



**WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

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**Where to buy rubbish, recycling & garden sacks in Westerham -  
PAICE Cleaning Supplies, Unit 6 Hortons Way, TN16 1BT**

Opening times, Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, 01959 561 133

- Black sacks: £1.50 per roll of 20 sacks
- Garden waste sacks: £14.00 for 25 sacks
- Clear recycling sacks: 50p per roll of 30 sacks

**Westerham Memory Walk**  
**Fighting Dementia Together**



Westerham Town Council is organizing a Memory Walk on Westerham Green Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 11am.

The Walk will not only be in memory of Margaret Payne but also in memory of the regular attendees of the Forget-me-not Café who passed away in 2017, Wendy Willson, George Wells, June Webb and Marie Freeman, together with loved ones of those taking part. Dementia is a growing problem in society and it is important to raise awareness of this condition within our community.

We will be giving the option of either a short walk around the Green for our less able residents or a walk of approximately 1k walk around King Georges Playing Field. In addition, we plan to have a tree or similar on The Green where participants can hang personal messages.

This will not be a sponsored event but we will have collection buckets available. The proceeds will be split between for the Forget-me-not Café in Westerham and Sevenoaks Area Dementia Friendly Community Forum.



In order to fund the event, we are looking for sponsorship from businesses in the town to cover the costs of a start/finish arch, medals for the walkers and t-shirts for those helping. We are ideally looking for a sum between £25 and £100 although donations of any size will be very gratefully received. James Millard Estate Agents, Prelude Stone and Body Worx have already confirmed they will be one of the sponsors.

Thank you

Mrs Angela Howells

Town Clerk



Kent Fire and Rescue Service (KFRS) has teamed up with singer and Kent resident Cheryl Baker to encourage people across Kent and Medway to think about people we know who may live alone or in isolation, or just someone who might need a bit of extra support, so together we can keep them safe and well, and reduce their risk from fire.

### ***What is Show You Care?***

Show You Care is a new initiative by Kent Fire and Rescue Service (KFRS) which aims to help make the lives of people in our community who may live in isolation or feeling the pressure of life to feel valued, safer and less isolated. Not having someone to talk to regularly can be lonely and isolating, particularly if you're used to sharing your home and time with others. It's estimated that in Kent and Medway there are more than 40 thousand over 65s living socially isolated lives. KFRS is calling on people like you to think about how you can help someone you know by calling in for a chat and even think about helping with our 'Simple STEPS to staying safe and well' which will help reduce the fire risk in their home.

### ***How can I help people live a safer life?***

The KFRS 'Simple **STEPS** to staying safe and well' are:



**S** is for **SLIPS**  
Are there potential tripping hazards?

**T** is for **TEST**  
Is the Smoke alarm working?  
Do the batteries need replacing?

**E** is for **ELECTRICS**  
Can you spot any hazards like overloaded sockets?

**P** is for **POTS & PANS**  
Does the oven or hob need a clean  
to reduce the risk of fires?

**S** is for **STAY**  
Make time for a tea and a chat

Find out if they are eligible for a **FREE Safe and Well Visit**  
with Kent Fire and Rescue Service by calling -  
**0800 923 7000**

## Community Safety Unit (CSU)

The Community Safety Unit (CSU) consists of Council Staff, Police, Community Wardens, Housing Associations and other partner agencies.

Partners meet on a daily basis to discuss Community Safety Concerns and Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) calls that have come in from residents and partner agencies including the Police.

The CSU is a great way for partners to address current concerns and have a speedy and effective response to residents of which all are updated.

The CSU also focuses on safety campaigns and we have great initiatives for residents in rural and urban areas to keep them safe and their belongings safe. The CSU has timer switches, shed alarms, personal alarms and card protectors to name but a few which are free to residents. To find out more e-mail [community.safety@sevenoaks.gov.uk](mailto:community.safety@sevenoaks.gov.uk) or phone 01732 227000.

The CSU deals with all aspects of ASB and community safety. If you have a problem that you would like the CSU to get involved with then please contact them.

**If life is in danger or a crime is in progress, always call 999.** For non – urgent police matter call 101 or report online at <https://www.kent.police.uk/services/report-online/kent-police-online-reporting/>

## GROW YOUR OWN – RENT AN ALLOTMENT

Allotment gardening is a great way to keep fit, enjoy the fresh air, make new friends and grow your own fresh produce. Allotment gardening is hard work, but very rewarding!

Westerham Town Council has a small number of full and half allotment plots for rent at each of their 3 sites: Bloomfield, Currant Hill and Farley Allotments.

This season we will be creating some raised beds at the Currant Hill site, which will offer disabled and elderly residents the opportunity to access allotment gardening. The cost of renting a full allotment is just 12p a day (£44 per year).

For more information, contact



## FORTHCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

### **May**

- 10<sup>th</sup> Planning and Development
- 14<sup>th</sup> Finance and General Purposes
- 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Council Meeting
- 24<sup>th</sup> Planning and Development

Members of the public are very welcome to attend these meetings. **The first ten minutes of every meeting are available for members of the public to raise any issues with Councillors.** All meetings start at 7.30 p.m. - except Planning which is held at 9.30 am - in the Town Council Chamber in Russell House.

**Visit our website [westerhamtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://westerhamtowncouncil.gov.uk) for a schedule of meetings for 2018 more information.**