

Southeast Communities Rail Partnership Weekly Highlights

DATE 16th Oct 2026



Arun Valley: Gatwick Airport to Bosham

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- Back from holiday, so a busy week catching up with mail.
- Also, planning for next week's Line Group meeting, with help and support from Gatwick airport and railway station.
- 3 new station adoptions submitted to GTR – Three Bridges, Crawley and Bosham. They are all keen to get going, just waiting for approval.
- It was great to hear that Arundel took a Gold certificate in the recent Stations in Bloom competition. *Chris Pugh, Arundel Green Team, member from the beginning, receives Gold Certificate at RHS Wisley.*





Hounslow to Richmond
Anna Stearman Line Officer
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- Good News! Richmond Community Art Gallery won a 'Highly Commended' for Best Community Art Project at the SWR Community Rail Conference last week – collected by Mike Knott.
- A brilliant street party for St Margarets Station's 150th Birthday, featuring the launch of the new mural, with artist Will Parker and some of the children who contributed drawings. We were lucky enough to welcome Peter, Lord Hendy and his Routemaster, as well as Lawrence Bowman from SWR, Munira Wilson MP and Nancy Baldwin, Mayor of Richmond, with community jazz band & colleagues from Richmond Council.
- Meetings with SWR colleagues, Martyn Turner and Lucy Lomax, with station adopters, at Hounslow and Isleworth Stations, regarding the Community Benefit Scheme Grants.
- Staff Team Day (also Sandy's Birthday) on the Hounslow Richmond Loop Line.

Marshlink Hastings-Ashford International Paul Bromley Line Officer paul@southeastcrp.org

Recent highlights include line chair Kevin Boorman and line officer Paul Bromley on a tour of Marshlink stations.

We met station partners and other groups to hear about ongoing projects and their concerns to pass on to train operators. Photo shows us with the station group at Winchelsea.

The Friends of Ore Station are celebrating the fantastic news that they have been awarded Gold in the Station category of South and South East in Bloom.

Next week: I am attending the CRN conference in Derby along with other SCRP line officers and representatives. I'm looking forward to some interesting discussions and hearing how other CRPs are faring.



Community Rail Conference

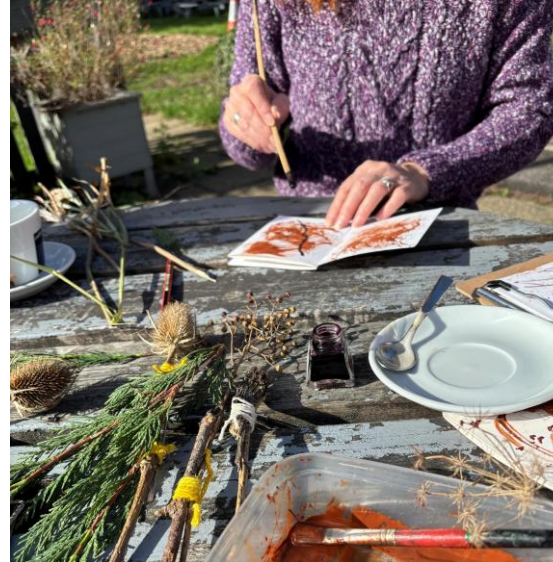


Monday 19 and Tuesday 20
October 2026

REACH Conference
Centre, Derby

North Downs Gatwick- Redhill- Reading
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- A busy couple of weeks: joined SWR at their Community Rail Conference in the fantastic setting of Portsmouth Docks.
- The sun was shining for our first Big Draw Festival event this week: a Walk&Draw event at North Camp Station with a gentle walk in the Blackwater Valley followed by experimental mark making with natural materials.
- We had a site meeting with Jack the blacksmith and Chris Smith at North Camp to discuss our design for a metal sculpture.
- A lovely team day out to share good practice on the Hounslow and Richmond line with Anna and other colleagues. We saw many inspiring artworks including at Richmond and Barnes.
- Next week I am looking forward to travelling to Derby for the Community Rail Network Conference.
- Photo: Big Draw North Camp; colleagues at Barnes Station, Jack and Chris at North Camp



Sussex Coast
Line Hove to Littlehampton
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- The new standing soldier has been installed at Lancing, meeting with KLL and Parish Clerk
- Gardening with Northbrook students at Goring by Sea.
- Finalised graphics for Your Community Cares Campaign 2026
- CRN Award entries are in!
- Beautiful new planters at West Worthing ready to be planted up.
- GTR mindfulness walk around London Bridge
- Line Officer visit to Richmond with colleagues
- 2 Try a Train trips with Lancing Beavers and Cubs
- Starting to determine routes for the Train to Trail Project
- Filling planters with soil at West Worthing
- Sending out invitations to the Seed Swap on 2nd December

Sussex Downs Line Seaford to Brighton

Michael Olden Line Officer

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- Spent a very interesting day at Christs Hospital in Horsham with the team from SCRP
- Submitted my application for the CRN Awards.... Fingers crossed.
- Visited the London Road Model Railway Club who celebrate their 55th year this Tuesday (see photo).
- We had a useful catch-up call with Patrick Ladbury from GTR,
- Met up with the gardeners at London Road station back after their September break.
- I has a meeting with Hannah Stennings from the National Trust to talk about a project at Brighton station.
- We held a successful bike security marking event at Falmer campus with students from Brighton University.



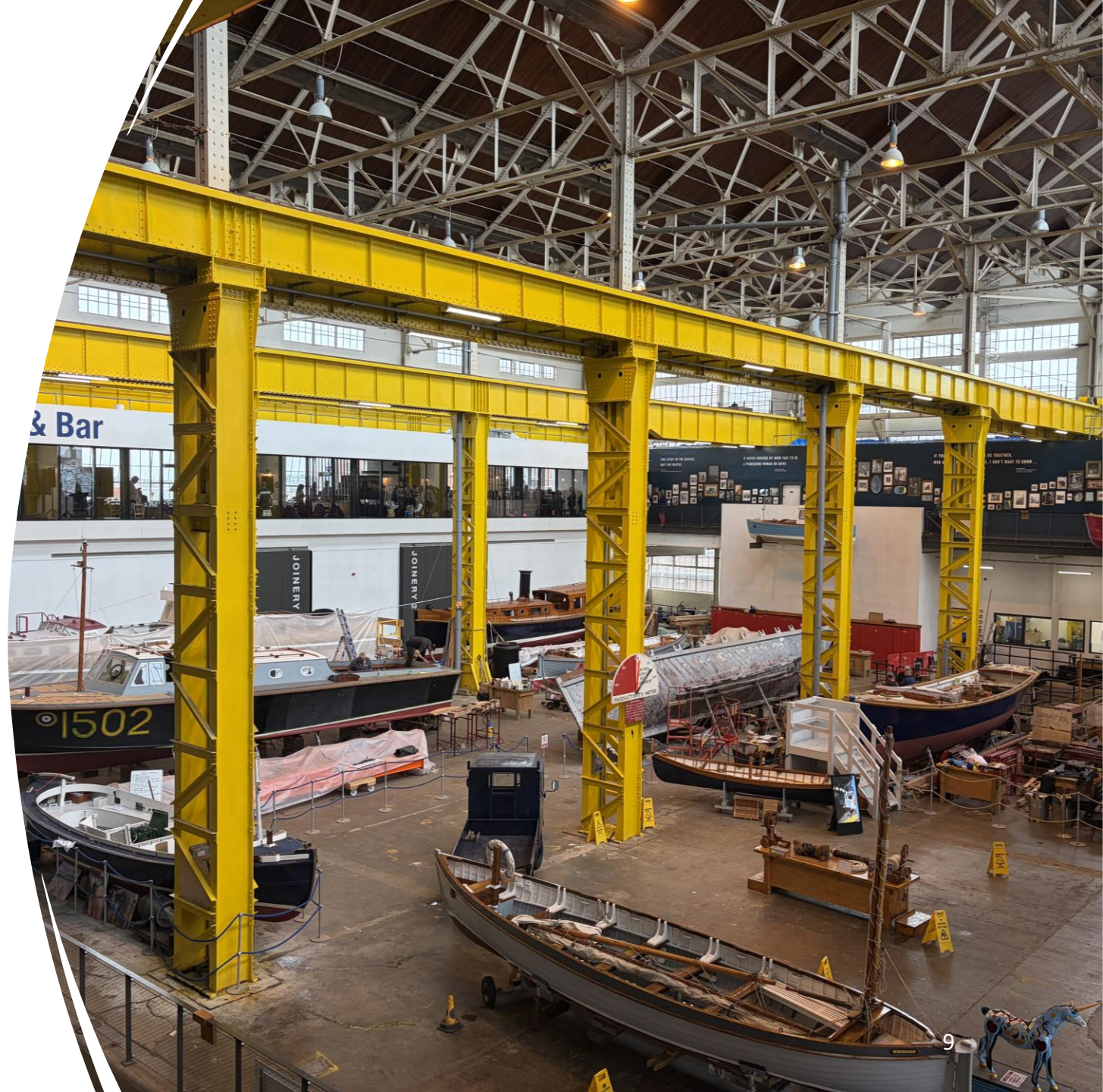


Uckfield - East Grinstead – Oxted & Ton - Reigate
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- Recent activity has seen great networking events over the last few weeks, which have led to greater understanding of the local community, new contacts and work on projects being developed, including new artwork and signage.
- This week also saw a Try the Train event with The Oaks Specialist College from Tonbridge which will shortly be made into a film for social media.

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

- Busy couple of weeks. Enjoyed the fantastic SWR Community Rail Conference at a wonderful venue in Portsmouth. Two station adoption groups on the Windsor to Reading line were winners for Best project involving young people and Best Biodiversity project. Very well deserved!
- Successful steering group meeting.
- Team day out on the Hounslow to Richmond loop, nice to catch up with fellow officers.



Go Learn Education
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- I ran a TwC workshop with 10 students from Brighton Forward in Shoreham. Planning a Journey to Arundel. Later in the week we took that trip to Arundel with them.
- I ran 2 Planning a Journey workshops with 60 Year 6 children from Arunside School in Horsham. I then took each class on a station visit and train ride to Billingshurst.



Photos from last weeks
Trip to the Isle of Wight
With Chichester College



SCRP CIC News

Fiona Morton CEO, Trevor Field Finance Officer



- SCRП CIC Board Meeting plus AGM held at Lewes & online (photo left).

- The Travelling with Confidence project got a good write up in CRN news. To read more follow this link [Travelling with Confidence: opening up new journeys with Southeast Communities Rail Partnership - Community Rail Network](#)