

Rudgwick Parish Council

Weekly Clerk's Update: 11th – 17th July 2026 (Agenda September 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:

- Rec'd £3,266.21 VAT reclaim 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 14 th September 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	

Official Response Date:	
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Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting

Applications for consideration at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 14 th September 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments:
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Decisions

HDC Council Decisions – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 14 th September 2026	
Application No: DC/26/0747	Response/Comments: Permitted / RPC – no objection
Applicant: 11 Cape Copse, Rudgwick	
Reason for Application: Surgery to install root barrier.	
Official Response Date:	

Applications going to Committee

Applications going to Committee – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 14 th September 2026	
Application No:	Response/Comments
Applicant:	
Reason for Application:	
Official Response Date:	

Appeals Lodged / Appeals Determined

New Appeals Lodged / Determined – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 14 th September 2026	
Application No: DC/26/0122 10.07.2026 PINS:6012076	Response/Comments: Written Representation by 13th August 2026
Applicant: Windacres Farm, Church Street, Rudgwick	
Reason for Application: Removal of Condition 2 of previously approved application DC/20/0549 (Retrospective application for the retention of a lean-to agricultural storage building) which restricts use of building to agricultural purposes only.	
Official Response Date:	

New Planning Compliance Issues

New Planning Compliance Issues – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 14 th September 2026	
Application No: EN/26/0232 10.07.2026	Response/Comments:
Address: Oakfield, Cox Green	
Nature of Complaint Alleged: Breach of condition 6 of DC/21/2209 (amended by DC/24/1272) and condition 7 of DC/21/2211 (as emended by DC/23/0340)- landscape and bio diversity details.	
Official Response Date:	

Parish Councils Website

Rudgwick Parish Council's New Website is now live!

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION

Haven Road, Rudgwick

NOTICE IS hereby given that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended, the use of Haven Road, Rudgwick from junction with The Haven to Junction with The Haven is temporarily prohibited from 24th July 2026 to 24th July 2026

The restriction will be in place Off Peak Only 09:30 and 15:30.

This closure is necessary to allow VolkerHighways on behalf of WSCC to undertake Essential Carriageway Patching Works

Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles, residents and pedestrians.

The alternative route for traffic will be signed on site.

The full extent of the closure and approved diversion route can be seen here: <https://one.network/?tm=GB151324966>

This restriction will be effective for a maximum of 5 days from the start date given above

Any queries about the effect of the closure on traffic using the highway please contact West Sussex County Council on 01243 642105

Dated 13th July 2026
Matt Davey
Assistant Director of Highways, Transport and Planning



PUBLIC NOTICE

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION

Drungewick Lane, Loxwood

NOTICE IS hereby given that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended, the use of Drungewick Lane, Loxwood from junction with Loxwood Road to the junction with the B2133 is temporarily prohibited for the 20th July 2026

The restriction will be in place Off Peak Only between 09:00 and 15:30.

This closure is necessary to allow VolkerHighways on behalf of WSCC to undertake A daytime road closure is required to allow Volker Highways to undertake works to trim overgrown vegetation on both structures running over the Wey and Arun Canal, enabling these assets to be fully inspected. The closure is necessary to ensure safe working conditions and to allow for the controlled movement of plant and the workforce. The road will be closed between junction with Loxwood Road and junction with B2133.

Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles, residents and pedestrians.

The alternative route for traffic will be signed on site.

The full extent of the closure and approved diversion route can be seen here: <https://one.network/?tm=GBundefined>

This restriction will be effective for a maximum of 5 days from the start date given above

Any queries about the effect of the closure on traffic using the highway please contact West Sussex County Council on 01243 642105

Dated 16th July 2026
Matt Davey
Assistant Director of Highways, Transport and Planning



Correspondence

Email dated 17.07.2026 from HDC

Community Governance Review - Stage 2 consultation

As you may be aware, HDC's Governance Committee are meeting on 22 July to consider the draft recommendations and other documents in relation to the Community Governance Review. The papers are available here -

<https://horsham.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=243&MId=3020>

The Governance Committee are asked to review and approve these documents for a second stage of consultation. If there are any changes as a result of the discussion on 22 July, a revised set of draft recommendations will be produced and the questionnaire will be revised. The second consultation will then run from **24 July to 7 September 2026**.

For residents where there are proposals that would affect which parish they fall under, it is proposed that a letter will be sent to each household, outlining the changes in the draft recommendations, and advising them how to respond to the consultation. As such I have a list of affected addresses for each parish where there are proposed changes, and if you would to understand the number of properties affected, particularly for early budget planning, this can be provided on request (although please note I am not able at this stage to provide this as a Band D equivalent calculation).

Our request to the parishes

- I will send out in the post to each parish some posters to display – I would be grateful if you could display these in your noticeboards
- If there are changes proposed to your parish, I will send out maps of the proposals which you can have available
- I will send a PDF copy of the questionnaire, should any resident wish to obtain a copy from their parish office. I would be grateful if you could make these available to any residents who would prefer to obtain them from your office. We will also have copies available if residents request them, and can post them out.
- Please share any social media posts from HDC, encourage residents to respond to the consultation

How to respond to the consultation

- The best way for parish councils to submit their official response is to cgr@horsham.gov.uk – this allows you to submit a full response, and doesn't restrict you to any character limits
- Resident responses
 - o To respond as a resident – will be available online at www.horsham.gov.uk/consultations
 - o If any residents require a paper copy of the survey, these can be obtained by:
 - Calling 01403 215100
 - At Horsham Council offices
 - At your parish office if you are happy to print copies of the attached

- Parish Councillor individual responses – to cgr@horsham.gov.uk or via online survey

Following the second consultation, final recommendations will be developed, having carefully considered the views of each parish, and the responses of residents in any affected areas.

I will also share a link to the interactive map that is being developed, and will be available at the end of next week.

I hope this is helpful and please let me know if you have any queries or require any further information.

Many thanks,

Aisha Nottage

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Email dated 16.07.2026 from WSCC

Recognised, seen and involved: a new strategy for West Sussex's unpaid carers - UPDATED



NEWS RELEASE

Recognised, seen and involved: a new strategy for West Sussex's unpaid carers - UPDATED



West Sussex County Council, in partnership with NHS Surrey and Sussex, has launched a new strategy for supporting unpaid carers in the county over the next five years. The strategy, which sets out the main priorities for health and social care to best support carers, follows a detailed review, with input from carers of all ages.

It sets out six priorities to support carers up to 2031 and aims to ensure:

- Carers of all ages and from all communities are identified, recognised, and seen as important partners in care.
- Technology is used to make the lives of carers easier. Non-digital alternatives will be available to ensure no one is excluded.
- Isolation is limited and emotional wellbeing is supported by encouraging and enabling carers and young carers to have an active life outside their caring role; including fulfilling their education, employment, and training potential.
- More carers understand the out-of-hours options available and have an emergency plan in place for when they need it.
- The financial hardship of carers is recognised and limited where possible.
- Those working in social care within WSCC and the NHS will lead by example in supporting their own workforce who provide unpaid care outside of work.

The new strategy, [The West Sussex Joint Commitment to Family and Friend Carers](#), has been endorsed by the West Sussex Health & Wellbeing Board and forms part of the new Adult Social Care Strategy which was published earlier this year.

The county council and the Integrated Care Board (ICB) jointly commission Carers Support West Sussex to provide information, advice, guidance and support to unpaid carers across the county. This includes a

dedicated helpline, conducting statutory carers' assessments, hospital and community-based advisory hubs, and emergency planning services. A range of other commissioned and non-commissioned organisations also provide valuable support to unpaid carers in West Sussex.

Cllr Richard Bates, Cabinet Member for Adults Services, said:

"We greatly value carers for the work they do, which supports the care system and helps us manage increasing need and increasing complexity of need.

"This strategy is for everyone, because care touches all of our lives. As someone who has been a carer, I know first-hand both the rewards and the challenges that come with supporting a loved one. At some point in our lives, many of us will become carers, if we are not already, or we will rely on the care of family and friends to help us through difficult times.

"The voices of carers and young carers are at the heart of this strategy. I am sincerely grateful to everyone who has shared their experiences so openly — helping us understand what makes a difference, what enables them to continue in their role, and what can make caring more difficult or stressful."

Allison Cannon, Chief Nursing Officer at NHS Surrey and Sussex, said:

"Carers make an invaluable contribution to the health and wellbeing of people across our communities every day. Many provide vital support to family members, friends and loved ones, often alongside work, education and other responsibilities.

"We recognise that caring can be both rewarding and challenging, which is why this new carers strategy for unpaid carers is so important. It sets out our commitment to ensuring unpaid carers are recognised, listened to and supported, and that their knowledge, experience and contribution are valued as a key part of the health and care system.

"By working closely with carers, local authorities, voluntary sector partners and NHS organisations, we want to improve access to information, support carers' health and wellbeing, and help ensure they can continue in their caring role for as long as they choose.

"We are grateful for the extraordinary difference carers make every day, and this strategy represents an important step in strengthening the support available to them now and in the future."

Read the [full strategy](#) to learn more.

If you are a carer and would like to access support or are interested in getting involved to support local improvements, find out more at [Carers Support West Sussex](#), email info@carerssupport.org.uk or call 0300 028 8888.

Email dated 16.07.2026 from HDC

Latest News: Local Government Reorganisation Update | Love Parks Week 2026 | Council partners on new social rented homes | New exhibition at Horsham Museum

Latest News



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Horsham District celebrates Love Parks Week



Horsham District Council is pleased to announce the return of its popular Love Parks Week and is encouraging everyone to get out and about and enjoy all that our local parks and green spaces have to offer.

This year Love Parks Week is being celebrated across the District from Monday 27 July to Friday 31 July and offers a packed programme of activities at several of its most attractive and popular green spaces.

The aim of the campaign is to get out and about in the great outdoors and have fun, connect with nature and appreciate the beauty of our local parks.

[Read more online](#)

Horsham Park awarded coveted Green Flag Award



Horsham District Council and The Friends of Horsham Park are celebrating today after receiving a Green Flag Award for Horsham Park.

It comes as the internationally recognised standard for parks and green spaces celebrates its 30th year. Horsham Park is a fantastic testament to the hard work, passion and dedication of the people who care for this green space, ensuring it is maintained to a high standard for all to enjoy.

[Read more online](#)

Government delays decision on new councils for West Sussex



The government has today confirmed a further delay to its decision on local government reorganisation for West Sussex. We now expect the decision in October 2026. Our understanding is that the overall government timetable for reorganisation remains, with elections to a new shadow council or councils expected in May 2027.

The shadow council will manage the transition to the new arrangements. The new council will formally take on responsibilities for delivering services in April 2028.

Until that point, all eight existing councils in West Sussex will continue to operate as usual and deliver their services without any immediate changes for residents or partners.

[Read more online](#)

Council partners on new social rented homes for Horsham District



Horsham District Council, working in partnership with Saxon Weald, is set to deliver new social rented homes in Cowfold, West Sussex.

The new development will provide a total of eight homes, comprising four one-bedroom and four two-bedroom properties, which will be available to rent for local people on the housing register.

As a result of this close partnership work and with the support of grant funding from Section 106 new development contributions, the Council is significantly increasing the availability of affordable social rented housing for residents across the Horsham District, ensuring that homes remain accessible to those in greatest need.

[Read more online](#)

[New exhibition at Horsham Museum: Safa M Studio: An Artisanal Jeweller](#)



Horsham Museum & Art Gallery has recently opened a display of jewellery made by Horsham based designer, Safa M Sharif studio.

The display features four sculptural pieces created in copper, which showcase Safa's skills as a jewellery maker and in metallurgy. Visitors to the museum can take inspiration from Safa's work and gain a greater understanding of the intricacies of creating by hand, in a time when we are often more familiar with fast-paced machine manufacturer.

Alongside the pieces themselves, the display also includes information detailing Safa's design process. Safa seeks inspiration from many sources including from history and artisanal traditions of the past.

[Read more online](#)

Council public consultation opens on main modifications to its Local Plan 2023-2040



The next key stage towards the adoption of a new Local Plan which will get Horsham District back to plan-led development took place on 6 July when the Horsham District Council Cabinet agreed the main modifications to the draft Horsham District 2023-2040 Local Plan.

The approved recommendations will now go to a public consultation and everyone is asked to have their say on the proposals. The consultation starts on 13 July and will run for six weeks until 24 August.

[Read more online](#)

Council visits family-run microbrewery and taproom, Brolly Brewing



Horsham District Council's Enterprising Horsham team, joined by Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Property Cllr Jonathan Taylor, recently visited Brolly Brewing in Horsham to learn more about the business' important community and entertainment offering.

Established in 2017 by husband-and-wife team Brook and Holly, Brolly Brewing operates a brewery, taproom and live entertainment venue from two adjacent industrial units on Redkiln Close, Horsham.

[Read more online](#)

Council visits innovative healthcare supplier G&N



Horsham District Council's Enterprising Horsham team recently visited G&N in Slinfold, a family-owned healthcare supplier supporting the NHS and private healthcare sectors, to learn more about their commitment to deliver better patient outcomes through innovation whilst minimising their environmental impact.

Established in 1974, the business has evolved from a supplier and distributor of laboratory consumables, to developing its own product portfolio, including their market leading anti-embolism stockings and deep vein thrombosis (DVT) prevention products.

During the visit, the Council team met with members of the business' management team for a presentation, discussion and short tour, which provided an overview of G&N's operations and ambitions.

[Read more online](#)

Stay connected





Email dated 16.07.2026 from WSALC
Government delays decision on LGR in West Sussex

In case you have not yet seen, the government has today confirmed a further delay to its decision on local government reorganisation for West Sussex. We now expect the decision in October 2026.

The below statement is from HDC's website:

Our understanding is that the overall government timetable for reorganisation remains, with elections to a new shadow council or councils expected in May 2027. The shadow council will manage the transition to the new arrangements. The new council will formally take on responsibilities for delivering services in April 2028.

Until that point, all eight existing councils in West Sussex will continue to operate as usual and deliver their services without any immediate changes for residents or partners.

Detailed work to prepare for the government decision has been undertaken with a strong collaborative approach between all West Sussex Councils. Following this further delay, we will consider the delivery implications, continuing to work closely together on our next steps.

Further information on how the transition will be managed will be provided as plans develop. Councils will continue to work closely with stakeholders to shape how the new council will operate and how services will be delivered.

Horsham District Council Leader Cllr Martin Boffey commented: "The news today that the government has decided to delay its local government reorganisation decision for West Sussex is both frustrating and disappointing.

"Our priority remains to continue to work collaboratively with the government and our local authority partners to secure the strongest possible outcomes for Horsham District residents and communities.

I would implore the government to change tack, engage constructively and respectfully with West Sussex Councils in ways that it has not done thus far, and to help ensure any new organisation is a success.

“We continue to hope that the final outcome will be based on the needs of our communities and delivering services for local people in the most sustainable way. But this can only be achieved if the government recognises that local councils know their areas better than Whitehall or Westminster. We need to be part of this decision rather than a victim of it.”

Councils across West Sussex remain committed to keeping residents and partners informed throughout the reorganisation process.

Kind regards,
Emily Simpson
WSALC

Summer of fun, £117m unlocked for Sussex, action on illegal trading, and support for unpaid carers



Welcome to the July 2026 edition of our Residents' eNewsletter.



At the AGM - Back row: Cllr Sam Raby, Cllr Jacob Taylor, Cllr Pete Morley. Front row: Cllr Andy Woolley, Cllr Nicholas Russell, Cllr Bella Sankey

£117m unlocked for Sussex

The Sussex & Brighton Strategic Authority has unlocked a £117m funding boost for the region.

The money is secured over the next four years, with leaders set to focus on growing the economy, as reported at [the authority's first annual general meeting \(pictured\)](#).

The authority is currently run as a partnership between the three upper-tier councils (including West Sussex County Council) before a mayor is elected next year.

On the future of local councils in West Sussex, we were expecting a decision on reorganisation this month [but ministers have announced this is now deferred](#).

[Tune in to a meeting of Full Council tomorrow](#) (Friday 17 July) to hear more about West Sussex County Council business.

Future of local government



Summer of fun

Get ready for a whole summer of fun in West Sussex.

[Stroll upgraded footpaths across the county](#), now safer and more accessible.

[Explore by bus](#) with fare savings, free travel for children, and Book-a-Bus services.

[Visit a fire station open day](#) and find your local station on Facebook for more.

[Take part in the Summer Reading Challenge](#) and much more in our libraries.

[Enjoy the football World Cup finals](#) this weekend.

[See Experience Sussex](#) for things to do and what's on.

Stay safe in hot weather



Remembering Richard

Tributes are being paid to former West Sussex County Councillor Richard Burrett, who has died aged 57.

Richard devoted many years to public service including as Conservative member for Pound Hill electoral division in Crawley from 2009 to 2026.

Council Chair Cllr Donna Johnson remembered him as hard-working and much-loved.

Leader of the Conservative Group Cllr Paul Marshall said he will be greatly missed.

[Tributes to Richard](#)



Supporting unpaid carers

Our new strategy with the NHS for supporting unpaid carers has just been published.

Shaped by local carers themselves, it outlines the commitment we are making to better identify, involve and support carers and their health and wellbeing.

See [Carers Support West Sussex](#), email info@carerssupport.org.uk, or call 0300 028 8888 to find out more, access support, and get involved.

[Read more about the strategy](#)



Action on illegal trading

Our Trading Standards team is continuing to take action to protect West Sussex from rogue businesses.

[A shop in Crawley had its alcohol licence suspended](#) after officers found evidence of underage alcohol sales, unsafe travel adapters, and illegal disposable vapes.

[In Worthing, two men were sentenced for selling illegal tobacco products](#) that were found during an inspection concealed inside a fridge in the stockroom.

If you have concerns about illegal or undesirable trading activity, speak to us.

[Report to Trading Standards](#)



MenB vaccine for young people at risk

A MenB vaccine is on offer to Year 13 students and those under 25 due to start university or move into residential further education for the first time this autumn.

Appointments can be booked online, and walk-ins at local pharmacies will be available for a limited time from 20 July.

Eligible young people will need two doses for full protection, with a second in August. [Check eligibility.](#)

Find out more and book online

More news



[EPIC Awards](#): Young people, carers and community members celebrated achievements at our Exceptional People in Care Awards last month.

[Cygnets hatch!](#) A member of our Highways team played a key role in protecting a nesting pair of swans and their young near Arundel Castle.

[Connect to Work](#) is here to help you build confidence and find and keep a job that's right for you. See what's possible and watch the video.

[There's a greater risk of wildfires during hotter weather](#) and West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service has advice to prevent accidental fires, including [using BBQs safely](#).

[Float to live](#) is the RNLI advice for dealing with cold water shock. It's tempting to jump into rivers or the sea to escape the heat, but that can cause serious problems.

[Let's Save Water](#) is a national campaign to encourage us to use less water. It's backed by regulators and water companies. See how you can play your part.

Did you know?



There's still time to have your say on two schemes to improve walking and cycling routes in Horsham and Crawley.

[The proposals for Horsham](#) aim to address safety and congestion concerns along Comptons Lane and Bennetts Road close to The Forest School.

[The routes proposed between Crawley town centre and Manor Royal Business Park](#) are developed in response to growing pressure on the town's transport network.



Email dated 16.07.2026 from NALC
Chief Executives Bulletin

Events

- Last week, we attended the Local Government Association Annual Conference in Bournemouth to champion the vital role of parish and town councils and launch the new 21st-century parish and town councillor and clerk report. Through our fringe event, exhibition stand and Innovation Zone session, we highlighted the importance of investing in local leadership, supporting councillors and clerks, and empowering parish and town councils to play a greater role in local government reform and community leadership. You can [read more about our time at the conference](#) on our website.
- After the LGA Annual Conference, we joined the Suffolk Association of Local Councils (SALC) Annual General Meeting, where we gave an update on our activity over the last year and our partners, Cloudy IT, spoke about artificial intelligence. Their annual

report also has some impressive achievements, including appointing a coordinator on infrastructure projects, expanding their internal audit offer and working with Ipswich Borough Council to set up a new council. SALC also said farewell to their retiring president, Sir Edward Greenwell 4th Baronet, after 30 years of service. The longest-serving county association president? Answers on a postcard.

Meetings

- Our micro councils network met last week to discuss key issues affecting England's smallest parish and town councils, including rural resilience, local government reorganisation and standards in public life. The network also heard from Action with Communities in Rural England on supporting rural communities and the Rural Food Resilience Partnership. You can [read more about the meeting](#) on our website.
- In this week's meeting with county associations, Action with Communities in Rural England presented results of our joint survey on planning for flooding resilience, which will form our upcoming case studies on the subject. The meeting also included an overview of our elections analysis, which we'll be publishing next week.

Parliamentary and political engagement

- We have highlighted the growing challenges parish and town councils face as bank branches close and services become increasingly digital in our response to HM Treasury's independent review into access to banking services. Drawing on findings from our recent banking survey, we called for continued access to essential in-person banking services, warned that further reductions could create governance risks for councils, particularly in rural areas, and urged banks to better understand the statutory requirements of the sector. You can [read the full response](#) on our website.

Resources

- [In this week's blog](#), BT shares details of its latest campaign led by British broadcaster Clare Balding, highlighting how parish and town councils can play a vital role in helping residents prepare for the transition from analogue to digital landlines.
- We've [launched a new banking hub](#) to help parish and town councils navigate common banking challenges and review whether their current arrangements continue to meet their needs. Bringing together practical guidance, key considerations and links to trusted resources, the hub covers topics including switching banks, managing signatories, treasury management and banking sustainability, helping councils make informed decisions about their financial services.

Support

- The [Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments](#) have funded a new programme of free Financial Regional Training Seminars to help those responsible for

managing, supporting or overseeing the finances of smaller authorities prepare for the transition to the digital Annual Governance and Accountability Return. You can [find out more about the seminars](#) on our website.

Email dated 15.07.2026 from HDC
Road Safety Survey

Horsham District Community Safety Partnership has Road Safety as a priority for 2026-2027 and would like to hear from residents and businesses about any road safety concerns they may have.

A short survey has been created, open until the end of July, which should only take a few minutes to complete.

Click here to share your views [Road Safety Survey for the Horsham District | Horsham District Council](#)

Kind regards, Sharon

Sharon Cadman
Community Safety Officer (Crime)

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Email dated 09.07.2026 from WSCC
Church Street Bridge

| Update | Notes From Officer - Enquiry 3298242



West Sussex Highways <West_Sussex_Highways@OnDemand.Confirm.Co.uk>
To assistant clerk

Follow up. Start by 09 July 2026. Due by 09 July 2026.
You forwarded this message on 13/07/2026 09:40.

Summarize

Reply Reply All Forward

Thu 09/07/2026 16:28

Dear Customer

Your enquiry has been updated by our Highways Team.

Enquiry Number: 3298242 (WSSC-712822603)
Street: CHURCH STREET, RUDGWICK (E: 508653.3 , N: 133319.47)
Subject: General Enquiry

Highways Team Update:

Hi Sarah, apologies for the delay in responding. We have inspected the structure, and although the cracked parapet is not a safety critical defect, we have included the repair work to be undertaken in this years (2026/27) work programme. I hope this clarifies. Regards, Elio Rapa, WSSC Asset Manager - structures and drainage,

Report a Highway Problem

Please select [Report a problem with a road or pavement](#) or [raise a highways related enquiry](#) to be redirected to the WSSC website for the issue you want to report.

To keep up to date on West Sussex County Council Highways incidents, follow us on social media - BlueSky: [@wshighways.bsky.social](#) X (formerly twitter): [@WSHighways](#)

Please do not reply to this email as it has been automatically generated and we won't see your reply.

Kind Regards

West Sussex Highways

Email dated 10.07.2026 from Sussex Police A Crucial Conversation on Retail Crime



Sussex
Police & Crime
Commissioner

KATY BOURNE OBE



This week, I chaired a retail crime panel at the National Acquisitive Crime Conference, bringing together experts from policing, business and community safety organisations to discuss one of the most pressing issues facing our high streets today.

Retail crime remains a major concern for businesses across the country - including here in Sussex. Beyond the financial cost, it has a very real human impact on shop workers who too often face theft, intimidation, violence and abuse in the course of doing their jobs.

Joining me on the panel were Mohammed Qazi from the Safer Business Network, Jon Ellis from Tesco, Chief Inspector Stewart Codling of Thames Valley Police and Inspector Emma Wright from Police Scotland. Together, we explored whether current efforts to tackle retail crime are making a difference, the growing role of organised criminality, and how stronger collaboration between retailers, police and government can deliver better results.

From intelligence-sharing and targeted action against prolific offenders to the use of technology and innovative prevention strategies, it is clear that no single organisation can solve this problem alone.

As Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner, I remain committed to ensuring that retail crime is taken seriously and that those working in our shops can do so safely. Events such as this provide an invaluable opportunity to share best practice, challenge existing approaches and strengthen the partnerships needed to protect businesses and communities alike.

Retail crime is not a victimless offence. By continuing to work together, we can make our town centres safer, support local businesses and send a clear message that this type of criminal behaviour will not be tolerated.

Triple Platinum Triumph for Sussex Volunteer Scheme

I am incredibly proud to see my Independent Custody Visiting (ICV) Scheme receive Platinum status from the Independent Custody Visiting Association for the third time – making Sussex the first and only scheme in the country to achieve this remarkable recognition.

My volunteer ICVs make unannounced visits to police custody suites across Sussex, checking that detainees are treated fairly, respectfully and with dignity. Their independent observations help me hold Sussex Police to account and provide reassurance to our communities.

This award reflects the dedication of all the ICVs, the hard work of the Scheme Manager, and the strong partnership we have with Sussex Police custody staff. At a time when transparency and public confidence in policing are more important than ever, I am delighted that Sussex continues to lead the way through our best practice.



Katy Bourne OBE
Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

FRIDAY FOCUS

Honouring Extraordinary Courage

I attended the Police Federation's Bravery Awards alongside Sussex Police Chief Constable Jo Shiner this week, where we joined colleagues from across England and Wales to celebrate some truly remarkable acts of courage by police officers.

These awards recognise officers who have placed themselves in danger to protect others, often in the most challenging and unpredictable of circumstances.

Representing Sussex this year were three officers whose actions during a violent incident on board a flight from Tenerife to Gatwick demonstrated exceptional bravery and professionalism. Faced with an aggressive and intoxicated passenger who assaulted his wife and posed a threat to fellow passengers and crew, the officers intervened without hesitation, helping to restrain the individual and ensure the aircraft could land safely.

I am incredibly proud of Sussex's nominees and of all those honoured at the event. Their courage, selflessness and commitment to public service embody the very best of policing.



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Summer Holidays Horsham District



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Sussex Sounds & Big Band Music

Enjoy live music performances at the Carfax Bandstand, the Horsham Park Podium, and along West Street.



Friday Lates 2026

Friday Lates live music and food entertainment nights are back! Taking place every Friday from 6pm-8pm throughout June, July and August at the Horsham Carfax Bandstand.

[View full live music schedule](#)

Parks & Countryside



Children's Fun Sessions

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Free 45-minute children's entertainment shows on Horsham Park Podium.

[View full schedule](#)



Love Parks Week

Monday 27 - Friday 31 July, Horsham, Henfield, Steyning & Southwater

A celebration of our Parks featuring free arts, crafts, performance and sports, bringing together our community of all ages.

[View full schedule](#)

Museum & Art Gallery



Museum Lates

Friday 24 July & Friday 21 August, 6pm-8pm

Enjoy an evening of live music in our museum garden, with drinks and refreshments available throughout the night.

[View full schedule](#)

Making History Craft Challenge

Tuesday 21 July - Friday 28 August

Get creative this summer holiday with a different craft each week at Horsham Museum (sailors, dragons, scientists and more!).

[Book your spot](#)

Museum of Time: An Astrophotography Trail

Thursday 16 June - Saturday 29 August

Follow our trail exhibition of astrophotography by Claire Bradshaw FRAS, and learn more about the life cycles of stars whilst experiencing the captivating photographs of celestial objects.

Buy Local



Discover the magic of the Arun Valley Railway Line

Tune in to the award winning Arun Valley Line podcast, discover new places to visit, stories from locals to enjoy, and landscapes to fall in love with. FREE Sonnet the Skylark activity pack.

[Find out more](#)



Big Nibble

Returning to the Carfax on Sunday 6 September, 10am-4pm. Discover Sussex produce, a live cookery theatre with celebrity chefs, and plenty of entertainment. More details coming soon...



Sussex Honey Guide

New Sussex Honey Guide, launching July 2026! We are launching a summer guide and children's activity sheet highlighting the honey and beekeeping experiences around Sussex.

Wardens Events

Our Neighbourhood Wardens are hosting a vibrant programme of summer events across the district, including Pulborough Summer Sports Day Ashington Youth Summer Fun, Storrington Fun Day and more.

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