

Rudgwick Parish Council

Weekly Clerk's Update: 4 – 10 October 2025 (Agenda October 2025)

To: Parish Councillors

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

From: Anna Clayton

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:

- VAT return for £1,943.76 submitted to HMRC

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 th November 2025	
Application No: DC/24/1856 07.10.2025 (Amended Plans)	Response/Comments:

Applicant: The Mucky Duck, Tismans Common	
Reason for Application: Proposed redevelopment and alterations to the Old House to facilitate a change of use from Class C3 to C1.(Listed Building Consent) (revised plans and description).	
Official Response Date: 21.10.2025 / Determination – not updated (17.03.2025)	

Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th October 2025	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Decisions

HDC Council Decisions – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th October 2025	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Applications going to Committee

Applications going to Committee – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th October 2025

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Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Appeals Lodged / Appeals Determined

New Appeals Lodged / Determined – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th October 2025	
Application No: APP/Z3825/W/25/3368192 DC/24/1967	Response/Comments: Appeal Dismissed
Applicant: Sailtops, Cox Green	
Reason for Application: Variation of Condition 1 of previously approved application DC/24/0462 (Demolition of existing garage and annexe and construction of 1no 3 bedroom detached house with residential amenity areas, car parking and turning, together with hard and soft landscaping and new access) Relating to site area, change of use of land, vehicular access and minor elevational revisions to the new dwelling.	
Official Response Date:	
New Appeals Lodged / Determined – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 10 th November 2025	
Application No: DC/25/0093 08.10.2025 APP/Z3825/W/25/3369471	Response/Comments: Written Representation by 5th November 2025
Address: Windacres Farm, Church Street, Rudgwick	
Reason for Application: Prior notification for Change of Use of Agricultural Building to single dwellinghouse.	

Official Response Date:	
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New Planning Compliance Issues

New Planning Compliance Issues – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13th October 2025	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Address:	
Nature of Complaint	
Official Response Date:	

Parish Councils Website

Rudgwick Parish Council's New Website is now live!

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

Correspondence

Email dated 10.10.2025 from HDC

Latest News and Information: Help shape leisure facilities across the District | Winter Warm Up events | Bramber Brooks update





Help shape leisure services in Horsham District

Horsham District Council is looking at how it provides leisure services for the future and wants to hear from residents to help it shape the future delivery of sport, leisure and physical activity facilities locally.

Residents, community groups and local businesses have a vital role to play in any plans to reshape the future of leisure services and the Council is welcoming their views in a new engagement survey. The survey will form part of an overall community and partner engagement programme.

[Read More Online](#)

Council's judicial review challenge to Planning Inspectorate rejected

Horsham District Council launched a judicial review on 15 August 2025 of the Planning Inspectorate's decision in July 2025 to grant outline planning permission for 800 homes at the Horsham Golf and Fitness site near Southwater, West Sussex.

The High Court has refused permission for the challenge to proceed to a full hearing.

While the Court agreed with the Council that the Planning Inspector had erred in law by failing to properly consider the Southwater Neighbourhood Plan, it concluded that this error would not have

altered the Inspector's ultimate decision, given his assessment of the planning balance in favour of the development.

[Read More Online](#)

October Half Term activities



Enjoy spooky arts and crafts, Halloween-themed trails, den building in the woods, sports and activities and a very special Hocus Pocus Friday Late this Half Term in Horsham town centre!

[View all activities](#)

Local jobseekers turn out in force for Horsham Jobs and Skills Fair



Hundreds of local jobseekers packed Horsham's Drill Hall on Saturday 27 September 2025 for the annual Horsham District Jobs and Skills Fair — a vibrant showcase of employment, training, and volunteering opportunities across the region.

Organised by Horsham District Council, the event brought together some 30 employers, training providers, colleges and voluntary organisations, all eager to connect with potential recruits and apprentices.

[Read More Online](#)

Council response to Government's new homes announcement

We are pleased to confirm that a managed exit from water neutrality restrictions has been jointly developed through the new Sussex North Water Certification Scheme (SNWCS), which is now ready to launch.

However, we delayed the public launch of this scheme due to formal advice that a DEFRA announcement on Water Neutrality was expected on Friday 10 October. The Government's announcement regarding new homes development and water neutrality that was issued last night (8 October 2025) will have implications for the long-term strategic solution and the roll-out of our new scheme.

[Read More Online](#)

Free Winter Warm Up events - calling all over 50s



Horsham District Council is inviting residents to get active, social and winter-ready at two free Winter Warm Up events this October. Everyone's welcome – but if you're over 50, these free events are especially for you.

The events will take place from 10.30am to 3.30pm on Tuesday 21 October at The Bridge Leisure Centre, Broadbridge Heath and Thursday 23 October at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Storrington. There will be free entry and parking, and free transport options are also available.

[Read More Online](#)



Bramber Brooks Nature Reserve - key enhancements completed

An area of Bramber Brooks Nature Reserve has now been re-opened after habitat re-creation works have been completed by the Environment Agency working in collaboration with Horsham District Council.

The work has created a number of wetland ponds and shallow pools to provide varied wetland habitat for birds such as snipe and green sandpiper, as well as dragonflies and fish.

[Read More Online](#)

Enter your business into our Christmas Magic Displays Competition



Businesses and charities from across Horsham District are being invited to express their interest to enter Horsham District Council's Christmas Magic Displays Competition, as part of its 'Buy Local Gift Happy' campaign this year.

The competition will celebrate the creativity and charm of festive windows and internal displays which help to make our towns and villages magical places to visit over the festive period.

[Read More Online](#)

Email dated 09.10.2025 from WSCC
Apply for your child's place to start school in 2026



news release

Apply for your child's place to start school in 2026

Applications are now open for children who are due to start in reception at primary and infant schools across West Sussex in September 2026. The quickest and easiest way to apply is online via [School places - West Sussex County Council](#) and the deadline for applications is 15 January 2026. Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 are eligible to start school next September.

Children who are currently in Year 2 at an infant school will also need to apply for a place to start a junior school in September next year.

We strongly advise that parents and carers apply on time, before 15 January 2026, which will give them the best chance of being offered one of their three preferences. Those who apply

late are far less likely to get a place at one of their three preferred schools and will still need to apply, as they will not automatically be given a place.

Councillor Jacquie Russell, Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Learning, said: "Supporting individuals and communities to thrive remains a central focus of Our Council Plan, and schools are vital in helping us achieve that goal

"As families consider their school preferences, I strongly encourage them to explore all available information, visit school websites, reach out directly with any questions, and take advantage of open days."

All of the information about applying can be found on the county council website here: [School places - West Sussex County Council](#).

Free use of computers with internet access is available in all West Sussex libraries, where there is no need to book. Those unable to apply online can request a form is e-mailed or sent in the post by calling 033 301 42903.

Parents/carers are advised:

- To include three preference schools on your application, listing them in order of preference.
- Parents/carers who want their child to go to their catchment school (where applicable) will need to include that school as a preference for it to be considered.
- If you apply after the closing date you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.

West Sussex County Council admissions staff can offer support to anyone who needs help with their application. Contact the admissions team by phoning 033 301 42903 or email the Admissions Team North: admissions.north@westsussex.gov.uk or the Admissions Team South: admissions.south@westsussex.gov.uk.

Secondary school applications are currently open for pupils due to start in September 2026. The application window closes on Thursday 31 October 2025 and the application form is available via: [Secondary school places - West Sussex County Council](#).

Email dated 09.10.2025 from CAGNE

Did you miss the online events?



Gatwick Airport expansion is not a done deal

CAGNE was ready for the Labour announcement but expected stringent caveats which is not the case.

If you missed - New Runway at Gatwick Airport is not a done deal - you can watch here. <https://youtu.be/yKwHuA24gQ4>

You can support by donating to this winning legal team here crowdjustice page that pays direct into the account of Leigh Day Solicitors <https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/oppose-a-new-runway-at-gatwick/> Or via CAGNE.org [where you can find bank details, post a cheque and PayPal account.](#)

We can't stop this new runway without your funding - *every little helps.*

If you missed Airspace Change Above Your Home -

Airspace above your home – west (north and south) of Gatwick Airport recording -
<https://youtu.be/BnGULbXVmps>

**Airspace above you home – east (north and south) of Gatwick Airport
Recording –** <https://youtu.be/7XztE7aOddM>

Legal advice is still to have your home valued so that you have evidence of devaluation should airspace change impact you.

The Department for Transport seems to have advised ministers that there should be no compensation, and homeowners will have to absorb the loss of value of homes to benefit aviation.

Do keep in touch via email or on social media as we are the umbrella aviation community and environment group for Sussex, Surrey and Kent that seeks to be fair to all communities and the planet and we need your support.

Thank you
CAGNE

Events and meetings

- We held our latest [National Assembly](#) meeting this week on 7 October 2025. The assembly made some key decisions, which included submitting a motion to our [Annual General Meeting](#) proposing an affiliation fee increase in 2026/27 to 8.6p per elector, capped at £2,216 for the largest parish and town councils. They also supported a discussion at the AGM of a motion from the Lancashire Association on delivering net zero faster, smarter and cheaper. It's also been a year this week since the launch of our new website, and they urged councillors, clerks and council staff to join the other 9,000 in [creating their accounts to unlock exclusive member benefits](#).
- Last week, our [national network](#) for micro councils held its latest meeting on 3 October 2025. Cllr Sue Castle-Clarke of Ousby Parish Council spoke on Place Action Hubs in Cumbria, how they work and are helping to maximise community power, their action plan for local delivery, which has all enabled Ousby to be a better, bolder and different village. Faversham Town Council clerk Louise Bareham also joined the meeting to speak about her dissertation on whether a parish council can be too small. Her dissertation will explore the viability of micro councils and the spatial sustainability of such councils. Micro councils can take part in this research by contacting her directly at P17034734@my365.dmu.ac.uk. Other matters discussed included clustering, devolution and local government reorganisation.
- Our projects officer, Lisa Etchell, attended the Devon Association of Local Councils Annual Conference on 1 October 2025 to facilitate a workshop on the [Local Council Award Scheme](#). The workshop included hints and tips on how to put together a good application. The conference saw a host of speakers on various topics, including a drop-in session from our partner Breakthrough Communications on the newly introduced Assertion 10 in the [Practitioners' Guide](#) and an insightful presentation from our [Star Council Awards 2024 Climate Response of the Year](#) winner, Exmouth Town Council, on the environmental incentives and schemes they've successfully implemented in their local area.
- Our policy manager, Chris Borg, and chair of our [Larger Councils Committee](#), Cllr Iain Hamilton, joined the Gloucestershire Association of Parish and Town Councils (GAPTC) Larger Council Forum on 23 September 2025. They spoke about our services for larger parish and town councils, our current policy and lobbying positions, and the work we're doing on the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill. Earlier this week, on 6 October 2025, our policy officer, Jessica Lancod-Frost, spoke at a GAPTC event on helping parish and town councils approach precept setting with a growth mindset. She highlighted key findings from our [analysis of parish precepts for 2025/26](#) and shared practical tips from our recent, sold-out, record-breaking event on [exploring alternative income sources beyond the precept](#).

- We attended the [Somerset Parishes Conference](#) on 3 October 2025, organised by the Somerset Association of Local Councils. The High Sheriff for Somerset, Janet Montgomery, opened the event and said that her visits remind her of "the extraordinary diversity within Somerset, but also of the common ties of community, service and resilience that run through us all", adding that "whatever challenges lie ahead, Somerset's parish sector will rise to meet them". Our head of policy and communications, Justin Griggs, took part in a panel discussion with Somerset Council, Cloudy IT and Parish Online. He spoke about devolution and local government reorganisation, sharing learning and good practices, and our engagement with the government. Responding to a question on encouraging more people to become councillors, the panel highlighted community engagement, working with other agencies, positively promoting the role and the need for change, such as remote meetings, standards and allowances.
- We attended the Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA) meeting on 25 September 2025 to catch up with colleagues on progress to date and discuss the [strategic plans](#) for the future. SAAA chair, David Bowles, and chief executive, Annie Child, outlined their ambitious plans to move the Annual Governance and Accountability Return online over the next two years. They also outlined their support for the work of the [Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel](#), including consulting on a significant review of proper practices and the [Practitioners' Guide](#). They are also busy working with government officials to ensure the sector's voice is heard in discussions about audit thresholds and the establishment of the local audit office. We have also agreed to work with SAAA to identify how smaller authorities can be further supported to improve governance and prepare for these changes.

Resources

- [In this week's blog](#), our partner CCLA reflects on why they are proud to sponsor the Star Council Awards once again. With over 30,000 clients across the UK, CCLA champions responsible investment, demonstrating how good stewardship can benefit both society and investors. They believe parish and town councils play a vital role in sustaining and strengthening communities, and the awards are a chance to honour their outstanding contributions.

Support

- We have [called on the government to provide long-term, realistic funding to safeguard the future of the Post Office network](#), warning that without proper investment, communities, especially in rural areas, could lose a vital service. In our response to the government's Green Paper on the future of the Post Office, we stressed that local branches are an essential part of the fabric of communities and must be recognised as such in national policy. You can [read our complete response](#) on our website.

- Are you passionate about your local community and want to contribute more to make a real difference beyond your own parish or town? [Now is your opportunity to stand for election](#) to our Larger Councils Committee or Smaller Councils Committee. By stepping forward, you'll help shape national policy, champion the interests of parish and town councils no matter their size, and ensure the voice of your sector is heard where it matters most. You'll work alongside other committed councillors and clerks, gain new skills and perspectives, and contribute to the strength and future of local democracy in England. The nomination window is open until 31 October 2025.
- We have 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, taking place on 21 October 2025. The event will provide a clear overview of what the new Act means, which premises and events it applies to, and the practical steps organisations may need to start considering. Attendees will also hear directly from experts about how Martyn's Law will be supported, the free guidance that will be available, and how to plan without needing to purchase specialist services. You can [find out how to join the event](#) on our website.

Email dated 08.10.2025 from HDC

Whats on this half term

Half-Term in Horsham



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October Half Term and spooky season are almost upon us, and we've got lots of free and low-cost activities coming up. Find all the details and links to book below, and don't miss our special Friday Lates on Friday 31 October!

Horsham Museum & Art Gallery

A promotional poster for Halloween Family Craft Activities. The top half features a photograph of two children, a girl in a witch hat and a boy in a mask, sitting at a table and crafting. The background is orange with a subtle pattern of pumpkins and leaves. A yellow circular badge with a black border contains the text 'CRAFTS £1'. Below the photo, a purple banner with white text reads 'Halloween Family Craft Activities'. To the right, a black vertical panel contains the Horsham Museum & Art Gallery logo, the dates 'Tuesday 28 to Friday 31 October', the time '10.30am – 3pm', and the Horsham District Council logo.

Halloween Family Craft Activities

CRAFTS £1

Horsham Museum & Art Gallery

Tuesday 28 to Friday 31 October

10.30am – 3pm

Horsham District Council

Halloween Crafts

Tuesday 28 October - Friday 31 October

Spooky crafts with a witchy theme at Horsham Museum and Art Gallery.

- £1 per crafter.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking advised.

Book crafts

A promotional poster for 'The Witch's Potion: Children's Trail'. The top half features a cartoon illustration of a witch flying on a broomstick against a blue sky with white clouds. A purple circular badge with white text reads 'FREE ADMISSION'. Below the illustration, a purple banner with white text reads 'The Witch's Potion: Children's Trail'. To the right, a purple vertical panel contains the Horsham Museum & Art Gallery logo, the dates 'Tuesday 30 September to Saturday 8 November', the time '10am - 4pm', and the Horsham District Council logo.

FREE ADMISSION

The Witch's Potion: Children's Trail

Horsham Museum & Art Gallery

Tuesday 30 September to Saturday 8 November

10am - 4pm

Horsham District Council

The Witch's Potion Children's Trail

Thursday 30 September - Saturday 8 November

Join Horsham Museum's latest free children's trail. Help the friendly witch by searching the museum for potion ingredients. Free self-guided trail. No need to book, just turn up.



Collyer's Pop-Up Shop 2025

Saturday 11 October - Saturday 3 January

The Pop-Up will feature artwork that celebrates Horsham Museum by Collyer's BTEC National Art and Design students. The artwork will be available for purchase in the form of prints, cards and tote bags.

Parks and Countryside



Den Building at Leechpool Woods

Monday 27 October, 10am - 12pm

Work together to build the best den in the wood! Join us from 10am-12pm at Leechpool Woods camp area (Harwood Road).

- Suitable for age 8+. £4 per child.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking is essential.

Book den building



Halloween crafts at Warnham Local Nature Reserve

Wednesday 29 October, hour long sessions between 10am and 3.15pm

A variety of Halloween-inspired arts and crafts sessions suitable for primary school children.

- £2 per child, standard entry fee for adults. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Booking is essential.

Book crafts



Junior Nature Craft Workshop, Horsham Park Barn

Thursday 30 October, hour long sessions between 10am and 12.30pm

Spend an hour creating nature crafts then head into the park for an autumn nature hunt and bird watching.

- Suitable for ages 5-11.
- £2 per child. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Booking is essential.

Book junior nature craft workshop



Nature Art in the Barn for children aged 11+

Thursday 30 October, 2pm - 3.30pm

A 90-minute session in Horsham Park Barn creating nature-inspired art.

- Suitable for children aged 11+ as activities will be more complicated and may include using sharp tools and hot equipment.
- £3 per child. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Booking is essential.

Book nature art



Halloween Trail at Warnham Local Nature Reserve

Friday 31 October, hour long sessions between 10am and 3.15pm

Make your way around the Reserve solving clues while discovering some gruesome facts about our plants and wildlife.

- Self-guided trail for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Booking is advised.

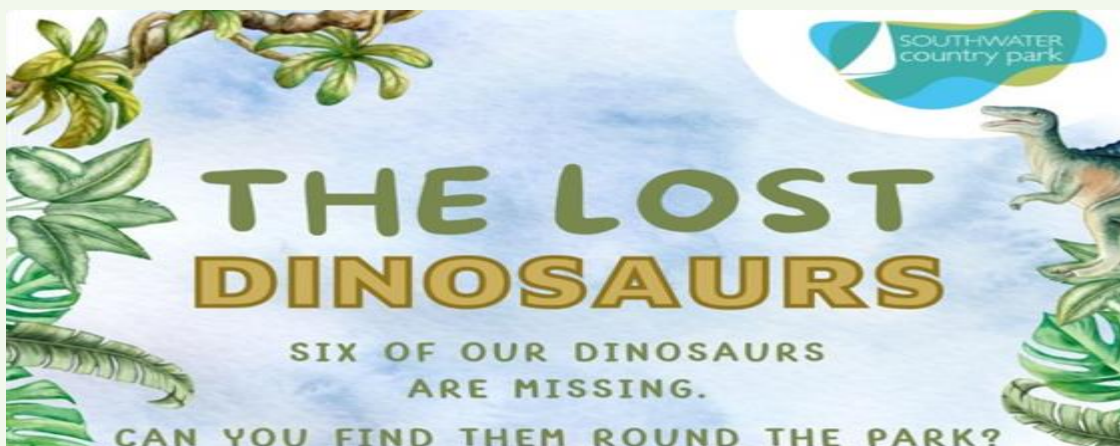
Book Halloween trail



Pop Up in the Park (Sports) at The Needles Recreation Ground

Tuesday 28 October, 10am - 12pm

Take part in a range of sports, garden games and enjoy a nature hunt around the park. Free to attend. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No need to book, just turn up



Lost Dinosaur Trail at Southwater Country Park

Monday 27 - Friday 31 October

Six of our dinosaurs are loose round the park – can you spot them and tell us where they are? Pick up a trail card from the café and when you've found them return the card for a little hunters' prize.

Free self-guided trail. No need to book.

The Capitol Horsham



Half Term workshops with Artworks

Monday 27 - Friday 31 October, 10am - 3pm daily

Calling all artists aged 8-14: join Artworks for some special Halloween-themed craft sessions at The Capitol! Explore a different theme every day from cartoons to collage, hand puppets to painting.

- £45 per day or book all five sessions for £200.
- Booking is essential.

[Book workshops](#)

Friday Lates



Friday Lates: Hocus Pocus Halloween special

Friday 31 October 6-8pm, Horsham's Carfax

Friday Lates is back for a spooky special! Prepare to be whisked away to the mystical world of Sanderson sisters and their mischievous antics, as we bring the beloved Hocus Pocus film to life, along with other thrilling Halloween-themed songs.

[Discover local food and drink](#)



[Discover local businesses championing Sussex produce](#)

We have produced a new leaflet showcasing the District's flourishing farm shops, cafés, restaurants, taprooms and more. The leaflet includes a map featuring hospitality and retail businesses who have pledged to stock at least six more locally sourced food and drink products. Whether you are looking to eat, drink or shop local, make sure you get your copy. Available soon at selected local businesses, or download online now.

[Download leaflet](#)

Halloween in Horsham



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Email dated 06.10.2025 from HDC Planning Compliance

Monthly Planning Compliance Team statistics for September 2025

During September 2025, we received 42 new Planning Compliance investigations.

The closure statistics for September are shown below:

Year	Month	Complaints Closed	No Breach	Breach Ceased	Plan App. Received	Not Expedient	Closed within 90 days	Closed over 90 days	% Closed within 90 days
2025	September	36	23	4	5	4	24	12	66.67

One Enforcement Notice was issued during September, as follows:

EN/25/0319	Land south of Delspride, Kent Street, Cowfold, Horsham RH13 8BB also known as Lot 3, CC Dance Studio, Kent Street, Cowfold, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 8BB (EN)
	Without planning permission, the material change of use of an existing building from Class B8 car storage to Class E dance studio

No appeal decisions were received during this time.

An Informal Hearing is being held in the Council offices on Tuesday 7th October 2025 in connection with the enforcement notice issued on Land west of Parsons Field Stables, Pickhurst Lane, Pulborough.

We have also received confirmation from the Planning Inspectorate that the appeal against the enforcement notice issued on Land lying to the west of Prestwood Lane (also known as land at Prestwood Corner, Prestwood Lane), Ifield will be dealt with by way of a Public Inquiry to be held on 16th December 2025.

A new appeal has been lodged against the enforcement notice referred to above issued on Land south of Delspride, Kent Street, Cowfold, Horsham RH13 8BB also known as Lot 3, CC Dance Studio, Kent Street, Cowfold.

We therefore now have 8 outstanding decisions on appeals relating to enforcement notices issued.

I hope this is helpful- if you have any questions on individual cases, or any other planning compliance matters, please contact me.

Kind regards

Madeleine Hartley

Planning Compliance Team Leader

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Email dated 05.10.2025 from CAGNE
October Newsletter



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October Newsletter

CAGNE was ready for the Labour announcement but expected stringent caveats which is not the case. You may have seen CAGNE committee members putting forward the resident and planet voice on national and regional media? See what the SoS says in her new runway approval here

You can find out more on **Wednesday 8th October at 7.30pm** - online to reduce emissions – **New Runway at Gatwick Airport is not a done deal** – hear from representatives from the legal and qualified expert team on the way forward in stopping this new runway.

Book here to attend.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1738676972629?aff=oddtcreator>

CAGNE has now reached out to local authorities (that will foot the bill for this new runway ramifications) to join CAGNE if they do not serve their own joint local

authority judicial review (JR).

We encourage your parish and town council to donate to CAGNE - [attached](#) is a poster or leaflet you could print and display on a local noticeboard, or share online.

Donate to the winning legal team here crowdjustice page that pays direct into the account of Leigh Day Solicitors <https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/oppose-a-new-runway-at-gatwick/> Or at www.cagne.org

If you donated during the hearings, then you are continuing to donate to the winning team of Leigh Day Solicitors <https://www.leighday.co.uk/?autoopen=true>

- *KC Estelle Dehon* is a versatile leading public law barrister with a broad practice, specialising in environment and planning law, with particular expertise in climate change, net zero and energy infrastructure including London City Airport, Government Jet Zero Policy, Finch Case, Bristol Airport to name a few. <https://cornerstonebarristers.com/barrister/estelle-dehon-kc/>
- *Odette Chalaby* specialises in planning, infrastructure, environmental and public law. <https://www.landmarkchambers.co.uk/barristers/odette-chalaby>
- *Suono* aircraft noise <https://suono.co.uk/projects/>
- *Sterling Transport* <https://sterlingtransportconsultancy.com/>
- *Kalaco.co.uk* environmental consultants that specialise in air quality
- CPRE Sussex and CPRE Kent with CPRE Surrey supporting
- AEF – Aviation Environment Federation www.aef.org.uk
- New Economics Foundation <https://neweconomics.org/profile/alex-chapman>
- Safe Landing www.safe-landing.org
- And other aviation community and environment groups

Initial finding for a letter of intent to serve a JR – noise, biodiversity, planning law, air quality, surface transport and climate change.

If you missed - Airspace above your home – west (north and south) of Gatwick Airport recording -

<https://youtu.be/BnGULbXVmps>

Airspace above you home – east (north and south) of Gatwick Airport Recording – <https://youtu.be/7XztE7a0ddM>

Modernisation of airspace – legal advice is still to have your home valued so that you have evidence of devaluation should airspace change impact you.

The Department for Transport seems to have advised ministers that there should be no compensation, and homeowners will have to absorb the loss of value of homes to benefit aviation.

Deadline 18.12.25 - CAA [CAP1616 – airspace change consultation process](#) – Concerns

are that this again weakens the consultation process again in favour of aviation growth and profits.

We are told that the Department for Transport will continue to consult on the run up to Christmas as they tackle the subject of environmental impact of airspace change.

How the CAA are '[Charting a vision for environmental reporting in aviation](#)'

CAA – Deadline 18.09.2025

Ban night flights survey results – CAGNE purposely did not survey you as we know you want a ban on night flights. So, to mark the International Ban Night Flight Day we ran an online survey, and the answer was still the same. 72% of the 100 people who responded wanted a ban from 10pm till 7am. They also, 68%, did not support a new runway at Gatwick Airport.

Latest report on night flights that continue to grow unlike daytime traffic [here](#)

Government meeting (ANEG)

CAGNE attended this for the first time and put forward key points to government, civil servants.

The new Aviation Minister Kier Mather MP for Selby was announced.

(ANEG – Aviation and Noise Engagement Group)

Route 4 – westerly departure that turns (vectors) north east – Gatwick Head of Airspace detailed that the Department for Transport moved the noise preferential route (NPR the historical corridor that dictated where departing planes flew within) as the new PBN (performance based navigation) was sending the route outside of this NPR. This is why we repeat, civil servants have too much power. Public consultation on this route is still set for early next year – ask to see the historic NPR on the mapping.

Created by Councillors for Councils

www.cagnepcforum.org.uk

Email dated 03.10.2025 from WSCC

School Admission Appeal Panel Volunteers Appeal Panel Recruitment 2026 (AC803.10665)

Become a School Appeal Volunteer



Help with school admission appeals – volunteer today!

Who can apply?

- People from all walks of life are welcome!
- No specific qualifications needed – just fairness and impartiality.

Your role:

- Hear appeals from parents/carers and schools.
- Ensure fair and respectful treatment.
- Make independent decisions based on evidence.

Skills we value:

- Communication, listening, analytical thinking, teamwork.
- Confidentiality and professionalism.

Time commitment:

- Appeals happen throughout the year.
- Panels may meet in person or virtually (You will need to use your own device).

Training & Support:

- Full training provided, expenses reimbursed.
- Supported by experienced clerks and governance teams.

Why it matters:

- Your contribution ensures that pupils and schools have their voices heard.

To arrange an informal chat about this role and if it is right for you contact:
appealsadministrator@westsussex.gov.uk

Email dated 03.10.2025 from Sussex Police
Raising awareness of the dangers of online grooming



Sussex
Police & Crime
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KATY BOURNE OBE



September signalled 'back to school' and a fresh new year of learning and growth for Sussex students.

Following the successful launch of my first cohort of Youth Ambassadors in the summer in partnership with [Breck Foundation](#), we are now supporting their work in schools across Sussex to raise awareness of the dangers of online grooming.

With just under 50 Youth Ambassadors on board so far, Project Coordinator Giselle Wild has been conducting final training sessions before the Ambassadors present to their peers. This training includes a reminder of Breck Bednar's story and how to navigate public speaking.

Ambassadors at Worthing High School have already delivered their first session with confidence and ease, which is testament to the breadth of training they have undergone.

Senior Youth Ambassadors at BHASVIC have been working closely with West Sussex County Council's Digital Safety and Fraud Prevention Team to prepare a workshop which they delivered at the Junior Citizens Event in Crawley on Thursday 25th September. This annual safety awareness event for Year 6 pupils was organised by Crawley Borough Council at The Hawth theatre.

The day explored themes such as teaching life skills and responsible citizenship through the delivery of interactive safety scenarios by emergency and public services, including Sussex Police, who gave an input on the dangers of exploitation.

I'm delighted to see our Youth Ambassadors embarking on their work to help keep their peers safe online. Throughout the duration of their training, the Youth Ambassadors have remained 'switched-on', enthusiastic and passionate about raising vital awareness of digital safety. I look forward to following their progress and can't wait to join some of their delivery sessions later this year.

PCC Scrutiny

As your elected Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) I am ultimately accountable to you for my performance in office. However, in each police force area, the role of a Police & Crime Panel (PCP) is to scrutinise the PCC's activities and to be a critical friend.

In Sussex, the PCP is made up of councillor representatives from all the local authorities (15 in Sussex) plus two independent members who are not elected councillors.

The Sussex PCP meets four times a year to review my Police & Crime Plan, consider any recommendations I present on the level of police precept (the amount you pay for policing as part of your Council Tax), review my Annual Report, and to scrutinise key strategic decisions, among other activities.

Today, I presented reports to the PCP on the progress made so far against the Sussex Police Estates Strategy and my role in holding Sussex Police to account for improving their response to hate crime.

All Sussex PCP meetings are live-streamed by East Sussex County Council (ESCC) and, if you'd like to watch a recording, they are available to view on the [ESCC website](#) for 12-months after the meetings have concluded.



Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

FRIDAY FORCE FOCUS

21 arrests made in Bognor drugs crackdown operation

Sussex Police officers have made 21 arrests as part of a summer crackdown on drug dealing gangs in Bognor.

Warrants were carried out at addresses in the town between June 3 and September 4. Drugs, mobile phones and thousands of pounds in cash were seized during the warrants.

At least 11 drug dealing phone lines were shut down during the targeted operation, which saw 16 suspects charged with offences.

You can read more about the drug crackdown operation in Bognor on the [Sussex Police website](#).