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## Play areas refreshed with foxes and forests

Two play areas in the District have had a fun and colourful refresh.

Foxholes in Rudgwick was transformed in March with exciting new play features inspired by the area's name. Further north in Horsham, a small play area in Wren Close has been given a rainforest-themed makeover.



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## Many happy returns to Adopt-a-Street

No one likes the unsightly scene of litter. That's why five years ago the Council launched a litter clearing initiative, encouraging residents to literally "adopt their street" and the Adopt-a-Street campaign was born.



From a standing start in 2015 we now have an incredible 4,500 volunteers who regularly give up their time to litter pick and take extra care of their street or an area which they particularly value near them. Thank you to every single one of them.

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## Good causes reap the benefits from our lottery

In September 2019 we set up the Horsham District Community lottery to help fund local good causes across the District.



We are delighted that this new community lottery has proved really popular with over 900 players and 77 community groups signed up, and over 1,800 tickets sold since it launched. Thanks to this level of interest the lottery is on target to raise £56,000 for local good causes.

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## Nominated for prestigious Employer of the Year award

The Council has been nominated as Employer of the Year for its Journey to Work employment programme at this year's prestigious Employment Related Services Association (ERSA) Employability Awards.



The Employer of the Year award recognises employers who have demonstrated exceptional commitment in creating opportunities for disadvantaged and long-term unemployed jobseekers.

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## New tougher safety standards to protect tenants

The majority of landlords who rent properties in the private sector provide good quality homes, where their tenants are safe and secure. This is a serious responsibility and includes making sure that the electrics are safe, including power points, lighting and fuse boxes.

From 1 July 2020, new regulations also set requirements for regular inspections to be carried out, and production of safety certificates by properly qualified electricians. Find out how the Council's Environmental Health and Licensing team is responsible for enforcing this legislation to protect residents.



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