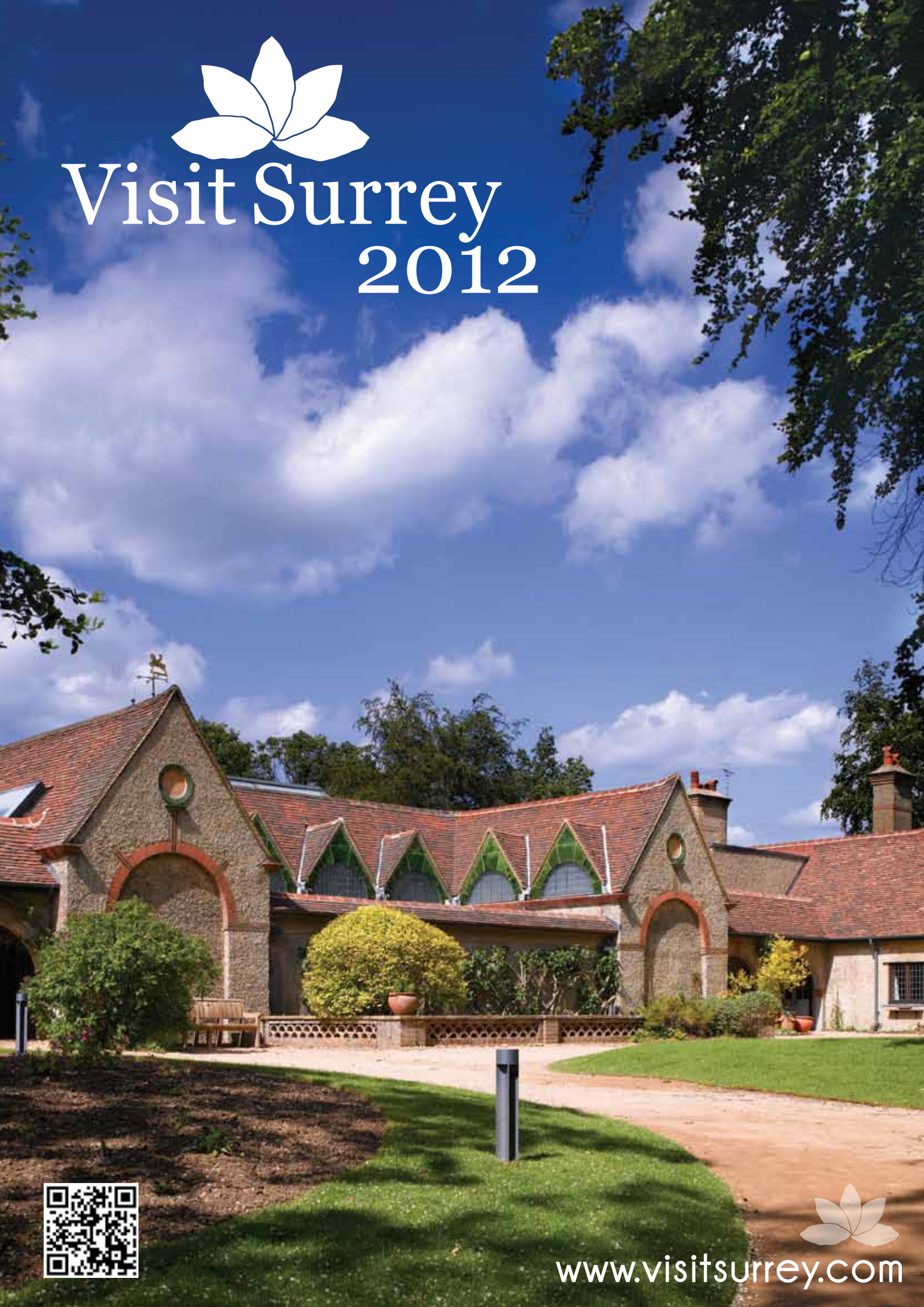




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www.gatwickairport.com

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www.nationalrail.co.uk

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www.traveline.org.uk

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AA Route Planner

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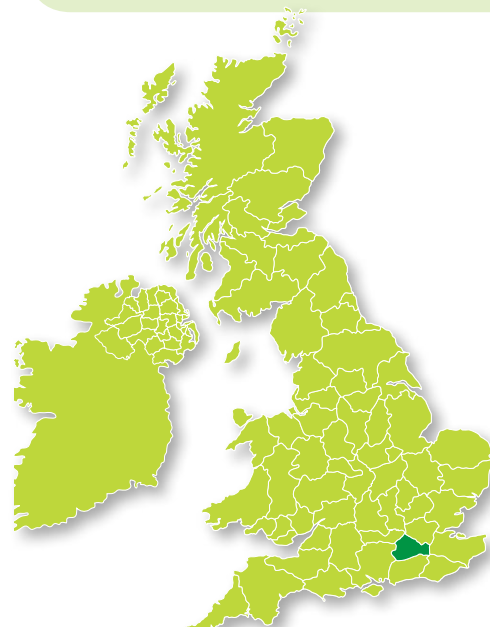
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T: 01372 220 653

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www.nationaltrust.org.uk/southeast

T: 0844 800 189



Welcome to Surrey



We are confident you will find Surrey the perfect place from which to explore the whole of South East England. Just 30 minutes from London by train, direct access to both Heathrow and Gatwick airports, and well served by railways and motorways (M25/M23/M3/A3), Surrey offers a wide choice of accommodation from quirky Bed and Breakfast to world class hotels.

Of course this is the year of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, and Surrey is officially a host county of the London 2012 Games as three cycling events will take place within the county's borders. This will be an exciting opportunity to welcome the world to Surrey and showcase our beautiful county.

The stunning scenery of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty boasts a landscape of rolling hills, countryside to explore which is perfect for walking or cycling, picturesque villages with country pubs, bustling market towns and a wealth of heritage sites and attractions to suit everyone.

Enjoy visits to art galleries and theatres, country houses and gardens, or action packed theme parks – Surrey has the pick of the best!



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Surrey in 2012



Surrey and the Olympics

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www.gosurrey.info/cycling

Olympic Road Cycling Races

Saturday 28 July 2012 (men's)

Sunday 29 July 2012 (women's)

The world's top cyclists will pass through various parts of the county including our breathtaking countryside.

Olympic Cycling Time Trial

Wednesday 1 August 2012

The time trial route will start at Hampton Court Palace, and pass through Elmbridge. There will be road closures on July 28th, 29th and 1st August 2012 so plan your journey well in advance. For maps of the routes and detailed information on all aspects of the events, go to the Go-Surrey website. Why not sign up for our e-newsletter for all of the latest news?

Olympic Torch Relay

Friday 20 July 2012

The torch arrives in Surrey on 20th July and will be the focus of a spectacular evening event at Stoke Park, Guildford.

Cultural Olympiad

Forgotten Festivals

The Forgotten Festivals project brings together a varied mix of existing traditions and new celebrations of our local history throughout 2012, co-ordinated by Arts Partnership Surrey. More information and a Calendar of Events is available via www.artspartnershipsurrey.org.uk

International Flag Exchange Project

Inspired by the 2012 Games, Surrey schools and schools across the globe participated in this project, under the direction of Surrey Arts. The flags will be carried in procession and used to create spectacular installations to feature at 2012 celebrations including the Olympic Cycle Race and the torch relay event at Stoke Park on 20th July. www.gosurrey.info/flags

Surrey Artist Open Studios


www.surreyopenstudios.org.uk

Surrey Artists Open Studios is an established annual event where artists and makers from across the county open their doors to the public. During June and July, visitors can meet artists, gain an

insight into their processes, buy work and even have a go themselves.

T 01483 519285

Libraries and Museums

Whatever your needs, Surrey's libraries are able to provide you with information to make your stay more enjoyable. 25 libraries will be designated Tourist Information Points, and their friendly staff have a wealth of local information, including free area maps, events and attractions. Look out for the  symbol.

You can use these QR codes to access further information:



Library



Go Libraries

From June 2012 visitor information will also be provided at Museums in Ash, Chertsey, Godalming, Haslemere, Shere, the Rural Life Centre, Painshill Park and the Lightbox (See p31 for more details).

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Surrey Heritage

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www.surreycc.gov.uk/surreyhistorycentre
 Follow us on Twitter - @SurreyHeritage
 Open Tuesday to Saturday. Closed Mondays and Bank Holiday weekends.

Surrey History Centre is so much more than a county record office and local studies centre. With six miles of shelving and millions of manuscripts dating back to the middle ages, we can help you trace your Surrey ancestors and guide you through our amazing collections of records. Our team of expert genealogists can advise on subjects ranging from early handwriting, military history, tracing house history, and identifying photographs to advising on conserving records and how to use the internet for family history. Visit us to explore our rich collections of early maps and watercolours to discover Surrey's extraordinary past.

Exploring Surrey's Past

www.exploringsurreypast.org.uk
 Explore the county archives at Surrey History Centre and delve into the collections of various Surrey museums and local history societies. Find out about fascinating people associated with Surrey. Discover the rich history and heritage of Surrey's towns and villages. All this and much more is available online.

Surrey's Sporting Life

www.exploringsurreypast.org.uk
 Celebrating Surrey's great sporting past. Events and exhibitions will be taking place across the County throughout 2012. Dramatic re-enactments are planned, including the first recorded baseball match in Shere (1755) and the Caesars cricket match (1860s). There will be plenty of opportunities to get involved. Full programme on the website

Roma Routes

T 01483 518739
www.romaroutes.eu
 Putting Romany culture on the map. During 2012, Surrey Heritage will be celebrating Gypsy life with events at the Epsom Derby and elsewhere across the County.

Adult Learning Centres

T 03456 009009
www.surreycc.gov.uk/adultlearning
 Spend the day making Jewellery, baking Cakes, improving your Photography skills or taking part in an Art class.

The Harvey Gallery

Bright Hill, Guildford, Surrey GU1 3
 T 01483 518528
www.harveygallery.co.uk
 Opening times
 Monday – Friday 10:00 – 16:00
 Saturday 10:00 – 12:00
 A community run Gallery showing work from both Private Exhibitors and Students from Adult Learning Art & Craft Courses. Many works are for sale so you can take home your very own little piece of Surrey.



Making Surrey a better place

Market Towns

In Surrey you will find bustling market towns surrounded by sleepy villages nestled in the Surrey Hills and all just 30 miles south of London – but you could be a world away. Within the county you will find modern shopping malls, cobbled high streets and twisting lanes; high street brands alongside unique crafts, and all just a short distance from Heathrow and Gatwick airports.

Surrey is steeped in history and you will not need to go far to find timber-framed buildings, castle keeps and an abbey ruin. Surrey was the playground of some of England's medieval monarchs and even many small villages have royal links. The stunning landscape has inspired artists, architects and gardeners for generations and the Arts and Crafts Movement thrived here. Tennyson, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Lewis Carroll, Sir Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll all spent time in Surrey and much of their work is still evident.

In Guildford, Farnham, Dorking, Godalming, Haslemere, Leatherhead, Cranleigh, Weybridge, Esher and Woking you are never far away from beautiful countryside, offering glimpses of rolling fields, wooded hillsides and glittering waterways.

Surrey is the perfect place to combine a morning browsing in the shops with an afternoon stroll along an idyllic rural trail – you could also take a break at one of the excellent restaurants or cafes where local produce and fair-trade choices are often on the menu.



Kingston upon Thames



Kingston upon Thames is a shopper's delight, with over 500 stores to choose from. Situated on the banks of the Thames, this historic market town has a strong arts culture and a vibrant festival programme.

Dating back to 838AD, the medieval market town of Kingston is now a colourful mix of unique shops, themed markets, street performances and numerous cafés, bars and restaurants.

Shopping Destination

With shopping to rival the West End of London, Kingston is a thriving shopping destination with shopping malls, department stores, high street shops, top name brands and quirky independent outlets, not to mention the regular and visiting markets.



A Centre for Arts and Culture

With a buzzing arts scene, numerous galleries, live music, comedy nights and an internationally renowned theatre, Kingston is a hub of creativity.

Royal Heritage

One of only four Royal boroughs in England and Wales, the medieval market town is steeped in history and intrigue. The town has Royal links dating back over a thousand years with seven Saxon kings thought to have been crowned here. Guided historic walks around Kingston take place throughout the year.

Dining out in Kingston

Kingston has a vast array of cafés and restaurants offering mouth-watering cuisine from around the world to suit every taste and budget.



The Olympics in Kingston

Kingston is proud to welcome the Olympic cycling time trial and men's and women's road races through the centre of the town in Summer 2012:

- Men's Road Race Saturday 28 July
- Women's Road Race Sunday 29 July
- Time Trial Wednesday 1 August

Accommodation

Kingston and the surrounding area offers a range of accommodation to suit all tastes, including 4-star and budget hotels, family run guest houses and bed & breakfasts.

Getting to Kingston

Situated just 12 miles from central London, Kingston is only 25 minutes from London Waterloo rail station and is close to Heathrow Airport and London's orbital motorway.

Useful websites

www.kingstonfirst.co.uk

www.kingstontourguides.org.uk



For more information on Kingston and the surrounding areas, contact: Kingston Tourist Information Centre Market House, Market Place, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 1JS
T: 020 8546 1140
touristinformationcentre@ktcm.co.uk

Opening times

Mon – Sat 10:00 to 17:00

Closed Tues Sun 11:00 to 17:00

Tourist Information Centre provides:

- Free Town Centre Map and Kingston Visitor Guide
- Local information
- Walking Trail leaflets
- Tickets for key transport providers
- Local event tickets
- Souvenirs

Guildford



Guildford is a vibrant bustling market town, renowned for its rich heritage, excellent shopping, restaurants and entertainment, and attracts both visitors and businesses from all over the world.

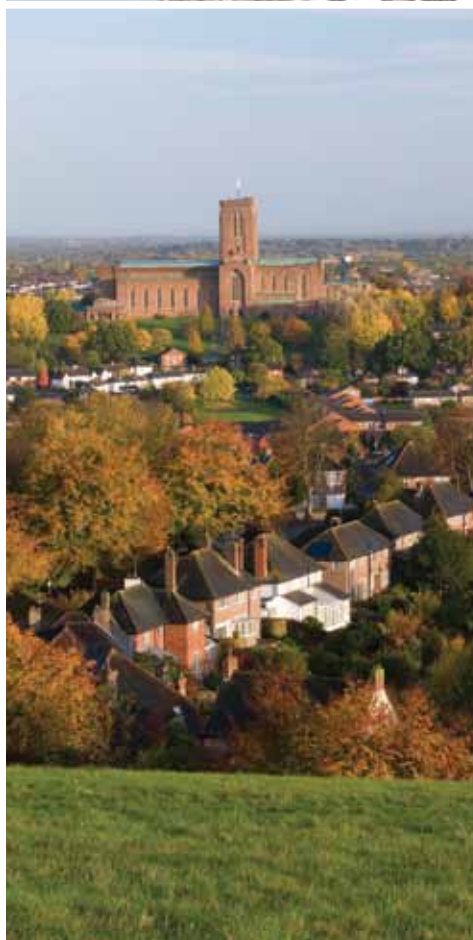
This is the year of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and our superb sporting facilities have attracted several of the competing nations to choose Guildford as their base in the run up to and during the Games. We are also looking forward to welcoming the Olympic Torch to the town.

The historic town is dominated by the Guildhall, with its ornate clock that overhangs the famous cobbled High Street. The quaint side streets have some exciting restaurants and unique independent shops, whilst the High Street boasts most well known brands – and with three undercover shopping malls, it's the place to hit the shops whatever the weather.



Places to visit in Guildford:

- Guildford Castle Keep with its beautiful gardens
- Guildford Museum – featuring social history, archaeology and needlework
- Guildford House Gallery – programme of lively exhibitions, café and shop
- The Guildhall – built in the reign of Elizabeth I
- The Undercroft – a medieval shop
- Abbot's Hospital and Holy Trinity Church
- The River Wey – walk along the path or take a boat
- The Yvonne Arnaud Theatre – award winning drama
- G Live – brand new entertainment venue
- The award winning Spectrum Leisure Centre
- Surrey Sports Park home to many national and international sporting events

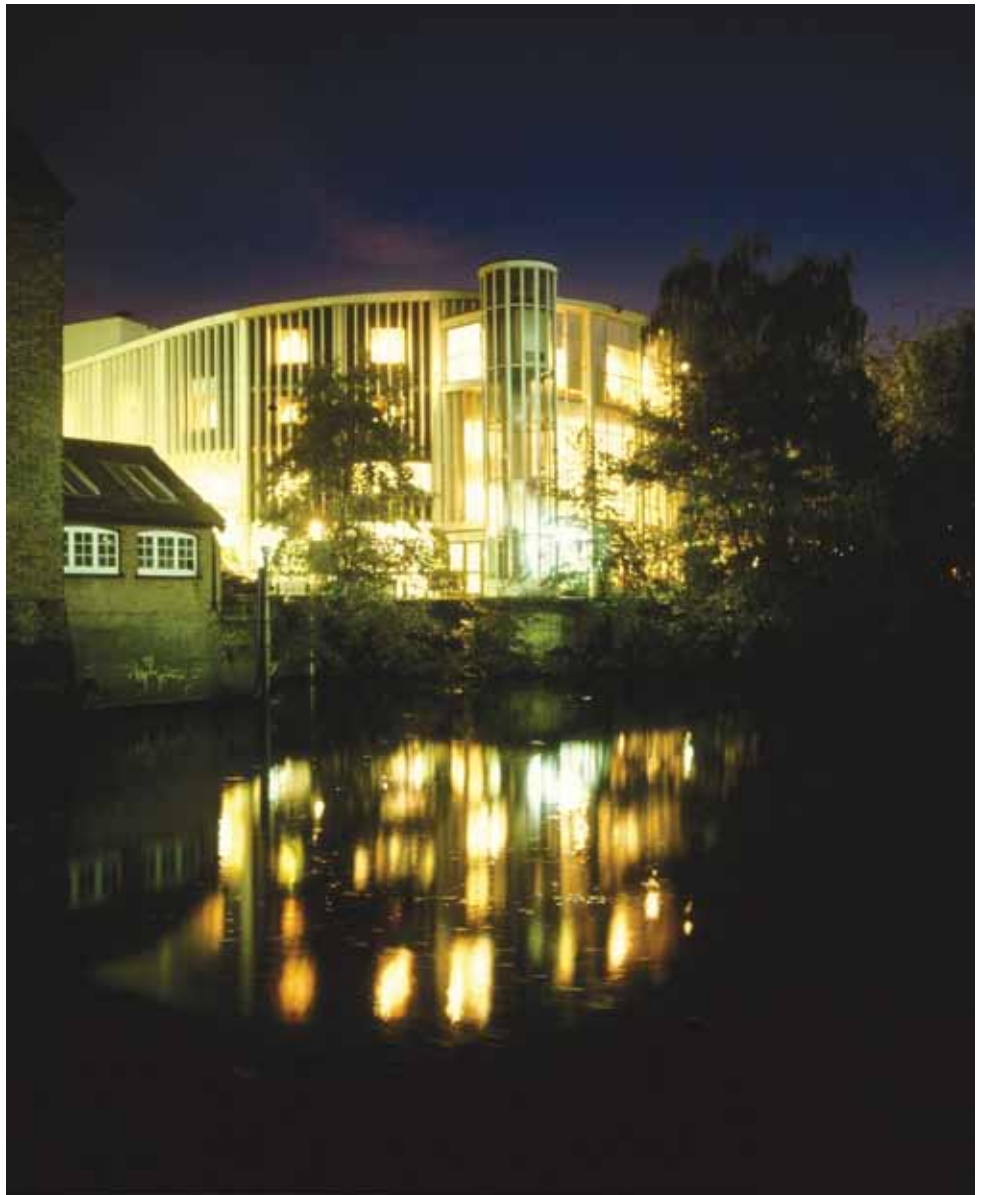


Guildford Tourist Information Centre

Guildford House, 155 High Street,
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T 01483 444333
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www.visitguildford.com

Opening Times:
Monday to Saturday 9:30 – 17:00
(May to September Sundays
11:00 – 16:00)

Contact Guildford Tourist Information centre for information on places to visit, to book tickets for local events, to book accommodation and to obtain holiday information for destinations across England. The Tourist Information Centre also sells a range of souvenirs, maps and books. A free shopping map is available. You can find us on the cobbled High Street.



Celebrate some of the great things about living in Guildford and take pride in your environment!

Love Where You Live Guildford, aims to inspire, encourage and help make a great place even better. See what's being said about Love Where You Live Guildford, www.guildford.gov.uk/lovewhereyoulive





Visitors to Woking are invited to get involved in a wide range of exciting activities, entertainment and special events as part of Celebrate Woking - a year-long programme of cultural activities in the lead up to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic celebrations, and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

For sport-lovers, the Halfords Tour Series returns to Woking in June for the fourth year running, when the town plays host to the fast and furious professional high-speed cycle race. There will also be a rare opportunity to witness the crème de la crème of the world's top cyclists, when the Olympic Cycle Road Races whizz through the Borough on 28 and 29 July.

The diverse and family-friendly calendar of Celebrate Woking events will also include the very first Woking Youth Drama Festival in March, and the 21st International Duke Ellington Conference in May, celebrating one of America's most influential composers of the 20th Century. In addition to The

Queen's Diamond Jubilee Weekend in June, which will enable communities to come together to celebrate and commemorate Her Majesty's 60 year reign, Woking will host its first Party in the Park in July – a multi-cultural event for all the family, themed around the ethos of the five Olympic rings: music, dance, language and literature, visual arts and sports.

Visitors to Woking can also take advantage of its range of permanent attractions. Eclectic art and history exhibitions are on offer at the award-winning gallery and museum - The Lightbox - created by the designers of the London Eye. Some of this year's exhibitions will feature watercolours of Surrey, local artists' competitive work, and photographs of HM The Queen by such renowned photographers as Lichfield and Snowdon. Theatre-goers can watch some of the biggest and best shows from the West End at the region's largest venue, The New Victoria, or enjoy some homegrown talent and local productions at the neighbouring Rhoda McGaw Theatre. Or take a leisurely stroll around the many picturesque common

and heath lands, or along the 12.9km upgraded Basingstoke Canal towpath, which can be easily accessed from Woking Town Centre and at various points around the Borough. Local places of interest include Brookwood Cemetery, the ruins of Henry VIII's former country retreat at Woking Palace, and the first purpose built mosque in the UK - the Shah Jahan. Why not visit during the annual Heritage Open Days weekend in September, when these, and over a dozen properties of historic interest in the Borough, open their doors to the public for free?

Woking is perfectly placed in the heart of Surrey and has a fast, regular train service from London Waterloo, which is just half an hour away. Visitors find Woking's pedestrianised, level town centre easy to get around, and enjoy the benefits of Shopmobility and the free, Town Centre Buggy during the week. For the more active visitor, Woking's Cycle Town status means that it's easier than ever to get to, across and around the Borough on two wheels.



Halfords Tour Series

On Tuesday June 12, Woking will once again play host to the fast and furious Halfords Tour Series - professional high-speed cycle races around short, exciting town and city centre circuits across the UK. Cyclists become king of the road for the day, with local groups and businesses trying their luck on the track before Woking hosts the professionals in the penultimate race of the men's series and the women's final. The town regularly attracts in excess of 10,000 spectators along the town's streets to cheer on the UK's top male and female cyclists, so don't miss it!

www.cyclewoking.org.uk

Party in the Park

From lunchtime on Saturday 7 July, Woking's first multi-cultural Party in the Park will take place in Woking Park. The family-friendly event will be an inspiring and fully inclusive event for all age and community groups, and be inspired by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Party in the Park will kick off Woking Borough's London 2012 final countdown celebrations, in the lead up to the men's and women's Olympic Cycle Road Races, which are set to whizz through the Borough on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 July.

www.celebratewoking.info

Heritage Open Days

Heritage Open Days will be taking place from Thursday 13 to Sunday 16 September, giving people a rare opportunity to glimpse inside some of the more unusual and special places within Woking Borough. The national initiative is co-ordinated by English Heritage, and celebrates England's fantastic wealth of culture and architecture, offering free access to properties that normally are closed to the public or charge for admission. This year, there will be more than a dozen properties to visit, whatever your age or interest.

www.woking.gov.uk/hod

Woking Visitor Information

For further information on Woking, or to request a visitor guide to the Borough, please contact:

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Woking, Surrey GU21 6YL
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www.woking.gov.uk



Godalming, Cranleigh, Haslemere



Visit Waverley – a secret corner

Nestled in the south west corner of Surrey, the borough of Waverley has something for everyone from long-distance walking routes, sandy beaches and enchanting countryside to bustling market towns with a variety of independent shops and high quality restaurants and cafes.

Visitors to the area are able to explore the enchanting villages and picturesque market towns which make up the borough and discover a landscape that is filled with literary, artistic and musical associations including the Devils Punchbowl and Gibbet Hill at Hindhead which inspired the writings of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

This vibrant cultural heritage also includes museums in the towns of Haslemere, Godalming, Farnham as well as the Rural Life Centre in Tilford which together provide a fascinating insight in to the rural traditions and history of the area.

Named after the Cistercian Abbey on the outskirts of Farnham, the borough has been used as a backdrop for a number of Hollywood films including Steven Spielberg's War Horse and "Snow White and the Huntsmen" starring Kristen Stewart as well as being a regular filming base for Top Gear.

In April 2012 Godalming will remember the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic through the re-opening of the restored Phillips Memorial Cloister – an Arts and Crafts building designed by Hugh Thackeray Turner and surrounded by planting designed by Gertrude Jekyll – which commemorates Jack Phillips, the wireless operator on the Titanic, who grew up in the town.

Godalming

An ancient market and coaching town delightfully situated on the picturesque River Wey, where to this day cattle graze on the waterside meadows and canal boats rest up against the wharf. The museum celebrates the work of Gertrude Jekyll, garden designer for Edwin Lutyens' many commissions in the area as well as Jack Phillips, the wireless operator on the Titanic. Godalming boasts many local, wonderful attractions such as National Trust properties, the town's sports facilities and historic and cultural places of interest. Local festivals abound and a warm welcome is assured. Unique, historic and interesting architecture can be found in abundance in the High Street and Church Street along with walks in our delightful countryside. Godalming's wealth of pubs and restaurants and the unique and individual shops make Godalming a fine place to visit. Try one our town trails and get the most out of your visit to Godalming.

Haslemere

Situated on the borders of Hampshire and West Sussex, this historic market town with its timbered and tile-hung houses and cottages, is one of the gems of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The many shops, restaurants and cafés in the town ensure a vibrant atmosphere. The Haslemere Museum has fascinating exhibitions throughout the year and is also home to artefacts from ancient civilisations, including an Egyptian Mummy, as well as specimens from the animal kingdom, fossils and plants. The Haslemere Hall is the centre of cultural life with a wide variety of shows, opera productions, plays, films and

other events. The opening in 2011 of the Hindhead Tunnel has enhanced the attractiveness and character of nearby Hindhead as a major attraction for walkers and sightseers who are able to enjoy the peace of the heath and woodland.

Cranleigh

An attractive, small, Wealden market town with a village atmosphere, Cranleigh has something for everyone. The vibrant High Street has a wealth of independent shops, the usual High Street names and a market every Thursday. Several events are held throughout the year, including Spring into Cranleigh, Cranleigh Carnival, the Cranleigh Bonfire and many other festive events to launch the Christmas lights switch on. Cranleigh Arts Centre offers year round entertainment and Snoxhall Play Park, set in Snoxhall recreation fields is an ideal spot for all the family, which together with the Leisure Centre, offers opportunities for play and sport.



**For more information
please visit:**

www.waverley.gov.uk
www.godalming-tc.gov.uk
www.haslemere.com
www.cranleighvillage.net

Farnham

Farnham

A unique Georgian town offering a perfect balance of old meets new.

The historic market town of Farnham sits on the Surrey/Hampshire border and is a bustling town with an intriguing history. This special Georgian town is the perfect combination of old meeting new, and has something unique to offer everyone and anyone.

Farnham has a magnificent history, and is blessed with Stone Age, Roman and Saxon dwellings which can be found here. Many of the Georgian buildings conceal structures of Tudor or even earlier times.

Not least, the town is crowned by a 12th Century castle overlooking the heart of Farnham, built in 1138 AD by Henry de Blois, grandson of William the Conqueror and has been occupied for nearly 900 years, mostly by the powerful Bishops of Winchester. Monarchs from King John to Queen Victoria have all visited, whilst Henry VIII was a regular guest during his boyhood. When Elizabeth I visited, she bought her Court along too and ran the country from Farnham for six months!

Farnham is proud to be home to many well known characters and faces over the years, from Jonathan Swift and the radical journalist William Cobbett, to John Henry Knight builder of Britain's first petrol-powered motor vehicle. Many people also won't know that the magically famous story of 'Peter Pan' was written whilst J. M. Barrie occupied Black Lake Cottage on the Tilford Road.

The cobbled streets of Farnham boasts over 200 shops and businesses, including beautiful boutiques to renowned national chains, banks, supermarkets,

hair & beauty salons, market squares and delicatessens. Visitors can also enjoy international cuisine, family run delis and an array of drinking establishments, from traditional English pubs to sophisticated wine bars.

Farnham is surrounded by outstanding parks and forestry such as Gostrey Meadow, Farnham Park, Frensham Ponds, Bourne Woods and the outstanding Victoria Gardens that won Best Community Garden in the South & South East In Bloom 2011 awards. These are the perfect places to enjoy a leisurely walk, breathtaking cycle route or family picnic, attracting all sorts of wildlife and not to mention the A List celebrities who shoot films such as Harry Potter, Gladiator and Robin Hood within the magical Bourne Woods.

Leisure and entertainment in Farnham is plenty, with the Farnham Leisure Centre in the very heart of the town and the brand new David Lloyd development just on the outskirts. Visitors won't be short of entertainment with the Farnham Maltings exhibitions and fairs, award winning Museum of Farnham and the James Hockey Gallery at the University

of the Creative Arts. During the summer months, local musical groups fill Gostrey Meadow with music every Sunday, whilst Central Car Park plays host to the wonderful Farmers' Market on the fourth Sunday of every month.

Enjoy a variety of fantastic events throughout 2012 organised by Farnham Town Council and other voluntary organisations, continuing to make Farnham a beautiful and exciting place to visit. Please see our full schedule of key events on this page to make sure you don't miss out.

For more information on all the tourism, leisure and culture facilities in Farnham visit www.farnham.gov.uk

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Heart of the Surrey Hills

The historic market town of Dorking is surrounded by the picturesque wooded Surrey Hills, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The spire of the parish church of St Martins, one of the tallest in the country, acts as a landmark for visitors and local people alike.

Heritage, music and the arts are celebrated in Dorking, dominated by Ralph Vaughan Williams, one of England's most famous composers, who lived in the town for many years. Music, bands and live entertainment can be enjoyed in pubs, at town centre events and in the Dorking Halls. The Leith Hill Music Festival has continued for over 100 years in Dorking. Heritage Open Days in this area offers one of the largest programme of events in the UK.

Dorking is an easy place to find with trains to both London Waterloo and London Victoria station in under an hour. The rail service also runs to Gatwick, Brighton, Guildford, Reading and the Midlands. Both Gatwick and Heathrow airports are within an hour's reach and the south coast ports within driving distance, making Dorking easily accessible to international travellers.

This year the London 2012 Olympic Games brings further excitement to the town, when the Men's and Ladies Road Cycle Races come through Dorking and loop neighbouring Box Hill before heading to London.

Visit Dorking during 2012 and enjoy the attractions in and around Dorking - excellent independent shops, a thriving arts community, stunning landscape, and a renowned antiques quarter.

www.visitdorking.com



Dorking events

General Market
Every Friday
St Martins Walk Car Park

Farmers Market
3rd Saturday of the month
South Street
For these and other touring specialist markets www.visitdorking.com

Leith Hill Festival
April
One of the country's leading choral events, held annually in Dorking, Surrey since 1905. www.lhmf.co.uk

London 2012 Road Cycling Races
28 and 29 July
The Olympic Games men's and ladies road cycling races come through Dorking and nearby Box Hill. Watch the races and enjoy all the town centre celebrations over these two days.

Heritage Open Days
September
A programme of free events with guided walks, talks, exhibitions and access to buildings in celebration of Mole Valley's Heritage. www.molevalley.gov.uk

Christmas Lights Switch-On
November
Celebrate the switching on of Christmas lights with special guests at St Martins Walk Shopping Centre.

Gala Night Christmas Festival
December
Christmas celebrations with live music, roving street entertainment and shops in fancy dress!

Gateway to the Surrey Hills

The picturesque town of Leatherhead, surrounded by greenery, is located at the gateway to the Surrey Hills where the rolling chalk hills of the North Downs meets the Thames lowlands. The River Mole is just a few minutes from the town centre ensuring peace and relaxation can be found, if needed, after a busy day shopping or exploring. Why not take a leisurely stroll along the riverside path; if you are lucky enough you may spot some of Surrey's fantastic wildlife along the way.

There are many hidden gems within Leatherhead and many of the buildings with architectural or historic interest are mentioned on the town's Heritage Trail. The Leatherhead Theatre being an example, lies at the heart of the town and offers a full cultural programme to keep everyone entertained.

Leatherhead is easily visited by train from London, is close to the M25 and a short driving distance from the airports of Heathrow and Gatwick.

The London 2012 Olympic Games Road Cycling Race is coming through Leatherhead on 28th and 29th July 2012 and, with many different events and festivals now firmly established on the calendar, there is plenty of family fun to be enjoyed throughout the year. Why not coincide your visit with one?

www.visitleatherhead.com

Photographs: Andy Newbold



Leatherhead events

High Street Market
Every Thursday and Saturday
For dates and details of visiting continental markets visit www.leatherheadchamber.co.uk or www.visitleatherhead.com

Leatherhead Drama Festival
May
The biggest annual drama festival of its kind in the UK with drama groups competing for the 'Sir Michael Caine Drama Awards'.
www.leatherheaddramafestival.org

Duck Racing
June
A mass duck race on the River Mole at the town bridge with tote racing, train rides and children's entertainment.

London 2012 Road Cycling Races
28 and 29 July
The Olympic Games men's and ladies road cycling races come through Leatherhead. Watch the races and enjoy lots of town centre celebrations over the two days.

Heritage Open Days
September
A programme of free events with guided walks, talks, exhibitions and access to buildings in celebration of Mole Valley's Heritage. www.molevalley.gov.uk

Christmas Festival
December
Christmas street entertainment, Santa, carol singing and lots of festive fun.



For further information on Leatherhead, Dorking or other locations within the Mole Valley area, please contact:

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Dorking, Surrey RH4 1SJ
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Elmbridge

Discover the vibrant towns and pretty villages of Elmbridge – where town and country meet. The borough of Elmbridge is located on the southwest border of Greater London and with train links to the capital as quick as 30 minutes, it makes an ideal place to stay during the London 2012 Games.

Passing through the streets of Elmbridge on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 July 2012 are the free-to-view Men's and Women's Olympic Games Cycling Road Races. Why not take the cyclists' journey with us now?

The competitors will pass through **Molesey**, which is situated just across the River Thames from the magnificent Hampton Court Palace, the scene of 500 years of royal history from Henry VIII to George II. Visitors can take pleasant riverside walks along the Thames Path and explore the vintage and antique shops.

Riders will cycle through the vibrant town of **Walton-on-Thames** which sits beside the River Thames. Shopping in its top high street fashion stores and dining in its many al fresco restaurants is a great way to spend a leisurely afternoon. With strong cultural and arts associations, Cecil Hepworth, a pioneer of the British film industry, made silent films in Walton from 1899 until 1924. 'The Adventures of Robin Hood' starring Richard Greene, was filmed at Ashley Park.

Racing across the roads of **Weybridge**, cyclists will pass the famous Brooklands racing track which was the world's first purpose built racing circuit where visitors can still ride in classic cars along portions of its banked track. Next door, Mercedes Benz World gives visitors the opportunity to drive state of the art modern cars.

Cyclists will then leave Elmbridge, ascending into the Surrey Hills, before returning into the borough at **Oxshott** where visitors can enjoy walks in the beautiful woodland of Oxshott Heath. With a wealth of heritage and nature, **Stoke D'Abernon** the neighbouring village was recorded in the Domesday Book and St Mary's Church is the oldest church in Surrey. It has a rich collection of brasses, with two famous knights dating from 1326 and c.1350.

Before making their way back to London, the cyclists will pass through the historic town of **Esher** which is surrounded by 1,300 acres of the breathtaking Elmbridge Commons, awash with colour and large parts designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest. Claremont Landscape Garden is one of the first and finest English landscape gardens. Sandown Park racecourse is an exciting experience for all the family and also regularly plays host to international music artists.

On Wednesday 1 August 2012, the Olympic Games Cycling Time Trial will circuit a large part of Elmbridge, starting and finishing at Hampton Court Palace,

and can also promise to be an exciting, free-to-view event.

Competitors will pass the borders of **Cobham**, where the beautifully restored 16th century Cobham Mill lies on a scenic stretch of the River Mole. Painshill's wonderful 18th century parkland, lake and follies are a 'Living Work of Art' where visitors can enjoy exceptional views across Surrey.

View the cyclists pass by at **Thames Ditton**, which is home to the Thames Ditton Miniature Railway operated by Malden and District Society of Model Engineers Ltd. A fun day out – take a ride on the miniature steam trains.

With just a flavour of what's on offer to visitors, come and discover all there is to do in Elmbridge.

www.elmbridge.gov.uk/discoverelmbridge



Events listing

Date	Event	Where	Contact
January	Chinese New Year	Woking	www.cawoking.org.uk
21 Feb	Shopmobility Pancake Race	Woking	
March	Spring Music Festival	Guildford	
9 - 11 March	Sugarcraft Exhibition	Farnham	www.squires-shop.com
6 March - 12 May	Titanic exhibition marking the 100th Anniversary of Titanic sinking	Godalming museum	www.waverley.gov.uk/godalmingmuseum
April	Leith Hill Festival	Dorking	
3 April - 13 May	Surrey Open Art Competition	The Lightbox Woking	www.thelightbox.org.uk
7 April	Easter Festival	Godalming	www.godalming-tc.gov.uk
15 April	Jack Phillips Memorial Service	Godalming	www.waverley.gov.uk
Easter Monday	Lions' Easter Show	Shalford Park	
May	Leatherhead Drama Festival	Leatherhead	www.leatherheaddramafestival.org
3 - 5 May 2012	Surrey Hills Music Festival		www.surreyhillsmusicfestival.co.uk
5 May	Spring into Cranleigh	Cranleigh	
7 May	Charter Fair	Haslemere	www.charterfair.com
7 May	May Merrie	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
19 May	Esher May Fair	Esher	www.eshermayfair.org.uk
Sat 12 May	Spring Festival	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
23 - 27 May	Duke Ellington public concerts	Woking	www.celebratewoking.info
Late May Bank Hol	Surrey County Agricultural Show	Guildford	www.surreycountyshow.co.uk
June - July	Guildford Summer Festival	Guildford	www.guildfordsummerfestival.co.uk
June	Duck Racing	Leatherhead	
June	Diamond Jubilee events	Guildford	
2 - 3 June	Fringe Festival	Haslemere	www.lionfest.co.uk
2 - 5 June	Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations	Godalming	www.godalming-tc.gov.uk
2 - 5 June	Kingston Aviation Centenary Celebration	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
2 - 5 June	Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations	Woking	www.celebratewoking.info
3 June	Jubilee Picnic	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
3 June	The Big Jubilee Lunch	Cranleigh	
4 June	Jubilee Celebrations	Haslemere	www.haslemere.com/jubilee
4 June	Jubilee Beacon Event	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
4 June - 9 Sept	Kingston's Cultural Olympiad	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
10 June - 2 Sept	Music In The Meadow	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
15 - 17 June	Arthur Conan Doyle Weekend	Haslemere	www.haslemere.com/acd
29 June - 22 July	International Youth Arts Festival	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
30 June	Cranleigh Lions Carnival and Fun Day	Cranleigh	
30 June	Farnham Carnival	Farnham	www.farnhamcarnival.org.uk
July	Guilfest - MUSIC FESTIVAL	Guildford	www.visitguildford.com
July	Guildford Cricket Festival	Guildford	www.guildfordcc.com
July	Walkfest	Guildford	www.guildfordsummerfestival.co.uk
1 July	Picnic in the Park	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
1 July	Farnham Charity Bike Ride	Farnham	www.farnhambikeride.org.uk
7 - 15 July	River Festival	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
7 July	Party in the Park	Woking	www.celebratewoking.info
7 July	Summer Food Festival	Godalming	www.godalmingfoodfestival.com
14 July	Claygate Flower Show	Claygate	www.claygateflowershow.co.uk
20 July	Olympic Torch Event	Guildford	www.guildford.gov.uk

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21 - 22 July	Farnham Grows	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
27 - 29 July	Olympic Cycle Road Races and community event	Woking	www.celebratewoking.info
28 July	The Olympics in Kingston Men's Road Race	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
28 - 29 July	London 2012 Road Cycling Races	Dorking & Box Hill	
29 July	The Olympics in Kingston Women's Road Race	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
1 August	Olympic Games Cycling Time Trials	Hampton Court Area	
1 August	The Olympics in Kingston Time trial	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
7 August	Cranleigh Show	Cranleigh	
25 August	West End Flower Show	Esher	www.westendflowershow.co.uk
26 - 27 August	Wings and Wheels	Cranleigh	
September	Heritage Open Days	Across Surrey	www.heritageopendays.org.uk
1 - 16 September	Haslemere Food Festival	Haslemere	www.haslemere.com/foodfestival
2 September	Kingston Carnival	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
6 - 9 September	Elmbridge Heritage Open Days	Claremont Landscape Gardens	www.heritageopendays.org.uk
13 -16 September	Heritage Open Days	Woking	www.woking.gov.uk/hod
29 September	Food Festival	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
October	Guildford Book Festival	Guildford	www.guildfordbookfestival.co.uk
27 - 28 October	Haunted Haslemere	Haslemere	www.haslemere.com/haunted
November	Guildford Fireworks	Guildford	www.visitguildford.com
November	Christmas Lights Switch-On	Guildford	www.guildford.gov.uk
November	Christmas Lights Switch-On	Dorking	
November - December	Photographic Exhibition of HM The Queen	The Lightbox	www.thelightbox.org.uk
3 November	Farnham Fireworks	Farnham	www.farnhamroundtable.org.uk
3 November	Woking Round Table Fireworks Display		www.wokingroundtable.co.uk/fireworks
9 - 10 November	CAMRA Woking Beer Festival		www.wokingbeerfestival.co.uk
15 November	Christmas Light Switch-On	Kingston-Upon-Thames	www.kingstonfirst.co.uk
17 November	Christmas Light Switch-On	Cranleigh	
24 November	Christmas Light Switch-On	Farnham	www.farnham.gov.uk
24 November	Christmas Festival	Godalming	www.godalmingchristmasfestival.com
December	Gala Night Christmas Festival	Dorking	
December	Christmas Festival	Leatherhead	
2 December	Christmas Market	Haslemere	www.haslemere.com/christmasmarket

Markets and other events

Dorking

General Market every Friday

St Martins Walk Car Park

Farmers Market

3rd Saturday of the month

South Street

Leatherhead

High Street Market

Every Thursday and Saturday

www.leatherheadchamber.co.uk or

Kingston-Upon-Thames

Market Ancient Market Place

Every Mon-Sat

Elmbridge

Hersham Village Market Every Friday

Walton Farmers' Market

First Saturday of the month

Esher Farmers' Market

Last Saturday of the month

Guildford

Guildford Farmer's Market

1st Tuesday of every month

International Music Festival

Biennial Event - 2013

Woking

General Market every day

Market Square

Woking Farmers' Market

3rd Thursday of the month

