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The Parish

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**A**utumn is the time of year when the abundance of green leaves transforms through the mosaic of reds, oranges and browns that demonstrates death is something which is hard wired into creation. This season shows us a glimpse of the unceasing cycle of birth, life, death and rebirth which governs the natural world, and it is therefore unsurprising that it is during this season that we remember. Memories, and remembering, are such central parts of our personalities and character, and in many ways make up part of who we are.

November seems to be the month for remembering. We share in a service of All Souls at the beginning of the month, a chance to remember with thankfulness those whom we have loved but see no more.



And, of course, there is also our national act of Remembrance, on Remembrance Sunday 10th November. That remembrance is even more poignant today as the reality of war and its human cost is once again apparent and sadly dominates our news. To mark and commemorate this significant day we will be having a short Remembrance service with communion at 8.30 am at All Saints, before joining with villagers, local councillors, uniformed groups and local schools for a Village Act of Remembrance.

We will remember with grateful hearts those who gave their everything for our today and future. Please gather at 10.45am at the village green for this important event.

*'At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.'* (Laurence Binyon)

There is no single thing in our created world which lasts forever; this is true both of all individual human beings, and also of our human endeavours.

None of the first Christian congregations established by St Paul and the Apostles still exists today, yet those communities were the initial sparks which set the world on fire with the Gospel of Christ. All earthly things are transitory and fleeting, and so we must focus on the good that they can bring about during their limited lifespan. This is true of every human being and every relationship.

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about**

But if all human beings and all human endeavours are temporary, so too is human suffering. As Christians we believe that suffering never has the final world; that isn't to minimise the great pain of suffering, but it is to emphasise the even greater power of God who promises that a time is coming when he will "Wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away" Revelation 21:4

For Christians, the most significant act of remembering is when we come together to remember in bread and wine the death and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus' willing sacrifice of himself on the cross for the sake of others is, for Christian believers, the ultimate expression of the self-giving love at the heart of God, when Christ's hands were marked by the nails of the cross.

**"Do this in remembrance of me."**

Just as through the death of Jesus Christ on the cross, we know that the power of death has been defeated. We can trust in a God who has defeated death, and who has opened the gates to eternal life for all who trust in him, that God's faithfulness endures forever.

So, in this season of Remembrance, as we remember with candles, poppies, or bread and wine, may we all take time to pause, reflect, and be thankful.

With every blessing,  
Buffy  
Revd. Buffy Langdown - Curate

## From the Registers

### Funerals

- 4th October - The Late Carol Moore, cremation at The Oaks Havant
- 7th October – The Late Craig John, funeral at All Saints followed by Direct Cremation
- 30th October – The Late John MacNee funeral at The Oaks Havant, followed by wake in All Saints Church Hall

### Baptism

29th September – Mark Curtis



# Services at All Saints

## Friday 1st November – All Souls

7.00pm All Souls – A special service of reflection, remembrance, and thanksgiving as we remember those who have died, particularly those who have died in recent years. This is a lovely, quiet, and contemplative service. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of the person who has died. All are welcome.

## Sunday 3rd November – All Saints Day

8.00am Holy Communion (traditional, said BCP Communion Service)

10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten  

## Sunday 10th November - Remembrance Sunday

8.30am A traditional Holy Communion Remembrance Service

10.45am Village Act of Remembrance (at the Village Green) followed by refreshments in our church hall.



6.00pm Evensong

## Saturday 16th November

3.30 - 5.00pm Messy Church – For all young families with pre-school/primary aged children. The whole family is welcome to Messy Church, grandparents and carers included. Join us for this fun filled afternoon of craft games, singing, Bible story, prayers, and refreshment. We meet in the church hall at 3.30 pm. For more information, please see [www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church](http://www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church) or from Lewis Jones [youth@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](mailto:youth@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)


## Sunday 17th November – All Saints: Vision and Stewardship



8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)

10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten.  

## Sunday 24th November – Christ the King

8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)

10.00am Morning Worship, There will be no Holy Communion at this service. 

 Refreshments in our church hall after the service  Live stream to our Facebook page

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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**DENMEAD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION**

**OPEN EVENT & AGM**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**@ 7.30pm**

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALL**

Keep up to date with what is happening in the village & socialise with other Denmeadians.

Chairman Neil Rusbridger's Welcome  
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**Denmead Evening WI**

# **WINTER FAIR**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

**All Saints Church Hall, Denmead**

**10am to Noon**

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## Happy Birthday, Evening W.I!

The September meeting was the Evening W.I.'s 59th Birthday and guests attended from other institutes in the Bere Forest Group to celebrate.

Entertainment was provided by the Solent City Chorus who sing in four-part harmony. It was their third visit to the group and they didn't disappoint. They began with Jerusalem (of course!) before singing songs by Elvis, Joan Baez, a Māori folk song and others. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a glass of fizz and some birthday cake, a very enjoyable evening.

The Garden Group had an informative visit to Ben Cross' alstroemeria nursery at Walberton near Arundel. His great grandparents set up the nursery through the government's Land Settlement Association scheme in 1934. Ben is a great advocate for buying locally grown flowers as 90% of cut flowers bought in supermarkets come from abroad and have a large carbon footprint. Following the horticultural theme, at the meeting on November 20th will be a demonstration from Flowers by Sharon, a local flower arranger. Also, the Winter Fair will be held on Saturday November 16th at 10am in Denmead Church Hall.

The W.I. is the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK. It offers opportunities from learning new skills, joining campaigns, catching up with or making new friends. Ladies wishing to learn more would receive a warm welcome. The group meets in Denmead Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

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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

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## Rethink...

At Christmas, from a glowing hearth,  
I chose a gift of real worth.  
No vivid tie or tealcloth this,  
No asking for ideas for further  
Furnishing already comfy bliss.

But to give to someone I'll never meet  
A real present lastingly sweet.  
Going right back to that stable bare,  
To His Birth in the straw  
In the sharp night air.

And so to the mud and the dust of India,  
Grinding poverty, spirit breaking,  
The dirty water, not for washing;  
But to drink; unsafely, daily.  
Here in Tamil Nadu, in a soft mud hut  
the young Susila lives,  
(we could well say, "exists").

What a privilege To be giving  
modern frankincense and gold  
Flung far across these total gaps  
Of language, faith, and living!

So the gift is born, to transform  
An unknown life, to start at Christmas.  
This could mean for her a schooling,  
And ten or twenty extra years of LIVING!  
(How highly would we value these  
In Upper-Welfare-Upon-Tees?)

Oh Jesus! Very plainly  
Shows your hand in this,  
Confirming love of giving,  
Gifting in love to assist.

Under our modern Christmas rush,  
Full of glittering baubles and plush;  
I found it ever so easy to sink.  
What took me so long to rethink?

Peter Dickinson

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**CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS**

The Denmead Church Flower Club will be running two workshops on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December at All Saints Church Hall. Monies raised will go to The Rowans and Enable Ability.

*Join us for some fun social time, supporting charity, whilst making something nice to take home...*

**10am to Noon**

**Christmas Wreath Workshop**

*The cost will be £25 which includes a 10 inch oasis wreath, foliage, ribbons and various decorative items plus tuition. Price also includes drink and mince pie*



**2pm – 4 pm**

**Decorative Christmas Tree Workshop**

*This workshop is focused on making a smaller arrangement and is ideal for those who do not have much space, it will sit on a window sill or small side table.*

*The cost will be £15 which includes the dry foam, tinsel, ribbon and various decorative items plus tuition. Price also includes drink & mince pie.*



**Why not come along with a neighbour/family member/friend and make a day of it, attending both workshops ? There are lots of nice local places to eat during the lunch break.**

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## DVA increases Cyber Awareness

The Chair opened the Village Association meeting by reminding members of the importance of the Neighbourhood Plan, which is being updated, and that the role of DVA is to ensure that views are known to the planning authority.

He continued by updating members on news including the launch of a newsletter; the re-launch of the Fitness Trail at the end of August and the first meeting of the Drama Group, which was well supported. At the next meeting, the AGM, will be a speaker from the Mary Rose Trust and, if sufficient interest, a visit will be arranged next year. The Chair reminded members of the opportunity to nominate officers or committee members to be voted in at the AGM, these should be forwarded to the Secretary. DVA has also introduced a village diary and the Greening group has conducted a Bat Walk, which 50 people attended.

The speaker at October's meeting, Claire Wills, is a Cyber Champion, introduced in 2020 to advise on crimes committed electronically. In 2021 losses through cybercrime totalled £2.25bn. She advised on Cyber Awareness – for instance when phone calls don't 'feel right' and recommended ending the call. Never give personal details to an unknown caller as a scammer can use these to build a picture. One extremely important item was strong passwords (not containing personal information!) and for emails, google and bank accounts to create a passphrase of three random words. She confirmed that fingerprint technology is secure. Claire recommended that we use Password Browser or Browser Password Store, backup data regularly and update software as soon as possible. Social media information should be shared with as few people as possible. All fraud and cybercrime should be reported to Action Fraud.

**Never give personal details to an unknown caller...**

The AGM will be held on 15th November. Meetings are at 7.30pm in the Church Hall and take place on alternate months. Annual membership is £8.

Denmead Scouts  
present



# Christmas Wreath and Craft Workshop

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 10am – 4pm  
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# Christmas Fair



Arranged by the Denmead WI Belles



**Saturday 23rd November 2024**

**10.00am – 3.00pm**

**All Saints Church Hall**

**Hambledon Road, Denmead PO7 6NN**

There will be a variety of stalls selling handcrafted products & gifts, along with a bottle tombola and a prize draw with amazing prizes. Plus refreshments with homemade cakes.

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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](mailto:chronicle@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk)

### Church Hall regular bookings

#### Mondays

09.30-10.30 Fit2Dance (weekly, term time only)  
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

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  
15.30-17.30 Messy Church (monthly, 3rd Saturday)

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, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday)

### Saturdays

10.00-12.00 Local Government Surgery (monthly, 1<sup>st</sup> 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

### 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 Denmead W.I. Belles – 1st Wednesday Monthly

19.30-21.30 Denmead 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

Further Details from Mrs S Thomas 07534 024388



The next Repair Café will be on **Saturday 16th November** Denmead Community Centre 1-4

Bring your broken or faulty items along. Coffee and cake available!

Check our Facebook page for forthcoming dates: **Denmead & Hambleton**

**Repair Cafe**

## Denmead Community Centre (The Old School)

### Regular Events

#### Mondays

09.30 - 10.30 Better Body Club

11.00 - 12.00 Yoga with Allison

10.00 - 12.00 Watercolours for Improvers

14.30 - 16.30 U3A Board games – fortnightly

19.00 - 21.00 Evening Table Tennis

– New 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 Information.

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

19.30 - 22.00 Downland Singers

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#### Wednesdays

09.45 - 11.45 Jiggy Wridders – 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 Spanish Beginner Course 6 weeks

\* New course starting on the 6th November \*

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  
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**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)
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**Sundays**

- 09.00 - 12.30 Denmead Brass Band
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- 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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In October the Afternoon W.I. was pleased to welcome Julian Le Good to talk about his early experiences in a "Portrait of the Architect as a Young Man". Julian started his seven years of training in 1977 in Scotland where he was in a minority as both an Englishman and a male student. Julian eventually moved to Hampshire, working mainly in the west of the county and with the NHS "serving us from cradle to grave", Julian ended up working on all types of building from maternity units to mortuaries.

The monthly competition – for a picture of a favourite building was won by Joan Downing with Rosemary Simpson second. The flower competition was won by Joan Elliott with Rosemary Simpson second.

November is the group's Birthday Meeting when they will be joined by visitors from the other institutes in the group and will celebrate with a return visit by Rob Driscoll with a presentation entitled "It's

Magic"! The monthly competition will be for a Favourite Birthday Card.

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. welcomes you. Talks cover a variety of subjects – some serious and others amusing – so all tastes are catered for as well as tea and delicious home-made cake from Lily and Lime, a cafe above Portsmouth Central Library run by the Medstead Trust which trains and finds employment for people with cerebral damage.

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*Joan Downing*



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## Denmead Walks

**This walk can start either at Denmead Community Centre or Kidmore Lane CP in the centre of the village. The outward route is along Wayfarers toward Hambledon, over Speltham Down then up the other side of the valley before heading back in an anticlockwise direction passing through two local farms. Stunning views will be enjoyed from several high points above Hambledon.**

### WALK DETAILS:

Length 10km/6.25 miles

Time 2h 30m

Stiles 4 (2 from K Lane)

WALK GRADE 3/5

Leave Denmead Community Centre car park (CP) by the rear gate and turn L going uphill on the Hambledon road. At Lincoln Green nursery cross the road and head along the footpath. On reaching woodland either take the path on the L by going over a stile, or, if underfoot conditions are poor, take the parallel route through the woods – each path joins Wayfarers Walk in 300m.

From Kidmore Lane CP go R then after 150m bear L into Cemetery Lane. Turn R just before the end of the lane and follow the WW signs first on a dog-leg then along the side of a field. The two starting routes meet at the first metal gate. If taking this route go straight on after passing through gate.

**1km/0.6mile** Turn L and walk along the side of the field eventually going through a second gate.

**1.5km/0.9mile** Go L after passing through the gate then R into Harrowgate Lane. After a further 80m bear L passing through another gate and head diagonally across the field on a well-marked FP. Go through a gap in the hedge on the far side, turn L then stay on the path until the lane connecting Rookwood and Rushmere is reached.

**2.3km/1.4miles** Turn R here and walk exactly 100m



Speltham Down

before turning L following the green WW path signs. Go R about 50m ahead at the telegraph pole and head along the first of two fields keeping to the RHS. At the end of the second field the path goes L, then R before passing a mounted blue painted metal press which is on the LHS.

**3.2km/2miles** At Bury Lodge Lane go L, then after about 25m turn R picking up a FP which runs along the RHS of a field. This leads to a narrow copse and on leaving the latter there is a junction of paths; here turn R and walk along the path which has a hedge on the LHS continuing downhill as far as a gate that leads onto Speltham Down.

**3.6km/2.25miles** This is the first of several gates on the Down; the path continues downhill, but maybe pause for a moment or have a short rest on the bench situated on the side of the FP enjoying the first of several stunning views over the village. At the bottom of the hill pass through another gate then fork L on the path through a third gate. Head across the meadow eventually coming to the penultimate gate in this section of the walk – often the adjacent five-bar gate is open. At this point go R passing through the final gate and exiting the Down. A series of steps lead into a lane that comes out onto the Hambledon road opposite Weaverfield House.

**4.1km/2.6miles** Cross the road then turn R. Walk almost as far as the point where the road bears L; here pick up the FP on the L. Continue uphill for some distance eventually turning R through a gate made from a recycled pallet. Again, enjoy the panoramic view over the village, this time from the other side of the valley. Walk the short distance to a wide gap on the LHS at the top of the field and go L almost back on yourself. Follow the wide track which has Boarhuts Copse on the L as far as a second pallet gate giving access to Cams Hill Lane.



Hambledon from west hill above village

**5km/3.1miles** Go R onto the lane immediately passing the murder stone and walk about 300m before turning L onto the Alan King Way FP opposite Headstone Stud Farm. The path borders a garden, then goes across a wide

cultivated field as it heads for Hole Farm – aim for the LH end of the fence on the far side of the field. Take the permissive path to the R around the property by passing through a series of gates, cross the access road to the farm, pass through another gate then bear L downhill. Pass through another gate into Hole Lane then head uphill keeping the garden of Hole Farm on your LHS.

**6.4km/4miles** Pass through a final gate into woodland at the top of the rise, go through a short S bend then bear L through the narrow strip of wood before passing through another gate. Walk obliquely to the R across a narrow field before going through the final gate in this section of the walk. Keeping the wood, Shepherd's Croft, on your RHS make around its perimeter and where it bends to the R follow the line of the trees finally entering the wood itself then a short path leads to Menslands Lane.

**6.87km/4.3miles** Turn L and continue along the lane eventually passing Glebelands Farm after just over 400m. About 30m further on bear R following a well-marked FP through Madam's Copse. At the end of this woodland path exit the latter through the first of a series of gates. Enjoy the view toward Bury Lodge to the L when heading downhill before going through several gates soon reaching Fareham Road that connects Hambledon with World's End. Note that it is maybe necessary to unhook a fence just before the second gate – make sure the hooks are repositioned!

Take care crossing the last stile as the drop is straight onto the roadway. Cross the lane and pass through the first of three further gates; the first gives access to a field in which horses are kept, while the final two are either side of a shallow ditch – be warned that after heavy rain this area acts as a flood plain and can be impassable. After the last gate of the walk the path starts to rise and heads toward a metal gate alongside the B2150.

**8.1km/5.1miles** Do not go through the gate adjacent to the road but turn R toward the woodland. After going uphill through the narrow copse follow the yellow FP sign across the field eventually passing through the gap in the hedge on the far side. Straight after passing through the gap turn L and stay on the path with hedging on the LHS. Just before the ground starts to rise in front continue on the distinct FP diagonally across the field to the R, cross a short bridge and head up a narrow FP that leads to Uplands Road.

**9.1km/5.7miles** On reaching this road go L, then immediately R down Thompson's Lane. At the bottom of the hill turn L into School Lane and continue to the end of this road where the community centre is on the LHS. For those who started at Kidmore Lane turn R at the end of School Lane and walk toward the village centre – the distance to Kidmore Lane is about 800m.

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### Check Flood Risk ahead of Winter Rainfall

Around 400,000 households in Hampshire are at risk of flooding and with increased rainfall due to climate change, HCC has created a new online tool to help people check their flood risk. <https://documents.hants.gov.uk/flood-water-management/managing-risk/hcc-community-toolkit.pdf>

### Future Services

The future of services like Household Waste Recycling Centres, school crossing patrols, road maintenance, homelessness support, street lighting and library stock will soon be decided as the Council's Select Committees and Cabinet prepare to consider savings across 13 service areas.



A situation faced by many other councils, it's now harder to keep delivering the same level of services as before. Costs keep rising as does demand for vital social care for vulnerable children, older people and adults with complex care needs and disabilities so there is less money to go around. As a result, the Council must find ways to close an annual £175m budget gap predicted from April 2025 onwards. <https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240410FutureServices>

### Hampshire expands number of school places for children with SEND

More children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities are set to benefit from local specialist school places as the Council increases the provision at two schools and a nursery. Most of the 31 new places at Heathfield Special School, Pennington Church of England Junior School and Haven Nursery School will be available immediately.

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### Highways Update

Following the allocation of additional funding dedicated to making Hampshire's roads stronger, i.e. an extra £22.5 million over two years to 31st March 2025 to boost road repairs, the Council has repaired almost 181,000 potholes and road defects, representing a 37% increase compared with the previous 12 months (April 2023 - April 2024). In the period covered, high numbers of road defects continue to be fixed, alongside the completion of larger resurfacing and planned maintenance. Please report road issues either online at [www.hants.gov.uk/transport/highways](http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/highways) or using the OurHants app.

Winchester District Statistics April – June 2024

Emergencies attended - 115

Arboriculture jobs completed - 73

Resurfacing, surface dressing & micro-asphalt = 17,594sqm

Gullies and other drainage cleared = 3,009

Other jobs completed – 224

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Finally, a reminder about the Councillor Surgery, on the first Saturday of every month, in the Heath Room, All Saints Church, Denmead, 10am – 12 noon. No appointment necessary.

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## Waterlooville Probus Club

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

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*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/>*

There will not be a Speaker at December's meeting, it will be our Christmas Lunch, although we are hoping that Santa Claus will visit us!

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](mailto:probus@lindamarland.com)

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