

Taster **Tours**



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A day out by train **Horsham**

The market town of Horsham offers a wonderful mix of culture and shopping. A 10 minute walk from the railway station (or 5 minutes on Metro bus from outside the station), is the Carfax, the centre of the town. The bandstand hosts free concerts throughout the year. On a Thursday or Saturday, there is an outdoor market. Swan Walk, the undercover shopping arcade, has the usual big name stores, also some independent ones. For a cultural experience, from the railway station carry on straight past the bandstand to the old quarter of the town, The Causeway, with Horsham Museum & Art Gallery, and the old quaint houses alongside. The Church of St Mary the Virgin is the oldest church in Horsham, dating back to Norman times. Walk or catch a Metrobus back to Horsham station, ready for the next stage in your day out – a train trip along the beautiful Arun Valley Line, to Arundel.

...and onto **Arundel**

Arriving at Arundel Station, follow signs to the town centre via the underpass. There are plenty of places to go for lunch, pubs, cafes or restaurants. Or enjoy a picnic by the river Arun, or at the Swanbourne Boating Lake and Park. Arundel is home to the medieval Castle, seat of the Duke of Norfolk, and the Cathedral, seat of the Bishop of Arundel and Brighton (Catholic). Advance tickets for tours of both these magnificent structures can be booked, or just marvel at the architecture and presence, from anywhere in the town and surrounding area.



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About the **Southeast Communities Rail Partnership**

Southeast Communities Rail Partnership (SCR) connects communities to their vital community asset – their local station. We work across the southeast to help volunteers enrich the station environment through a wide variety of projects, for example through sustainable gardening and art displays, festive decorations and so much more.

We improve integrated transport options by progressing access to stations, working with our bus provider partners to increase bus connectivity and encouraging active transport through walking and cycling. We work with schools and local colleges, providing educational workshops and we support diverse groups to “Try a Train” through arranged visits to stations. Our line guides support social and economic development by encouraging visitors to enjoy our region through sustainable travel.

Find out how to get involved on our website:

www.southeastcrp.org



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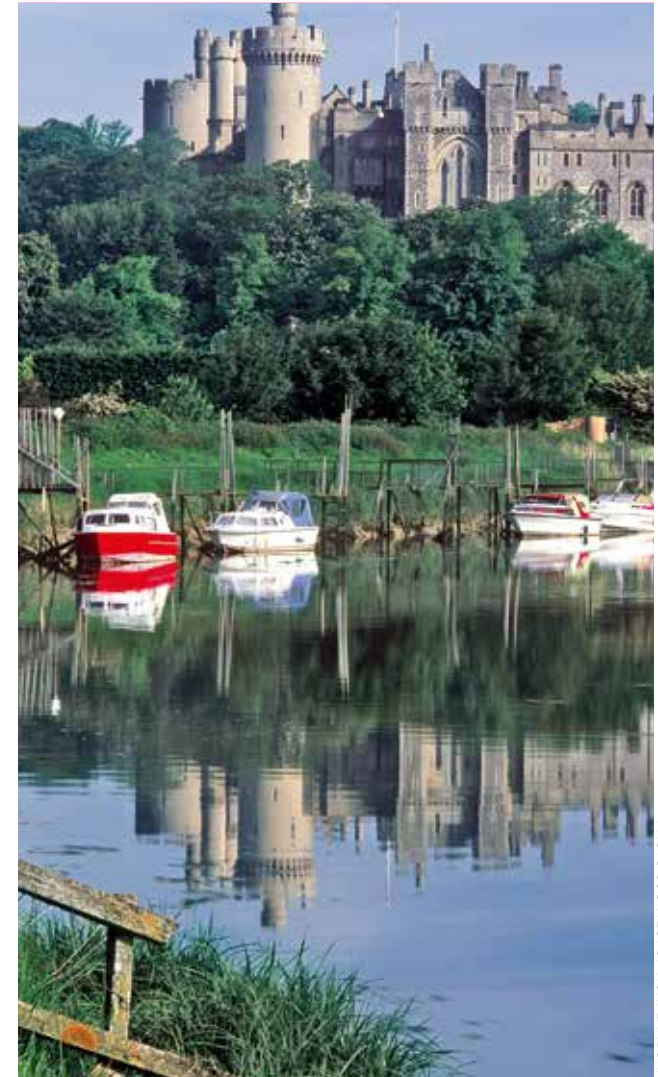


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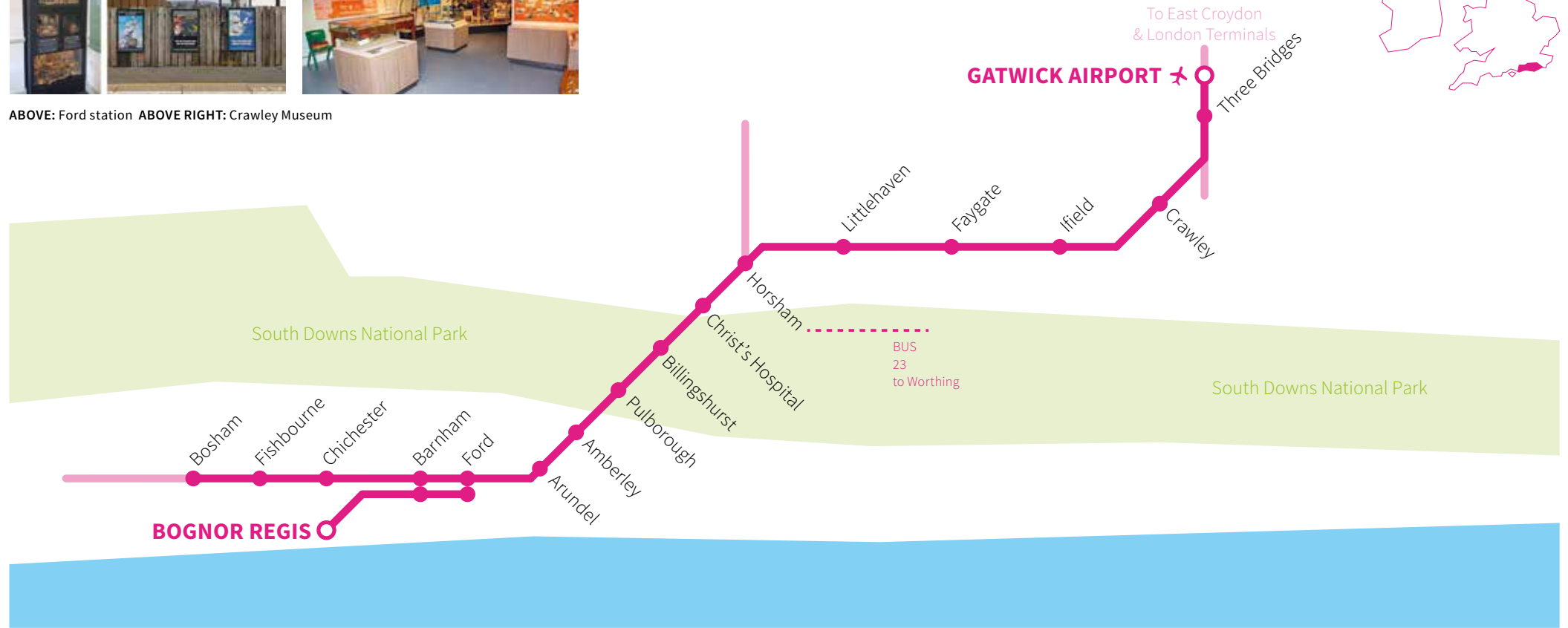
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Travel information



ABOVE: Ford station ABOVE RIGHT: Crawley Museum

Supporting sustainable transport links



Train links

- The whole of the Arun Valley is served by direct Southern trains from London Victoria, and Thameslink trains connect London Blackfriars, London Bridge, and Horsham. Stations between Bosham and Ford, including Chichester and Barnham, are on the Coastway West route with direct Southern trains to/from Southampton, Portsmouth and Brighton.

Bus links

- There is a comprehensive bus service running across West Sussex, connecting many stations with their local community, and exciting places to visit further afield. Local bus operators include Stagecoach (www.stagecoachbus.com), Compass Travel (www.compass-travel.co.uk), and Metrobus (www.metrobus.co.uk).

For more information please go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/travel-and-public-transport/bus-and-coach-travel/plan-your-journey/bus-routes-and-timetables/

Walking/Cycling links

- There is some lovely countryside to explore along the Arun Valley line.
- If the view from the train window whets your appetite for more, look at www.westsussex.gov.uk/walking and www.westsussex.gov.uk/cycling for some great walks and bike rides to explore the line further.