



# THE WHITE HORSE



## CELEBRATE THE 400<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE SAILING OF THE MAYFLOWER

Marking 400 years of history, 2020 will commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Mayflower's pioneering voyage – a legacy that changed history and links four nations and connects millions of people. When the ship set sail William Mullins and his family were just one of six Dorking residents to travel to the New World. Mullins House still stands proudly in the middle of Dorking's West Street, not far from Pump Corner and is the only home of a "Pilgrim Father" that is known to have survived into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. At 50 years old, William was one of the financiers of the 1620 Mayflower journey and along with his wife and two children, joined the ship in Rotherhithe in July 1620. Eventually, Priscilla (the daughter of William Mullins), married John Alden, a young cooper aboard the Mayflower, and when the peoples of the original 13 colonies declared independence from Britain, 150 years after the arrival of the Mayflower, one of John and Priscilla's descendants was amongst those who framed that declaration. Founding Father John Adams (1735-1826) was the great great grandson of the girl from Dorking. In 1797 he became the second president of the United States.

Dorking has a year of celebrations planned to celebrate such an important date in history and we would be delighted to welcome pilgrim travellers and descendants of William Mullins here at the White Horse Hotel. Set in the charming heart of Dorking, nestled between the North Downs and gentle slopes of the Denbies Estate and Vineyards, The White Horse stands as one of England's most storied coaching inns, with a history dating back as far as 1278. The property has undergone a comprehensive refurbishment and overhaul of both the public spaces, dining concept, and 56 bedrooms. Offering stylish accommodation, a destination restaurant and bar The Dozen, specialising in local Surrey produce, we look forward to your stay.

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