



#### WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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### Save the date!

## Annual Town Meeting – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Westerham Hall

### We all want to make our local environment greener? Together we make Westerham better

- What can you do?
- What does the Town Council do?

This is an opportunity to see what groups in the community are already doing and what more can be done?

What are your views and what would you like us to do?

We will also review the last year and look ahead to next year.

### Forget-me-not Cafes - Companionship Over A Cuppa

Forget-me-not Cafes are sponsored by the Sevenoaks Area Dementia Friendly Community Charity, we provide Forget-me-not Cafes across the Sevenoaks District, Forget-me-not's singing group and Forget-me-not Allotment plot. We provide companionship over a cuppa, peer support and entertaining activities for people living with memory issues, dementia, isolation or loneliness, plus their partners and or carers.

Our Cafes are free to attend, they are informal and fun and each cafe currently operates once per month in Sevenoaks, Westerham, Hildenborough and Edenbridge and Otford . We look forward to welcoming you to any of our cafes. The Westerham Forget-me-not Cafe runs from 11am to 12.30pm at the Congressional Church Fullers Hill. The Knole Cafe runs from 10.30am to 12pm in Knole House, Knole Park. The Otford Cafe Runs from 11am -12:30pm in the Otford Village Hall. If you require physical or personal support, please come with a family member or a carer . We provide lashings of tea and cake so please make us aware of all allergies before you attend.

You can find out more about us and all of the cafes, times and dates

at [www.forgetmenotcafe.org.uk](http://www.forgetmenotcafe.org.uk) , contact us at [forgetmenot.sadfc@gmail.com](mailto:forgetmenot.sadfc@gmail.com)

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## Festival of the Landscape

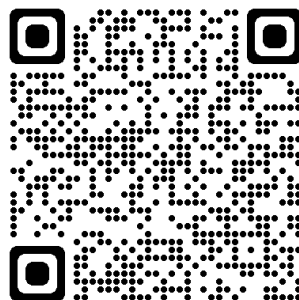
This Spring, the Darent Valley Landscape Partnership Scheme will be bringing you the **Festival of the Landscape**, an event-packed celebration of everything that the Darent Valley has to offer!

From 1st May to 30th June 2022 everyone is invited to join in with a programme of events, workshops and activities across the Darent Valley.

From exploring Tudor and Roman finds with our archaeologist, touring the ancient trees painted by Samuel Palmer, guided walks with Kent Wildlife Trust, wildlife activities for families and walk and draw workshops for adults to large-scale outdoor puppetry performances at Otford and Dartford with 'Puppets with Guts' and much more - there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

Westerham residents may be particularly interested in taking part in an arts based landscape workshop, This free workshop, created for adults in the Darent Valley area, will enable you to discover your local landscape's colour palette. The workshop will be run by a professional artist, who will guide you through how to Reframe your environment and create your very own Darent Valley picture frame. The workshop is 3 hours long and will be taking place at the Beating of the Bounds on Westerham Green on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. During half term, there will be a river dipping fun day where children can explore what lies beneath the surface of the River Darent. Families will be given a net to dip, an identification guide to name the species discovered and a chance to craft and draw what they find. This event will take place at King George's Field, Westerham on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 11.30 – 15.30.

For a full programme of events and to book, please visit <https://darent-valley.org.uk/get-involved/events/>





## FORTHCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council committee meetings are now taking place in the council chamber however places are limited due to social distancing. Please contact the office if you wish to attend a meeting.

All meetings start at 7 p.m. - except Planning which is held at 9.30 am - in the Town Council Chamber in Russell House.

### **May 2022**

9<sup>th</sup> Finance & General Purposes

12<sup>th</sup> Planning

16<sup>th</sup> Allotment, Playing Fields and Open Spaces

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting – 7pm Westerham Hall

23<sup>rd</sup> Full Council

26<sup>th</sup> Planning

Members of the public are very welcome to join those meetings that take place. **The first ten minutes of every meeting are available for members of the public to raise any issues with Councillors.**

Visit our website [westerhamtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://westerhamtowncouncil.gov.uk) for a schedule of meetings for 2022. You can also follow us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/WesterhamTownCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/WesterhamTownCouncil)