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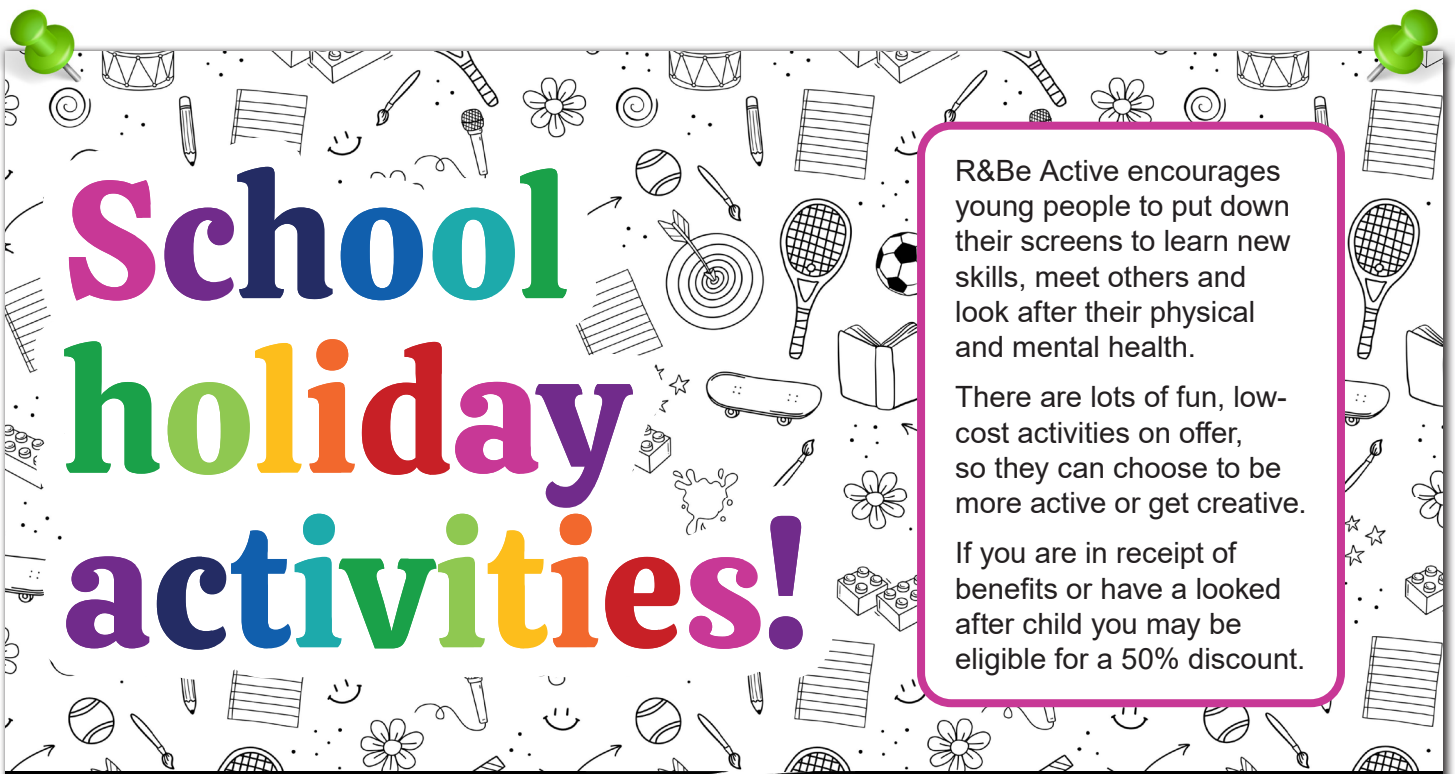
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School holiday activities!

R&Be Active encourages young people to put down their screens to learn new skills, meet others and look after their physical and mental health.

There are lots of fun, low-cost activities on offer, so they can choose to be more active or get creative.

If you are in receipt of benefits or have a looked after child you may be eligible for a 50% discount.



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Dear residents,

Welcome to the Spring 2025 edition of Borough News.

We've been busy delivering lots of great initiatives across the borough over the past 12 months.

Like many local authorities, we continue to operate with limited budgets, which means we must carefully consider how and where we spend the money we do have. Find out more about where your Council Tax goes (page 7).

You can discover more about our work to provide affordable housing to those in greatest need (pages 10-11) and enjoy our cover feature about the transformation of Merstham Recreation Ground where we are creating a park for the whole community (pages 8-9).

We are working with local partners including the police, schools, businesses and community organisations to improve our town centres, particularly in Redhill, and to address the causes

and effects of anti-social behaviour and wider crime (page 6).

In December 2024, the Government proposed a new programme of local government reorganisation. As and when this happens in Surrey, it will have implications on the way services are provided. It is too early to provide more clarity on this (at the time of going to print) but this spring we will be agreeing our new Corporate Plan which makes it clear what local services are important to our borough and to our residents in the future. We can assure you we will keep you informed and continue to work hard to deliver local services and minimise any disruption to residents.

Councillor Richard Biggs, Leader, Reigate & Banstead Borough Council



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Our new Local Plan

In our last issue we looked ahead to our new Local Plan, which sets out where new development like homes, commercial space and facilities will go over the next few years. It also guides what development looks like, as well as measures to protect the environment and character of the area.

Since then, there have been national changes to planning regulations, affecting our timeline and process for producing the plan. The number of new homes we will be expected to accommodate is also significantly higher than in our current plan.



The view from Reigate Hill

Among other things, we have been working on a range of studies to understand housing and economic land availability, as well as retail and leisure needs.

There will be opportunities for you to get involved in shaping our next plan later this year.

Find out more and register for updates:

reigate-banstead.gov.uk/emerging-planning-policy

Economic Prosperity turns 10



Our Economic Prosperity team is celebrating its tenth anniversary! We're proud of the impact they've made on growing our local economy. In that time, the team has:

- helped hundreds of businesses to start, develop and grow - creating local jobs and laying foundations for a strong and vibrant business community
- provided half a million pounds in Business Support Grants, benefiting more than 450 early-stage businesses
- helped more than 100 new business owners to get started through our Entrepreneur Academy - a six-month crash course on the key aspects of running a business
- awarded more than £100,000 in Business, Employment and Growth Grants that have helped established businesses expand
- brought together hundreds of local entrepreneurs to learn from experts and peers through monthly Learning Lunches.

Thank you to all our partners who have helped us to build a strong and supportive business community.

Find out more about how we support businesses at: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/business

£10 million earmarked for Harlequin Theatre

The Council's Executive has agreed to earmark up to £10 million for work to bring The Harlequin Theatre back into use after the majority of reinforced autoclaved concrete (RAAC) in the building was classified as critical risk.

It also agreed to progress work to support a diverse arts and cultural offer while the Harlequin is inaccessible. This offer includes a circa 200-seater performance venue at The Rise in Redhill and working with local schools and Horley Community Centre to provide performance space. In addition, eligible past community hirers can apply for small enabling grants to help fund alternative rehearsal and performance space, plus expansion of the Council's existing arts development offer.

Further reports with more detail on the Redhill venue and works required to the Harlequin will be brought back to the Executive in the summer. For more see: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/harlequin



New solar bins

We have invested in solar compacting bins to help tackle litter and reduce our carbon footprint. The big belly bins were funded by a levy on new development in the borough to pay for essential infrastructure, and hold up to five times more rubbish than a standard bin. Using solar power, they crush the waste inside and send alerts to our monitoring systems when they are nearly full. By reducing the number of journeys needed to empty our bins, we are saving money on fuel and reducing our emissions, as well as freeing up time for the Cleansing team to focus on other work, such as litter picking and clearing fly tips and graffiti.

Solar bins have been installed in areas of high footfall, such as shopping parades and outside schools. Some of them accept recycling and some will even talk back to you with voices that local people may recognise.



Give your thoughts on our draft Greenspaces Strategy

A six-week public consultation on the borough's first Greenspaces Strategy is due to start later this month. The draft document, shaped by community engagement, recognises the pivotal role that greenspaces play in enhancing people's quality of life and environmental sustainability.

We have stewardship of around 1,300 hectares of rich and diverse green space, including large areas of open space, such as Redhill, Earlswood and Banstead Commons, in addition to some very rare and important habitats, like Reigate Heath and Chipstead Downs.



Nork Park, Banstead

We also manage 55 children's play areas, 24 allotment sites, 14 tennis courts, 14 multi-use games areas, eight outdoor gyms, two skate parks and BMX pump tracks - all of which help local people to stay fit and healthy. We work hard to balance the recreational needs of local people with our responsibilities to enhance biodiversity and nature. Complete the survey by 4 May to let us know if we're on the right track:

reigate-banstead.gov.uk/greenspaces-strategy



Horley High Street

Delivering change in Horley update

Improvements to Horley High Street are set to begin in early summer with wider pavements and a new cycle lane to make walking and cycling easier and safer. The improvements will also allow space for outside seating and events. New trees and plants will add greenery. To enable this, the High Street will become one-way between Albert Road and Consort Way East.

The project is part of our Delivering Change in Horley Town Centre programme and will be delivered in partnership with Surrey County Council.

Horley's Central Car Park has undergone a revamp. New trees, landscaping and dedicated pedestrian routes have made it a more attractive place to park. Charging points for four electric vehicles will be installed.

Network Rail has undertaken drainage works to reduce flooding and replaced the roof of the subway. Further works later this year (subject to Network Rail approval), will make the subway feel safer and more welcoming, with new lighting and public art.

For more information visit:

reigate-banstead.gov.uk/delivering-change

Creating safer neighbourhoods

We are working with members of the public, Surrey Police, schools, businesses and various local organisations to address the causes and effects of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and wider crime.

Surrey remains one of the safest counties in England and Wales, however, there are some areas and particular times of the day when certain offences, such as shoplifting and ASB, are more likely to occur.

For those affected by ASB it can be distressing and no one should have to put up with it.

Safer Redhill

We are bringing together Surrey Police, YMCA East Surrey, schools, businesses and other community organisations to take pride in the town centre and tackle the causes and effects of ASB and wider crime.



Over the past 18 months, this work, supported by funding from Safer Streets (£265k) and the Community Safety Fund (£58k), has implemented new safety measures to reinforce existing activity for a lasting impact.

Some of the highlights of this work include:

- targeted patrols by the Police and our Council's Joint Enforcement Team (JET)
- safety improvements, such as new solar lighting in Memorial Park
- regular 'Street Talk' sessions for young people from YMCA East Surrey's new Y-bus.

Recognising anti-social behaviour

Anti-social behaviour refers to any behaviour that causes harassment, alarm or distress to other people. It can include both criminal and non-criminal behaviour, for example: noisy neighbours, vandalism, graffiti, fly-tipping and littering, discarding syringes, or behaviour that is threatening, harassing or inconsiderate.

There are many different types of ASB and they can be classified as:

- personal - targeting a specific individual or group
- nuisance - causing trouble or suffering to a community
- environmental - affecting the wider environment.

Reporting anti-social behaviour

Reporting ASB is up to all of us. There are three main routes to report ASB locally, all of which can be done easily online see: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/ASB

Alternatively, you can call:

- Surrey Police on **101**, to report issues such as criminal damage, drug dealing, nuisance behaviour motivated by hate, and violence
- Reigate & Banstead Borough Council on **01737 276 000**, to report environmental issues, noise nuisance and issues related to licensing
- Raven Housing on **0300 123 3399** for ASB occurring on Raven Housing property.

You can also report ASB anonymously to Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**.

In an emergency always call **999**.

CCTV in the borough

In September 2024, we decided to upgrade CCTV cameras in a further 22 public locations across the borough. This will bring the total number of cameras upgraded since 2023 to more than 60 by the end of this year.

The new cameras record high quality images that better support the police with evidence gathering. Old, out-of-date cameras are being removed and won't be replaced in areas well covered by alternative surveillance, such as privately-owned CCTV, dashcams and mobile devices.



Making your Council Tax count

Our share of your Council Tax helps us to deliver more than 50 different services to our 156,000 residents and 11,500 businesses, all for just £5 a week per household*.

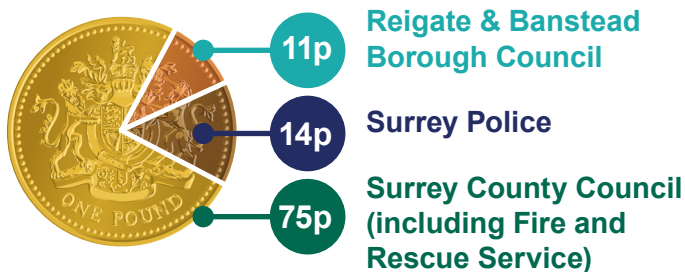
We know how hard you work for every penny, so we make sure we do too. We are committed to delivering our services efficiently and effectively - along with the priorities set out in our Corporate Plan.

Like many councils, we have not received core funding from the Government since 2017, so as a growing borough, we must do more with less money each year. We continue to face financial challenges, with pressures including the economic climate, a growing population and the increasing cost of tackling homelessness.

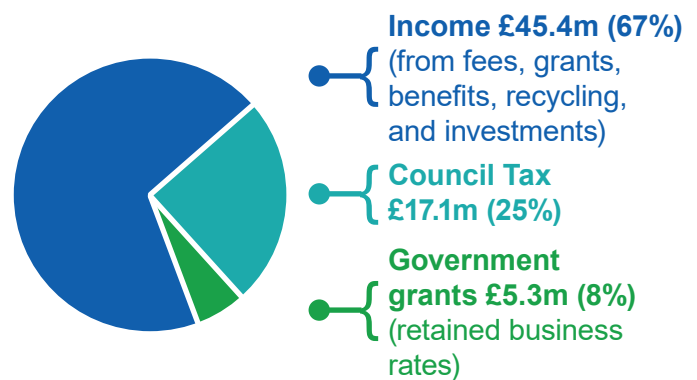
* Based on a two-adult household in a band D property

Where your Council Tax goes

We only receive **11p** in every pound of Council Tax to support the services we deliver. A typical band D household pays **£264.87** a year for all the services we provide.



Where our money comes from



Some of the things we do each year for our 11 per cent share



Provide **3** leisure centres that receive **1.9 million** visits a year



License and regulate over **7,000** restaurants, bars, events, taxis and drivers



Award over **£200,000** in grants to voluntary organisations



Maintain over **100** play areas and greenspaces



Help over **350** families avoid homelessness



Collect over **1,500** tonnes of litter



Clean over **1,450** streets and pavements



Empty **9 million** bins and recycling containers



Award over **£117,000** in grants to local businesses



Manage more than **3,000** planning and related applications



Provide **3** community centres that run activities for all ages

To find out more visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/council-tax

Support with paying Council Tax

If you are facing financial hardship, you might be eligible for our Council Tax Support Scheme. For more about this and other sources of support visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/cost-of-living

Switch to Council Tax e-billing

Sign-up to receive future Council Tax bills by email. It will save us money in printing and postage, reduce our carbon footprint and save you time by managing your account online. Sign up at: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/council-tax-ebilling



Transforming the ‘green heart’ of Merstham

The new-look Merstham Recreation Ground is close to completion. Find out what you can get up to in the months ahead.

A park for the whole community

The £3 million refurbishment will provide a park for the whole community. Whether it’s to socialise, play and be active, to relax or connect with nature, the new park will be a place for people to enjoy a wider range of activities. We took the Reeves family on a preview tour of the new facilities. Among the new facilities on offer is a pavilion with a café kiosk, toilets and changing rooms, providing a new place to meet up and better facilities for sports teams. It will also feature solar panels to save energy and a green roof to provide a habitat for plants, bees and insects.



“Having the kiosk, changing rooms and facilities, especially during sports matches, is going to be great. It will be so good for home and away teams to have these facilities close by.”

Amy Reeves



“The new kiosk will make cold days on the rec warmer, hot days cooler!”

Cameron Reeves

“The parkour in a safe space, that’s what my friends and I are looking forward to.”

James, aged 13

The fun and challenging play area features a variety of equipment for climbing, sliding, swinging, balancing and being creative. It includes natural elements and sensory opportunities to suit children at different stages of development and has been designed to be inclusive and accessible, meeting Plan Inclusive Play Areas (PIPA) accreditation.

We have worked with a parkour specialist to create an exciting parkour course - the first in the borough - with a range of obstacles to run, jump and climb on.

An outdoor gym provides opportunities to get fit for free and features a range of equipment for cycling, rowing, pull-ups and cross training.

The existing tennis court and multi-use games area (MUGA) have been completely refurbished, with new surfacing and fencing.

An improved network of footpaths improves access to the park, provides new walking and running routes and makes it easier for those with wheelchairs and buggies to get around.

A new picnic area and community orchard, along with new seating, trees, plants and swales (water channels planted with a mix of wildflowers and grasses) provide a ‘green heart’ and will improve the biodiversity of the park. The swales will also reduce surface water flooding in the local area.



“I’m looking forward to the new playground for me and my friends.”

Sebastian, aged 10



The main facilities are conveniently located in a central 'hub', surrounded by plenty of open space and four grass pitches of varying sizes. In addition, a new pitch has been created at nearby Battlebridge Recreation Ground.



"This revamp of the rec is going to be wonderful for Merstham. The facilities, along with new trees, walkways and multiple benches will make the rec so inviting to users of all ages."

Sue Reeves



"It is exciting that it is bringing a wider range of activities to the rec including parkour and an outdoor gym."

Alex Reeves

The designs were developed with input from residents, sports organisations and local groups at various stages to meet community needs.

The project was funded by Reigate & Banstead Borough Council, Surrey County Council, Strategic Community Infrastructure Levy (developer contributions), the National Lottery and the government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

For more information visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/merstham-rec

Students make their mark on the park

Creative Year 9 students from Merstham Park School are collaborating with local artist Uncle Stubble to develop vibrant murals on the themes of art, nature and community to feature on the pavilion and parkour course. The artwork will serve as a lasting legacy for both the students and the Merstham community, fostering a sense of ownership and pride.

Students also joined forces with our Greenspaces team in the autumn to plant spring bulbs, ready for when the new-look recreation ground reopens, enhancing the park for years to come.



Explore Narnia in Banstead Woods

Visitors to Banstead Woods' ancient woodland can step through the wardrobe and meet characters from C S Lewis' classic children's tale, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. The large wooden sculptures of Aslan the Lion, the White Witch, Lucy Pevensie and the wardrobe itself were originally created by chainsaw sculptor, Ella Fielding, in 2017 to mark the designation of Banstead Woods and Chipstead Downs as a local nature reserve. Last November, Ella returned to recreate the sculpture of the young heroine, Lucy, which was removed in 2021 due to natural decay.

The Narnia Trail, which includes carved signs depicting the native animal and plant species, is home to a variety of wildflowers, including several rare orchid species. Banstead Woods, with its medieval oaks and historic hazel coppices, alongside the rare chalk downland, provide a magical backdrop for this magical story.



Supporting people in need of housing

We are committed to supporting people in greatest need of housing. Creating more emergency and temporary accommodation for those in urgent need, alongside our social housing downsizing scheme, are among a range of initiatives we have set up to help.

Creating new emergency and temporary accommodation

In recent years, we have seen an increase in households coming to us at risk of homelessness, as well as the length of time homeless applicants need to stay in emergency accommodation due to a lack of suitable accommodation to move on to.

Over the last two years, we have committed £6.2 million to increase our own emergency and temporary accommodation for homeless households across the borough. We have purchased and renovated 13 homes so far and plans are underway to refurbish another property to provide multiple units of emergency accommodation.

This makes it easier for us to place homeless households in accommodation more suited to their needs, to keep households local and closer to their work, schools, local connections and support networks, and reduces our spend on costly B&B accommodation, which is in short supply and often outside of the borough.

Creating more temporary accommodation enables people to move on from emergency accommodation into supported temporary tenancies until they move to more permanent homes.



Two new tenants tell us what these homes mean to them

“Being made homeless is probably one of the most stressful situations a family can go through. This has been a positive and beneficial step for us as a family to finally feel like we have some sort of housing security and safety.”

Tenant one

“As a large family, we are so happy and appreciative of our lovely accommodation, which has made life much easier for us.”

Tenant two

Cutting bills and carbon emissions in our housing stock



Last year we installed solar panels and batteries on seven of our council-owned homes that provide temporary and emergency accommodation. The 82 panels will save the tenants and the Council money on bills by generating green electricity, while the batteries store any excess energy produced to use later. They will also reduce carbon emissions by around six tonnes a year (CO2e). Energy from housing accounts for about a third of our borough’s climate harming emissions, so we are always looking for ways to reduce that as part of our Environmental Sustainability Strategy. The work was funded by Surrey County Council’s Empty Homes Reimbursement Scheme grant. We hope to provide this benefit to more council-owned homes later this year.

To find out more about solar panels and other energy saving measures, visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/sustainability or email sustainability@reigate-banstead.gov.uk



Downsizing scheme success

A shortage of family-sized social housing leads to longer wait times for applicants on the housing register and creates a costly backlog in emergency and temporary accommodation. We are working to free up more homes through our successful social housing downsizing scheme.

Over time, some people find their home has become too big for their needs. We are supporting social

housing tenants wanting to transfer to a smaller, manageable, more affordable home, while releasing family-sized properties that are in high demand.

In total, 14 households were successfully downsized during our twelve-month pilot scheme. Due to its success, the scheme has been made permanent, funded from the Homeless Prevention Fund, to free up more much needed homes.

Benefits of the scheme

We provide a range of incentives to encourage people to take advantage of the scheme:



A one off 'home setup payment' of £1000 per bedroom released, up to a maximum of £3000, for items like carpets and curtains.



The support of a personal assistant who will ensure everything goes smoothly and relieve the stress of moving e.g. liaising with removal service, setting up utilities and assisting with benefit claims.



A packing and removals service, which can also dispose of unwanted items, take apart and rebuild furniture.



Access to a 'DIY' handyman service for help with fitting curtain rails and blinds, putting up shelves, connecting appliances and setting up flat-packed furniture.



"My house had become too big for me, and I wanted a family that needed it to be able to enjoy the house like my family had.

I found the process of downsizing very easy. We were kept informed all through the process by the Council and the removal company and everything was handled with expertise and kindness. The incentive payment meant I could afford a couple of essentials for my flat.

I'm very happy in my new place. I'm very thankful I was able to benefit from the service."

George Melling

Find out more on our website: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/downsizing or email housing.advice@reigate-banstead.gov.uk or call 01737 276 798

Keeping young people active

We are creating more opportunities for our young people to stay fit and healthy because regular physical activity has a positive impact on physical and mental health and wellbeing.



Star for a Night

This well-established and successful performing arts project gives young people the opportunity to enjoy 15 weeks of free dance, singing and drama tuition leading up to a final performance in July.

This years' production will be The Wizard of Oz at Carrington School and rehearsals are due to start 24 April, with a final performance on 24 July. To take part, you must be aged 11 to 18 (up to 25 for those with learning difficulties), and be a resident, go to school or work in the borough.

Find out more and sign up: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/SFAN

School holiday activities

Many young people are spending an increasing amount of their time in front of a screen, meaning their lifestyles can be more sedentary. With one in five of the borough's population aged 15 or under, we recognise the long-term benefits of supporting this group to be active and creative.

R&Be Active is our school holiday programme for children and young people up to the age of 15 which runs during the Easter, summer and half-term holidays. We offer a range of fun activities to encourage them away from screens to learn new skills, enjoy the outdoors, develop social skills, and improve their physical and mental health.

This Easter, young people can look forward to activities ranging from trampolining and multisports to the popular 'Show in a Day' for budding performers. We keep the costs as low as possible and if you're in receipt of benefits or have a looked after child, you may be eligible for a 50 per cent discount.

Find out more and sign up: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/school-holidays



Gyms for young people

There is an increasing trend of young people going to the gym. Recent Sport England research showed about a third of 11 to 16 year olds had taken part in gym and fitness activities in the last week.

Our eight outdoor gyms are free to use and designed to accommodate a wide range of users. There are also specific Better Health Junior memberships, including gym and fitness sessions, available at our three Better leisure centres (Horley, Tadworth and Donyngs in Redhill), and junior gym membership at YMCA East Surrey.

Visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/leisure-centres

R&B Sports Awards

Our annual awards celebrate sport across the borough and have three awards specifically for young people (Young Volunteer of the Year, Young Sports Person of the Year, and Junior Team of the Year). Good luck to all the finalists at the Awards Ceremony on 11 April 2025.

Visit: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/sports-awards



Dates for your diary

R&B Sports Awards - 11 April

Sports Festival - 4 May

Star for a Night performance - 24 July

Arts Takeover week - 4 to 11 October



Supporting our communities

Our food clubs and community fridges are a lifeline to many residents impacted by increases in the cost of living. Whether you are struggling with the cost of fuel or food, or looking for support to eat better, we are here to help.

Support with food

Community fridges make food near or at its sell-by date available to those who can use it. They are 'no questions asked' opportunities for people to access, as well as donate, food. You can find a community fridge at Merstham Community Facility Trust, Longmead Community Hub in Redhill, and at our community centres in Horley and Woodhatch.

Our five food clubs support people experiencing financial hardship. For a weekly contribution of £2 to £2.50, members have access to food worth up to £15 each week.

In 2024, our food clubs and community fridges welcomed on average 176 people per week and saved 46,288 kgs of food from going to landfill.

We have also been supporting residents by distributing government grants, such as the Household Support Fund, to local organisations. These enable our voluntary sector partners to ensure food, fuel and essential items get to those residents most in need.

"I joined a food club because I was genuinely struggling with the costs of raising a family. I've made loads of friends (members and volunteers) who have provided me with support in some way, whether it be emotional support and advice or pointing me to other services. I really appreciate popping down to the hub and seeing everyone - the volunteers genuinely care and always come over for a chat. It's also great value, you get way more than £2.50's worth, which means I can afford more at the supermarket, and we're not going hungry."



Rebecca, Merstham Food Club member

Banstead pantry

In partnership with Raven Housing Trust and the Good Company, we launched the Banstead Pantry on Banstead High Street with funding provided as part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, it provides a new way of working with people who are struggling with their finances by supporting them to change their lives and move out of financial insecurity.



Free hot drink and sweet treat!

Cut out this coupon and exchange it for a free hot drink and sweet treat at any of our community centres in Banstead, Horley or Woodhatch*

Find out more at:
[reigate-banstead.gov.uk/
community-centres](https://reigate-banstead.gov.uk/community-centres)

*Subject to availability



Find out more about food clubs and other support available at: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/cost-of-living



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Our new Corporate Plan

We are on course to launch our new Corporate Plan which sets out the Council’s vision and priorities for the borough from 2025 to 2030.

Thank you to everyone who gave their views on the draft plan in autumn 2024. We have been working to reflect feedback from residents and local partners in the final version.

The new plan will set out a vision for a healthy, sustainable borough, as well as a resilient Council that enables its communities to thrive and provides support for those in need. It builds on the Council’s current approach, while also reflecting that the needs of the borough and residents continue to change.

The final plan is set to be approved by the Full Council this spring.

New plan priorities



Enabling our communities to thrive - we recognise the importance of creating great places to live and work; providing leisure, culture and community services; delivering high quality waste, recycling and cleansing services; and connecting with and listening to our service users.



Support for those in need - we recognise the need to provide targeted support for people in need, as well as some areas of the borough, and that the Council has an important role to play in providing affordable housing and tackling homelessness.



A resilient council - focuses on how we provide our services; making sure we have robust governance and decision-making processes in place, and that we invest in the tools and the people that we need to get the job done while providing good value for taxpayers.

As your local council, we will keep working hard to deliver local services. The way that services are provided in the future may change, but our new Corporate Plan makes it clear what local services are important to this borough and its residents.

Find out more: reigate-banstead.gov.uk/RBBC2030. If you have any questions about the Corporate Plan you can email us at: RBBC2030@reigate-banstead.gov.uk

Use the clues to find the answers in the wordsearch (answers on page 15)

1. Chelsea FCW player, Honorary Freewoman (6,6)
2. This village has its very own Quality Street (8)
3. You enter this land through a wardrobe; Banstead has its very own trail (6)
4. A local space with a play area, cafe and basketball court located near a train station (8,4)
5. R&Be School holiday programme for children and young people in the borough (6)
6. R&B Local employment website specialising in opportunities within the borough (5)
7. Location of one of our three community centres (6)
8. Pub in the Park festival was held here last year (6,4)
9. Lady A park in the north of the borough (7)
10. Our vision and priorities for the next five years (9,4)

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A recent conversation with a client's emergency contact:

"I was truly grateful for your Life Line alarm...my mother is a new client of MV Life, less than 2 weeks after joining she had a fall which resulted in a life threatening head injury. She was able to press her alarm, your team was able provide reassurance that help was on the way, called an ambulance and I believe this saved my Mums life, as I was not reachable at the time of the accident."

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