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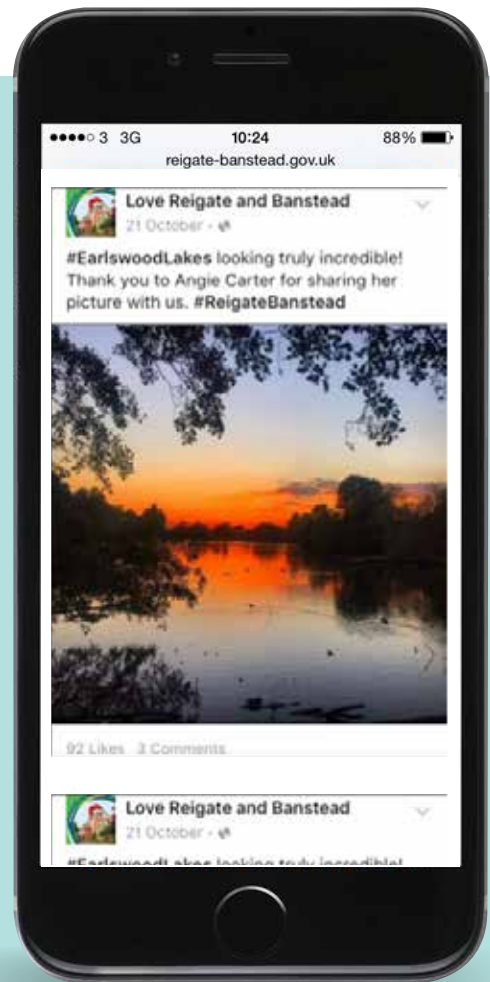
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www.ravenht.org.uk

Tel: **0300 123 3399**

Email: raven@ravenht.org.uk

Citizens Advice Bureau

www.reigate-bansteadcabx.org.uk

Tel: **08444 111 444**

Surrey County Council

www.surreycc.gov.uk

Tel: **03456 009 009**

Minicom: **020 8541 9698**

SMS: **07527 182861**

Email: contact.centre@surreycc.gov.uk

Surrey Police

www.surrey.police.uk

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SMS **07786 204020** or **999** (Text 'register' to **999**. You will get a reply with instructions to follow).



Welcome

From Cllr Victor Broad, Leader of Reigate & Banstead Borough Council



I'd like to use my Welcome to discuss the sometimes contentious issue of planning applications, one of the most emotive issues for residents. When an unwanted application is granted, the community can be unhappy with the Council. I'd like to reassure residents that we have strict procedures in place to ensure that planning decision-making is transparent and democratic. Our Planning Committee meetings are also webcast.

Any person or company can submit a planning application on any piece of land, whether they own it or not. Sometimes it is done speculatively, for example when large gardens present an opportunity for more houses.



The planning system is heavily regulated. All planning applications must be determined against planning law and council policies based upon it. Permission can only be granted if an application meets these criteria. Otherwise the Council risks the application being appealed to the Planning Inspectorate, which can be costly.

Under certain circumstances residents are able to speak directly to the Planning Committee at meetings. It is then up to Councillors to make the case for or against, prior to the democratic vote. There are instances where, on appeal, the Planning Inspector has overturned the Planning Committee's decision to refuse an application.



Page 13 gives an insight into the planning process and what to consider when making an application.

If an applicant feels that a decision is incorrect, then they can appeal to the Planning Inspectorate.

Among our other features in this issue is our cover story (page 8-9) which sets out how we are attracting investment to the borough to create better jobs and facilities. On page 10, find out how we support the voluntary sector. As ever, I hope you enjoy this edition and find it useful.

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News

Invite the Mayor to your event

If you are involved in a local organisation and have a special event such as an opening or celebration, why not consider inviting the Mayor. Officially the first citizen of the borough, the Mayor's presence brings a sense of tradition and occasion to any event.

This year's Mayor, Cllr Joan Spiers, has supported many such events during her Mayoral year, including 100th birthday celebrations and fetes.

Our online form makes it easy to submit an invitation, taking you through the process to ensure that you provide the key information to make the occasion a success. The Mayor has many demands on her time and can receive invitations for the same day so please make your request online as soon as you can. Remember to include the date, location and what role you had in mind for the Mayor. Our website also has a handy download with guidance on matters such as how to address the Mayor, to help you prepare.

You can submit a request at any time. Visit our website and search 'mayor' to make yours.



Star for a Night: tickets now on sale

Tickets are now available for Reigate & Banstead's very own show for home grown talent, Star for a Night 2016.



The performances showcase talented young singers, dancers and actors, all aged 11 to 18, and make an ideal night out for families and theatre lovers alike. It promises to be a night of feel-good entertainment and lively music.

The show is on for two nights, Thursday 7 and Friday 8 April from 7.30pm at the Harlequin Theatre, Redhill. Tickets cost £10 (£8 concessions) and are available from the theatre's box office, www.harlequintheatre.co.uk or by phone **01737 276500**.

Residents to get priority on new homes



Reigate & Banstead residents will get the opportunity to purchase new homes being built on the former Court Lodge Primary School site in Horley before they go on the market to the wider public in May. This is to help local people get on the housing ladder. The 19 two and three bedroom homes will be due for completion in December. For details contact Stephen Cullens at White and Sons, Horley on **01293 785454**.

in brief...

■ **The Little Book of Big Scams**, published by the Metropolitan Police, contains a host of useful information on how to spot scams, including courier fraud, ticketing scams and door to door scams, along with advice on how to protect yourself. It also has 10 golden rules to help beat the scammers. See www.met.police.uk/docs/little_book_scam.pdf

■ **Splitting up?** Mediation can help you through divorce and separation. A new service launches in April. If you are on a low income you may get funding help. Email East Surrey Community Mediation to find out more: uncouple@escm.org.uk

■ **Get more out of spring by helping with tree planting** and other gardening tasks at the new cottage-style garden in Horley's Waterside green space. Volunteers are needed now and for future maintenance. Email countryside@reigate-banstead.gov.uk, call **01737 276132** or search 'waterside garden' on our website for more information. We would like to thank residents living nearby for their patience while work is carried out.

Property to rent? Talk to NextStep

If you have a property to rent out or are looking for your next tenant, YMCA's free NextStep service can help.

NextStep is a professional housing service that works with the Council to match landlords with families in need of housing, and provides a deposit guarantee. The team has worked with over 275 landlords to create more than 700 tenancies.

The scheme is free with no hidden charges and there's no need to advertise as NextStep has tenants ready and waiting. NextStep deals with the paperwork involved in starting and maintaining a tenancy (except gas and safety certificates), assesses all applicants and organises references. The scheme also provides financial security through a six-month guarantee bond or cash deposit while NextStep works with tenants to save their own deposit. Advice is also available on landlord and tenancy matters to help tenancies run smoothly.



NextStep is looking for accommodation of all sizes for tenants waiting to move, so visit www.ymcaedhill.com/housing, email nextstep@ymcaedhill.com or call **01737 378482**.

Make your business idea a reality

If you've got a great business idea or you're in the early stages of running a business, join our free Entrepreneur Academy to develop the skills you need to be successful and get the chance to win £5,000 start-up funding.

Run with East Surrey College and local businesses, the scheme provides help to develop your business proposal and an opportunity to work, grow and share experiences with like-minded entrepreneurs.

As part of the scheme monthly workshops and seminars cover essential

topics including business planning, finance, marketing and legal advice.

£5,000 start-up funding

At the end of the Academy you'll have the opportunity to pitch your idea to a panel of business leaders for the chance to win £5,000 funding.

Business mentors remain on hand to advise you through the early days.

The scheme, now in its fourth year, starts in April. Apply at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/businesssupport or call **01737 276008**.



Free sports coaching for children

Free sports coaching for children is coming to a venue near you as part of the P&G Surrey Youth Games 2016.



Sponsored by our leisure partner Better, coaching in sports such as badminton, netball, hockey, tennis, table tennis and more will be offered to local children aged seven to 16 who are below county standard in their chosen sport. It is the ideal way to try out a new sport and the fun coaching makes it a great way to get active and develop a healthy lifestyle.

Each child attending the coaching sessions has the chance to be selected to represent Reigate & Banstead in the P&G Surrey Youth Games 2016 on 18 and 19 June at Surrey Sports Park, Guildford.

Coaching is held after school or at weekends from April to June. Search 'youth' at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk to find out more.



Banstead's new business guild

The new Banstead Business Guild offers traders and businesses in the Banstead area the ideal forum to meet other local business people and learn about local business news. For more information or to join, email simon.bland@reigate-banstead.gov.uk or call **01737 276303**.

Rising to the challenge

Reigate & Banstead Borough Council was described as an ambitious, confident and high achieving council in a recent independent review. And we're working hard to do even better for our residents.

Sound advice from valued friends is worth its weight in gold. That's why in 2015 the Council invited colleagues from other councils to take part in a Corporate Peer Challenge led by the Local Government Association.

The Corporate Peer Challenge is an improvement programme combining in-depth analysis of the Council and its activities, site visits and interviews with staff, residents, the partners we work with, councillors and other external stakeholders.

The aim was to get independent feedback on Reigate & Banstead's performance and inform future improvements.

Key findings

The Challenge group congratulated the Council on our:

- focus on supporting people
- range of great activities and projects, including our health action plan, the work of the Joint Enforcement Team and our work to help residents live and age well
- focus on talent management and staff development



Walking Basketball for older residents

- unique focus, dedication and programme to help young people into work
- 'one team' approach among staff, managers and councillors, and strong leadership
- strong financial management and forward planning.

The challenge isn't over

The Challenge identified some areas where Reigate & Banstead can improve and we have agreed

an action plan to take this forward over the coming year. We want to provide even better services for our residents and our aim is to become financially self-sufficient by 2017 without impacting the most important services. Look in future editions of Borough News for more on these plans.

You can read the Corporate Peer Challenge's full report. Search 'Peer Challenge' at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk.

About the Peer Challenge

Experienced professionals from **5** local authorities, **1** private sector company and **2** representatives from the Local Government Association

Spoke to more than **120** residents, councillors, staff, partner organisations and stakeholders

Gathered views and information from over **36** visits to key sites and meetings

They spent over **200** hours analysing the information gathered



JET team tackling fly tipping

Save time online



From booking and paying for services, registering to vote and now checking your council tax account and benefits claim, you can save time if you do it online.

Book and pay online

Sign up to our garden waste service, book a bulky waste collection or pest control treatment, report a missed bin or order a replacement one – all on your phone, tablet, laptop or PC when and where it suits you. There's lots more you can do at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk.



New

Online council tax and benefit checker

A new online service gives you instant access to a whole range of information about your council tax account and benefits claim:

Council tax

- how much you have left to pay
- instalment details
- your property band

- how your bill is calculated, including discounts or benefits
- how your council tax is spent

Housing benefit

- claim status
- claim start date
- weekly entitlement
- next payment date and amount

Council tax reduction

- claim start and end date
- weekly entitlement
- weekly liability (how much you owe)

Already online you can register for council tax, pay your bill, apply for benefit or tell us if you've moved or had a change in circumstances that may affect your benefit entitlement.

Don't lose your vote

Elections for Surrey's Police and Crime Commissioner and your local councillors take place on 5 May. A referendum on whether Britain remains in the European Union has also been announced for 23 June. Make sure you're registered to vote so you can have your say on the issues that affect you and how your



council tax is spent.

The Police and Crime Commissioner is responsible for holding the Chief Constable and Surrey Police to account on the public's behalf, oversees how crime is tackled in Surrey and aims to make sure that Surrey Police provides a good service.

Borough councillors make decisions about local issues including parks, planning, housing, car parks and leisure.

We wrote to households recently confirming who is registered to

vote at each address. If each name isn't on the letter, you've moved recently or are a first-time voter, make sure you register before 18 April so you can vote in May. It's quick and easy online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

If you're unable to get to a polling station on Election Day, please apply for a postal vote by 5pm on 19 April or a proxy vote (someone to vote on your behalf) by 5pm on 26 April on our website www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk. If you don't have internet access call us on **01737 276794**.



Not registering to vote can affect your credit rating. Credit reference agencies check the Electoral Register to confirm your address, so you could find it harder to get a mobile phone contract or credit if you're not on it.

Investing for success

We're investing to provide new leisure and community facilities, homes and more jobs for local people.

We've secured millions of pounds worth of investment into Reigate & Banstead from other public and private sector partners. We've also created secure sources of rental income by taking a more commercial approach to our property and assets so we can keep council tax increases down.

Investments and benefits

£750 million

Total investment from public & private sector

of which

£250 million

is investment in regeneration schemes on Council sites funded by the Council, our partners & the private sector

Enabling:

Homes



Over

3,000

new houses & apartments – Redhill, Horley, Preston & Merstham



Jobs



Thousands of new job opportunities

Leisure



New & improved leisure centres at Horley, Tadworth & Donyngs

£25 million

Memorial Park revamp – Redhill

£1.5 million

Multiplex cinema & restaurants – Redhill

New gym & hotel – Redhill

Public open space, play facilities and allotments – Horley

Community facilities



Community facilities – Merstham, Preston & Horley

New school site – Horley

Libraries – Horley & Merstham

Shops



New high street retailers & restaurants – Redhill

New & improved supermarkets – Redhill

New local shops & cafes – Horley & Merstham



Infrastructure and transport improvements



Station & bus service improvements – Horley & Redhill

Improved cycle & pedestrian routes – Horley, Redhill & Preston



Location, location, location

Jacqueline Bell is the owner of 51 Degrees North, a new contemporary restaurant in Horley's recently completed Russell Square development. Jacqueline said: "The Russell Square development provided a great opportunity for us to open a business locally, something we've wanted to do for a long time. Horley is a great town in a great location and with the various regeneration initiatives, a growing population and good employment opportunities it offers fantastic potential for an independent business like ours. It's early days but business is going really well."



Redhill cinema plan latest

Designs for a new multiplex cinema, high street shops and restaurants complex on the High Street and Marketfield Way, Redhill are being finalised as we go to press. For the latest news visit www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/redhillregeneration

Creating jobs for young people

Finding work isn't always easy for young people. Five years ago we launched our Young Workers Scheme and have since helped 200 18-24 year olds gain valuable experience and training through six-month placements at the Council. Many have gone into employment or onto further training or education. We also offer a variety of apprenticeships across the Council.



Will Drapans joined the scheme in 2012 after graduating from university and, via a stint in our Customer Contact Team, is now our Senior Electoral Services Officer. "The scheme really helped me find my feet," said Will. "I came out of university without knowing which direction to take career-wise. Through the Young Workers Scheme I received employability skills, on-the-job training, workplace experience and the encouragement I needed. I also gained a whole range of transferable skills that I could take to another job had I not been able to stay on here. I'm now really busy and happy working in the Elections team. The whole experience has been invaluable; I'd certainly recommend it."

To find out more visit www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/youngworkers.

Horley business park

The Council is looking at the possibility for an office park on the outskirts of Horley which could create thousands of new jobs, bring significant inward investment and boost the local economy, particularly in and around Horley.

The Council is forming a joint venture with a private sector partner to develop the proposals so that we can get the best deal for our residents and businesses.

The proposals come after businesses, keen to invest in the area, located elsewhere because they had been unable to find the type of large scale office accommodation they needed.

The council will be engaging with the local community as plans develop.

Supporting businesses

We offer lots of help to support new and small businesses. Watch our video to find out more at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/businesssupport. And if you have got a great business idea, why not apply to join our next Entrepreneur Academy? More information is on page 5.



Volunteering in the borough

Research suggests volunteering should be prescribed by doctors because it has so many positive effects, such as helping you feel more part of your community and boosting your motivation.



In Reigate & Banstead we have many volunteering opportunities and it's easy to get started. Do-it (www.do-it.org) is the UK's national volunteering database, specialising in matching individuals with volunteer opportunities. Locally, Reigate and Banstead Volunteer Centre (RBVS) (www.reigateandbansteadvolunteercentre.org) helps volunteers gain skills and confidence, matching you with placements that complement your interests and lifestyle.

Volunteering with the council

We are keen to increase volunteering. Within the council itself, staff volunteer with local schools – resulting in an award for volunteering from SATRO, an educational charity in Surrey.

As well as supporting organisations such as RBVS we also have a range of opportunities within the Council to inspire you.



Passionate about the stage? Visit the Harlequin's website (www.harlequintheatre.co.uk) to find out about volunteering at the theatre or call **01737 276833**. If you love the outdoors, contact our countryside team for volunteering opportunities

with them. Email countryside@reigate-banstead.gov.uk or call **01737 276132**. If you're 55 or over and keen to volunteer on locally supported projects, call Helen Dredge on **01737 276430**.

Funding support

Our borough has a thriving community of voluntary organisations, many of which rely on residents volunteering their time. Our new Neighbourhood Improvement Fund will provide £10,000 per ward to support small community projects. The simple application process, led by ward councillors, offers smaller community organisations and projects funds to create or improve physical assets available to the whole community.

The scheme complements the Council's existing Councillors' Community Awards scheme and our capital grant programme. Contact your ward councillor for details.

Making a difference, changing lives

Home-Start (www.home-start.org.uk) operates nationwide to help families with young children. Locally, it trains volunteers who are parents themselves to provide home-visiting to families facing difficulties and finding parenting a challenge. Volunteers offer non-judgemental practical and emotional help and introductions to specialist services in confidence. They visit only at the family's request.



Retired local resident Hilary has been a volunteer with Home-Start Epsom, Ewell and Banstead for three years. "Home-Start looks to give children the best possible start in life," says Hilary. She loves the interaction with families, feeling that she has helped ease a tricky part of their lives. She would urge anyone thinking of volunteering to consider Home-Start. Contact Home-Start about their next volunteer training sessions, beginning in April.

Your health and wellbeing



Explore your local countryside

From bats to butterflies, bluebells to mini beast hunting, our guided walks and events programme has something for everyone. All ages are welcome to come along. Keep an eye out on our social media channels for details of these walks or visit www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/guidedwalks.

Keeping active over 50

We have joined with Active Surrey and Sport England to provide sporting activities for residents over 50 in the exciting new Get Active 50+ initiative. There will be unique, affordable opportunities to improve health and wellbeing through a choice of low cost sporting activities such as golf, dancing, walking football, swimming, badminton and more. Email **catherine.gibson@reigate-banstead.gov.uk** or call **01737 276125** to join our mailing list and see what's on offer.



Staying safe and well

We offer a range of services to help keep our residents safe and healthy:

- ✓ Using our pest control service has never been easier. Go online to book the treatment you want, choose a date and time that suits you, pay, and our contractor, SDK Environmental Ltd, will do the rest. Search 'pest control' on our website.
- ✓ The Food Hygiene Rating Scheme promotes high performing food businesses and allows you to make an informed decision about where you dine out. Visit www.food.gov.uk/ratings for details.



- ✓ By using unregistered tattoo artists and body piercers, you run the risk of infection. Always make sure they are registered with us and meet our high hygiene standards. Ask to see the certificate of registration on the premises to be sure.

- ✓ Does air pollution cause you problems? There's now an app that can send you free messages informing you about air pollution levels in your area. Download it from your appstore or if you don't have a smart phone, call **01737 276403** for the text or landline telephone service.



Anti-social behaviour? Report it online

Our Joint Enforcement Team (JET) provides you with a quicker response to antisocial behaviour. So if you see fly tipping, dog fouling, rowdy behaviour or graffiti, report it online. Search for 'JET' on our website.



Clean for the Queen

Are you taking part individually or in a community or voluntary group in Clean for the Queen – the national campaign to clear up Britain ahead of the Queen's 90th birthday? If so we can help by providing bags, gloves and litter pickers. And we'll collect any waste you end up with. Register now: email **david.chiverton@reigate-banstead.gov.uk**. For more information, visit www.cleanforthequeen.co.uk.



CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN

Are you ready for new benefit changes?

Over the coming months changes will be made to welfare benefits. Find out if you could be affected and how you can prepare.

Universal Credit



coming soon

Universal Credit will replace six current benefits for most working age households. It has already been introduced for some households making new claims and more households will follow over the coming years. Universal Credit will make it easier when someone's work status changes as they won't need to change benefits.

New lower benefit cap

The Government will be lowering the limit on the amount of benefit that most working age households can claim within the next year. This includes benefits received by you, your partner and dependent children who live with you.

To see if you could be affected, add together all your benefits, including housing benefit. There will be some exemptions, including families who get working tax credits or who work enough hours to claim tax credits, and families with a disabled claimant, partner or child.

Get ready

So that you are ready for the changes, it's important that you:



get advice to help you budget and plan ahead – see Useful contacts for organisations that can help.



get into work – this will help you to avoid the benefits cap and you will be better off financially.



get a bank account – you will need one for your benefit to be paid into each month.



set up a Direct Debit – it helps with budgeting and takes the worry out of paying bills on time.



get online – most claims will need to be made online. If you need help, there's support available (see Useful contacts) or you may have family or friends that can show you how.

Money worries?

Contact your creditors straight away and seek independent advice to help you take control of your situation. You can often come to an arrangement about repaying what you owe.

If you're a housing association tenant, talk to your landlord. Many have schemes to help you manage your money.

Useful contacts

Universal Credit:
www.gov.uk/universalcredit

Budgeting help, debt advice and basic bank account information.

Money Advice Service:
www.moneyadvice.service.org.uk, call **0300 500 5000**,
Typetalk **18001 0300 500 5000**

Citizens Advice Bureaux:
www.reigate-bansteadcabx.org.uk, call **08444 111 444**,
Text relay **08444 111 445**.

Community Debt Advice (Redhill area): www.cdamoney.org, call **01737 887558**

Help to get online:
Visit your local library, call **0300 200 1001** or see www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries

Visit www.learnmyway.com

Current and new weekly benefit cap

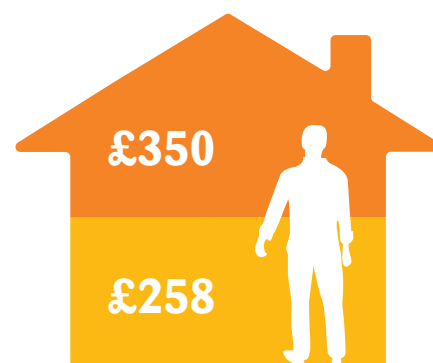
● Current cap per week ● New cap per week (from September 2016)



Couples with or without children



Single parents



Single adults

Making plans, the easier way

The planning section on our website is a hit with residents, with 125,000 planning searches made on it last autumn alone.



Visit the Planning Portal's Interactive House at www.planningportal.gov.uk/house



Save time – get online

Two key websites, www.planningportal.gov.uk and www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk, are all you need to find the answers to many of the questions residents have about planning and to carry out most of the planning tasks that residents want to do.

Do I need planning permission to..? www.planningportal.gov.uk is the government's excellent one stop shop for planning permission and building control. It features

user-friendly tools like the interactive house and is the best way to apply for planning permission.

Need advice? Visit our website to book a pre-application planning appointment with us (or request written advice) to get tailored advice about what is likely or unlikely to get permission for your home.

Feel strongly about an application? Comment on our website for the most direct and reliable way to get your voice heard.

Interested in your neighbourhood?

Set up an online search on our website for an easy and reliable way to keep up with planning activity. Registering takes two minutes, then use the 'maps' tab in the Planning Search to set the area you want to search.

Suspect a planning breach? Use the Planning Portal and our website to check if work carried out needed permission and whether it was given. Report suspected breaches using Report it on our website.

The councillors' role



Although officers decide the outcome of most applications, major planning applications (and some other types) are decided by the Council's independent Planning Committee, made up of 16 councillors and supported by advice from officers. Councillors can also refer any application to the committee for decision.

National guidelines mean that Planning Committee members must be impartial and must not make up their minds about an application before considering it at the committee meeting. They cannot show support for one view over another regarding applications or be drawn into discussion about them. Similarly, planning officers must be objective and impartial when deciding or advising on applications even where the Council itself is the applicant.

Cllr Victor Broad, Leader of the Council, says:
"The Planning Committee has to make decisions in a heavily regulated environment."

Local policies



Council planners use legislation and local planning policies when deciding applications. The Core Strategy sets out the long term 'bigger picture' for the borough such as how much growth will take place over the next 15 years and where it will occur. The Borough Local Plan details the policies used to decide applications covering issues such as design, local character, heritage and nature conservation. Do read the documents (available on our website) if you are considering applying for planning permission, appealing or commenting on an application.

We are currently working on a new document which will update and eventually replace the Borough Local Plan. To keep informed about this, or future planning policy consultations, please register by emailing LDF@reigate-banstead.gov.uk.

What's on

Thursday 7 and Friday 8 April, 7.30pm

Star for a Night

Harlequin Theatre, Warwick Quadrant, Redhill, RH1 1NN

See page 4 for more information on this young people's variety show and how to buy tickets.

Sunday 1 May, from 10.30am-3.30pm

Festival of Sport and YMCA Fun Run 2016

Priory Park, Bell Street, Reigate, RH2 7RL

Try out a variety of sports, from croquet to boxing and everything in between at the festival. The YMCA Fun Run features routes for children and adults.

More information about routes and how to register for the run is at www.ymcaeastssurrey.org.uk.



Monday 2 May, from 12.30pm

Lower Kingswood Village Fete

Recreation Ground, Buckland Road, Lower Kingswood, KT20 7DN

This year's theme is 'At the Movies', with every stall based on a movie blockbuster.

Money raised goes to local community groups. Free entry.

Friday 13 May, 7.45pm

Talk: War artists of the First World War

Banstead Community Hall, Park Road,

Banstead, SM7 3AJ

Lecture on acclaimed war artists Paul Nash and CRW Nevinson, presented by Banstead History Research Group and Banstead History Centre.

Tickets £10 available from Collingwood Sound and Vision, Banstead, 01737 350288



R&Be Active during the holidays

From squash and basketball to trampolining and water-sports, stay active during the Easter and summer holidays with a range of activities for seven to 15 year olds. Call **01737 276322**.

Friday 13 May

Black and White May Ball featuring Simon Weston CBE

Charity fundraising ball commencing with a sparkling reception and canapes, followed by a four course meal. Speaker Simon Weston will share his experiences in the after dinner speech. A Frank Sinatra tribute act will provide the music for the dance floor.

Tickets: £85 (including £20 of raffle tickets). Contact beverley.barry@reigate-banstead.gov.uk (01737 276249).

Saturday 18 June

Horley Carnival

This year's theme is Through the Ages and Beyond. There will be fancy dress, stalls and the all-important Carnival Parade.

www.horleycarnival.co.uk

Saturday 2 July, 10.30am-10.30pm

Reigate Community Festival

Priory Park, Bell Street, Reigate, RH2 7HL

This year's festival celebrates 400 years of Shakespeare.

www.reigateeventscollective.co.uk

Sunday 17 July, 12.30pm-5pm

Music in Nork Park

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Free music for all the community: live performances throughout the day, stalls, activities and refreshments.

www.nork-residents.org.uk/music-in-nork-park



Saturday 23 July, 11am-6pm

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An array of delicious street food, plus music, tasters and foodie activities.

www.eatfoodfest.co.uk

Sunday 18 September, from 9am

Run Reigate: half marathon and 10K

This year's running events are accompanied by a food and fitness festival and children's activity village.

To register for running events and find out more, visit www.jellyfish.co.uk/runreigate

More events

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Life Stories & Discussion



An Audience With Martin Kemp

Friday 27th May at 8pm
Tickets: £23.50

Join us at The Harlequin Theatre & Cinema for An Audience with Martin Kemp, interviewed by Simon Price.

Pop music icon, actor and director, Martin Kemp will be taking questions from legendary music journalist Simon Price.

You can expect to hear tales from the new romantic days of Spandau Ballet, life as an actor, director of feature films, writer of the acclaimed auto biography "True" and a lifetime of philanthropic work supporting two major charities.

Joe Swift:

A Man about the Garden



Wednesday November 2nd at 7.30pm
Tickets: £17.50

TV presenter Joe Swift digs deep to reveal his fascinating story from his Rock n Roll youth to becoming one of the country's top Garden Designers. Hear what really happens behind the scenes at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show and Gardeners World and find out what it takes to get a Chelsea Show Gold Medal!

His TV credits include Gardeners World, and the RHS Chelsea Flower show and he is a regular columnist for The Times and Gardeners World magazine.

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