

Update from Chichester District Council January 2026 for Fernhurst Ward

Food Waste Collections

Preparations for our new food waste collection service are well underway. Five new vehicles have already arrived.

In February, CDC will be placing information directly on people's bin handles – explaining what residents can expect when the service launches in spring 2026.

Please do consider downloading the Chichester District Council app to stay informed as we approach the launch of the new food waste collection service (and remind you of which week to put your recycling/landfill waste out). There will also be a presentation on this at the February 2026 All Parishes meeting to provide further information on the service roll out.

Elections update

The Government has delayed the inaugural mayoral elections that were due to take place in May 2026 for Sussex and have now been moved to May 2028. Ministers say that the delay will allow more time to complete the local government reorganisation before mayors take office, so that the governance structures are fully in place prior to the election. West Sussex County Council have requested to postpone their election to 2027 (from 2025) although CDC which administers the elections have confirmed they are able to do so.

Rural England Prosperity Fund

A further 8 REPF Projects have been completed including two in our ward (hurrah!) and some not far:

- Graffham Playground – Play equipment
- Fernhurst Tennis Club- LED floodlights
- Cobnor Activity Centre – Climbing equipment
- Starfish People HR – Conference equipment
- Stansted Park Garden Ltd – Solar panels
- Perfect Motion – Pilates reformers
- LV Rehabilitation – Mobile Arm Support machine
- Lynchmere Parish Council – Toddler play equipment

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