

# Rudgwick Parish Council

## Weekly Clerk's Update: 11 - 17 October 2025 (Agenda November 2025)

**To:** Parish Councillors

c.c: Christian Mitchell (West Sussex County Councillor)  
Richard Landeryou (Horsham District Councillor)

**From:** Anna Clayton

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The weekly update provides information regarding:

- Announcements/delegated decisions by the Clerk
- Planning information
- Correspondence/communications from parishioners
- Correspondence/communications from outside organisations

### List of organisations that communicate with the Council on a regular basis.

- AIRS (Action in Rural Sussex)
  - APCAG (Association of Parish Councils Aviation Group)
  - CAGNE (Communities Against Gatwick Noise Emission)
  - CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England)
  - HALC (Horsham Association of Local Councils)
  - HDC (Horsham District Council)
  - NALC (National Association of Local Councils)
  - WSALC (West Sussex Association of Local Councils)
  - WSCC (West Sussex District Council)
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### Clerk's announcements/delegated decisions:

- New salt bin located outside Little Street.
- WSCC PROW routine maintenance will be taking place in November 2025

**GENERAL REMINDER:** If you wish to speak face to face to a member of staff, please contact the Clerk on 07927 702321 during her office working hours (Monday – Wednesday 9.30 – 15.30).

### Applications for noting at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting

| Applications for noting at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 |                    |
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| Application No:                                                                           | Response/Comments: |
| Applicant:                                                                                |                    |

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| <b>Reason for Application:</b> |  |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b> |  |

| <b>Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025</b> |                           |
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| <b>Application No:</b>                                                                                 | <b>Response/Comments:</b> |
| <b>Applicant:</b>                                                                                      |                           |
| <b>Reason for Application:</b>                                                                         |                           |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b>                                                                         |                           |

### Decisions

| <b>HDC Council Decisions – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>Application No:</b><br><a href="#">DC/25/0796</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Response/Comments:</b><br><br><b>Permitted / RPC – No objection.</b>                                                                                 |
| <b>Applicant:</b><br>Land at 508295 131784, The Haven                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Reason for Application:</b><br>Construction of an agricultural building for the purpose of storing manure with a concrete floor.                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Application No:</b><br><a href="#">DC/25/1440</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Response/Comments:</b><br><br><b>Permitted / RPC - No objection to the application being treated as a non material amendment or to the proposal.</b> |
| <b>Applicant:</b><br>Pilgrims Rest, Cox Green                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Reason for Application:</b><br>Non Material Amendment to previously approved application DC/24/1715 (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a self-build dwelling and garage.) Removal of soldier course brickwork above windows and removal and replacement of sliding doors to rear single story. Relocation and |                                                                                                                                                         |

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| reduction of South West side window of utility room towards the side door. |  |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b>                                             |  |

#### Applications going to Committee

| Applications going to Committee – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 |                           |
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| <b>Application No:</b>                                                                           | <b>Response/Comments:</b> |
| <b>Applicant:</b>                                                                                |                           |
| <b>Reason for Application:</b>                                                                   |                           |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b>                                                                   |                           |

#### Appeals Lodged / Appeals Determined

| New Appeals Lodged / Determined – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 |                           |
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| <b>Application No:</b>                                                                           | <b>Response/Comments:</b> |
| <b>Applicant:</b>                                                                                |                           |
| <b>Reason for Application:</b>                                                                   |                           |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b>                                                                   |                           |

#### New Planning Compliance Issues

| New Planning Compliance Issues – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13th October 2025                                |                                                               |
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| <b>Application No:</b><br><a href="#">EN/25/0372</a> 10.10.2025                                                   | <b>Response/Comments:</b><br><br><b>Pending consideration</b> |
| <b>Address:</b><br>Sussex Topiary, Naldretts Lane, Rudgwick                                                       |                                                               |
| <b>Nature of Complaint</b><br>Alleged: Dayrooms not in accordance with approved plan DC/19/1362 (double storey in |                                                               |

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| height).                       |  |
| <b>Official Response Date:</b> |  |

### Parish Councils Website

Rudgwick Parish Council's New Website is now live!

<https://rudgwick-pc.gov.uk>

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### Correspondence

**Email dated 17.10.2025 from CAGNE**  
**Gatwick Airport letter of intent for JR**

As you will have read, the Secretary of State for Transport has approved a new runway at Gatwick Airport.

This is obviously disappointing but something the CAGNE legal team had expected, so we are prepared to serve a Judicial Review, this week having issued a letter of intent to the Secretary of State for Transport. CAGNE therefore formally request that your council consider donating to CAGNE fund to oppose this new runway.

The grounds will become clear this week as the team progresses through the statement. But what is clear is that:

- Gatwick will seek to move the traffic burden (and decline in air quality) onto neighbouring areas, as we see already with the increase in the drop-off fee, ensuring that they meet the 54% arriving by public transport.
- That the compensation will be for a few and not for the majority who will have homes devalued by two runway operations (going from 285,000 to 386,000 flights per year), and the only guarantee is that noise will double.
- That the seasonal jobs do not pay for housing local to the airport (and increases the issues for lack of affordable housing) but will migrate in by car.
- The government could have secured £40m for an onsite wastewater treatment plant but has left the subject wide open to negotiations between the airport and Thames Water (that is at near capacity) post planning permission.
- And that the impact aviation is having on the planet is to be disregarded, as Gatwick exports more sterling out of the UK economy than it brings in as the new runway will add over 1m tonnes of extra carbon a year.

These, and for many other reasons, are why CAGNE asks your council to donate to the established legal team of Leigh Day Solicitors and award winning KC Estelle Dohan via [www.cagne.org](http://www.cagne.org), or through the crowdjustice service <https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/oppose-a-new-runway-at-gatwick/>

CAGNE offer to meet with your council to discuss this request further and remind you of the fact CAGNE seeks to be fair to all communities and the planet and secured the recommendation for refusal from the Planning Inspectorate. There was a public online meeting this month as well as events explaining about airspace above your home. If you missed them the links can be found at [www.cagne.org](http://www.cagne.org).

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Cadman, Treasurer to CAGNE, On behalf of CAGNE committee

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**Email dated 16.10.2025 from WSCC**

**Tackling flood risk, check your blood pressure for free, job seekers support, and more!**



**Welcome to the October 2025 edition of our Residents' eNewsletter, featuring the latest news and updates from your county council.**



## Tackling flood risk at the source

Flooding is often blamed on heavy rain, but the cause could start many miles away due to an overgrown ditch, blocked brook, or water running off a development.

On their own they seem small and unconnected but can add up to create a flood risk.

Our new Local Flood Risk Management Strategy uses a catchment-based approach to understand how water moves through an area to find the source of the problem.

Then we can plan how to remove or minimise the flood risk before heavy rain comes, to protect the surrounding communities.

[Find out more](#)



## A loan that could save your life!

West Sussex residents can now borrow blood pressure monitors free of charge from all 36 libraries across the county.

This new initiative aims to help detect high blood pressure - often called the “silent killer” - which can lead to heart attacks, strokes, and other serious conditions.

Library members can borrow the easy-to-use kits for up to three weeks to monitor their blood pressure at home. Each kit includes a guide, a results diary, and health advice. If readings are too high or low, users are encouraged to contact their GP.

This partnership between the county council and NHS Sussex supports early detection and prevention, helping residents take control of their health.

For more health and wellbeing support, visit: [www.westsussexwellbeing.org.uk](http://www.westsussexwellbeing.org.uk)

[Find out more](#)



## West Sussex awarded government funding to support job seekers

People facing barriers to finding work will soon be able to access personalised support through a new employment programme called Connect to Work.

We have been awarded funding to deliver the programme as part of the government's Get Britain Working strategy.

Connect to Work will provide tailored support for residents who are living with a long-term health condition, or other barriers to employment.

Individual mentoring will help them to build the confidence and skills to successfully apply for jobs and settle in once they start.

Applications to join the programme will open in November 2025.

[Find out more](#)



## Stoptober: free local support to help you quit

If you're a smoker in West Sussex and ready to make a change, there's never been a better time to quit. A wide range of free support is available to help you take that first step - and stick with it.

Smokefree West Sussex offers several ways to help you quit, so you can choose the option that works best for you:

- **Quit 4 Wellbeing** – a specialist, countywide, stop-smoking service offering face-to-face and telephone support.
- **Wellbeing teams** - run by the district and borough councils, offering stop-smoking support as well as a range of other advice, including how to maintain a healthy weight, how to be physically active, and support with drinking within recommended guidelines.
- **Smokefree app** – a fully digital stop smoking service, for West Sussex residents.
- Stop-smoking support is also available from participating **GP surgeries and pharmacies**.

Hear how Sophie quit smoking for her son and her health, thanks to the help of a Smokefree West Sussex advisor. Watch the video [here](#).

To find out more or to access free support to quit smoking visit the link below or call 0330 222 7980. Support is available face-to-face, over the phone or via the [Smokefree app](#).

[Find out more](#)



## Take up the offer of breast cancer screening

This Breast Cancer Awareness month we want to remind everyone who is invited for breast cancer screening to take up the offer.

Breast screening can detect cancer long before you can even feel it. Or more likely, put your mind at rest.

So, when you're invited, save the date, it could save your life. If you missed your appointment or need to change it, call your local [NHS breast screening service](#) on 01903 239757 or email: [uhsussex.westsussexbreastscreening@nhs.net](mailto:uhsussex.westsussexbreastscreening@nhs.net)

Check your breasts/chest by regular self-examination (around once a month), to get to know what is normal for you.

The NHS provides a '[How to check your breast or chest guide](#)', which includes a helpful video showing how to do so.

Please share with friends, family and colleagues.

[Find out more](#)



## Have your say on how to help nature in West Sussex

### Help local nature thrive

Nature in Sussex is under pressure. Two new strategies aim to change that - and you can help shape them by giving your views.

We're working with partners to develop a Local Nature Recovery Strategy for West Sussex to support our work on nature and environment within our [Climate Action and Adaptation Plan](#).

The proposed strategy sets out how we can restore and enhance local habitats, support wildlife, and make nature more accessible in towns and cities based on input from residents, farmers, and community groups.

Based on 7 driving principles, it lists 24 priorities, and over 100 practical actions that can be taken.

Please help by looking at the draft strategy, exploring the habitat maps, and submitting your views via the consultation to help guide our approach.

The consultation will run for six weeks and closes on 25 November 2025.

[Find out more](#)

## More news



Head to our [Newsroom](#) to find all the latest news.

- Have your say on proposals to [create 170 additional school places across West Sussex](#) for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). The proposals at 3 special schools across the county are part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring children, young people and families with SEND are given the support they need to thrive.
- Storms and cold snaps can disrupt power, water and other services. [Taking 3 simple steps now will help you](#) – and those you care for – be ready for whatever winter brings. The steps include whether you are eligible to join the Priority Services Register which means you get extra support during a power or water outage.
- Increase your skills and awareness on the road as a biker, pillion rider and/or general road user by attending a [free Biker Down! course in Chichester on 23 October](#).
- Our firefighters have issued a [warning after attending a house fire in Aldwick](#) which was caused by a vape.
- We've completed the latest part of a scheme to provide a [safe and accessible cycling route](#) between Bognor Regis and the South Downs National Park.
- It's all hands on deck this October half term in our libraries with pirate-themed stories and craft activities for children aged over 4. Plus craft sessions for young people in selected libraries. [All events are free to attend but booking is required to guarantee a place](#).
- Our Adult Social Care Strategy helps to steer our way forward, ensuring we're making best use of resources and keeping people safe. We're now refreshing it and want to check we're still focused on what matters most to you. [Please take a few minutes to complete our short survey and share your views](#).
- Our Breakwater children's home in Shoreham has once again been rated [outstanding by Ofsted](#), following its latest inspection.

## Did you know?



The NHS is [offering free vaccinations for those at higher risk of serious complications from flu and Covid-19](#).

Make sure you check your eligibility before booking an appointment as the criteria are different for each.

A banner for Smokefree West Sussex. The left side has a yellow box with the text 'STOPPING SMOKING' and 'IT'S WELL WORTH IT' in black, with the 'Smokefree West Sussex' logo below. The right side has a blue background with a yellow box containing the text 'READY TO QUIT SMOKING?' in blue, followed by 'Smokefree West Sussex is here to help you.' in yellow, the website 'westsussexwellbeing.org.uk/smokefree' in yellow, and the phone number 'or call: 0330 222 7980' in white. A circular photo of a man with glasses is on the far right.

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Email dated 16.10.2025 from NALC  
Chief Executives Bulletin

### Events and meetings

- In this week's meeting with county associations, we discussed flags and the different approaches taken to this emotive issue across the country. We also highlighted the upcoming White Ribbon Day on 25 November 2025 and the work our [White Ribbon Steering Group](#) is doing to deliver its action plan. Other updates included motions to our [Annual General Meeting](#), our [governance elections](#), suggestions for support in parish and town council governance, and a discussion on parish and town council clustering and bringing together good practices and experience on this topic.
- Proper practices project manager Claire Reed attended the Society of Local Council Clerks National Conference in Leicestershire this week from 14 to 15 October 2025. The conference covered many topics, including bouncebackability, how to be resilient and achieve happiness, devolution, supporting menopause in the workplace, and apprenticeships in parish and town councils. The chair of the House

of Commons Committee on Standards, Alberto Costa MP, spoke about his plans for enforcing standards in local government. The conference also saw attendees thanking outgoing president Gina Lopes and welcoming new president Lance Allan (former clerk of Trowbridge Town Council).

- Last week, on 9 October 2025, Claire also delivered a keynote speech to over 1,000 attendees at Scribifest 2025. Claire gave an overview of the review of proper practices, including why the [Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel](#) (SAPPP) is carrying out the review, why it is crucial, and a preview of potential changes. Later this month, SAPPP and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy will launch a sector-wide consultation seeking views on the issues with the current guide and potential solutions. We will share the consultation on our website.

## Resources

- [In this week's blog](#), our [Star Council Awards 2024 County Association of the Year winner](#), the Suffolk Association of Local Councils (SALC), reflect on their success and the transformative year that followed. Their story is one of collaboration, resilience, and the power of local voices. For SALC, entering the awards was never just about recognition. It was about demonstrating how lived experience and partnership can empower communities to shape their own futures. Their achievement has opened new opportunities, from national speaking engagements to greater visibility for local innovation. Above all, it's a celebration of partnership, progress, and the shared belief that local councils are stronger together.
- The 14th edition of Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration will be available from 17 October 2025. It's a guide for parish and town councils on local government law and practice. This new edition includes updates on local government reorganisation, clarified council procedures, revised sections on devolution, an updated section on procurement, and a new section on the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025. We have secured a 20% discount for our members when using the discount code 604452, bringing the cost of the book from £225 to £180. Please use the [unique link](#) when using the discount code or by emailing [lawrence.gurney@lexisnexis.co.uk](mailto:lawrence.gurney@lexisnexis.co.uk). While Arnold-Baker remains an excellent resource for the sector, [members can also access the newly updated Local Councils Explained](#). A vital, easy-to-use resource translating complex legislation into practical guidance, free of charge, offering exceptional value.

## Support

- I'm pleased to share that we've revamped our [membership webpage](#), designed to showcase the full range of benefits available to parish and town councils in membership. The updated webpage outlines the resources, support, and services that membership provides to parish and town councils, councillors, and county associations, from expert advice and training opportunities to representation at the national level. It's also an excellent tool for county associations to share with parish and town councils, helping them better understand the value of being part of NALC

and how it strengthens local governance. Please explore the webpage and see [how membership enables you to make a difference](#).

- We hosted our latest event on 9 October 2025, giving an introduction to the [Local Council Award Scheme](#). The free event provided attendees with an overview of the scheme and the criteria, along with how to put in a good application and some common pitfalls. The event also featured Ware Town Council clerk Terry Philpott, who gave an insight into his experience with the application process and shared some valuable hints and tips in his role as a panel assessor. You can [find out more about the scheme](#) on our website, and further events will be scheduled for next year.
- We've partnered with the Home Office and the Society of Local Council Clerks to host a free event on the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025 on 21 October 2025. This event will explain what the new Act means, which premises and events it covers, and the practical steps organisations may need to consider. You'll also hear from experts about how Martyn's Law will be supported, the free guidance available, and how to prepare effectively without needing to purchase specialist services. You can [find out how to join the event](#) on our website.

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**Email dated 16.10.2025 from WSCC**

**Winter Readiness on the Highway – Member and Parish briefing session invitation**

We warmly invite you to join us for this 2025/26 winter briefing, a focused session designed to support your work, strengthen our collaboration, and share key information to support you to assist your residents.

This is an opportunity to provide insight into:

- Winter service plans [Winter Service Plan 2025/2026](#)
- Share challenges, successes from last winter
- How to access tools and guidance to support you to assist your residents

If you have any questions that you would like answered during the briefing regarding the 2025/26 Winter service plan please can you kindly complete a questionnaire by clicking the following link: <https://s.surveypal.com/822mecjh> Please note we cannot address community specific service queries during the session, as it is focusing on the wider plan for West Sussex. Please submit by October 31, 2025.

The session will be recorded for Training purposes.

\*\*\*Please note the calendar invite is in the attached document\*\*\*

Best wishes

**Zoe Capel CMgr FCMI**

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**Email dated 14.10.2025 from HDC**

**Planning IT work - Sunday 19th October**

Our IT team will be doing more work on our computer systems on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2025 (this time starting from 2pm). You won't be able to access our websites, including our Planning Applications register, online forms and payments, bin calendar etc.

Things *should* be working again by Monday morning. But given the issue with Public Access last time, we'll check carefully on the Monday. Nonetheless, I would advise downloading any documents needed for upcoming meetings beforehand.

Please could you inform anyone who may need to know.

Kind regards,

**Gareth Jones**

Systems and Performance Officer

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**Email dated 13.10.2025 from WSCC**

**Settle down with some spine-tingling tales from West Sussex!**

## news release

### Settle down with some spine-tingling tales from West Sussex!



Do you like reading about ghastly ghosts or supernatural spectres?

With Halloween at the end of the month it's the perfect time to set your spine tingling with spooky tales that you can borrow free of charge from your local library!

For instance, have you heard about the ghostly Roman soldier who reputedly patrols the ancient city walls in Chichester, or the witch from Goring who changed into a big black dog?

These are just two spooky legends that you can read about in the tens of thousands of books available at our 36 libraries and eLibrary.

And two of our libraries even have ghosts to call their own!

At **Arundel Library**, the ghost has been named Betty for as long as anyone can remember. It's thought she was either a teacher or headmistress of the school which used to be in the building.

There are stories of seeing her standing in the middle of the room, dressed in Victorian or Edwardian dress.

Over the years she has apparently had the habit of moving things around the building, and some say they have heard footsteps on the staircase or even received a 'shush!' in the ear!

In **Worthing Library** there is allegedly a 'ghostly guardian' who purportedly haunts the basement. Local author Wendy Hughes in her book *Haunted Worthing* writes about the ghost. Staff say some parts of the Worthing basement do feel a bit creepy!

You can read more tales of local hauntings in books such as *British Witch Legends of Sussex* and *Haunted Places of Sussex*, available along with many others in our libraries. [Search the catalogue here](#).

And if you've watched a spooky TV series or seen a horror film and want to continue learning about the characters, then head to your local library or browse the e-library where you can often find books with a TV series or film tie-in, such as *The Long Walk* by Stephen King, *28 Years Later* by Alex Garland or *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley.

You can also explore our list of horror and gothic titles available to borrow free in eBook and eAudio via the Libby app to get inspiration for some haunting reads. [Libby - Horror & Gothic Reads](#).

Councillor Duncan Crow, Cabinet Member for Community Support, Fire and Rescue said: "Our libraries are keen to encourage more people to enjoy reading, and as the nights draw in, it's a perfect time to settle down with a good book. We have thousands of fiction and non-fiction titles to choose from, so if spooky is not your thing, then there will certainly be something to interest you on the shelves or in the eLibrary!"

Our library service is celebrating 100 years of being at the heart of our communities this year. One of the council's key priorities is to help people and communities to fulfil their potential, and our libraries fulfil that aim every single day.

From Selsey to Shoreham, Lancing to Littlehampton, [find your nearest library](#).

Not a library member yet? [It's free and easy to join if you live, work or study in the county](#).



Sussex  
Police & Crime  
Commissioner

KATY BOURNE OBE



Many of you will have heard the shocking news this week that Sussex Police is investigating a report of arson at a Mosque in Peacehaven on 4 October.

My first thought on hearing about the attack was huge relief that no one was injured. I have also been very reassured by the swift community response to this hateful crime.

Sussex Police has placed an increased police presence in Peacehaven and there are also additional police patrols at places of worship across Sussex.

There is no place for hate and division in Sussex. Whatever the motivation of the people involved there can be no justification for their cowardly and potentially fatal actions.

Sussex Police has made four arrests this week in connection with the arson attack. You can read more about this action in my Friday Force Focus below.

If you have concerns for your safety or experience any hate or criminal behaviour, please speak to an officer or contact Sussex Police online or by calling 101. Always dial 999 in an emergency.

### **Flying flags in Sussex**

Millions of people in our islands are patriotic and deeply attached to the flags of their home nations and the United Kingdom.

In less fractious times, seeing your flag normally instils feelings of belonging and pride and I have no doubt that many of the people currently attaching flags to lamp posts and street furniture share our pride in being British.

It is clear, however, that in some places, the appearance of flags is making some communities feel deliberately targeted and intimidated. That may or may not be the intention of those putting the flags up but it is clearly creating anxiety and potential flashpoints.

I would look to politicians and community leaders to aim to lower the temperature and not fuel further polarisation by playing into the hands of those seeking to create division and unrest.

Local authorities have reported that their staff and contractors have been abused and threatened when removing flags from council property - mainly for safety reasons and to prevent potential breaches of the peace.

Whilst it is not the responsibility of Sussex Police to remove flags, I do expect officers to uphold the law. The Chief Constable has also reassured me that Sussex Police will not tolerate violent, abusive behaviour or attempts to provoke confrontation.



**Katy Bourne OBE**  
**Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner**

## FRIDAY FORCE FOCUS

*Four arrests made in Peacehaven mosque arson investigation*

Sussex Police detectives have arrested four men so far on suspicion of arson with intent to endanger life following the incident at the Peacehaven Mosque in Phyllis Avenue.

They have since been released on conditional bail while enquiries continue.

The Major Crime Team continues to pursue all lines of enquiry to identify those responsible for this appalling and reckless attack.

Detectives continue to urge anyone with information which could be vital to their investigation to come forward. Please contact Sussex Police online or ring 101 quoting Operation Spey.

You can read the latest news on the investigation on the [Sussex Police website](#).

