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2025: reflecting, resolving, resting and rejoicing!

Dear friends,

I hope you've managed to enjoy Christmas, celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and King.

I want to begin by expressing my deep thanks to all those who worked so hard to make our Advent and Christmas celebrations so special here at All Saints. To those who took on an upfront role, and to the many behind the scenes, who ensured services and events took place smoothly and safely – thank you.

As we now enter a New Year, we close the door on the past year, and step into the unknown – a new chapter in our lives. For many the New Year is a time for reflecting. We think back over the last year, the times of joy and gladness, and the times of sadness and pain. We smile and cry because these experiences have become part of who we are – they are truly unforgettable! Honest reflection causes us to be grateful for all that is good, to give thanks for all that we hold dear: our health, our family and friends. Honest reflection also allows us to see those times where there has been regret, where mistakes have been made, the times when we failed to say or do the right thing or failed to respond to different people and different situations in the correct way. And so, we need to confess and repent and say sorry to God (and maybe others too) knowing and trusting that Christ has paid the price for all our sin.

In this light, the New Year is a time for resolving to be better people. This is a time to press the reset button and to look to make a fresh start in all aspects of life. In 1723, Jonathan Edwards, an American preacher wrote seventy New Year resolutions! Jonathan knew he couldn't keep these resolutions in his own strength, and so daily prayed that God would give to him grace and strength and enable him to keep each resolution. The first resolution begins: "I resolve that I will do whatsoever I think to be most for God's glory, for the good and

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advantage of mankind and not for my own good, profit and pleasure." How much our broken world would be a better place to live in if we all embraced and followed through such a noble resolution?

New Year is also a good time to ensure we are resting in Jesus. We struggle to find rest in a chaotic and restless world and in the storms of life. The only sure and unchangeable things are the love and grace of God. Jesus gives us a promise:



'Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.' (Matthew 11:28). In resolution fifty-three(!), Jonathan Edwards resolved to trust Jesus in this way – "I resolve to cast and venture my soul on the Lord Jesus Christ, to trust and confide in him, and consecrate myself wholly to him; that from this I may have assurance of my safety, knowing that I confide in my Redeemer." These words encourage us all to daily rest with Jesus – to spend time in prayer; to read the words of Scripture, to sing songs and hymns of worship, to sit or kneel in silence, to enjoy the beauty of creation, to practise the presence of Christ.

As we do this, may the New Year also be a time for rejoicing in our God. As we rest in the salvation we have in Jesus, we rejoice that the detail of everyday life is in the hands of our God. He has promised to keep a watchful eye on us. He is the source of all good and He will never fail us. We rejoice because the salvation we have in Jesus means we have a glorious future. The Lord is our Shepherd 'who will guide us with his counsel and afterward will receive us into glory' (Psalm 73:24). We rejoice because the resurrection of Jesus means that the New Year does not stand on its own. Instead, it becomes part of God's salvation plan and His kingdom.

This New Year - let's go forward after reflection; let's resolve to be better; let's ensure we are resting in Jesus; and let's rejoice in the grace and sovereignty of God!

May God be with you and may you all have a happy and blessed New Year.

Rev. Emma x

Rev. Emma Racklyeft – Vicar at All Saints, Denmead

Services at All Saints

Sunday 5th January - Epiphany

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional, BCP Communion Service) This week we will be singing a couple of Epiphany carols.
- 10.00am Holy Communion Service with Kids and Youth at Ten. This service will be live streamed to our Facebook page, and then, later in the day, added to our website. After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall.

Sunday 12th January – Baptism of Christ, 1st Sunday of Epiphany

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)
- 10.00am All Saints Together – all ages gather to worship, learn, and grow together. After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall.
- 6.00pm Evensong

Sunday 19th January – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

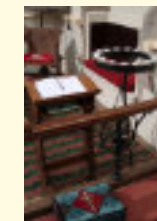
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- 10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten. This service will be live streamed to our Facebook page, and then, later in the day, added to our website. After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall.

Sunday 26th January – 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)
- 10am Morning Worship After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall. There will be no Holy Communion at this service.

Morning Prayer is said each weekday at 8.30-9.00am in chapel – everyone is welcome.

Private Prayer - The Church building is open from 8.30am to



dusk each day for private prayer.

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Now the Work of Christmas Begins by Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,
the work of Christmas begins:

- to find the lost,
- to heal the broken,
- to feed the hungry,
- to release the prisoner,
- to rebuild the nations,
- to bring peace among the people,
- to make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman, from The Mood of Christmas, p. 23

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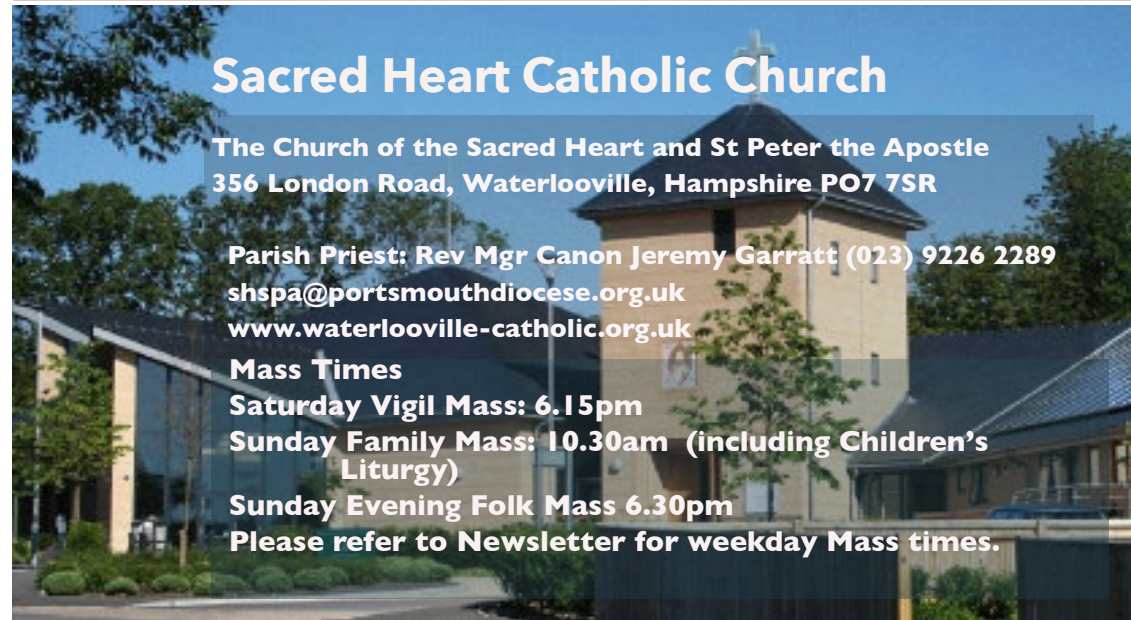
Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.15pm

Sunday Family Mass: 10.30am (including Children's Liturgy)

Sunday Evening Folk Mass 6.30pm

Please refer to Newsletter for weekday Mass times.





I helped run my first Alpha back in 1997 having not long moved into the village of Rowlands Castle, it was a fantastic way to get to know people, creating new friendships that have lasted.

I am thrilled that I can be part of Alpha at All Saints Denmead in the New Year. Every Alpha I have been part of over the years has been made up with a diverse group of people of all ages, backgrounds and beliefs, engaging and inspiring questions and conversations about the big and little issues we all have think and wonder about life and faith, with honesty, laughter and the occasional tears!

If you have any questions or are wondering if Alpha is for you then please don't hesitate to speak to me or contact me.

Revd. Buffy

GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE

Alpha

ALPHA 2025

All Saints Denmead
Weds 6.30-9.00pm
starting 15th January.

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For more information contact Revd Buffy Langdown on

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Evening W.I. Make New Year's Resolutions

The Evening W.I. would like to give a big thank you to everyone who supported the Winter Fair in November and helped to make it such a success. The meeting on January 15th will be a members' social evening with homemade soup and a crusty roll and up for discussion will be the short list of four resolutions before selecting the one we would most like to go forward for voting at the Annual Meeting in June. The four are: 1) Let's talk about incontinence, 2) Bystanders can be life savers, 3) Join the repair revolution and 4) Eliminate landfill of medication packaging. A very difficult choice!

Maybe make a New Year's Resolution to find out more about the W.I. It offers women the opportunity to be involved in a way that suits them;

perhaps learning a new skill, campaigning on wide-ranging issues or making friends. This relaxed and welcoming group is a good way to meet people especially if you're new to the area and, as well as a speaker each month, there are lunches, outings, a Craft Group, Garden Group and two Book Groups. Visitors can attend up to three meetings free of charge prior to joining. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month in the Memorial Hall where you'll find a warm welcome.

For more information contact denmeadevepres@hampshirewi.org.uk or look out for the posters.

A Happy New Year to you all

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DVA Makes Discoveries about Henry's Warship

The Village Association held its AGM in November, at which the Officers and committee were all re-elected, before Chair, Neil Rusbridger, announced the winners of the photograph competition for the village diary. He then introduced Carole Frampton, a Denmead resident who is also a guide on the Mary Rose. Carole's interest started ten years ago when she visited the Mary Rose, and she was so fascinated by the history of Henry VIII and details of the Mary Rose's history that she decided to volunteer.

Carole captivated the meeting talking about King Henry's youth and his love for his favourite ship, which sailed for 34 years. Many of the personal items found on board give a new insight into Tudor life and the craftsmanship of the time.



It was in 1545 that the Mary Rose sank but it wasn't found until 1846 when fishermen found something underwater was snagging their nets.

However, it wasn't until the early 60s that she was located, partly because in the meantime she had become buried in silt. By 1971 all that could be seen were three timbers which lead to many dives and the discovery of thousands of artefacts but it took another 11 years to bring her up when she was taken into dry dock and spraying began. For 11 years she was sprayed with water and for 9 years with polyethylene. In 2013 a museum was built around the ship at a cost of £35m.

The infinite number of facts and stories Carole told whetted the appetite of all our members to visit the Mary Rose and, in fact, the DVA is planning to arrange a visit next year.

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm in All Saints Church hall on Friday 17th January. Annual subscription is £10 with visitors paying £2 for their first visit. The group enjoys speakers on a variety of subjects, many of local interest.

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Afternoon W.I. in Harmony

At the December meeting the Afternoon W.I. was entertained by 25 members of the Folks in Harmony Choir. They began with songs from their normal repertoire, including “Whole New World” and then continued with Christmas songs and carols, including the beautiful Candlelight Carol and O Holy Night, and finishing with “We Wish You a Merry Christmas” of course, with members joining in with the singing and actions!



The monthly competition for a favourite song was won by Joan Downing with Joan Elliott second and the flower competition was won by Angela MacNee with Joan Elliott second. Donations were collected for the Waterloo Food Bank.

In January the New Year Lunch at Barnards will replace the monthly meeting and in February the group will be holding a Members’ Afternoon Tea and Beetle Drive.

All ladies are invited to meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 - 4pm in the Heath Room at All Saints Church which is central to the village with easy car parking. Visitors are most welcome especially if a particular subject is of interest.

It’s an informal group so if you’re new to the village or recently retired and would like to make new friends the W.I. would welcome you. Talks cover a variety of subjects – some serious and others amusing – so all tastes are catered for.

If you’re unable to attend an afternoon meeting the Evening Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday.

The Afternoon W.I. wishes all readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Joan Downing

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Throughout the year, we celebrate key moments. Whether it's flipping pancakes, crafting lanterns, or gathering to share the light of Christ, these events are all about shining His love in our community.

We would love you to come and be part of the joy these events bring!

COMING UP...

Big Family Quiz Night

1st February

Bring the whole family, team up with friends or come solo and join a team for a fun-filled evening of trivial!

The Big Pancake Party

4th March

Flip, eat, and discover the meaning of Shrove Tuesday!

Walkthrough Easter

14th - 21st April

Journey through the Easter story with interactive displays and reflections.

Teddy Bears' Picnic

29th June

Bring your teddy and enjoy games, treats, and picnic fun!

All Saints Holiday Club

5th - 8th August

An exciting week of games, crafts, and Bible stories, as children explore God's love and the teachings of Jesus.

Groups and activities for families, children, and young people at All Saints, Denmead.

At All Saints we offer a variety of groups and events for children, young people, and families throughout the year. Whether you are exploring faith, looking for a welcoming community, or growing deeper in your journey with God, we have something for everyone.



Our dedicated **Youth and Families Community Leader, Lewis Jones**, is here to help you to get involved. contact him at: youth@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk or phone him on **07780 981235** - He would love to welcome you to one of our groups and to answer any questions you may have.

For more details, visit our website at www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk or connect with us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/allsaintsdenmead

ALL SAINTS TOGETHER AT 10AM A short 45-minute service every 2nd Sunday of the month at 10am that is suitable for all ages!

This service is varied, lively and for all ages, and is followed by crafts and refreshments in the church hall. Each month we explore a different theme using drama, singing, games, quizzes, and all sorts of activities.

ALL SAINTS KIDS AT 10AM Meeting on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month (except August) at 10am for ages 3-11 years, our dedicated team provides fun, creative and illustrative ways to bring the Bible alive to children, helping them to get closer to God and to discover how to be a part of God's kingdom.

ALL SAINTS LITTLE STARS BABY AND TODDLER GROUP Little Stars is a baby and toddler group which meets each Friday 9.15-11.15am during term time in the church hall. A relaxed, welcoming environment where babies and toddlers have plenty of toys to play with and grown-ups can meet new people and catch up with friends.

ALL SAINTS YOUTH AT 10AM A group for young people aged 11 - 18. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10am. Digging deeper into Scripture whilst having fun, sharing our thoughts, and encouraging each other as we get to know God personally, grow in our faith and look at how we can show God's love as we live out our lives.

ALL SAINTS YOUTH AT 7PM For young people aged 11-18 years, we meet once a month at 7pm for a combination of worship, discussion, and discipleship with fun activities, to create a space where you can grow in your faith and build real, lasting friendships.

Come along for food, fun, and fellowship!

ALL SAINTS Holiday Club An action-packed themed week for Denmead children in primary school. Running for four days with games, crafts, drama, music, Bible stories and more.

Save the Date: The week will run from Tuesday 5th August until Friday 8th with the addition of a special Holiday Club service on Sunday 10th.

More details coming soon...

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Here are the regular activities that take place at the various venues in Denmead.

If you spot any incorrect entries, please send updates by email: chronicle@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk

Church Hall regular bookings

Mondays

- 11.30-12.30 Breathe Again (weekly)
- 15.00-20.30 Slimming World (weekly)

Tuesdays

- 09.30-10.30 Pilates (weekly, term time only)
- 10.45-11.45 Fit 4 U (weekly term time only)
- 14.00-15.00 Positive Strokes (weekly)
- 17.30-19.00 3rd Brownies (weekly, term time only)
- 19.30-21.30 Denmead Horticultural Society (monthly, 1st Tuesday)
- 20.00-22.00 South Hants Koi Club (Oct. to Apr. only, monthly, 2nd Tuesday)

Wednesdays

- 09.30-10.30 Fit2Dance (weekly, term time only)
- 11.00-12.30 Memory Café (monthly, 2nd Wednesday)
- 14.00-16.00 Flower Club (monthly, 3rd Wednesday)
- 14.00-16.00 Bereavement Support Group (monthly, 4th Wednesday)
- 17.45-19.15 1st Brownies (weekly, term time only)

Thursdays

- 09.15-10.15 Mrs G's Pilates (weekly)
- 13.45-15.45 Home Instead 'Love to Move' (weekly)
- 16.15-17.15 1st Rainbows (weekly, term time only)
- 17.30-19.00 2nd Brownies (weekly, term time only)
- 19.00-21.00 Guides & Rangers (weekly, term time only)

Fridays

- 09.15-11.15 Little Stars (weekly, term time only)
- 14.30-15.30 Gentle Chair Exercises (weekly)
- 19.30-21.30 Denmead Village Association (alternate monthly, 3rd Friday)

Saturdays

- 10.00-12.30 WI Belles Community Café – please check poster for details

Further Details from Church Office 023 9226 8757

Heath Room regular bookings

Mondays

19.00-21.00 Denmead Horticultural Society Committee (monthly 2nd Monday)

Tuesdays

09.30-11.30 Coffee & Chat (weekly)
14.00-16.00 Mothers' Union (monthly, 3rd Tuesday)

Wednesdays

14.00-16.00 Afternoon W.I. (monthly, 1st Wednesday)

Saturdays

10.00-12.00 Local Government Surgery (monthly, 1st Saturday)

Further Details from Church Office 023 9226 8757

Denmead War Memorial Hall Bookings

Mondays

08.30-15.00 Denmead Pre-School - Term Time Only
19.30-21.30 Denmead W.I. Belles – 1st Monday of the Month

Tuesdays

08.30-15.00 Denmead Pre-School – Term Time Only
19.00-21.00 Archery Club - Weekly

Wednesday

08.30-15.00 Denmead Pre-School – Term Time Only
19.30-21.30 Horticultural Floral Workshop – 2nd Wednesday Monthly
19.30-21.30 Evening Denmead W.I. – 3rd Wednesday Monthly
19.00 – 21.00 Relaxing Soundbath – 4th Wednesday Monthly

Thursday

08.30-15.00 Denmead Pre-School – Term Time Only
19.45-21.45 Badminton Club - Weekly

Friday

08.30-15.00 Denmead Pre-School – Term Time Only

Sunday

9.00-12.00 Archery Club – Weekly except the 1st Sunday of the month

Further Details from Mrs S Thomas 07534 024388

Denmead Community Centre (The Old School)

Regular Events

Mondays

09.30 - 10.30 Better Body Club
11.00 - 12.00 Yoga with Allison
11.00 - 13.00 Tertulia – ***New Class*** Italian Beginner Course 6 week - course starting 27/1/25
10.00 - 12.00 Watercolours for Improvers
14.30 - 16.30 U3A Board games – fortnightly
19.00 - 21.00 Evening Table Tennis
– Contact details:
Sylvia 02392 439037 email: john.morphett124@gmail.com
19.00 - 22.00 Denmead Bridge Club

Tuesdays

09:00 - 10:00 Better Body Club – Pilates Intermediate
09:00 - 11:00 Denmead Unsung Gardeners (DUG)
Contact the Centre for more Infomation.
09.30 - 12.30 Upholstery Class
09.15 - 10.15 TADAA (Musical Theatre Tots for 2-4 year olds)
10.15 - 11.15 Pilates – Beginners/Rehab
10.30 - 12.30 Denmead Writers
14.00 - 15.30 Afternoon Social Club (Monthly 2nd Tuesday)
14:00 - 15:30 Chapters Reading Group (3rd Tuesday of the month)
14.00 - 16.00 Art History 2 (Monthly, 1st Tuesday of the month)
14.30 - 16.30 Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
17.00 - 18.00 Create – Children's Art Classes
18.00 - 19.00 Pilates Class
19.00 - 21.00 Denmead WI – monthly
19.45 - 21.45 Denmead Brass Band Rehearsal
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Wednesdays

09.45 - 11.45 Jiggy Wrighlers – baby music & movement
10.00 - 12.00 Denmead Art Group (Fortnightly)
10.00 - 12.00 Wednesday Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
11.00 - 13.00 Tertulia – ***New Class*** Spanish Beginner Course 6 week - course starting 29/1/25
13.30 - 14.30 Shiyong Tai Chi
16.00 - 18.00 TADAA (Musical Theatre for 4 – 13 year olds)
19.00 - 21.00 Breakaway Stitchers and Quilters
19.00 - 21.00 LD Art Group
18.30 - 20.45 Yoga with Allison

Thursdays

- 09.30 - 10.30 Zumba
- 09.30 - 11.30 Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
- 12.00 - 13.30 Lunch Club for over 70's
- 14.00 - 16.00 U3A Table Tennis (2nd & 4th Thursday)
- 19.00 - 21.00 Thursday 19.00 - 21.00 Evening Table Tennis
New contact details: Pam – email: pam.mt.mcgovern@gmail.com

Fridays

- 09.30 - 10.30 Pilates
- 09.30 - 12.00 Art Class
- 09.30 - 12.30 The Messy Hand Crafters (Every 6 weeks. See DCC website for dates)
- 18.30 - 20.30 Farlington Dog Club (Denmead)
- 14.00 - 16.00 U3A Table Tennis (Beginners) Monthly 3rd Friday
- 11.15 - 12.00 Little Kickers (18 mths – 3.5 years)

Saturdays

- 09.00 - 11.30 Southern Arts Academy (Term Time only)
- Denmead Film Nights
- Doors open at 19.00 (Typically the last Saturday of the month)
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Sundays

- 08.00 - 09.00 A.P.T Combat Conditioning - ***New Class*** Boxercise – starting 5/1/25
- 09.00 - 12.30 Denmead Brass Band
- 18.00 - 20.00 Kyoto Dojo
- 19.30 - 22.00 Board Gaming – monthly

If you are interested in joining any of the groups please contact Denmead Centre on 023 9225 6132

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Denmead Walks

This is an interesting walk initially heading toward Hambledon on a familiar footpath off Uplands Road. Further on a potentially flooded area adjacent to the Hambledon Road could be encountered in winter. After passing the delightful garden of Hole Farm there are several footpaths which eventually lead back to Hoe Street. A section of permissive footpath through woodland leads to Bent Lane followed by more woodland walking en route back to Denmead.

WALK DETAILS:

Distance 9km/5.6 miles

Duration 2h 30m

Walk Grade 3/5

Stiles 6

Leaving the community centre CP by the main entrance go R heading along School Lane. Turn R up Thompsons Lane and on reaching the junction with Uplands Road take the footpath slightly to the L on the other side of the road. On emerging from the narrow section of the path go slightly R heading downhill then walk alongside the hedge as far as the end of the field. Go through the gap in the hedge and continue across the field on the well-trodden path.

1.8km/1.1 miles Go downhill through a narrow copse and just before the gate, adjacent to the main road, go L on the wide path between the paddocks. Go through 2 gates and cross a ditch via a wooden plank that lies between them. After the last gate take care crossing the lane before climbing the bank opposite and pass through another gate.



If a sprung electric fence is across the path simply unhook then replace after passing through. There are 2 more gates while wading uphill, and after the last, bear R on the footpath through Madam's Copse

2.5km/1.6 miles Turn L on reaching Menslands Lane and continue for 450m before going R over a stile into woodland. After about 60m go over another stile (or around the gate, if there is room) and stay on the FP keeping the woodland on your L. Eventually come to a gate then head diagonally across the small field where another gate is found in the corner. Pass through a narrow copse before turning R through a further gate. Continue downhill on the RHS of a field adjacent to Hole Farm

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3.8km/2.45miles On reaching Hole Lane pass through two gates, one on each side of the lane, remain in the same direction going uphill staying parallel to the drive leading to the farm. Go over the stile at the far end of the field onto Hoe Street. Cross the latter taking the lane opposite and walk around 700m passing the entrance to a green lane followed by Russell's Farm, both of which are on the RHS. About 50m beyond the farm bear L on the signed FP across a field heading toward woodland.

5km/3.15miles The path eventually goes through a narrow copse where it is necessary to go over a stile. Head toward the RHS of the field (direction 2 o'clock) to a stile situated part way along a wire fence. After going over this latest stile continue in the direction indicated on the marker post, which I must admit seems to be heading nowhere. Nevertheless, by making your way in the direction indicated and walking some distance a gate finally appears on the L. Go over a stile then head along a narrow, covered FP passing a house on the RHS.

6.1 km/3.8miles The path soon emerges onto Hoe Street and here go R whereupon continue along the metalled surface lane past Kellanne Stud Farm on the L and Hoegate Farm. A little further along Hoe Street look out for an 'unofficial' path on the LHS and follow this route through woodland for 400m eventually emerging onto Bent Lane.



The main house and gardens of Hole Farm

7km/4.4miles Go straight across the lane into the woodland opposite and walk about 200m as far as a yellow marker post - at this point turn L. At the end of this path go over a ditch on a short plank. Follow the FP by bearing R walking in a direction parallel to the woodland on your RHS. At the end of this stretch pass through the last 2 gates of the walk and turn L on reaching the road between Hambledon and Worlds End. Again, take great care at this point as it can be a busy road, and the crossing point is close to a blind bend. Pass the gates of Willow Fisheries on the R before turning R into Dirty Lane.

7.8km/4.9miles Continue uphill and at the junction of Uplands Road, Broad Lane and Dirty Lane go R into School Lane again ascending while at the top of the rise is the Fox & Hounds pub. The final section of this route is mainly downhill and after passing the junction with Inhams Lane the community centre CP is on the LHS.

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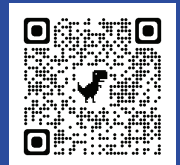
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HCC Update on School Relocation, Instrument Loans and more

Proposed Relocation of Henry Cort Community College

Hampshire County Council is opening a public consultation on Friday 10th January seeking views on the proposed relocation of The Henry Cort Community College in Fareham, to a new site in North Whiteley from September 2027. The consultation will be published on HCC's website and will run until Friday 14 February 2025, with no final decision to be taken until June 2025, following local elections.

The proposal to relocate the school comes as forecasts show that the ongoing development of the Whiteley area will result in demand for between 900 and 1,200 secondary school places. A new secondary school in North Whiteley is planned to meet the predicted need for school places across the whole of the Whiteley area, once the new development is complete.



While clearly needed to meet future demand, the planned new school in North Whiteley would also have a significant impact on The Henry Cort Community College in Fareham, which currently takes pupils from across the Whiteley area. As more families in Whiteley are anticipated to move their children to the new school in North Whiteley from September 2027, it's expected that Henry Cort would see a corresponding reduction in pupil numbers, and consequently in its funding from Government, which is allocated on a per-pupil basis.

The proposal to relocate Henry Cort to the new site is considered the most viable option to protect its future while ensuring sufficient school places and good quality education and stability for children across Whiteley and Fareham. If finally agreed, this would not mean that Henry Cort would close but that the school, including its staff and children, would move to the new site.

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Education Catering Service

HCC is to recommend sourcing school meals from other providers, rather than directly providing meals as it currently does via its in-house Education Catering Service. This arrangement would see the local authority purchase and manage the supply of meals from providers on behalf of schools and nurseries who subscribe and would potentially support schools and families to pay a lower price for school meals. If approved, it's expected that the move to the new arrangement will take place by the end of March 2026.

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published criteria. See – <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/county-councillor>. Please discuss with your County Councillor BEFORE application is made online.

And finally, may I wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Patricia Stallard

Hampshire County Council, Winchester Southern Parishes



Waterlooville Probus Club

Probus welcomes retired or semi-retired professional men and women who live in Denmead and surrounding areas.

There will not be a Speaker at our next meeting, on TUESDAY 14th JANUARY 2025 when we have a talk by Peter Loveridge on the Havant Borough Talking Newspaper. Known as HBTN, the Talking Newspaper was founded in 1993 to serve the people of Havant and surrounding areas.

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The Waterlooville Probus Club meet on the second Tuesday of every month at the Hampshire Hog, Clanfield [plenty of free car parking space].

There is a two-course meal, followed by tea/coffee and a Speaker. Arrive 12 noon for 12.30 pm sit down lunch.

More information about Probus Waterlooville is shown on our website at <https://probusclub.net/waterlooville/>

The following meeting on TUESDAY 11th February 2025 is dedicated to our Annual General Meeting, so there will not be a Speaker on that occasion.

The cost is £23. Please note, the meal must be ordered one week in advance, so if you would like to come along to find out more about Probus, please contact our Membership Secretary, Linda Marland, email - probus@lindamarland.com

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