



Runnymede residents' newsletter



April 2026

Dear resident,

Thank you for subscribing to Runnymede Borough Council's monthly newsletter, we hope you find our latest news and information useful. Please follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram for daily updates.



Runnymede recycling made easier with waste reforms



Recycling is now easier, with more items accepted as part of the national Simpler Recycling scheme.

You can now recycle items including cartons, empty aerosol cans, non-black plastic plant pots, and metal and plastic tubes.

There are no changes to your current collection arrangements. Dry mixed recycling will continue to be collected together, and food waste collections will continue as normal, with the service being expanded to more homes over time.

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Candidates announced ahead of West Surrey Council elections



May 2026 West Surrey Elections

Are you
registered
to vote?



The names of candidates standing in the West Surrey Council election on 7 May 2026 have been published.

Voters will elect councillors to the new unitary council, which will take over local services from April 2027.

Make sure you're registered to vote by midnight on 20 April. You will also need an accepted form of photo ID to vote in person.

Find out who is standing in your area and how to vote on our website.

[Read the full story](#)

Nominations now open for the 2026 Business Awards!



Nominations are now open for the Runnymede Business Awards 2026, celebrating the achievements of local businesses and entrepreneurs.

Businesses can nominate themselves across a range of categories, from growth and innovation to community impact.

Nominations are free and close on 4 June. Shortlisted businesses will be invited to an awards ceremony in September.

[Submit a nomination](#)

New charges introduced at open space car parks



Users of four Runnymede open space carparks will continue to enjoy free parking for up to three hours - after which they will be charged £2.80 from today, under changes introduced by the Council.

The changes will apply at Heathervale, Frank Muir Memorial Field, Ottershaw Memorial Field and Hythe Park, bringing them into line with other open space carparks around the borough. Revenue raised will be reinvested in parking facilities across the borough, and Blue Badge holders will continue to be exempt.

[Read the full story](#)

Runnymede Cooks! Runnymede Grows!



Runnymede residents can now get involved in our new Runnymede Cooks and Runnymede Grows campaigns.

Free 'grow your own' taster kits are available to help you start growing fruit and vegetables at home. Please note there is one kit per household.

A series of cookery classes will also be available to help build confidence in cooking plant-based meals, with more resources including recipe cards and how-to videos launching in June.

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