilla.

After the Chairman of West Horsley Parish Council, Cllr Elaine Best, will have the honour of lighting the beacon.

Enjoy a cocktail, listen to some music, chat to friends and family, and raise a glass with us to mark the occasion of the Coronation - all lit by the beacon and the red, white and blue lights on the West Horsley Place Manor House.

This is a FREE, FAMILY EVENT, and we really hope to see you there. Any queries please email: clerk@westhorsley.info https://www.westhorsley.info/Coronation\_ Celebration\_44508.aspx The West Horsley Youth Council are Delighted to launch a NEW family Event; A fun run for all the family, Sunday 4th June.

WALK – RUN – JOG Around West Horsley Place Grounds. DRESS UP OR NOT but there will be prizes for best dressed not just winners!

There will be a £2 lucky dip and money raised will go to future Free Youth Council Events. Also please bring your own water bottles, as there will be taps to refill from.

Further details & registration for the run will on our website shortly. www.westhorsley.info



### AONB EXTENSION UPDATE

West Horsley was classified as a "Suitable Area for Evaluation". Natural England, who are running the application process, published their draft proposal in February and disappointingly West Horsley has now been excluded. WHPC will obviously be objecting to the draft boundary extension and submitting a counter proposal for our inclusion. It seems they have included Hatchlands estate but excluded West Horsley Place even though a picture of West Horsley Place is being used as an example of a historic Surrey Hills building and is incorrectly labelled as Hatchlands! so it appears that nothing is yet finalised ! All residents are encouraged to submit their comments by the June 13th deadline. https://westhorsley.info/AONB\_Boundary\_ Review\_42367.aspx



