



BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

### December Update from the Dorking BID

#### **Uber/Taxi Provision in Dorking**

Due to the boundaries in place with Uber's agreement with TfL it is unlikely at this time that they will operate widely in Dorking. A joint meeting is being sought between Hello Dorking, Mole Valley District Council, local taxi firms and a representative from the hospitality industry to see how issues with the provision of taxis during the evenings can be addressed.

#### **Roll Up Dorking Christmas Festival**

The Chairman thanked the BID Team for the delivery and success of the Roll Up Dorking Christmas festival.

#### **Parking**

Issues have been raised with people parking on double yellow lines in West Street and High Street causing problems with the traffic. Mole Valley District Council will be liaising with Surrey County Council on the issue. In addition to this car parks have a number of EV charge parking spaces which are often unused and Wathen Road in particular has Royal Mail vans taking up parking spaces. These issues will also be reviewed by Mole Valley District Council.

#### **EV Charge Point Charges**

The amount charged for EV charge points in Mole Valley District Council car parks has been reduced.

#### **Damaged Pavements**

It is noted that there are uneven and broken pavements in several places throughout the town. This is being taken up with Surrey County Council.

#### **Strengthening Partnerships**

Mole Valley District Council is running an event for businesses and community groups:

Strengthening Partnerships

27<sup>th</sup> January

Pippbrook House

#### **Marks and Spencers**

Marks and Spencers are planning to move from their current location to Vincent Lane on the site of Wickes. Hello Dorking are liaising with both Evolve (owners of St Martin's Walk) and Mole Valley District Council to discuss available options for the unit.



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### **DISC Crime Reporting System**

The DISC system is not yet ready to go live in Surrey. Hello Dorking are in contact with Surrey Police as we await the date it will be available.

### **Training for BID Businesses**

First aid and mental health training will be delivered to BID Businesses in 2026.

### **Voluntary BID Businesses**

Hello Dorking welcomes three new voluntary BID businesses – Dorking Dental Centre, Strength and Bloom and What Dilly Cooks.

### **New Board Member**

Pedro Duarte-Ramos owner of Glow Jewellers and WitchInk Tattoo has been appointed as a Hello Dorking BID Board member.