

Rudgwick Parish Council

Weekly Clerk's Update: 6th – 12th June 2026 (Agenda July 2026)

To: Parish Councillors

c.c: Colin Minto (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:

- £2,937.16 VAT reclaim rec'd from 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 13 th July 2026	
Application No: DC/26/083 14.5.2026	Response/Comments:
Applicant: Stubbons Lynwick Street Rudgwick Horsham West Sussex RH12 3DN	

Reason for Application: Internal and external alterations and replacement of internal boiler with an external boiler. (Listed Building Consent).	
Official Response Date: Neighbour Consultation expiry date 30.6.2026 / Determination 09.07.2026	

Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting

Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th July 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Decisions

HDC Council Decisions – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th July 2026	
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 July 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	

Official Response Date:	
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Appeals Lodged / Appeals Determined

New Appeals Lodged / Determined – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th July 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

New Planning Compliance Issues

New Planning Compliance Issues – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 13 th 2026	
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 4.6.26 HDC

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The Capitol Theatre refurbishment on track for November re-opening



The Capitol Theatre, Horsham closed its doors on 4 January as it prepared for a major refurbishment – its first for over 20 years. June 2026 marks The Capitol's 90th birthday and the good news is that the refurbishment work is all

progressing to plan with Phase 1 completed and everything is well on track to be finished by early November 2026, just in time for the panto season.

Over the last few months, significant progress has been made across multiple areas with improvements focused on comfort, accessibility and visitor experience. In the theatre auditorium, a full programme of repairs and redecoration has refreshed the walls and ceilings.

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Residents asked to have their say to help improve air quality



Horsham District Council wants to know residents' views on how it can work to improve air quality across the Horsham District. The Council is keen to know about your experience of air pollution. This consultation provides an opportunity for residents and community stakeholders to share their views on the air quality in Horsham District and the measures proposed to improve it.

We want to know what issues matter most to you, where the Council should focus its efforts, and how we can continue improving air quality. Your feedback will directly help shape our actions.

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Horsham Museum hosts new Young Curators' Club



A new display will open at Horsham Museum on Saturday 23 May which has been developed by year 2 pupils from St Mary's CE Primary School in Horsham. The project, called the Young Curators' Club, will showcase creative writing, hand-made artefacts and model buildings related to the students' chosen topic, The Great Fire of London.

In late 2025, St Mary's CE Primary School approached Horsham Museum about a creative writing project, which developed into the Young Curators' Club. Following a workshop with Horsham Museum Curator, Nikki Caxton, the pupils began creating the elements for their display.

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Council visits highway experts Eurovia and Ringway



Horsham District Council's Enterprising Horsham team, joined by Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Property Cllr Jonathan Taylor, visited Eurovia and Ringway's office in Horsham, to learn more about the company's role in supporting regional and national infrastructure.

Eurovia is a specialist in highway surfacing and asphalt production, with Ringway specialising in strategic and local highway infrastructure services, both forming key parts of the UK division of VINCI Construction.

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**Sussex
Police & Crime
Commissioner**
KATY BOURNE OBE





Caught at the wheel:
A mobile phone
offence captured by
the AI cameras in
Sussex

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the use of AI cameras
in Sussex

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Hello

I'm pleased to see the positive impact of new AI road safety cameras being trialled in Sussex, helping us tackle some of the most dangerous behaviours on our roads.

In just four weeks, these cameras detected more than 2,200 offences at a single location – including 459 drivers using a mobile phone and 1,823 not wearing a seatbelt.

These are not minor issues. Failing to wear a seatbelt or using a mobile phone while driving are among the leading causes of serious injury and fatal collisions, and they put lives at risk every single day.

This technology supports officers by identifying potential offences quickly and accurately, allowing police to focus their time where it matters most. Importantly, every image is reviewed by a person before any action is taken.

While I welcome the use of innovative tools to strengthen enforcement, what really matters is changing behaviour. Encouragingly, offences reduced week by week during the trial as awareness grew – showing that education and visibility do make a difference.

Road safety is a shared responsibility. I would urge everyone to think carefully about their actions behind the wheel and to challenge unsafe behaviour when they see it. If you see vehicles speeding or driving dangerously, please report them to [Operation Crackdown](#). Together, we can help prevent avoidable tragedies and keep Sussex roads safe.

Respect the water: Life Saving Advice

The recent record-breaking heatwave has tragically seen too many lives lost after people got into difficulty in and around the water. For young people in particular, the draw of open water can be strong - but this is often where the danger begins.

As exams come to an end and summer approaches, understanding the risks of entering the water and knowing how to react if you get into trouble, can be the difference between life and death.

Two national water safety campaigns are already live: [RNLI – Float to Live](#) and [The National Water Safety Forum's Phone Float Throw](#) which help people understand what to do if they get into difficulty or see someone in trouble in the water.

This advice is relevant all year around and especially so during warmer summer months. Please share this lifesaving advice far and wide to help save lives.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katy', is located at the bottom left of the page.

Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

Email dated 12.6.26 Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner



Hello

As the World Cup kicks off, I know just how much the tournament means to many people here in Sussex. It's a time when friends, families and neighbours come together - often in their local pubs and clubs - to share the highs and lows of the beautiful game.

However, with these celebrations comes a responsibility to keep people safe.

That's why I'm really pleased to see practical action being taken across Sussex to support venues and protect the public during the tournament.

Sussex Police and local partners are supporting dedicated training to licensed premises - giving staff the tools they need to spot early warning signs and step in when something isn't right. This isn't about stopping people having fun - far from it. The World Cup is a fantastic celebration and everyone should be able to enjoy it, safely.

Large crowds, late nights and increased alcohol consumption can sometimes create the conditions for problems, from anti-social behaviour to more serious incidents. That's where this training comes in. Staff are

being supported to recognise and respond to issues such as harassment, spiking and domestic abuse incidents. They're also being shown how to intervene safely, support victims and escalate concerns where necessary.

In my role, I've always been clear that prevention and early intervention are key. Giving people the confidence to act - whether that's a bar worker spotting something unusual or a member of the public speaking up - can make all the difference.

This campaign is also about what happens outside venues, with a simple message: notice it, report it and get support. If something doesn't feel right, trust your instincts.

Sussex Police is also taking steps to support those who may be most vulnerable. Through initiatives like Operation Hope, officers are proactively reaching out to individuals at higher risk of domestic abuse, making sure they know that help is there when it's needed most.

Major sporting events should leave us with great memories, not regrets. By working together with businesses, police and the wider community, we can create an environment where everyone feels safe to enjoy the occasion.

Wherever you're watching the match, let's make this a World Cup that brings people together for all the right reasons.

Cracking down on the criminal misuse of our high streets

I was pleased to see the legislative approach to tackling criminal exploitation of high street businesses. It is an important step forward in closing the loopholes that allow organised crime to hide in plain sight.

Across the country, we are seeing how cash intensive premises, such as barber shops, vape stores and car washes, can be used to launder money, sell illicit goods and exploit vulnerable workers. This is not low level crime - it is often linked to serious organised criminality, including drug supply, modern slavery and immigration offences.

In Sussex, the police have already been taking robust action through Operation Machinize, working in partnership with Trading Standards, Immigration Enforcement and other agencies. During a recent intensification period, officers carried out activity at 76 premises across the county, resulting in 18 arrests and the seizure of over £30,000 in cash, alongside large quantities of illegal tobacco, cigarettes and vapes.

These operations are about enforcement as well as safeguarding. Officers also identified individuals who may be at risk of exploitation and gathered vital intelligence to disrupt wider organised crime networks.

Nationally, the scale of the issue is breathtaking. Coordinated activity under Op Machinize has seen thousands of premises visited, hundreds of arrests and millions of pounds in criminal proceeds seized. This reinforces why the new legislative powers are so important - they will give law enforcement and partner agencies stronger tools to act faster and shut down illegal premises more decisively.

We know that criminal gangs are quick to adapt and that is why our response must be equally agile. The combination of stronger legislation and coordinated operational activity will help ensure our Sussex high streets remain safe, legitimate and thriving places for everyone.

I will continue to support Sussex Police and our partners in using every available power to disrupt this type of criminality and protect the public.



Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

FRIDAY FOCUS

24% reduction in knife crime

Sussex has seen a welcome 24% reduction in knife crime over the past year – out-performing the national average. This progress reflects Sussex Police's sustained, year-round efforts to tackle serious violence and protect our communities.

I was further encouraged by the results from their recent week of action as part of Operation Sceptre. In just seven days, officers made 23 knife-related arrests, recovered weapons through targeted stop searches and saw 199 knives and dangerous items safely surrendered into amnesty bins.

We know that enforcement alone is not enough. Prevention and education are just as critical. During Op Sceptre week, officers spoke directly with hundreds of young people through 73 school visits and engaged with residents at 30 community events - reinforcing a vital

message that carrying a knife does not make you safer; it puts lives at risk.

Sussex's approach is making a real difference but we must not lose momentum. The police cannot - and will not - rest despite this positive progress. Every weapon removed from our streets is one less chance for tragedy. Every conversation with a young person is an opportunity to prevent a life-changing decision and I will keep saying: lose the knife, not a life.

My priority, working closely with Sussex Police and our partners, is to continue this balanced approach, combining robust enforcement with early intervention. Campaigns like #KnivesCostLives are designed to make young people stop and think about the consequences, because a single choice can shape two very different futures.



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