

Dear Resident / Business owner

November 2025

### Road Closures December 2025 / 2026 Arundel Farmers Market dates

We are writing to give you notice of the road closure for **Arundel's Victorian Christmas**, incorporating the **Tree Lighting & Carol Service** and **Community Awards presentation** on **Friday 5 December 2025 from 4-7pm**.

Whilst we will try and keep disruption for you and the town to a minimum, road closures and parking bay suspensions will be in place in the High Street (upper and lower) and Tarrant Street from 14:00-21:00 on Friday 5 December 2025. The River Road bollards will be lowered to allow access for residents only.

There will be a short road closure of the Quayside at the mini-roundabout from approximately **5.15pm-6pm** to allow the procession to form up and walk down River Road.

There will be music and street entertainment in the High Street and Tarrant Street from 3pm, with the main event from 4-7pm (lantern procession at 5.30pm and Tree Lighting at 6pm). We anticipate the event finishing at approximately 19:15. The road closure will be lifted as soon as possible after breakdown of the event and removal of equipment, by 21:00 at the latest.

Please note that no vehicular access will be permitted during the road closure, except for emergency vehicles and vehicles associated with the build/breakdown. Delivery drivers will need to park outside the road closure.

#### **Parking restrictions**

Parking restrictions are in place during the road closure to ensure access is maintained for emergency vehicles at all times, for the event build and for ensuring the safety of all those taking part or watching. We would kindly request that residents of the Upper and Lower High Street park elsewhere during the closure times. We appreciate your cooperation, but if you do have any concerns please contact me or speak to one of our marshals on the day.

### Join in! 'A Christmas Carol' - Procession

A lantern procession will take place between 5.30-6pm, starting from outside The Swan Hotel, along River Road, Arun Street and Tarrant Street, to the High Street for the Tree Lighting. Along the way, listen to extracts from 'A Christmas Carol' from our Victorian readers! We'd like to invite you to join in – dress up Victorian-style, make a lantern and walk with us, decorate your window with a Christmas Angel or Victorian ragamuffin, or place a lantern outside.

# **Arundel Farmers Market, Saturday 20 December**

A reminder that the lower High Street will be closed as usual from 06:00 for the market set-up. The market trading hours are 09:00–14:00 for the month of December, and the road closure to allow for breakdown will therefore be lifted by 17:00.

# **Arundel Farmers Market 2026 dates**

The monthly market will continue on the third Saturday of the month through 2026, with road closures from 06:00-15:30 and the market trading from 09:00-13:00. In August and December, the market trades until 14:00 and road closures are extended in the lower High Street until 17:00.

Third Saturdays: 17 January | 21 February | 21 March | 18 April | 16 May | 20 June | 18 July | 15 August | 19 September | 17 October | 21 November | 19 December

We look forward to welcoming you, your family and friends on 5 December to celebrate the start of the festive season in our town.

On behalf of Arundel Town Council, thank you for your understanding and support of Arundel Town Council's events.

Yours faithfully

Tracy Clayton
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