

## LIGHTWATER SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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# Quarterly Newsletter

Greetings to all residents of Lightwater! We are thrilled to present the very first edition of the Lightwater Society Newsletter. Packed with updates and insights into our vibrant village community, this newsletter marks the beginning of a new chapter in our communication efforts. As the Lightwater Society assumes the responsibility of producing and distributing what was formerly known as the Lightwater Connected newsletter, we are committed to keeping you informed about the latest happenings in our beloved village.

With the upcoming Fayre in the Square as our beacon, our newsletter will be distributed in the weeks leading up to this cherished event. In addition to village news, we'll shine a spotlight on the invaluable contributions of our voluntary groups.

From the exemplary work of the Lightwater Village Improvement Scheme (L-VIS) to the diligent efforts of the Litter Pick group, there's a multitude of initiatives enhancing our community's well-being. Behind every successful endeavour are dedicated individuals, and we extend our heartfelt gratitude to those tirelessly working behind the scenes. Yet, as we embark on new projects and initiatives, we invite fellow residents to join us in making Lightwater an even better place to call home. Whether you're passionate about village projects, events coordination, or simply lending a helping hand, we welcome your involvement. Together, we can continue to foster a sense of community spirit that makes Lightwater truly special.

Warm regards,

### Meet PC Joe Howden

#### THE NEW OFFICER FOR THE SIX VILLAGES!

Joe joined Surrey Heath in January and has hit the ground running. Joe will hold a shared surgery with Cllr Malcaus Cooper on the 2nd May between 3.30 and 4.50 at Randall's, please come and meet him.





The Ark at the Fete. All Saints' would like to encourage everyone in our awareness of the environment. Join us in the Ark tent at the Village Fete for a refreshing rest, free juice & craft for children and an opportunity to catch up on all the environmental initiatives we are looking at.



Bra Recycling. Did you know there is a Bra Bank at All Saints'? So far, we've collected over 1,600 bras for 'Against Breast Cancer'. Our bra bank is located in the Ladies toilet in the Church Hall, please spread the word! https://www.againstbreastcancer.org.uk/recycling/bra-recycling



Lightwater Community Cinema. We have monthly film shows in the Church Hall on Saturday afternoons at 2pm. Come along and bring friends - free entry but a donation is appreciated. On May 4th we are showing 'One Life' and then the next series of films starts on Saturday September 14th.

Coffee Shop at the Library. Join us on Saturday mornings on the first and third Saturdays of every month at our friendly Coffee Shop in the library meeting room, 10am - 12 noon. We are open for tea, coffee, juice, cake and chat.

Roundabout Lightwater magazine. The only magazine dedicated to Lightwater, giving news, views and articles about the village and supporting local businesses. Only £6 to subscribe for the rest of the year, delivered free in Lightwater. Ring 01276 453121 to subscribe or email office@allsaintslightwater.org.uk

Christian Book Swap in Church entrance. A place to swap books with a Christian message, including novels and reflections, for one that is on display. If you don't have a book to swap then please feel free to borrow one anyway and return at a later date.

Regular Sunday Services. Please do join us for either of our regular Sunday services - 9.30am for a more traditional approach or 11am for informal worship with children's groups in the Hall.



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# Lightwater & Windlesham Girlguiding



RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GUIDE UNITS MEET WEEKLY DURING TERM TIMES, FOR GIRLS AGE 4+. NEW MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEER HELPERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

We have a fantastic team of volunteers who share their enthusiasm with the girls, helping to develop skills and confidence, and we wouldn't be able to offer such great opportunities without our adult leaders and helpers. Unit sessions are held each week during term time and volunteers are always welcome. Lightwater and Windlesham District Girlguiding offer a huge number of opportunities for more than 100 girls from 4 to 14.

Meetings are held weekly during term time when girls come together for fun and adventures while making friends for life and learning new skills. Through friendship, challenge and adventure girls are empowered to find their voice, trying new things and inspiring them to discover the best in themselves and making a positive difference in the community.

It's not just the weekly meetings though – there are also trips out, both locally and further afield, along with larger scale events held county or country wide. Imagine the fun a 5 year old Rainbow will have at a day called Bazzaz, just for Rainbows and Beavers in Surrey – were more than 3000 girls will take part in the most amazing activities. Or how about Scoutabout, where 5000 scouts and guides take part in 3 days of madness, mayhem and unforgettable adventures.

And of course, the campfire still burns brightly – Rainbows have one night sleepovers indoors, Brownies have longer times at camp, learning life skills and independence in a fun environment. Guide camps are any length, any venue, any amount of mud you can think of. There'll be plenty of singing round each campfire, probably with s'mores and hot chocolate – as well as smiles, laughs and giggles.

Needless to say, none of this would be possible without a wonderful team of adult volunteers – and there is always room for more. Become involved with Girlguiding and commit as little or as much time as you have available to share your skills and passions with girls in Lightwater and Windlesham; it's hugely rewarding and is completely flexible to you.

To find out more about opportunities for both girls and adults in Lightwater and Windlesham Girlguiding, visit <a href="www.girlguiding.org.uk">www.girlguiding.org.uk</a>, check out our Facebook page Lightwater and Windlesham Girlguiding or email LightwaterandWindleshamGG@gmail.com







FOOD A CRAFT STALLS IN THE LIGHTWATER SQUARE IN FRONT OF THE CO-OP BUIS 65A





Community Centre with large hall, ample parking, modern kitchen and male, female and disabled toilet facilities.

£25 p/h (min 2 hours) for private hire £19 p/h regular users £16 p/h community groups/non for profit

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