

Farnham WALKING FESTIVAL

11 May - 2 June 2024



Welcome to Farnham

WALKING

FESTIVAL

2024

We look forward to welcoming you to this year's Farnham Walking Festival.

This series of free events features around 40 walks, which aim to celebrate what Farnham's great outdoors has to offer: from its villages to the beautiful surrounding countryside of Surrey and Hampshire.

Set across three weeks from 11 May - 2 June, there is something for everyone - from short strolls around town to 10-mile hikes through the Surrey Hills and everything in between. All walks are kindly led by experts in their field, providing walks of varying degrees covering the topics of local community, art and creativity, nature and wildlife, history and heritage and walks for health.

How to Book

Please note booking is only required for 3 walks:
Saturday 18 / Sunday 19 May, History Walking Tour of Farnham
Sunday 19 May, WWF Great Wild Walk

The Small Print

Farnham Town Council, the organisers and the walk leaders have all undertaken risk assessments for each walk, but all walkers are ultimately responsible for their own fitness levels and safety. Additionally, walkers are responsible for wearing appropriate footwear and clothing.

Please note some walks may allow dogs, owners must ensure the safety of the participants and must not bring dogs if there are any concerns about keeping them under control. There is potential that livestock will be encountered on walks. All distances are approximate.

Principal Summer Sponsor:



Coordinated by:



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Dogs allowed



Parking nearby (maybe payable)



Café/pub



Bring packed lunch



Family friendly



Wheelchair accessible



Walking boots

Walk Grade



Easy



Moderate



Strenuous

Interests



Nature



History



Ward Walks



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With the what3words app, it's easy to find precise locations.

Download and enter the unique combination of three words to find the meeting point for your walk.



Download the **Discover Farnham** app for free on your mobile device for a variety of great self-guided walks around Farnham.

Saturday 11 May

Cron dall Circular



Walk Leaders: Jenny Colquhoun & Freddie the Yorkie (Farnham and District Ramblers)
Start Time: 10:15am
Approx. Finish Time: 12:45pm
Distance: 4.8 miles
Meeting Point: All Saints Church, Parish Office Croft Lane, Cron dall, GU10 5QF
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Pleasant circular walk around the Cron dall countryside. End location is not far from two lovely country pubs and a lovely tea shop.



Saturday 11 May

Dockenfield Delight



Walk Leader: Jane Robinson
Start Time: 2pm
Approx. Finish Time: 4:30pm
Distance: 5.5 miles
Meeting Point: The Bluebell Public House Car Park, Boundary Road, Dockenfield, Farnham, GU10 4EX
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Varied walk on quiet lanes and woodland paths passing lakes, rivers and streams with some beautiful old buildings to admire as well as plenty of stunning Surrey countryside.

Sunday 12 May

The Big Walk for Dyslexia



Walk Leader: Hazel (Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity)
Start Time: 10:30am
Approx. Finish Time: 12:30pm
Distance: 3.1 miles
Meeting Point: Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity, 24 West Street, Farnham, GU9 7DR
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This annual charity walk will explore Farnham Park with its 600-year-old landscape. The walk is suitable for families and dogs with the choice of a short or long walk. Plenty of tea and cake will be available at the Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity once the walk is completed.

Monday 13 May

Nature Connection



Walk Leader: Helen Littlejohn (Forestry England)
Start Time: 10:30am
Approx. Finish Time: 12:00pm
Distance: 1.5 miles
Meeting Point: Alice Holt Visitor Centre, Farnham, GU10 4LS
///youths.stands.inform

This walk is designed to be a gentle walk to reconnect you with the sights and sounds of nature. We will also learn about the history of Alice Holt too. On the way there are boards which invite us to pause, listen and touch to reconnect our senses. There are lots of native birds here too so we can listen to a bird app which will teach you about the different birds in the forest.

Wednesday 15 May

A Rodborough Common Walk



Walk Leaders:

Wendy F and Jennie F (Farnham & District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10:30am

Approx. Finish Time: 12:30pm

Distance: 3.5 miles

Meeting Point: Rodborough Common Car Park, Portsmouth Road, Milford, GU8 5BL

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A circular, flat walk, with no stiles, across Bagmore Common to Elstead and return. We will include a 15-minute break for refreshments, so please bring a drink and snack especially if the weather is hot. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome.

farnhamramblers.org.uk/walks-programme.html



Wednesday 15 May

Ward Walk - Weybourne



Walk Leaders:

Councillor Matthew Brown and Councillor Andrew Laughton (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 6pm

Meeting Point: Rowhill Nature Reserve Car Park Cranmore Lane, GU11 3BD

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Join Councillors Matthew Brown and Andrew Laughton for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives. A walk around the Rowhill Nature Reserve ending up for tea at the Field Centre.



Thursday 16 May

Ward Walk - Bourne



Walk Leaders:

Councillor George Murray and Councillor Michaela Martin (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 6pm

Approx. Finish Time: 7:30pm

Distance: 2 miles

Meeting Point: The Spotted Cow Public House, 3 Bourne Grove, Lower Bourne, Farnham GU10 3QT

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Join Councillors George Murray and Michaela Martin for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives. The route follows the Bourne stream from pub to pub. Duration 90 mins, all level but slightly restricted pathways. Ending at Bat & Ball pub.

Thursday 16 May

Kingsley and The Hangers



Walk Leader:

Paul B (Farnham & District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 3:30pm

Distance: 10.5 miles

Meeting Point: Kingsley Pond Car Park, Forge Road, Kingsley, GU35 9ND

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A walk in the hilly parts of Hampshire, taking in several of the interestingly shaped hills called "hangers", with lovely woodland and memorable countryside and views. We will include a 15-minute break for refreshments, so please bring a drink and snack and also a picnic lunch and plenty of water.

Thursday 16 May

Ward Walk - Hale and Heath End



Walk Leaders:

Councillor Sally Dickson and Councillor Tony Fairclough (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 6pm

Approx. Finish Time: 8pm

Distance: 2 miles

Meeting Point: Hale Village Hall Car Park, 1 Wings Road, Farnham, GU9 0HN

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Join Councillors Sally Dickson and Tony Fairclough for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives. St Mark's church & murals, Hale Chapel Gardens, Alma Pub (Boer War historic battle), Holy Family Chapel & Stained glass windows, End at Alma Way. Drinks at the Alfred Pub. Stops along the route.

Thursday 16 May

Ward Walk - Wrecclesham and Rowledge



Walk Leaders:

Councillor John Ward and Councillor Tim Woodhouse (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 6pm

Meeting Point: St James' Church, Rowledge, Farnham, GU10 4EN

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Join Councillors John Ward

and Tim Woodhouse for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives. A Walk around Alice Holt Forestry Commission.

Friday 17 May

Ward Walk - Badshot Lea and Moor Park



Walk Leaders:

Councillor Chris Jackman and Councillor Mark Merryweather (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 6pm

Approx. Finish Time: 8:30pm

Distance: 3.4 miles

Meeting Point: Shepherd & Flock Public House, 22 Moor Park Lane, Farnham, GU9 9JB

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Join Councillors Chris Jackman and Mark Merryweather for an opportunity to chat and get to know your ward representatives. The walk commences from the Shepherd and Flock Pub, along Moor Park Way and Moor Park House Way, to Mother Ludlam's Cave. The spring at the cave was a water source for monks at Waverley Abbey, the first Cistercian Abbey in England, founded c.1128. The story of Mother Ludlam, a white witch, is that she resided in the cave, lending out pots and pans to the locals. She did this for several years until someone failed to return one as promised. Mother Ludlam packed up and left, never to be seen again! A large copper cauldron was said to be taken to Waverley Abbey where it remained until Henry VIII dissolved the monastery and it was moved to St Mary's Church in Frensham.

Saturday 18 May

Exploring the North Downs Way - Farnham to Guildford



Walk Leader: Chris Howard (Surrey Hills Society)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 4pm

Distance: 14 miles

Meeting Point: Entrance to Farnham Station, GU9 8AD

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Join Christine Howard DL (President) and Ken Bare (Vice President) of the Surrey Hills Society on this long-distance walk along the North Downs Way from Farnham to Guildford. Enjoy several stops along the way to enjoy the views. Bring a picnic lunch. We will also stop at Watts Gallery Cafe for afternoon break and refreshments before our final arrival at Guildford Railway station. From here you can take a train back to Farnham.





Saturday 18 May

History Walking Tour of Farnham*



Walk Leader: Finn Doherty

Start Time: 10:30am

Approx. Finish Time:
12:30pm

Distance: 2 miles

Meeting Point: Gostrey Meadow Band Stand, Union Road, Farnham, GU9 7RH

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*Pre-booking is required.

Come join Finn for a fascinating journey through the historical streets of Farnham! Discover hidden gems, hear tales of famous figures, and immerse yourself in the rich history of this charming location. Finn is raising funds for his school charity trip to Peru in the summer of 2025, suggested donation of £5 per person per tour. Search 'History tour of Farnham' on Eventbrite to book your place.

Saturday 18 May

Mindfulness in Nature Walk



Walk Leader: Philippa Bassett

Start Time: 1.45pm

Approx. Finish Time: 3.15pm

Distance: 2-3 miles

Meeting Point: Alice Holt Visitor Centre, Farnham, GU10 4LS

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A slow, sensory based walk taking time to pause, reflect and notice our surroundings at Alice Holt Forest. Incorporating a mindfulness technique the aim is to slow down, de-stress from the day-to-day challenges and leave refreshed and more calm. £12 for adults, £5 for children and free for children under 5.

Saturday 18 May

Trees of Farnham Town Centre



Walk Leader: David Hepper

Start Time: 2:30pm

Approx. Finish Time: 4pm

Distance: < 2 miles

Meeting Point: The water fountain in Gostrey Meadow, Union Road, Farnham, GU9 7RH

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A gentle and slow walk around the streets of Farnham to see the variety of street and park trees. (Based on Peter Bridgeman's 2016 leaflet, published by Farnham Town Council).

Sunday 19 May

WWF Great Wild Walk*



Walk Leader: WWF-UK

Start Time: 10am

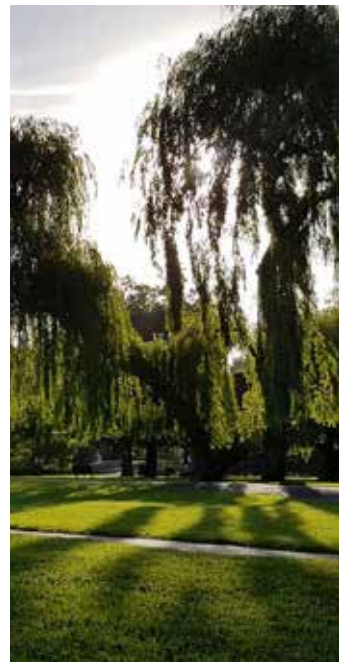
Approx. Finish Time: 3pm

Distance: 5 or 10 miles

Meeting Point: Alice Holt (by the bike hire shop), Farnham, GU10 4LS

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*Pre-booking is required. The forests you walk, talk, and relax in are under threat from climate change. Will you take action? Unite with WWF at a brand-new event in Alice Holt Forest. Walk 5 or 10 miles and raise funds to save the places you love. Please register your place: <https://www.wwf.org.uk/events/great-wild-walks/alice-holt>



Sunday 19 May

Froyle Circular



Walk Leaders: Jenny Colquhoun & Freddie the Yorkie (Bake Natter and Roll Farnham WI)

Start Time: 10:15am

Approx. Finish Time: 12:45pm

Distance: 5 miles

Meeting Point: Lower Froyle Village Hall Car Park. It is a very busy hall, so it might be advisable to park in the road.

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Circular walk starting in Lower Froyle, goes through open fields, country lanes. Dogs on leads welcome. There is a steep hill so be prepared. Also be prepared for mud and wet ground. There is some road walking.



Sunday 19 May

History Walking Tour of Farnham*



Walk Leader: Finn Doherty

Start Time: 10:30am

Approx. Finish Time: 12:30pm

Distance: 2 miles

Meeting Point: Gostrey Meadows Band Stand, Union Road, Farnham, GU9 7RH

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Monday 20 May

History & Management of Farnham Park



Walk Leader: Nick Macfarlane (Waverley Borough Council)

Start Time: 1pm

Approx. Finish Time: 4pm

Distance: 3 - 4 miles

Meeting Point: Farnham Park Car Park, Folly Hill, GU9 0AU

[///claspings.cuddling.processor](http://claspings.cuddling.processor)

A guided walk of the history of Farnham Park and its historical landscape. The walk will include all the major site features, as well as the less known ones too. From the stone age to the Second World War, you'll get your hands on genuine artifacts found in the park as well as historic photographs. You will also get a first-hand glimpse of current management as outlined in the heritage landscape restoration.



Wednesday 22 May

Farnham in Bloom Judging Route Walk



Walk Leaders: Iain McCready and Stacey Wills (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 4pm

Approx. Finish Time: 6pm

Distance: < 2 miles

Meeting Point: Farnham Town Hall, South Street, Farnham, GU9 7RN

[///wonderful.madder.fades](http://wonderful.madder.fades)

This walk is the route that Farnham in Bloom will be taking the RHS Britain in Bloom and South and South East in Bloom judges this summer. This route through the town centre showcases the best floral displays and interesting areas to impress the judges. The leaders will explain what the judges look out for, the work of different community groups and volunteers and explain what work has been undertaken to wow them!

Farnham Walking Festival Calendar

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MAY

Crondall Circular

10:15am, 4.8 miles
All Saints Church, Crondall

Dockenfield Delight

2pm, 5.5 miles
The Bluebell Public House Car Park,
Dockenfield

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MAY

The Big Walk for Dyslexia

10:30am, 3.1 miles
Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity

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MAY

Nature Connection

10:30am, 1.5 miles
Alice Holt Visitor Centre

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MAY

A Rodborough Common Walk

10:30am, 3.5 miles
Rodborough Common Car Park

Ward Walk - Weybourne

6pm
Rowhill Nature Reserve Car Park

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MAY

Kingsley and The Hangers

10am, 10.5 miles
Kingsley Pond Car Park

Ward Walk - Hale and Heath End

6pm
Hale Village Hall Car Park

Ward Walk - Wrecclesham and Rowledge

10:15am, 4.8 miles
St James' Church, Rowledge

Ward Walk - Bourne

6pm, 2 miles
The Spotted Cow Public House

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Ward Walk - Badshot Lea and Moor Park

6pm, 3.4 miles
Shephard & Flock Public House

18
MAY

Exploring North Downs Way

10am, 14 miles
Entrance to Farnham Train Station

History Walking Tour of Farnham*

[Pre-booking Required](#)
10:30am, 2 miles
Gostrey Meadow Band Stand

Mindfulness in Nature Walk

1:45pm, 2-3 miles
Alice Holt Visitor Centre

Trees of Farnham Town Centre

2:30pm, < 2 miles
Gostrey Meadow, Union Road Gates

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MAY

WWF Great Wild Walk*

[Pre-booking Required](#)
9:30am, 5 or 10 miles
Alice Holt Forest

Froyle Circular

10:15am, 5 miles
Lower Froyle Village Hall Car Park

History Walking Tour of Farnham*

[Pre-booking Required](#)
10:30am, 2 miles
Gostrey Meadow Band Stand

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MAY

History and Management of Farnham Park

1pm, 3-4 miles
Farnham Park Car Park, Folly Hill

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MAY

Farnham in Bloom Walk
4pm, < 2 miles
Farnham Town Council Offices

23
MAY

Tice's Meadow - Biodiversity Trail
10am, 1.5 miles
Tice's Meadow Main Entrance

East Meon to the South Downs Way
10am, 11 miles
East Meon Village Hall Car Park

24
MAY

Aldershot History Walk
10am, 4 miles
Wellington Statue Car Park

Walk for the Ukrainian Community
12:30pm, 3 miles
Victoria Garden, by statue

25
MAY

Bentley Circular
10:15am, 5 miles
Bentley Village Church

Caesar's Camp
10:30am, 3.5 miles
Rowhill Nature Reserve Car Park

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MAY

A Chawton and Selborne Walk
10am, 10 miles
Chawton Village Car Park, GU34 1SD

Gentle Walk Through Rowhill Cope
11am, < 2 miles
Field Centre, Rowhill Nature Reserve

Ward Walk - North West Farnham
2:30pm
UCA, Farnham

27
MAY

Ward Walk - Castle
10:30am
Gostrey Meadow Bandstand

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MAY

Town Centre Parks and Plaques
2pm, 2 miles
Borelli Walk, South Street, by River Wey

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MAY

West Meon and the Surrounds
10am, 10 miles
West Meon Village Hall Car Park

01
JUNE

Ward Walk - Shortheath and Firgrove
10:30am
Load Bakery, 41 Ridgeway Road

Farnham Park Bat and Ghost Walk
7:30pm, 2 - 3 miles
Farnham Park Car Park

02
JUNE

Uncover the Secrets of Alice Holt Forest
10am, 2.5 miles
Alice Holt Visitor Centre

Guided Tour of Farnham
(£5 per head)
10am, 1-1.5 miles
Wagon Yard Car Park

Upper, Middle and Lower Old Park
10:15am, 4.5 miles
Upper Hart Car Park

Gentle Walk Through Rowhill Cope + Tea
1:30pm, < 2 miles
Field Centre, Rowhill Nature Reserve

Thursday 23 May

Tice's Meadow Nature Reserve Biodiversity Trail



Walk Leader: Mark Elsoffer
(Tice's Meadow Bird Group)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 1pm

Distance: 1.5 miles

Meeting Point: Main entrance, Tice's Meadow, Badshot Lea Road, GU11 3RJ

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There are no facilities on site and little shelter. Please dress appropriately for the weather. Walking boots or wellies recommended. On-street parking only on Badshot Lea Road - please consider car-sharing if possible.

Thursday 23 May

East Meon to the South Downs Way



Walk Leader: Sue F
(Farnham & District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 3pm

Distance: 11 miles

Meeting Point: East Meon Village Hall Car Park,

Workhouse Lane, GU32 1PF

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We start the walk going up Park Hill, then on to The South Downs Way through woodland and farmland until we reach the bracing Chalk Downs uplands with fantastic views. Steep ascents (approximately 1060ft in total) and possibly slippery and muddy if wet.

Friday 24 May

Aldershot History Walk



Walk Leader: Liz Witham

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 1pm

Distance: 4 miles

Meeting Point: Wellington Statue Car Park, Claycart Rd, Aldershot GU11 1QB

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A walk around the centre of Aldershot to explore its 19th century history.

Friday 24 May

Walk for the members of the Ukrainian Community



Walk Leaders: Anastasiia

Start Time: 12:30pm

Approx. Finish Time: 3pm

Distance: 3 miles

Meeting Point: Victoria Garden - by statue, GU9 7RN

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Meet at Victoria Garden by the statue for a walk around Farnham to showcase some of Anastasiia's favourite hidden green spaces within Farnham. The walk will end at Farnham Castle.



Saturday 25 May

Bentley Circular



Walk Leaders: Jenny Colquhoun & Freddie the Yorkie (Farnham and District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10:15am

Approx. Finish Time: 12:45 pm

Distance: 5 miles

Meeting Point: St Mary's Church, Church Ln, Bentley, GU10 5NA - please Park at the end of the Car Park SU785 447

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Pleasant circular walk starting from Bentley Church, walking through some beautiful countryside. Be aware there are at least 11 stiles. There are some inclines, and the area is bound to be muddy. Dogs on leads most welcome. There is some road walking.

Saturday 25 May

Caesar's Camp



Walk Leaders: Ollie, Emma and Toby (the Sprocker Spaniel) Cluskey

Start Time: 10:30am

Approx. Finish Time: 12pm

Distance: 3.5 miles

Meeting Point: Rowhill Nature Reserve Car Park, Cranmore Ln, GU11 3BD

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A walk around the Heathland East Side of Caesar's Camp, taking in views as far away as London from Jubilee Clump which was also the site for filming of the recent House of Dragon series.

Sunday 26 May

A Chawton and Selborne Walk



Walk Leader: Julia Hilton (Farnham & District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 3pm

Distance: 10 miles

Meeting Point: Chawton

Village Car Park, Winchester Road, Alton, GU34 1SD

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Enjoy the glorious Hampshire countryside from Chawton to Selborne, including woodland and open farmland. We will include a 15-minute break for refreshments, so please bring a drink and snack and also a picnic lunch and plenty of water.

Blackwater down to Sweet Chestnut Glade. Then towards the field, which is similar to a meadow. After that we will take the path following the stream using the boardwalk to make our way back to the Field Centre.



Sunday 26 May

Ward Walk - North West Farnham



Walk Leaders: Councillor Graham White and Councillor David Beaman (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 2:30pm

Meeting Point: University for the Creative Arts, Falkner Road, Farnham, GU9 7DS

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Join Councillors Graham White and David Beaman for an opportunity to chat and get to know your ward representatives. Walk begins at the University for the Creative Arts entrance, leading you through Farnham Park up to Hale Community Centre.

Monday 27 May

Ward Walk - Castle



Walk Leaders: Councillor Alan Earwaker and Councillor George Hesse (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 10:30am

Meeting Point: Gostrey Meadow, Union Road, Farnham, GU9 7RH

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Join Councillors Alan Earwaker and George Hesse for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives.

Tuesday 28 May

Town Centre Parks and Plaques



Walk Leader: Peter Bridgeman

Start Time: 2pm

Approx. Finish Time: 4pm

Distance: 2 miles

Meeting Point: Borelli Walk (by the River Wey), South Street, GU9 7QQ

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A walk around Farnham town centre visiting 10 parks and gardens discussing their history, trees and main attractions and en route, observing some 60 plus plaques commemorating important Farnham people, places and events over the past millennium.

Sunday 26 May

Gentle Walk Through Rowhill Copse



Walk Leader: Jackie De La Haye (Rushmoor Borough Council)

Start Time: 11am

Approx. Finish Time: 1pm

Distance: < 2 miles

Meeting Point: Rowhill Nature Reserve Field Centre (visible from Car Park), Cranmore Ln, GU11 3BD

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Start at the Field Centre and walk up onto Hallimore Hill then descend down to the Spine Path in the Reserve which meanders past the source of the River



Thursday 30 May

West Meon and the Surrounds



Walk Leader: Derek K
(Farnham & District Ramblers)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 3:30pm

Distance: 10 miles

Meeting Point: West Meon Village Hall Car Park, Headon View, GU32 1LH

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After leaving West Meon we make our way to Old Winchester Hill, Exton village and Beacon Hill. The walk is hilly, but we will be rewarded with good views. We will include a 15 minute break for refreshments, so please bring a drink and snack and also a picnic lunch and plenty of water. As a visitor, if you wish to join this walk do make sure you are fit enough for the pace and terrain.

Saturday 1 June

Ward Walk - Shortheath and Firgrove



Walk Leaders: Councillor Brodie Mauluka and Councillor Kika Mirylees (Farnham Town Council)

Start Time: 10:30am

Meeting Point: Loaf Bakery, 41 Ridgeway Road, Farnham, GU9 8NN

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Join Councillors Brodie Mauluka and Kika Mirylees for an opportunity to chat and get to know your elected representatives.



Saturday 1 June

Farnham Park Bat and Ghost walk



Walk Leader: Nick Macfarlane
(Waverley Borough Council)

Start Time: 7:30pm

Approx. Finish Time: 9:30pm

Distance: 2 - 3 miles

Meeting Point: Farnham Park Car Park, Folly Hill, GU9 0AU

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An evening walk around Farnham Park looking for bats in a range of habitats. Learn about the native bat species and how to use a bat detector.



Sunday 2 June

A Circular Walk Through Upper, Middle and Lower Old Park



Walk Leaders: Jenny Colquhoun & Freddie the Yorkie (Bake Natter and Roll Farnham WI)

Start Time: 10:15am

Approx. Finish Time: 12:45pm

Distance: 4.5 miles

Meeting Point: Upper Hart Car Park, GU9 7HD

(Car Park Free on Sunday)

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Pleasant circular walk starting from the centre of Farnham at the Upper Hart Car Park, walking through some beautiful countryside. There are some inclines, and the area is bound to be muddy. Dogs on leads most welcome. There is some road walking.

Sunday 2 June

Gentle Walk Through Rowhill Copse



Walk Leader: Jackie De La Haye

Start Time: 1:30pm

Approx. Finish Time: 2:30pm

Distance: < 2 miles

Meeting Point: Rowhill Nature Reserve Field Centre (visible from Car Park), Cranmore Ln, GU11 3BD

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Start at the Field Centre and walk up onto Hallimore Hill then descend down to the Spine Path in the Reserve which meanders past the source of the River Blackwater down to Sweet Chestnut Glade. Then towards the field, which is similar to a meadow. After that we will take the path following the stream using the boardwalk to make our way back to the Field Centre. Should participants feel the hill is too steep we will head straight for the Spine Path which runs mainly through the centre of the Reserve and take a detour before we reach the Sweet Chestnuts. Optional cream tea at end of the walk for £5.



Sunday 2 June

Uncover the Secrets of Alice Holt



Walk Leader: Alex Vernon (Forestry England)

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 12pm

Distance: 2.5 miles

Meeting Point: Alice Holt Visitor Centre, Farnham, GU104LS

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Join our experienced rangers for a 90-minute walk through the ancient forest of Alice Holt. Learn about the varied wildlife and ecology of the site, as well as its rich history spanning Roman settlements, Norman enclosure, medieval hunts, and 18th century shipbuilding. There are limited benches along the route, and the track is uneven in places.



Sunday 2 June

Farnham Town Walks: Join a Guided Tour of Farnham



Walk Leaders: Roger Jude and Gary Meyjes

Start Time: 10am

Approx. Finish Time: 11:30am

Distance: 1 - 1.5 miles

Meeting Point: Wagon Yard Car Park, Lower Church Ln, Farnham, GU9 7PS

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Join a local guide to discover more about the history of our lovely 'Georgian' town. The walks are led by enthusiastic and experienced local guides who will relate the history and architecture of the attractive small town ranging from the Stone Age, through to the Anglo Saxon, Norman and Georgian periods, via the time when Farnham was the centre of hop production and brewing, returning to the present day! The cost is £5 per head - proceeds are donated to local charities.

Ward Walks

We are delighted to introduce Ward Walks to this year's Farnham Walking Festival programme.

Farnham Town Council has 16 elected councillors who represent 8 wards. Two councillors are elected for each ward. Town Councillors are unpaid and represent a population of around 40,000.

This is the perfect opportunity for you to come along and chat to your elected representatives in an informal setting.

Role of a town councillor: A town councillor is elected by the voters in the ward in which they have chosen to stand.

Town councillors have three main areas of work, which include:

- **Decision-making** such as deciding what activities to support and how the money should be spent.
- **Monitoring and lobbying** including representing community views on all services within the town.
- **Getting involved locally** by attending events to support and listen to the community.



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MAY

Ward Walk - Weybourne

6pm
Rowhills Field Centre Car Park

16
MAY

Ward Walk - Hale and Heath End

6pm
Hale Village Hall Car Park

Ward Walk - Wrecclesham and Rowledge

6pm
St James' Church, Rowledge

Ward Walk - Bourne

6pm
Spotted Cow Public House

17
MAY

Ward Walk - Badshot Lea and Moor Park

6pm, 3.4 miles
Shephard & Flock Public House

26
MAY

Ward Walk - North West Farnham

2:30pm
Entrance to UCA

27
MAY

Ward Walk - Castle

10:30am
Gostrey Meadow Bandstand

01
JUNE

Ward Walk - Shortheath and Firgrove

10:30am
Loaf Bakery, 41 Ridgeway Road, GU9 8NN

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21 JUL - FABULOUS FUNKY FUNKS

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