

There's plenty of character in this fine old pub, and much of its interesting history is portrayed in dated photographs that adorn the walls. Ale was once brewed on the premises and sold to passers by through the windows, and though the brewery is long defunct, local beers are available on tap, including Surrey Hills' Shere Drop.

The building retains many of its original Georgian features, and the warm and welcoming atmosphere is enhanced by roaring log fires in the winter. Summer sees the pleasant garden full, with plenty of walkers taking a well-earned rest and perhaps partaking of the Saturday lunchtime barbecues (weather permitting).

All year round, the bar and conservatory restaurant draw a loyal clientele for the top quality 'pub grub' and more upmarket gastro style daily specials.

The menu includes a choice of cold cuts platters, share plates, speciality fish dishes and more traditional favourites such as steak and local ale pie, honey glazed ham, egg and chips, and curry, chilli and lasagne - all homemade. There is an excellent range of vegetarian meals, plus filled ciabatta, baguettes and jacket potatoes. All of the meat is sourced locally and cheese, eggs and milk come from the local West Horsley Dairy. Children are welcomed and have their own menu plus plenty of toy and board games to distract them, and water bowls are provided for thirsty dogs.

There is lots of off-street parking and disabled facilities.