

Blackheath, Shamley Green, Wonersh

WELCOME

to the 2026 Annual Assembly from your Councillors:



Anthony Shutes, Chair
Wonersh ward



Georgie Grant
Wonersh ward



Rob Merriman
Shamley Green ward



Chris Howard, Vice-Chair
Shamley Green ward



Ben Knight
Wonersh ward



Kat Parkinson
Shamley Green ward



Max Gibbs
Blackheath ward



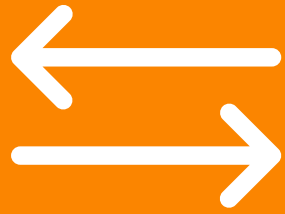
Stephen Lavender
Wonersh ward



Kevin Sloan
Shamley Green ward

AGENDA

- 1 Introduction (Cllr Shutes)**
- 2 Strategic Objectives, Budget and Council Tax Precept (Cllr Shutes)**
- 3 Wonersh United Charities (Kevin Garvey)**
- 4 Wonersh Foundation including shop update (Graham Healy)**
- 5 Surrey County Council and Q&A (County Cllr Deanus)**
- 6 Arbuthnot Hall Development update (Jon Watson)**
- 7 Traffic and Transport (Cllr Lavender)**
- 8 Shamley Green Environment Group (Jim Drummond)**
- 9 Barnett Hill Fields / Healy's Wood (Rob Crossing)**
- 10 Gerald's Wood Update (Cllr Shutes)**
- 11 Q&A**



COUNCIL CHANGES

2025/26

**One Councillor change
(Wonersh Ward)**

George Sobek stepped down

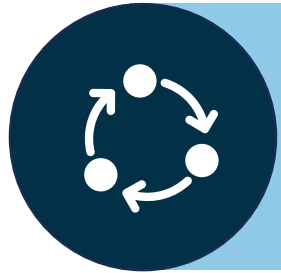
Georgie Grant

co-opted

**Moved to
.gov.uk email
addresses**

**New website
www.wonershparish.gov.uk**

COUNCIL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (Unchanged)



Improving Operations



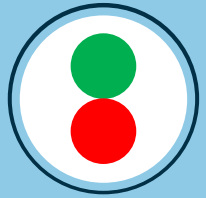
Improving our Amenities



Considering all Council actions through the lens of carbon reduction and enhancing the environment

COUNCIL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS 2024-26

Improving our Amenities and Infrastructure



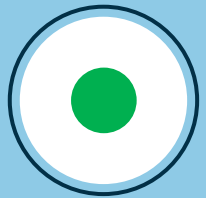
Speeding and Pedestrian Safety

20 mph zone in Wonersh?, Community Speedwatch active.
Redesigned Wonersh Pepperpot junction delayed – but Seminary development to restart?



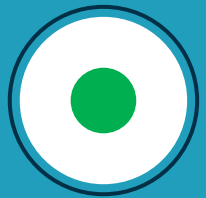
Footpath and cycle paths

New Gerald's Wood footpath open. Barnett Fields new paths. New Seminary Foot/cycle delayed



Playground

Both Shamley Green and Wonersh upgrade completed



Leased 50 acres, plus 20 acres purchased in Wonersh. Phone boxes, Community Room

Woodland responsibility remains with Waverley

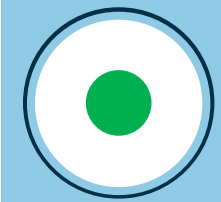


Re-use and recycling

New double bin in Wonersh; Re-cycling Volunteer Leader needed.....?

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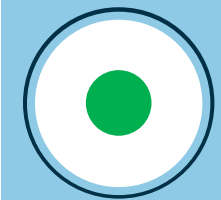


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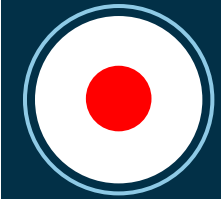
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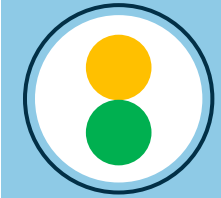


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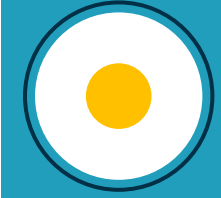
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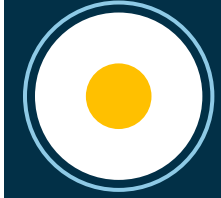
Collaborate with Surrey & Waverley for Climate and Biodiversity led approach in planning, public transport etc



Consider possible addendum to Village Design Statement



Develop Action Plan for Climate and Biodiversity



Improve Communications JOIN MAILING LIST via www.wonershparish.gov.uk

Budget and Precept

£000s	2025/26	2026/27 Budget
Precept	128.8	
CIL	3.3	
Garden Close, Allotments	7.5	
Barnett Hill Fields	6.8	
Closed Burial Ground	6.0	
Other (inc Grants/Donations)	8.2	
Arbuthnot Hall	-	
TOTAL INCOME	160.6	
Staff/Admin	51.7	
Commons	22.2	
Playgrounds	28.6	
Closed Burial Ground	16.3	
Barnett Hill Fields	7.7	
Loan repayments	14.9	
Other	8.6	
Arbuthnot Hall	0	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	150.1	

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- **Precept increase of 7.9%.** Impact on Band D est. £4.89 p.a. and remains on average for a Waverley parish.
- Expect to drawdown the Public Works Loan Board loan for the Arbuthnot Hall Redevelopment Project in 2026/27
- CIL and Barnett Hill Fields income expected for 2026/27

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- Inflation
- Staff/Admin increases, hybrid meetings
- Commons spend down in 2025/26 versus 2026/27 budget as two main contractors invoiced after year end
- Public Works Loan Board drawdown for the Arbuthnot Hall, plus increasing loan repayments.
- 'Other' includes allocations to reserves and provision for from Local Government Reorganisation costs

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Closed Burial Ground	16.3	1.8
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Loan repayments	14.9	18.2
Other	8.6	23.0
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WONERSH UNITED CHARITIES

Kevin Garvey

MAKE THIS

WORLD

BETTER

WONERSH FOUNDATION
including shop update
Graham Healy





SURREY
COUNTY COUNCIL

Cllr Kevin Deanus



Arbuthnot Hall Redevelopment

Jon
Watson



ARBUTHNOT HALL
SHAMLEY GREEN



Fundraising

TARGET REACHED! REDEVELOPMENT STARTS JULY 26!
PLEDGES OF FUNDING: £1.987m



Next Steps

- 31 May 2026 - sign main build contract
- 31 May 2026 - execute all funding agreements
- 30 June 2026 - Hall closes
- 1 July 2026 - hand over to main contractor
- Autumn 2026 - review management structure/
operations
- 30 June 2027 - re-open Hall
- 1 July 2027 - deliver 3-year business plan



TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

Clr Stephen Lavender





SGEG

Jim Drummond



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Our News Spring 2026

From Cassocks to Carrier Bags - some imaginative upcycling



Before -

Our village choir had been looking to repurpose some of their old choir gowns and, lo and behold, look what have we here, they have been turned into give-away bags for the Community Fridges in Quilford when people forget to bring their own bags but want to take away surplus food which has been collected from the supermarkets.



-and After

Toad Patrol Spring 2026 - walking, driving, and on a scooter!

The 2026 toad patrol has now ended and as in previous years it was very weather dependent. Warm and wet evenings brought out the most enthusiasts keen to get to their breeding ponds. In Woodhill Lane and Madgehole the numbers were a bit down in 2025 and 2024 but up on the number for the three years prior to that. Because the toad fence, Toads led the count, followed by frogs and newts. People came from all over to help out, young and old, girl guides and Duf E students and the locals were always happy to help out. One of our finest even did her patrol on a scooter. Thanks so much to everyone. In Lords Hill the numbers were way down maybe due to a bit upheaval in the woodland nearby. Fingers crossed they will return next year. To see our results from previous years go to our [Results](#) page.

Now people should keep a look out for toadlets leaving the ponds and making their way in life. Let's hope they choose a place where they don't need to cross a busy road!



22nd February 2026, like in 2025, was a very busy night for the toad patrol



The ToadMobile



Beautiful red toad



Pair in bucket



Barnett Fields and Healy's Wood

Rob Crossing
Wonersh Environment Advisory
Group

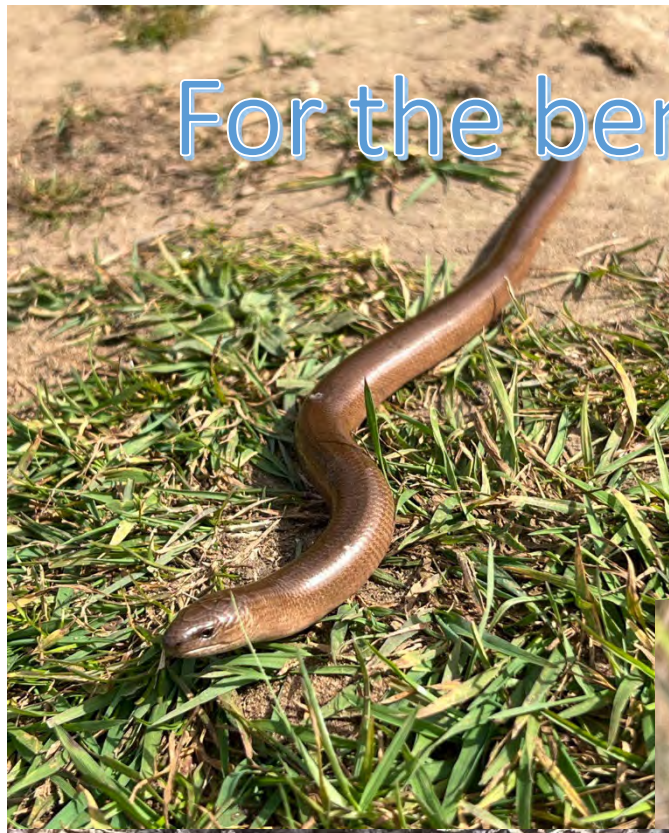
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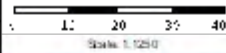


For the benefit of the community and nature



The next 12 months





Cadastral Parcels



Parish



Land



Gerald's Wood paths and boundaries

Proposed PROW

Boundary Fence

**GERALD'S
WOOD
update**



Any Questions?