# SurreyHills Society VieWS



#### **Wood industries of the Surrey Hills**

We are often reminded that Surrey is the most wooded county in England.

However, this statement tends to imply a swathe of something that all looks the same. Nothing could be further from the truth. Surrey supports an extensive alphabet of species ranging from ash and beech to willow and yew. Each of these species has different properties - colour, grain, elasticity, workability, durability and so on. This means that over time, different types of wood - or indeed wood from different ages of tree - have become the preferred material for all sorts of products.

Oak is a common feature of the Surrey Hills and is well known as having been important for ships and building construction for many centuries. Over that time, the trees were being grown as



a valuable crop and hence woodland was being managed with a regular selection, cutting down and replanting programme to ensure future supply.

With the replacement of wood by metal, plastics and other modern materials, many of the traditional uses of timber became less common. The commercial value of some timber has reduced with competition from these alternative materials and from imports of foreign wood. As a consequence, significant amounts of woodland have become less well managed. Some areas have become more wooded - look at old pictures of Box Hill or the land along the River Wey and you will see how much more tree cover there is now. An important side effect of this decline is loss of biodiversity as increased canopy cover blots out sunlight and suppresses low growing woodland plants - and of course, the wildlife that relies upon them.

But all is not lost! The headline news tends to be about bringing woodland back into effective management in order to provide wood chip for alternative energy. This is an important aspect of 21st century wood use, but it tends to overshadow many other industries which rely on the wide range of species available on our doorstep.

Local craftsmen create a plethora of

decorative small items as well as furniture. They use beautiful natural patterns from spalted beech and yew, the flexibility of young willow for hurdle making/weaving, the

making/weaving, the structural properties and durability of hard

and durability of hardwoods and, of course, chestnut and hazel – often grown as coppice trees - to provide a whole host of products ranging from palings to charcoal. This wide range of products can only exist because of the persistence and enterprise of people with the skills to work the wood and transform it from tree to final product. Surrey is lucky to have a number of coppice workers who are maintaining traditional crafts.

Wood Fairs are growing in popularity nation-wide, indeed our own Surrey Hills Wood Fair is about to take place in Bramley as you read this issue. It showcases a wide range of skills and products with a strong emphasis on local craftsmen and timber.

Production of your Surrey Hills Society membership card will give you discounted entry - so do come along and enjoy the experience.



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#### Chairman's View



Well, what a sizzler of a summer! I do hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have. One of the things I've enjoyed is being involved in the two Surrey Heritage Lottery Funded (HLF) bids – 'Hope Springs', the Deepdene lost garden project and the Tillingbourne Industrial Heritage Bid focusing on the industrial heritage of this surprisingly hidden valley near Guildford.

It is fantastic that the Society is now starting to be able to support projects across this protected landscape and help preserve it for future generations to enjoy. I do hope you will join me on our practical volunteering day at Deepdene Gardens, on Wednesday 2 October, supporting the Friends of Deepdene in their bid to uncover the hidden garden and architecture. All volunteer hours count towards match funding for the project so every hour counts! Details in the events calendar.

I joined Rob Fairbanks, Chief Executive of the Surrey Hills Board to meet three officers from the HLF inspection team on one of the hottest days of the summer for an inspection of the Tillingbourne Valley. We covered much the same ground as members did back on a soggy day in April for Chairman's Day at Chilworth Gunpowder Mills. We're expecting to hear as to whether this bid has been successful very soon.

I would like to thank our President, Neil Maltby, for organising yet another amazing President's Day at Epsom Downs Race Course. I have never been racing before in my life so it was reassuring to have Neil explain the process of the evening, what to look for in the horses, where to place your bets, where to look and when. I never thought it could be so much fun! Some of you may ask what racing has to do with the Surrey Hills.... but as we discovered on Neil's tour of discovery on last year's President's Day, the protected chalk downs of Epsom and the history of horse racing are completely inter-twined and horse racing in Surrey has a long and distinguished history. Whilst balancing the needs of the common for local residents, the flora and fauna is protected by the Race Course owners and the local authorities.



What I discover about this area at the events we organise, as each year goes by, never ceases to amaze me and I am already looking forward to what the autumn has in store for us. In this edition we are focussing on the woodlands of the Surrey Hills as an ever-growing industry. I thoroughly recommend the Surrey Hills Wood Fair on 5 and 6 October. There is something there for all the family to enjoy.

I hope you have an opportunity to get out and enjoy the autumnal woodlands of the Surrey Hills with us or perhaps join us for a crisp winter walk and mulled wine at Belmont school in December – an annual favourite. Don't forget the Society's AGM on 2 November – I would love to catch up with you then. Browse through our events calendar on the back page and see what takes your eye!

Chris Howard, Chairman

#### 2013 AGM

The formal notice of the Society's Annual General Meeting on Saturday 2 November, is enclosed with this newsletter. Do come and join us at the Parrott Inn, Forest Green at 10.30am for tea/coffee, followed by the formal business of the AGM, including updates on the Society. There'll be a lunch of local produce, with an opportunity to explore the village of Forest Green afterwards, including the Forge and Dragon Gallery and the charming Holy Trinity Church.

## Results from the recent questionnaire

Firstly thank you to those who did reply whether by mail or taking the online version. In case you didn't and meant to, then we're still happy to receive your opinion.

- Very encouragingly it seems many of our members are either founder members or joined us soon after we were established in 2008 and are still involved. We've had a steady increase in numbers over the last couple of years.
- You appear to like the activities we run, feel the mix is about right and are prepared to support new initiatives, with an average number of you attending about five events per year.
- In terms of the Society's aims 'creating greater awareness and understanding of the Surrey Hills though education, publicity and events' came out top with 'encouraging conservation alongside the improvement of the amenities and features which make the Surrey Hills special' a close second.
- Quite a number of you are prepared to be involved in specific projects, such as volunteer tasks and conservation projects.
- Blank section for comments these answers sum up the ones we received: "I greatly value the work of the society in helping us to appreciate the area. I particularly enjoy the newsletter, which has helped to change how I see my local area" and "inter-acting with like-minded people is one of the key aspects I enjoy with the society"

The trustees will be reviewing the responses and bearing them in mind as they develop plans for the future of the Society.

Please remember, we're always happy to hear from you, good or bad, and will aim to respond quickly.

Email: info@surreyhillssociety.org Mobile: 07530 949302 If you have one, it's useful for us to have your email address on file.

Our thanks to Kier for providing graphic design and printing of our newsletters. Thanks to our society members for their on-going contributions and their photos.



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#### **News from the Surrey Hills Board**

## Archaeological investigation unearths more questions than answers

The National Trust, Surrey County Archaeological Unit and a group of volunteers teamed up last month to investigate an unidentified military structure on Reigate Hill. The structure, formerly believed to be an observation post, lies some two hundred metres or so from Reigate Fort and was investigated as part of the Front Line Surrey Hills project.

Volunteers recently spent two days clearing the overgrown site of vegetation and recorded the structure's features.

Comprising two entrances, four windows on the south facing side and several ventilation holes, the structure measures roughly 8m long and 3m wide. Despite its prominent position on the crest of Reigate Hill, it doesn't appear to occupy a defensive position - there's no evidence that camouflage netting was attached to it and the windows appear to have domestic fixings. Roofed in austerity concrete, a cheap concrete with lots of inclusions, the remainder of the structure is brick built.

The floor of the structure sits some 1.5m

below ground level and there's no clear evidence for steps leading down into the building. What's more, the structure's windows are set too high to see out of if standing on the floor.

Paul Bowen, keen military historian and member of the Front Line Surrey Hills team says "Reigate Hill and this unidentified structure are still very much a mystery to us. There's 100 years of Surrey's military history here with Reigate Fort, various unidentified structures and the site of a tragic Second World War plane crash."

Paul continues "We would be so pleased to hear from readers who remember Reigate Hill during the Second World War; what structures they recall on the hill, who was based there and what the buildings were used for?" Despite extensive investigations and desk based research, the project team are still uncertain about much of Reigate Hill's military history.

Can you help? If so, you can contact Paul Bowen directly on 07968 832367 or by email: paul.bowen@surreycc.gov.uk

#### **Planning update**

#### **Cherkley Court**

The High Court Judge has quashed the planning permission for the golf course, hotel development, spa and cookery school that had been granted by Mole Valley District Council against their Planning officer advice. This important legal decision has gained widespread cover in the national and local media.

The judge considered that councillors who voted in favour of granting permission had not given proper consideration to the proposal being contrary to Green Belt and landscape protection policies. Further, that the proposal failed to meet the local plan golf course policy and supporting text because there was no need for a further golf course in an area with such an abundance of golf courses and especially one of the exclusive nature of that proposed where only the very wealthiest would be able to play.

The judge expressed himself in forceful terms and he did not consider his decision to be marginal. Consequently, he did not grant leave for an appeal. However there is still the ability for an appeal to be submitted to the Court of Appeal and the developers are doing this. At the time of writing the Council is taking legal advice as to whether they would join the developers in that appeal. There is also still scope for the Council to reconsider possibly the same or more likely, a fresh planning application. It appears that this case has much time to run. In the meantime the scars on this chalk downland from the commencement works of the golf course will remain. If and when all avenues have been exhausted and there is no permission for a golf course, the developers have provided the council with a financial bond that may cover the restoration of the landscape.

Clive Smith, Surrey Hills Planning Adviser

# Surrey Hills AONB Board Director, Rob Fairbanks says: "The reality is that this docu-soap takes place in towns which are closer to London than to Leith Hill. The Surrey Hills AONB is a treasured landscape, which has so much more to offer than 'parties, celebrities and sports cars'. Each year over 30 million people visit this protected landscape, rich in flora and fauna, to enjoy South East England's most accessible and beautiful countryside."

#### **Revealing the real Surrey Hills**



As casting begins for a reality TV programme entitled 'Surrey Hills', the AONB Board is taking the opportunity to remind people of the natural attractions of the real Surrey Hills. As members will know, the Surrey Hills stretches across a quarter of the county and includes the chalk slopes of the North Downs from Farnham in the west to Oxted in the east and extends south to the deeply wooded Greensand Hills, which rise in Haslemere. The TV programme is focussing on the areas of Weybridge, Esher and Cobham - none of which lie within the AONB.

Far from the images of fast cars, gated developments and jacuzzis which the

programme producers aim to depict, the Surrey Hills AONB instead offers picture postcard villages, flower rich grasslands, bustling market towns and breathtaking views which have inspired writers, designers, composers and artists such as Jane Austen, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Gertrude Jekyll.

Champagne (or sparkling wine) does indeed flow: from the Albury Organic Vineyard and Denbies Wine Estate, whose sparkling wines have won awards. And while luxury cars are not an uncommon sight, residents and visitors also enjoy exploring the countryside in hiking boots, on horseback, mountain bikes and in kayaks.

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#### **Surrey Hills Society Views**

## New Associations with Box Hill School

We were recently in the unprecedented and enviable position of being asked if we accept paid advertising in the newsletter. The answer was a tentative yes, we could, but have not done so up to this point in our development.

This question came from Box Hill School, a co-educational day and boarding school for children aged 11 to 18, based in Mickleham, not far from the Surrey Hills Warren Farm offices.

Following on from this, an association with the management of the school is developing with a visit planned for members to the school in January (see events calendar). They have very generously offered to provide us with an expert in the history of Dalewood House, the Gothic Grade II listed country house that is the main building of the school.



He will talk to us over coffee, show us around the richly ornate interior and educate us about the fine external architecture and famed stained glass windows. Then we'll have lunch in the school dining room.

Designed by Victorian architect of merit, John Norton, Dalewood House was built in 1883 and remains a distinctive building that has changed little over the years. Do come and join us for what promises to be an interesting event when all the excitement of the previous month has faded and your diary may be looking a bit empty.

If you're interested in reading up on the school's history, or indeed are looking for potential schools, take a look at their website: www.boxhillschool.com

#### **Ride London Challenge for Surrey Hills Society**



Society members, Nick Jubert (left) and Chris Holyoak (right), cycled in the Ride London Surrey Charity Cycling event on Sunday 4 August. Here's Nick's report on their experience...

"Thanks to the Surrey Hills Society providing us with places, Chris Holyoak and I took part in this amazing event. We do realise that not everyone was happy with the restrictions it placed on the roads that day, but it did allow a unique Olympic Legacy event to take place with complete success.

The impressive feature of the event was its "cycling for everyone" style. Every shape and size of cyclist on every shape and size of bike felt they were part of something really special. We were sorely tempted to stay and party into the evening at the after-race party in Green Park, but getting home was the right choice considering we had been on the go since breakfast at 5 o'clock that morning and 'sore' is the right choice of word for parts of our anatomy!

With riders from over 40 countries and from every corner of the UK enjoying the Surrey Hills, we hope you will agree that the Hills are now a better known part of the country which, in the long term, must help all the hospitality businesses in the area.

And how did we do? We were very happy with our times of

under 6 and a half hours including stops (beating Boris by quite a few hours!) Cyclists could take on as many bananas as they needed, along with a full range of energy bars, drinks and water -you could not fault the organisation of the day from a cyclist's viewpoint. The real test of Leith Hill was walked by some but not by us! In fact to many of the riders time was unimportant as groups of friends and cycle clubs rode round together at the speed of the slowest, which made it a real community event.



We really enjoyed the last twenty miles of less-testing roads after Box Hill all the way to the Mall - allowing us to finish in style with crowds cheering all the way. The support from crowds along the whole 100 miles was amazing.

To date, we've raised £1,250 for the Surrey Hills Society through the generous support of members and friends. Many thanks to everyone. It was certainly a great day we won't forget.

Next year's Prudential RideLondon-Surrey festival of cycling will take place on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 August. The exact routes and timings for the events will be confirmed later. The online ballot for places in next year's ride is now closed.

Nick Jubert and Chris Holyoak, Society members



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#### **Grayshott Pottery**



Grayshott lies just on the border into Hampshire but it forms part of the same scenery that makes Hindhead and the Devils Punchbowl such popular attractions within the Surrey Hills.

Recently, a group from the Society visited Grayshott Pottery to learn more about their work and roots which started deep within Surrey. The pottery has a long history having emerged from the old Kingwood Pottery in Brook. However, tracing back through its craftsmen it is clear that it is also connected to Compton Pottery which, in its time, was situated at Watts Gallery in Compton and was started by Mary Watts, wife of the great Victorian painter, G.F.Watts.

Opened in 1956, the Pottery was producing ceramic giftware for London stores and gift shops. It now creates studio art ceramics for galleries and homes around the UK and under its Grayshott Stoneware brand it makes catering ware for many well-known national High Street pubs and restaurants, as well as bespoke ceramics for celebrity chefs.

As manufacturing sites within "The Potteries" close down, Grayshott is acquiring new brands (e.g. Dartington Pottery in 2005). Many of the old items of equipment from these closed sites are being transferred to Grayshott and continue to be used on a daily basis. A typical example of this is the use of a "Jolley" to shape the pots.

The units in use are now about one hundred years old and still going strong.

The pottery is a good example of a local company. Not only does it have its origins within the area but the staff are predominantly local people – many of whom have worked there for a long time. In addition to this, the company operates under an Employee Benefit Trust so all the employees have a personal interest in the success of the organisation.

This was a really interesting and enjoyable visit and once we had managed to tear everyone away from the on-site shop, we were able to head for an after-lunch wander around the nearby Devils Punchbowl with our Chairman, Chris Howard. The spectacular scenery of the area on a sunny afternoon, combined with the absence of traffic noise following the removal of the old A3, was a good reminder of how lucky we are to have such wonderful destinations right on our doorstep.

Jeff Holliday, Society member



## Doors of Leith Hill Place now open



The National Trust is proud to be welcoming the public to Leith Hill Place, an elegant 17th century property, for the first time in nearly 40 years. Gifted to the NT in 1944 by arguably the greatest English composer of the early 20th century, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Leith Hill Place was a Wedgwood family home.

Vaughan Williams' mother was one of the famous pottery family and Charles Darwin was a relation and frequent visitor.

The main spaces of the house have been refreshed, although not completely renovated. It will be a destination for all those who are curious about the history of the house and a welcome rest for the many walkers in the vicinity.

Alessandra Holly, Surrey Hills NT Visitor Experience Manager, and a member of the Society too, says, "There's very little left of the grandeur of the original house, but what you will see is a house in transition; come with an open mind during this trial season and you'll be encouraged to give your feedback as to how the house should be used in the future."

We have organised an exclusive visit to Leith Hill Place on Monday afternoon, 14 October, including a performance by the Chase Singers.

#### **Christmas is coming!**

It's that time of year again when we start looking around for unusual gifts. Look no further! A beautiful gift membership pack with notelets, car sticker, special offers and lavender bag. All for the price of a single membership of £15. To order phone Chris Howard on 01483





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#### **News from Surrey Hills Enterprises**



**Surrey Hills Enterprises Community** Interest Company is set up to support the project work of the AONB Unit to conserve, enhance and promote the exceptional Surrey Hills landscape. At the same time it works to support and promote rural enterprises who display a passion for the countryside.

These business members are operating under the Surrey Hills Love Local banner and as such are companies that we know have an ethos that will resonate with you, the discerning customer with a keen interest in the AONB.

We are working with the currently signed up pubs and restaurants to secure a consistent reduction for Society members on production of a valid membership card. This will be a fantastic way for the Surrey Hills family to work together to support business and community. We hope to be able to announce in the New Year that all Love Local businesses are coming on board with this discount scheme.



For this edition, we are featuring one of our specialist business members; Sparrowhatch Forestry, tying in with the 'wood industries of the Surrey Hills

Sparrowhatch Forestry Ltd provides an ecologically based management service to woodland, countryside and tree owners across the South East of England from their location within the Surrey Hills AONB. They pride themselves on being able to offer the most up to date and environmentally beneficial services to clients, whether this is undertaking tree health assessments or increasing biodiversity in woodlands through management.

Their range of services include arboricultural, woodland and habitat consultation, restoration and creation, tree surgery undertaken to British Standards, wood fuel production and supply, as well as high quality domestic and agricultural fencing installations.

managed by David Abbott who is passionate about restoring and preserving the natural environment in the South East of England, especially the diverse range of habitats that are found in and around the Surrey Hills AONB. David is keen to work with the Surrey Hills family to ensure the management of the exceptional landscape and is offering exclusively to members 10% off woodland management plans and 10% off all arboricultural operations through the remainder of 2013.

Please contact David on 07896 036437 quoting Surrey Hills Society discount for more information.

#### **Wood fuel** conference

You'll have read about the Wood Fair to be held in Bramley on 5 & 6 October. The day before this, on Friday 4 October, Surrey Hills Enterprises hosts the Wood Fuel Conference at Wotton House, Nr Dorking. This prime event in the Wood Fuel calendar is attracting delegates from all over London and the south east to discuss issues that affect the industry and the landscape.

If any Society members are interested in attending the conference, bookings can be made at:

www.thewoodfuelconference.co.uk



As part of our commitment to our business members, Surrey Hills Enterprises hosted two very successful themed business networking events over the summer, enabling our members to learn more about the Surrey Hills landscape and its exceptional features. We have several more planned throughout the year to ensure that businesses continue to offer the very best to the customer - you the reader! Photo shows two of the sculptures at the Hannah Peschar garden in Ockley, where members enjoyed a lovely early evening walk as part of a recent networking event.



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#### **News from our sponsor**



In just 12 months we have fixed the equivalent of almost two laps of the M25!

Yes, Kier Services has resurfaced or repaired more than 200 miles of road in the year to April 2013 - which is almost as much as driving twice around the orbital motorway. We have also repaired more than 20 miles of footpath or pavement and updated two miles of drainage.

All this activity came ahead of the council's new £100m programme, which was launched in April this year to tackle the root cause of potholes through major resurfacing of roads.

Known as 'Operation Horizon', the programme will see more than 300 miles of the roads most in need of improvement torn up, and in many cases rebuilt from scratch over the next five years. Once

completed, these roads will have a 10year repair-free guarantee.

John Furey, SCC Cabinet Member for Highways, said: "More than 200 miles of road resurfacing and repairs is excellent work, but prevention is better than cure. That is why we are investing £100m to completely overhaul more than 300 miles of our roads that need improving the most.

"This will ensure that in the future repairs will be needed less often and that there will be fewer delays - which will also get Surrey's traffic and our economy moving.

"Later this year, our new roadworks permit scheme will reduce road delays even further by forcing utility companies to work in tandem with each other, and council contractors, whenever possible."

#### Operation Horizon, how it works

All roads on the Operation Horizon programme will be assessed by one of our qualified engineers who will determine the reason for the road failure. This will include assessment of the underlying road base and top surface. Depending upon the 'needs analysis' one of these options will be selected;

- · Full reconstruction, replacing the underlying road base and top surface
- Partial reconstruction, replacing top road surface only
- Surface treatment: an additional road surface will be added to remove surface defects and seal the road from future water egress

This will ensure that the right engineering option will be selected for each road depending upon its specific need; whichever solution is chosen, the work will ensure the road is fit for purpose for at least the next 10-15 years.

#### **Operation Horizon - key objectives**

- Replace 500KM (10%) of Surrey County Council's road network
- · Reduce the number of potholes and safety defects
- Improve the council's national score for road condition
- Improve the network's appearance and ride quality

#### Sponsor's message



I hope you had a good summer break our team has had a very busy summer!

Since the last newsletter, Kier Group plc has completed the

acquisition of May Gurney plc. These are exciting times for us and we look forward to the opportunities that this brings.

During the summer we completed the surface dressing programme, which was a huge success, and have also launched the 'Operation Horizon' project under which 10% of Surrey's road network will be replaced.

We are currently working hard in preparation for winter, and with the first salt delivered we are fully geared up to provide another successful winter maintenance service for Surrey residents!

Jim Harker, General Manager Kier Group (formerly May Gurney)

## Investing £5m this winter

Surrey County Council will invest £5m this winter to repair the 200 roads most in need of fixing to prevent cold weather damage.

During severe weather, water seeps into roads, expands as it freezes and cracks the surface. Repeated thawing and freezing causes the most damage. Last year, Surrey County Council allocated an extra £1m for winter road repairs. In addition, the council has stored more than 16,000 tonnes of salt at three depots to deal with icy roads and snow – twice what the county needs for six days of continual gritting.

Operations staff have finalised the council's winter plan, which sets out how its fleet of gritters, all-weather vehicles and even reserve tractors are on standby for when snow and ice strike. As last year, the council will also give regular updates via social media when the gritting teams are treating roads.







#### **Events programme October 2013 to February 2014**

Visit our website for more information, as well as write-ups of past events. All events must be booked in advance, including free ones. Send an SAE to address at bottom of the page if you don't use email.

#### Wednesday, 2 October

Join the **Friends of Deepdene** conservationists at the old Deepdene Gardens (now owned by Kuoni Travel) to help open up some of the ancient footpaths, cut back and burn some rhododendron and generally tidy up around some of the old buildings. Free refreshments and biscuits and lots of support for first-timers. For more information contact: info@surreyhillssociety.org.

#### 5 and 6 October

**Surrey Hills Wood Fair** at Birtley House in Bramley. Annual event catering for all the family.

Saturday, 12 October (10am to 12 noon)
Orienteering in the Surrey Hills with Marion
Payne-Bird. Meet at Newlands Corner
Suitable for all the family as well as first-timers

#### Monday, 14 October Leith Hill Place (1.45pm)

View the rooms, sound-scape tour of the attic then performance by the Chase Singers conducted by Robin Wells. Tea and cake will be available on a donation basis.

#### Saturday, 2 November

Morning AGM at The Parrot Inn, Forest Green, Surrey, RH5 5RZ, followed by lunch and afternoon exploring Forest Green.

#### Friday, 8 November (2pm)

Special invitation from Leatherhead Community Association to join them at the Institute in Leatherhead for an illustrated talk on "Garden Wildlife" by Jeremy Early. Jeremy is a journalist, a conservationist and a photographer of the natural world. Those who have seen the notice boards along the River Mole Walk will have already admired his wonderful wildlife photography. Booking required - no charge

Friday, 15 November (10am to1pm) Surrey History Centre, Woking: View the Historic Environment Record and documentary archive relating to the towns and villages in the Surrey Hills. www.ancestry.com

Saturday, 7 December (10am)
Annual Christmas walk with mulled wine and mince pies at Belmont School

#### Thursday, 16 January (2 to 4pm) Dorking Museum Archives visit

By special request, we have arranged another visit to Dorking Museum with the guidance of an experienced archivist. There will be the opportunity for a small group to learn about and examine the plethora of photos, maps, postcards, sales particulars, ephemera and official records held in the archives.

Saturday, 18 January (10.30am) Invitation to visit Dalewood, the main building of Box Hill School. There will be coffee around the grand fireplace in the entrance hall on arrival. This will be followed by a tour of the mock Tudor/Gothic/Victorian building, then lunch in the school dining hall.

#### Friday, 14 February (2pm)

Join the Leatherhead Community Association at the Institute in Leatherhead for an illustrated talk by Glyn Sherratt, the Heritage Landscape Officer at Gatton Park on the progress of the restoration projects. Booking required - no charge.

### Surrey Hills Society

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