

Epsom and Ewell Times is suitably Impressed

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Your new independent community news service is now officially recognised and regulated by **The Independent Monitor for the Press. IMPRESS** is an independent press regulator in the UK. It was the first to be recognised by the **Press Recognition Panel**. Unlike the Independent Press Standards Organisation (IPSO), IMPRESS is fully compliant with the recommendations of the **Leveson Inquiry**. IMPRESS regulates over 200 titles, consisting of a variety of independent local, investigative and special interest news publications across the UK. No national newspaper has signed up to the new regulator; most continue to be members of the unrecognised IPSO. Its founder is Jonathan Heawood and its current Chief Executive is Ed Procter.

“IMPRESS is at the vanguard of a new, positive future for news publishers, ensuring quality independent journalism flourishes in a digital age. We help to build understanding and trust between journalists and the public – and provide the public with trusted sources of news.”



You can now be assured that the Team at **Epsom and Ewell Times** will continue to strive to meet the highest standards and that we are accountable to an outside body for our mistakes. Readers may lodge complaints to us in the first place and then to IMPRESS if the complaint is not resolved. Members of our own Team have protected “whistleblower rights” if they need to report a breach of standards.

Why not join our team of writers, photographers and contributors? You can give as big or as little as you like. We are all unpaid volunteers, filling the big gap that has grown in recent decades in quality local journalism.