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The month of October always reminds me of the first line of John Keats poem "Ode to Autumn" written just over 200 years ago. "Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness." Sadly, I can never remember any more of the poem without having to read it! The poem is believed to be inspired by Keats taking a walk in the water meadows behind Winchester College near his home. The story told is that he only went on the walk to escape from the sound of his landlady's daughter practising the violin. Fortunately, on his return, she had finished playing and he had been inspired to write what is considered one of the finest poems in the English language.

I am not sure I ever really truly understood what mellow fruitfulness means, but I do know that October is a season of thanksgiving for all the things we have, and an opportunity for reflection. The darkness creeps back into our mornings and evenings as the season of Autumn tiptoes in and gives us an opportunity to climb into our pj's early and hibernate each evening (or maybe that's just me!).

For some, the lack of sunlight can be difficult and challenging. But I think we can view darkness in a different light. Darkness is not something to dread as it can be a place of germination which gives us time and space to grow.

Darkness calls us to leave behind who we thought we were and to wait for new shoots to sprout and feel their way to a new place. As the trees start to lose their leaves, and it looks as if they are readying themselves to sleep through the winter, take note, we can learn from them. They are only letting go of all that no longer gives them life and moving their energy into something new that will bring new beauty, new growth, and a new harvest.



By the time this newsletter comes out All Saints will have celebrated Harvest and given thanks for all that God provides to nourish and sustain us – allowing us the opportunity to give to those who need a helping hand. (The collection

## ...we experience the spirit of harvest all the time

box for the Waterloooville food bank is always available throughout the year to donate tins and toiletries. It is just inside the church if you are ever able to spare something.) Yet we can still share a different kind of harvest. The symbolic meaning of harvest in the bible encompasses two main areas: God's provision for us and God's blessing for others. While we celebrate a harvest season just once a year, we experience the spirit of harvest all the time. Jesus reminds us in Matthew 22:37-39 "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: Love your neighbour as yourself."

Have you ever heard the expression, what goes around, comes around? The sentiment of the saying is often true. One of the first things we noticed as a family when we moved into the village was that everybody smiles at you when you're walking down the road. If we smile, it encourages others to smile too, if we do a good deed, it may encourage someone else to do one too. If we always think about others, acting towards them with consideration and kindness, it may bring a change to those we interact with and also within us. What a beautiful harvest that could be if we allow ourselves time to reflect and flourish this Autumn sowing new ways of thinking of others and sharing the good things that we have been blessed with.



You are always very welcome to come into All Saints church to say hello, and please keep smiling at me as I wander around the village, it really makes my day.

With love in Christ

*Revd Buffy*

## From the Registers



### Marriages

September 2nd – Christopher and Louise Stead


## Services at All Saints

### Sunday 1st October – Harvest Celebration

At both morning services we will be collecting items for the Waterloooville Food Bank. Please be as generous as you can and bring everyday grocery items (unopened and in date) plus toiletries.

- 8.00am Holy Communion (traditional, said BCP Communion Service)
- 10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten  
- 6.00pm Taizé – Please join with us for a short service of chants, reflection, Bible Readings, and stillness as we give thanks to God for all His good gifts.



### Sunday 8th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

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

### Tuesday 10th October

- 7.00pm Catholic Mass – all are welcome to join with local Catholics from Sacred Heart for a Mass service here at All Saints.

### Sunday 15th October – 19th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)
- 10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten.  

### Saturday 21st October

- 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)



Refreshments in our church hall after the service



This service will be live streamed

*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.*

*If you wish to light a candle and pray there is a candle stand in the Chapel.*

### Sunday 22nd October - 20th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)  
10.00am Morning Worship with Mission Slot. There will be no Holy Communion at this service. ☕

### Sunday 29th October - 21st Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service)  
10.00am Holy Communion (no children or youth group this week). Please join us for a simple service of Holy Communion with children's activities available at the back of the church. ☕

## Denmead Community Cafe



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**Saturday 21st October**  
**10am – 12.30pm**  
**All Saints Church Hall, Denmead**

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Also, we are collecting **jigsaw puzzles and games** for our sale on November 11th.

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spring. we will begin to collect items after Christmas.

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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.**

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## Inspiring Women and Strawberry Tarts at Evening WI

There was much hilarity at our August social when members played New Age Kurling. Competing in teams of four, the winners were the Strawberry Tarts who scored an amazing 84 points while The Inspiring Women were rather uninspiring as they managed to score nil! Members then tucked into a delicious American supper and everyone agreed it had been a relaxing and fun evening.

Thank you to everyone who supported our stall at the Horticultural Show. The prize for the 100 square competition was a lovely hamper, made by one of our members, and was much appreciated by the lucky winner.

Members of the Garden Group had a guided tour of the beautiful garden at Hambledon House, with the owner Mrs Hart-Dyke, followed by tea and cake with further visits to two other NGS gardens planned. While the Craft Group has been busy making pincushions, ladybirds, hearts

and hedgehogs for the Hants Federation of WI's Pin Cushion Tombola to be held at the Spring Council Meeting, Winchester in March 2024.

At our meeting on October 18th we welcome back Hilary Gilson who will be giving a presentation on A Day in Paradise - Flora and Fauna of Bird Island, Seychelles. We are also busy preparing for the Winter Fair on Saturday 18th Nov, look out for the posters about the various stalls.

We meet at Denmead Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month and any ladies interested in seeing what goes on would be very welcome. Up to three meetings can be attended free of charge.

For more information contact [denmeadevepres@hampshirewi.org.uk](mailto:denmeadevepres@hampshirewi.org.uk)



## A rose by any other name...

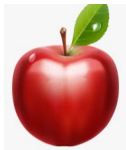
Gillian Taylor began the Horticultural Society's September talk on roses by showing pictures of amethyst-coloured Rosa Twilight Zone, a Grandiflora type and Rosa Narrow Water, a pale pink rambler, both beautifully scented and with a long flowering period, just two of her collection of 250. She recommended roses in the Flower Carpet series as they don't need dead-heading and hybrid musk types such as Buff Beauty and Moonlight with good glossy foliage are also firm favourites.

Gillian recommended growing roses in mixed borders rather than a dedicated rose bed: she brought a selection of cut flowers to show us which are good companions for roses including sedums, alliums, phlox, salvias, persicaria and asters. Species roses such as Rosa x odorata mutabilis with their open single flowers are good for wildlife and Rugosa roses form good hips and are deer resistant. We saw pictures of the old roses collection at Mottisfont, important for maintaining genetic material and roses expertly trained over hazel structures at West Dean. So many beautiful flowers - we were all inspired to add more roses to our own gardens.

On 3rd October Alan Horgan will talk about Soft Fruit Growing at 7.30pm in the Church Hall and the Pumpkin and Apple Show will be held on 25th October.

Liz Williams

## Pumpkin & Apple Show



**Apple pressing – bring your apples to turn into juice**



## Tues 25th October, 6pm-8pm

All Saints Church Hall

Classes for Heaviest Pumpkin, Apple & Marrow, Smallest Pumpkin, Best Squash, Decorated & Carved Pumpkins, Handicraft & Baking. Junior Classes & Craft Activities, Fancy Dress optional, Refreshments, Prizes. Schedule on DHS website & in Parkers.



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## Denmead Walks

This walk follows a gentle, level route through Creech Woods heading west as far as Beckless Lane close to the Chairmakers pub. The return leg is along the main track through the west side of the woods. *Please note this route is only suitable for walks when the ground is firm – it quickly floods after heavy rain.*



Map showing Creech Wood in 1944-45

Continue to the end of the CP and bear L onto the wide track through a short section of the woods as far as the first junction.

0.8km/0.5mile Turn R at this point and follow the wide straight track steadily downhill, go straight on at the first crossroads, and at the second junction with the 5.2m height warning signs on the RHS, follow the track slightly L; do NOT take the immediate L turn at this point. Stay on this path until there is a telegraph pole in front of you and here go R on a narrow path into the wood. Remain on this path as it winds its way parallel to the southern boundary of the wood. At any point where the path divides take the L fork.

2.3km/1.4miles On reaching Bunkers Hill, the road connecting Denmead with Southwick, take great care as fast-moving traffic moves along this road. After crossing the road go L (do not enter the wood by the path opposite), obviously keep well off the road on the narrow verge and after about 40m go around the gate on the RHS; continue along the FP through the woods. This wide path eventually crosses two narrow bridges before

### WALK DETAILS

**Distance:** 6km/3.75miles

**Duration:** 1h 30m

**Walk Grade:** EASY (2/5)

**Stiles:** 0

Leaving the Harvest Home pub car park go R then cross the roundabout heading up Bunkers Hill. Branch L onto the footpath on reaching the edge of Creech Woods at the 40mph sign. Stay on the narrow footpath (FP) until it emerges onto the road leading into the car park. Go L here, walk through the car park (CP) maybe pausing to look at the information board that gives details of the occupation of Creech Woods during WWII.

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*Footpath leading to Beckless Lane*

exiting the woodland. At this point go slightly R heading for the handrail that protrudes over another bridge. After crossing the latter aim for the top RH corner of the field (one o'clock.)

2.9km/1.8miles Bearing R between two trees walk parallel to the hedge that runs along the LHS and further on go to the R of the hedge that seems to divide the field. After passing to the R of a wooden gate a short distance ahead, you soon come to the end of the FP where there is access Beckless Lane through a kissing gate. At this point you will find yourself opposite a property known as The Old Stables. Turn R, then continue along the lane as far as the western entry point to Creech Wood which is on the RHS, a distance of 400m/436yards.

3.75km/2.3miles Turn R into the west end entrance of Creech Wood and after 100m, fork R along the main track and continue for 0.7km/0.4mile. At this next junction take the L fork and after a further 0.9km/0.56mile mile you will hear the traffic. Again, take the L fork on a path that leads to the pedestrian gate through which you exit the woods. Great care is again needed when crossing this busy road.

5.6km/3.5miles Continue along the path into the east side of the woods then turn L through the car park. Slightly further on bear R on a narrow path close to the vehicular entry gate and retrace your steps out of the woods thereafter continuing down Bunkers Hill back to the Harvest Home pub.



*Entrance to west end of Creech Wood*

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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 Zumba (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 & Fifty Plus (weekly)
- 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, 4<sup>th</sup> 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

10.00-12.30 Craft & Chat (weekly, term time only)

14.00-16.00 Afternoon W.I. (monthly, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday)

19.30-21.30 Guides Mentoring (Ad hoc/ alternate month, term time only)

### 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 for August

### 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

### Sunday

17.00-19.00 Denmead Karate Club – Weekly

*Further Details from Mrs S Thomas 07534 024388*

## Denmead Community Centre (The Old School)

### Regular Events

Monday-Friday

8.00-17.30 Old School Preschool – From 2 years old + (Open 51 weeks a year)

### Mondays

08.30 - 15.30 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only

09.00-10.00 Little Kickers

09.30 -10.30 Better Body Club

11.00 - 12.00 Yoga with Allison

11.15 - 12.15 Steady and Strong

10.00 - 12.00 Watercolours for Improvers

14.30 - 16.30 U3A Board games – fortnightly

19.00 - 21.00 Evening Table Tennis – contact [annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net](mailto:annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net)

19.00 - 22.00 Denmead Bridge Club

### Tuesdays

09.00 - 15.30 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School - Term Time Only

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09.30 - 12.30 Upholstery Class

09.45 - 10.45 Tadaa (- performing arts classes for 2-18 year olds)

10.30 - 12.30 Denmead Writers

14.00 - 15.30 Afternoon Social Club (Monthly 2nd Tuesday)

14.00 - 16.00 Art History 2 (Monthly, 1st Tuesday of the month)

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17.00 - 18.00 Create – Children's Art Classes

18.00 - 19.00 Pilates Class

19.00 - 21.00 Denmead WI – monthly

19.00 - 21.00 Art Group

19.45 - 21.45 Denmead Brass Band Rehearsal

19.30 - 22.00 Downland Singers

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09.00 - 12.00 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only

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13.30 - 14.30 Shiyong Tai Chi

16.00 - 18.00 Tadaa (- performing arts classes for 4-13 year olds)

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18.30 - 20.45 Yoga with Allison

**Thursdays**

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**Fridays**

- 09.00 - 12.00 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only
- 09.30 - 11.00 Messy Play Toddler Group
- 09.30 - 12.00 Art Class
- 09.30 - 12.30 The Messy Hands Crafters (first Friday of the month)
- 18.30 - 20.30 Farlington Dog Club (Denmead)
- 14.00 - 16.00 U3A Table Tennis ( Beginners) Monthly 3rd Friday

**Saturdays**

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**Sundays**

- 09.00 - 12.30 Denmead Brass Band
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## Shanty Men at the Afternoon W.I.

The Afternoon W.I.'s September meeting included an interesting return visit by Sue Essex to talk about going back to the house in India where she had been housemother.

We are most grateful to all who have donated money in memory of the late Edith Gunston, a total of £135 was raised. At our next meeting, on Wed 11th October, we will discuss how best to use this money. Future meetings include The Balloon Man in November when we celebrate the Institute's birthday and in December we are looking forward to a visit by the Portsmouth-based Shanty Men who will entertain us with sea shanties.

We invite all ladies to meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 - 4pm in the Heath Room at All Saints Church. We are an informal group and everyone is most welcome. We have talks on a variety of subjects – some serious and others amusing – so all tastes are catered for. We enjoy tea, a chat and home-made cake by Louisa of Lily and Lime, which helps people with mental health problems find employment.

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

*Joan Downing*

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**A** For many people, buying a car is a major purchase and whether it's new or second-hand, the process can seem daunting and complicated. But don't worry, there's lots of information on the steps to take when buying a car and what you can do afterwards if something goes wrong on the Citizens Advice website.

First, where are you going to buy the car? If you're buying from a trader, choose a trustworthy one with an established name with a good reputation. Ideally, they will be part of a trade association or follow the industry's code of practice. If you're buying via an auction, this is much riskier as you'll have fewer legal protections like the right to returns or refunds so carefully read the terms and conditions before you bid.

If you buy from a private seller, there's a few extra steps to take. For instance, try to inspect the car at their home address so if something goes wrong later, you have a record of that. Make sure the car's details

are correct by using the DVLA's free online vehicle information checker. You'll need the registration number, MOT test number, mileage and make/model of the car to do this check.

Also, check the car's MOT history for free on gov.uk. Keep a copy of both these results (take a screenshot or download the information) as well as the original advert or description of the car. You might also consider getting a private history check to see if the car's been reported stolen, still has money owing on it, or has been in a serious crash. This will cost about £20.

Before buying a car, it's good to check if it meets emissions standards as it could mean paying extra charges when driving through London's ULEZ or clean air zones across the UK.

Inspecting the car is crucial before buying. Ideally, do this during the day when it's not raining (scratches are harder to see on a wet car) and take it for a test drive for at least 15 minutes and on different types of roads, if possible.

Check you have the appropriate insurance for a test drive (either your own or the seller's policy might cover you). Once you've decided on a car, don't be afraid to negotiate on the price. If you take out a loan or finance to buy it, make sure you can afford the repayments over the lifetime

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Often, despite doing all these checks, you might find something wrong with the car after you've bought it. You may have a legal right to a repair, the cost of a repair or some money back but it's on a case-by-case basis and some

examples might be the car's mileage is wrong or the car keeps breaking down.

For more information, check out the Citizens Advice website or call the consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133. Alternatively, you can speak to a local adviser at Citizens Advice Winchester District by calling 0808 278 7861.

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PROBUS - welcomes retired or semi-retired professional men and women who live in Denmead/Waterlooville/Purbrook/Widley/Horndean/Lovedean/Hambleton/Clanfield and surrounding areas.

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.

Our next meeting will be held on TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER when members will hear about The 1997 Peking to Paris Motor Rally. One of our Members, Richard Clark, took part in this rally and will take us through his exciting experiences from Peking to Katmandu. This will be part 1 of a two part talk.

The November meeting will take place on the 14th, when the Speaker will be Peter Gill. His talk is entitled Talbot House "An

oasis of serenity in a world gone mad." Talbot House was a club and rest house for soldiers of all ranks, which also saw the start of the Toc H organisation. See [www.talbothouse.be](http://www.talbothouse.be)

The meal costs £21 and must be ordered one week in advance, so if you would like to come along to find out more about Probus, or want to join the Club, please contact our Membership Secretary, Linda Marland on 02392 429238 or email - [probus@lindamarland.com](mailto:probus@lindamarland.com)

Dress: Men - Jackets and ties, women - equivalent.

In addition to our regular lunch with Speaker meetings, we also try to arrange occasional day trips, eg a visit to Westminster Palace, a river cruise with afternoon tea or visit to a gin distillery, when family and friends are welcome. These trips are optional.

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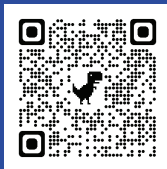
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## Hampshire County Council

### HCC Tackles Teen Vaping

HCC Public Health has written to families of children in secondary schools about vaping and vape products highlighting the risks and the support available. It is also renewing its smoking and vaping prevention programmes with schools and developing education and awareness schemes to encourage behaviour change and reduce uptake. Additionally, its Trading Standards team will carry out enforcement operations to deter underage sales of vapes and tackle illegal vapes. Nationally, the proportion of children experimenting with vaping has grown from 7.7% in 2022 to 11.6% in 2023. In total, 20.5% of children have tried vaping, up from 15.8% in 2022 and 13.9% in 2020.

A recent survey across secondary schools and colleges in Hampshire shows a large increase in young people experimenting with vapes. It shows that youth experimentation with vapes increases from 4% in Year 7 to 53% in Year 13. Similarly, vape use increases from 7% in Year 10, to 18% in Year 13.

The Local Government Association (LGA), which represents councils in England and Wales, has called on the Government to ban the sale and manufacture of single use vapes by 2024. With the EU proposing a ban in December this year, the LGA has flagged the potential risk of vapes flooding the UK when these other markets close. Members of the public can report illegal vapes and underage vape sales to Hampshire Trading Standards –

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/business/tradingstandards/contact-us>

### Pan Hampshire Deal

The once-in-a-generation plans to potentially secure new powers and investment of £1.14 billion to the region from a Pan-Hampshire County Deal, which included Portsmouth City Council, Southampton City Council and Isle of Wight Council, are now in question after unitary councils withdrew from planned discussions with Government. This now means that it is unlikely a devolution deal can be taken forward for Hampshire, which is a huge blow in terms of lost opportunity for residents and the extra powers, funding and investment that could have come to our communities in the years ahead.

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- Looking after someone
- Care homes and other housing options
- Advocacy and Powers of Attorney
- Protecting adults at risk.

Patricia Stallard

Chairman, Hampshire County Council (Winchester Southern Parishes)

## District Council News

CLlr Read and I met with CLlr Jackie Porter (Portfolio Holder for Built Environment), and Winchester City Council (WCC) Planning Officers on Thursday 31st August to discuss the housing allocation for Denmead.

WCC have allocated a further 100 homes to be built in Denmead for the Local Plan period to 2039. They have advised that no 'green field' land will be used before 2030, and, as Denmead has little 'brownfield land', that would mean no further developments (such as Carpenters Field) before 2030. Green field is our countryside and brown field is land that has previously been built on.

As requested by The Parish Council, we presented that Denmead had already had an additional 98 dwellings (outside of The Neighbourhood Plan) created at Parklands as office to residential conversions and therefore our allocation should be zero. The Officers advised that because this development had already happened, the Planning Inspector would not allow the Parklands conversions to count towards Denmead's allocation, despite advising us previously that it would!

With the agreement of The Parish Council and The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group I suggested that WCC should adjust the figures for Denmead to reflect what has been developed at Parklands and also any new allocation so that an honest and transparent development figure is stated.

WCC have agreed to rework the numbers and we will meet again in a couple of weeks time to discuss the matter further. Whilst we do appreciate that new homes are needed we need to be sure that Denmead is not being burdened unfairly compared to other settlements of our size and facilities!

*CLlr Paula Langford-Smith  
on behalf of the District Councillors for the Denmead Ward.*

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