

Southeast Communities Rail Partnership Weekly Highlights

DATE 1st Aug 2025

1066: Hastings to Tonbridge Kanna Ingleson, Line Officer kanna@southeastcrp.org

- The OneYou mobile unit will be offering 2 opportunities for free health checks at 3 different stations during August. This is being done in collaboration with Sussex Outreach Service (SOS).
- Matt Fraser, Sharon Gray and I met with Sharon Jeffries at High Brooms station to do a final check on the proposed station garden site. A grant from Southeastern in Bloom has been secured, and we are now recruiting more volunteers to help.
- I attended a Connect the Connectors workshop and networking lunch in Winchelsea. Delivered by East Sussex Tackling Loneliness Programme and Rother Voluntary Action, it promoted shared learning about loneliness and why 'Loneliness Matters'. I am discussing a collaboration with them to encourage people to talk to one another a bit more on the 1066 line.





North Downs Gatwick- Redhill- Reading Line Officers:

Sara Grisewood sara@southeastcrp.org

- Jo McGowan from Hello Dorking has installed a new poster at Dorking Deepdene Station with information about upcoming events. I am looking forward to leading a walk as part in their new Dorking Walking Festival on September 25th from Dorking West Station to Dorking Deepdene with a talk about how the railways changed the town and a visit to the museum.
- This week I also had meetings with Surrey Coalition for Disabled People and GWR's Accessibility team.
- This week all of us at SCRP have been busy getting ready for the Rail Fair in Lewes on Friday 1st.
- Next week I am looking forward to a few days leave.
- Photo: Jo McGowan Dorking Deepdene Station.

Hounslow to Richmond Michael Olden Line Officer michael@southeastcrp.org

 This week I've been working from home gearing up for Railway 200 events coming up in August at stations on the loop. (Sandy Mahon and myself checking out the Water & Steam Museum)



Marshlink Hastings-Ashford International Paul Bromley Line Officer

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- Confirmed SCRP's presence at SER's Ashford depot open day on Sunday 24 August
- Helped Pugwash Planters with information about planned tree felling work at Rye
- Finalised details for launch of Write on Track poetry competition which is now live: https://www.southeastcrp.org/write-on-track/
- Attended meeting of Hastings Sustainable Transport Forum to discuss rail services as well as bus/walking/cycling provision plus Active Travel and plans for World Car-Free Day in September

Sussex Coast Line Hove to Littlehampton Lynda Spain Line Officer lynda@southeastcrp.org

- Set up a site visit with Network Rail and Friends of West Worthing to finalise licence agreement for the garden
- Set up meeting with Sussex Exclusive Magazine to talk all things Sussex Coast with me, Michael and Kanna
- Setting up for Rail Fair 200 and getting prepared for the big event!

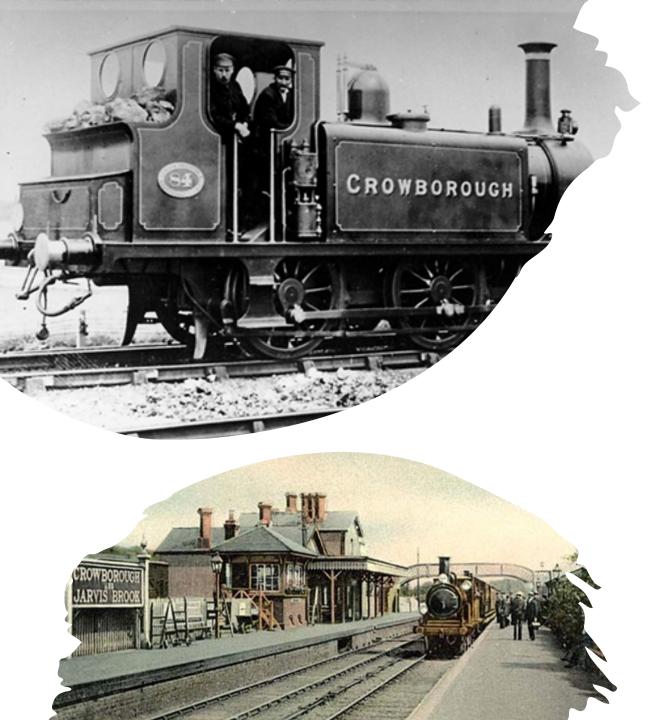
Photo: me with Friends of West Worthing Station



Sussex Downs Line Seaford to Brighton Michael Olden Line Officer michael@southeastcrp.org

- Met with Dan & Daniel at Falmer station to catch up with what's happening with the planting
- Preparing for Railway 200 and the Open Day at London Road station
- Visited the volunteers at Seaford station who are revamping and replanting the planters along the platform (See Photo).





Uckfield - East Grinstead - Oxted Sharon Gray Line Officer sharon@southeastcrp.org

- Some examples of the newly installed project in the ticket hall at Crowborough station.
- We await confirmation that the dual platform signage has been installed. Also, the decision on where the duplicate can be sited. Many thanks to Crowborough Town Council who funded this.

Ton- Reigate Sharon Gray Line Officer <u>sharon@southeastcrp.org</u>

- Working with SM at Tonbridge to find some exciting community organisations to pass on the unwanted bikes to – several suggestions in from the community.
- Revisit the community request for bike tracks over the footbridge.
- Also, requesting some local community volunteer help to keep the station garden weed free over the Summer. . The station staff have really embraced the gardens and are interested in more exotic planting.



Windsor to Reading Sandy Mahon, Line Officer sandy@southeastcrp.org

- Busy week of catching up with administration and liaising with various station partners.
- Circulated information regarding the SWR Community Rail Awards to station adopters encouraging them to apply for their many projects.
- Initial design received for Winnersh Triangle mural, liaising with Network Rail and the Parish Council.
- Lovely framed picture has been put up at Wokingham Station showing old railway workers.



Marketing and Communications Paul Bromley Comms Officer paul@southeastcrp.org

- Huge effort to promote Rail Fair 200
- Daily postings on social media channels in the build-up to the event with countdown posts for '1 week to go', '3 days to go', '2 days to go', 'Tomorrow'.
- Collaborated with Southern and Railway 200 on social posts. Southern shared content.
- Shared content with What's On and events groups across region including Brighton and East Sussex Facebook groups
- Digital advertising on display at Victoria station (Brighton platforms). Photo supplied by SCRP chair Tim Barkley who spotted the image on his travels.
- Liaised with radio stations and podcast presenters over interviews and recordings
- Updated information and guestlist sent to TV and radio stations







SCRP CIC News Fiona Morton CEO, Trevor Field Finance Officer, Andy Pope Line Officer Team Manager

A busy weekend at the Blubell Railway spreading the word about community rail. All ready for our event on 1st Aug at Lewes Town Hall. We will be revealing our 200 blue plaques and opening to the public at 1100. Thanks for all the support, promises to be a great day.





