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**HORSHAM CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION**  
**NEWSLETTER**

## Chairman's Newsletter

### September 2021



Dear Adrian

My previous Newsletter was in May and so it has been a while since I last updated you on developments in our Association. The year is moving forwards very quickly and it is hard to believe it is already the autumn. In this Newsletter I will be covering the following;

- National Incentive Scheme Results
- Association Events
- HCA Private Members Facebook Group
- Applications to Stand as a Councillor

As ever, if anyone has any questions on any aspect of this Newsletter then do please feel free to come back to me directly using the details below.

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## National Incentive Scheme

### Horsham Conservative Association Top Again!

I am absolutely thrilled to be able to tell you about the results of the Association Incentive Scheme for the year 2020/2021.

Each year, CCHQ runs an incentive scheme nationally in which all 500 or so Associations and Federations participate right across England and Wales. Last year, you may recall Horsham finished right at the top all across Kent, Sussex and Hampshire and in the top 2% of all Conservative Associations nationally.

This year, I can tell you we have done even better.



**In 2020/2021, Horsham was yet again the best Association across the south; but this year we finished in the Top 10 of all Associations nationally.**

Indeed, no Association outside of Surrey or London anywhere in the

country was able to exceed our scores across a range metrics ranging from membership numbers, fundraising, CPF discussions, website, social media, political intelligence and organisation.

At the Sussex Area Annual Dinner last Friday, the Area Chairman, Joe Miller officially recognised Horsham as the best run Association in the south.

This is a fantastic achievement and one about which we can all be incredibly proud.

**Read this and know that you are part of one of the nationally recognised best Conservative Associations anywhere in the country.**

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## Association Events

We have a number of wonderful events coming up in the next few weeks. Of particular importance is the Association Annual Dinner. Due to Covid, we have not held this event for over two years!

### Association Annual Dinner

On Thursday 4 November at Slinfold Golf and Country Club at 7:00pm our guest of honour for this year's Annual Dinner will be the Rt Hon Baroness Morgan of Cotes.



As Nicky Morgan, she was Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport from 2019 to 2020. She served as Education Secretary and Minister for Women and Equalities from 2014 to 2016. She served as Financial Secretary to the Treasury and Minister for Women from April until July 2014, following a stint as Economic Secretary in the same department from October 2013. Previously, she was an Assistant Whip in the coalition government.

She was elected Conservative MP for Loughborough in 2010 before stepping down to take her seat in the Lords following the 2019 general election.

Horsham's MP, Jeremy Quin will also be attending.

**We are strictly limited on places and tickets are selling fast. We have**

**around 30 spaces available so please get yours now to avoid disappointment. You will not want to miss this.**

**Click on the link below now!**

[Buy Now](#)

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## **Branch Events**

### **Billingshurst, Southwater and Shipley Branch**

On Friday 29 October at 7:00pm, Billingshurst, Southwater and Shipley Branch are holding their Cheese and Wine evening at Durrance Manor, courtesy of Dr Gordon Lindsay. Jeremy Quin MP will be attending.

Click the button below for more details.

[Learn More](#)

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### **Holbrook Branch**

On Friday 19 November at 7:00pm, Holbrook Branch are holding their Cheese and Wine evening at 27 Haybarn Drive, Horsham, courtesy of Councillors Peter and Karen Burgess. Jeremy Quin MP will be attending.

Click the button below for more details.

[Learn More](#)

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### **Roffey Branch**

On Friday 26 November at 7:00pm, Roffey Branch are holding a Wine Tasting evening at the Millennium Hall, Roffey. Jeremy Quin MP will be attending.

Click the button below for more details.

[Learn More](#)

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**It is VITAL that we support these events and keep funds coming into your Association.**

**Please give generously of your time and your money.**

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## Private Members Facebook Group



I previously advised I have established a private members Facebook group for HCA members. So far, we have around 50 odd members in the group. I am asking you all to join. It provides a safe, private and confidential space for members to talk to one another.

It cannot be seen or read by anybody not a member and it provides an excellent forum to communicate with fellow Conservatives in an open and enjoyable manner.

**In particular, I would like to see all our elected representatives in here as it facilitates interaction between the elected and the electors.**

This group is also intended to augment Association communications so that you can feedback to us your thoughts, ideas and suggestions.

Click on the link below to join!

[Join HCA Private Members Facebook Group](#)

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## Do You Want To Be A Councillor?

For those who wish to be considered as potential District Council candidates, we are at the start of our selection process for candidates to stand in the District Council elections due in May 2023. Elections are being held for Horsham District Council and for Mid Sussex District Council.

If you have ever thought about serving your local community as a Councillor then this could be the opportunity for you! Click the links below to learn more and contact us to register your interest.

We want as many applicants as possible - we have a lot of vacancies to fill!

**We especially welcome applicants from under-represented parts of our membership such as young people, women, BAME and LGBTQ members. We do not operate quotas but definitely need more applicants to come forward!**

[Learn More](#)

[I'm Interested in Becoming a Councillor](#)

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Thank you for taking the time to read this. Remember;

- We are the best Conservative Association across the whole of the south.
- We are one of the Top 10 Associations anywhere in the country.
- We **NEED** you to come to our events and support us.
- **BUY** tickets to the Annual Dinner.
- Attend Branch events.
- Join the HCA Private Members Facebook Group.
- Step to be a Conservative Councillor.

And finally, speak to your friends and family and get them to join us. We need new people and fresh ideas. Whoever can introduce the most new members by year end will earn themselves a bottle of something nice at Christmas!

Email directly me with the details of new members.

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