

Dear Occupier,

SNACK WAGON

The Snack Wagon offers mobile youth provision for young people aged between 13 and 18 years. The 'graffiti-ed' vehicle acts as an informal meeting place and aims to:

- provide a safe space for young people where they are already gathering
- provide a base from which outreach and detached youth work can be delivered
- reduce the numbers of young people engaging in anti-social behaviour

A small shelter (in the style of a marquee) is erected outside the vehicle to form a seating area, and a range of refreshments, including confectionery, tea/coffee, cans of soft drink and jacket potatoes, is available for young people to purchase.

Youth Workers engage with the young people on specific issues identified and provide information and advice on a range of topics - for example, sexual health, alcohol awareness and personal safety - and also act as their 'advocate' in liaising with other agencies and community groups. There is a range of resources on the vehicle to facilitate interaction with the young people, including board games and equipment for rounders, cricket and football.

The Snack Wagon visits those areas where there is a lack of facilities for young people, where there are groups of young people 'hanging around' and/or where there are incidents of anti-social behaviour perceived to be being caused by young people.

The Snack Wagon is a joint initiative between Horsham District Council and West Sussex Youth Service.

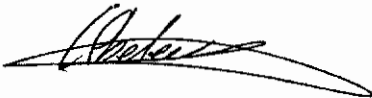
I am writing to you to inform you that the Snack Wagon will be in your area on Wednesday evenings for seven (7) weeks from 30th October to 18th December 2011. The Snack Wagon will be based at Broadbridge Heath Scout Hut Car Park, 53 Billingshurst Road, Broadbridge Heath and will be present from approximately 6.30pm until 8.30pm.

Although the Youth Workers will of course try to minimise any nuisance or disruption to nearby residents, I would be grateful if you could note that there may be increased activity in the local vicinity when the Snack Wagon is present.

I hope that you will be able support Horsham District Council and West Sussex Youth Service with this initiative. However, if you do have any concerns or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact either:

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Yours sincerely



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