

Memo (Agenda July 2022)

To: Parish Councillors

cc: Nigel Jupp (County Councillor) & Toni Bradnum (District Councillor)

From: Sarah Hall

Date: 27th June 2022 (week commencing 17th June 2022)

Re: **COUNCILLORS' BRIEFING NOTE**

I have outlined below a number of recent developments for your information.

(1) Planning Applications Issued

Number	Applicant & Reason	Consultation Closes	NPC Meeting
DC/22/1037 16.06.2022	Erection of a single storey extension to the existing garage and a single storey outbuilding linked to the existing garage for use as a home gymnasium. Installation of 2no. rooflights to the roof of the existing dwelling. 2 The Grange, Ghyll House Farm, Broadwater Lane, Copsale	14.07.2022	Planning 07.07.2022
DC/22/1151 20.06.2022	Fell 1x Damson and Surgery to 1x Beech (Works to Trees in a Conservation Area) Black Horse Cottage, Nuthurst Street, Nuthurst	13.07.2022	Planning 07.07.2022

(2) Delegated Decisions (Email Consultations)

Number	Applicant & Reason	Consultation Closes	Councillor

(3) HDC Decisions

Number	Applicant & Reason	Comment to HDC	HDC Decision
DC/21/1423	Erection of a single storey outbuilding, erection of extension to existing double garage and insertion of two rooflights to main dwelling. 2 The Grange, Ghyll House Farm, Broadwater Lane, Copsale	No objection – with comments	Application withdrawn

DC/22/0762	Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. 19 Whytings, Mannings Heath	No objection – with comments	Permitted
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(4) Applications going to Planning Committee (North)

Number	Applicant & Reason	Comment to HDC	Officer Recommendation

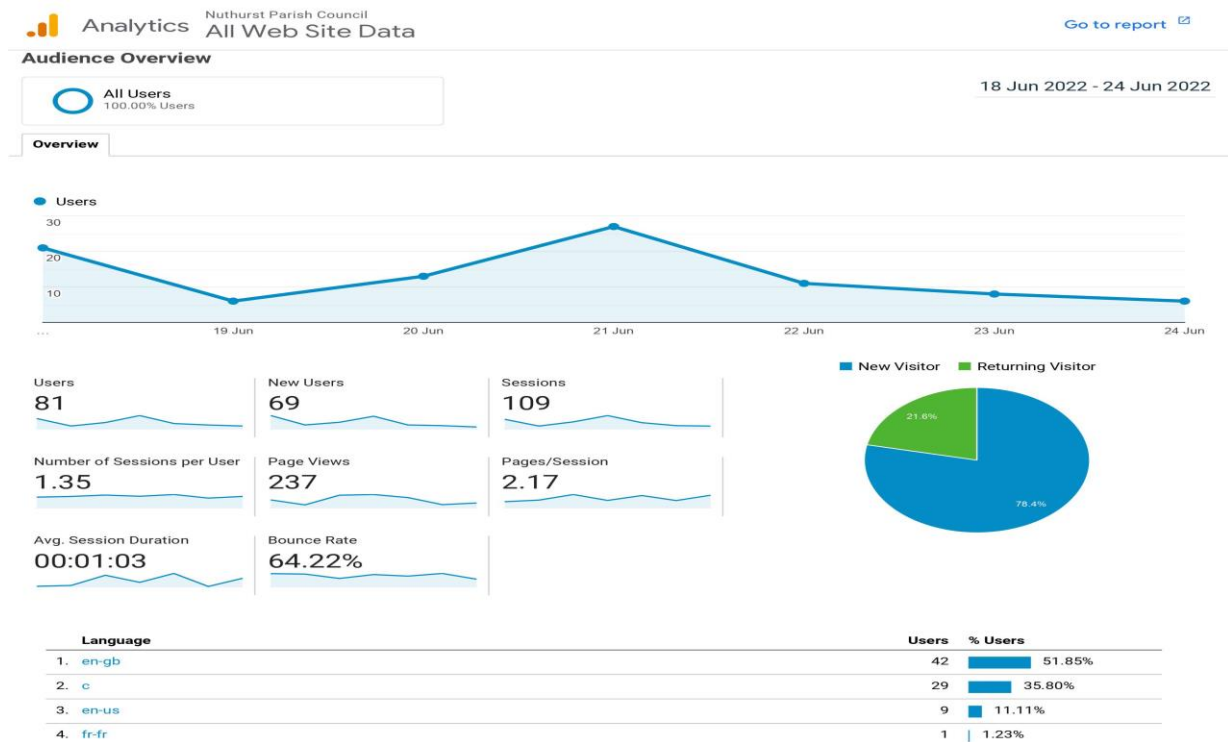
(5) Enforcement Numbers

Number	Nature of Complaint	HDC Action

(6) Appeals

Number	Applicant & Reason	Planning Inspectorate

Website Analytical Data





PUBLIC NOTICE

Temporary closure of Sedgwick Lane, Nuthurst CP, 11th July 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that from the date specified below, West Sussex County Council has temporarily closed to all traffic Sedgwick Lane, Nuthurst CP, in the Horsham District under Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, on Sedgwick Lane for a distance approx 547 metres

The temporary closure is scheduled to commence on 11th July 2022 for up to 5 days (It is estimated to be completed on 13th July 2022) and is required for the safety of the public and workforce while BT undertakes Road Closure's from junctions with Sedgwick Park to Broadwater Lane with works taking place approx 220m west of North Lodge to allow BT to replace a decayed pole

The restriction will be in place **day-time only** from 08:00 until 18:00

An alternative route will be signed on site but please visit <https://one.network/?tm=128402407> for more details.

Access for emergency service vehicles and pedestrians will be maintained at all times during the closure.

For information regarding this closure please contact BT on 02476642814 who will be able to assist with scope of these works.

Dated: 11th April 2022

Matt Davey

Director of Highways, Transport and Planning

West Sussex County Council

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Correspondence

Email dated 24.06.202 from Sussex Police

Businesses help police identify and arrest violent shoplifter



Sussex
Police & Crime
Commissioner

Ensuring we are all
Safer in Sussex

Yesterday I spoke at Westminster Insight's Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Digital Conference.

Representatives from the police, criminal justice, local authorities, education providers, health, housing, social care and the third sector came together to discuss the progress being made in implementing national VAWG and Domestic Abuse strategies.



We looked at reporting rates and support for victims as well as preventative measures to stop first time and repeat offending.

I described how the funding I secured in 2020 for Sussex has established a complex domestic abuse unit, a behaviour change intervention programme for motivated perpetrators and a stalking perpetrator intervention programme.

We will have a clearer picture of the effectiveness of the programmes after further evaluation. Early signs shows that DA perpetrators completing the programme have significantly changed their behaviour.

When it comes to tackling violence against women and girls - by challenging and changing unacceptable norms and behaviours - my starting point is, if we keep on doing the same things we'll just end up with the same result.

That's why in Sussex, I have asked my team to be as bold and imaginative as necessary.

I know from the interest shown by Government and by other PCCs across the country that we have developed unique and innovative programmes that will continue to drive positive results.

Fighting crime through partnership working

Fantastic news this week as the police arrested a dangerous, prolific and wanted offender in Eastbourne. A woman who was wanted on recall to prison - after a robbery where her and

her partner sprayed corrosive substance into a teenage boy's face leaving him with life changing injuries - was seen shoplifting in images provided to the police.

The police issued an alert to local businesses and as a result of sharing this information, she was identified and apprehended by police officers.

This is another example of how our police and businesses are working together and how the Sussex Police Business Crime Team identifies persistent offenders and provides the intelligence for officers to take violent and abusive shoplifters off our streets.

In today's Police and Crime Panel Meeting at County Hall in Lewes, I presented my 9th annual report as PCC for Sussex.

Panel members welcomed the report and in particular the improvements in call handling and public contact channels.

After substantial investment, recruitment and training, 101 call waiting times are averaging 5 minutes (down from 14 three years ago) and 93% of 999 calls are being answered within 10 seconds, the fourth best performing area in England and Wales.

I gave an update on police officer recruitment explaining that the Government's Uplift funding will mean Sussex Police can bring in an additional 163 police officers and a further nine officers for the Southeast Regional Organised Crime Unit.

With the extra funding from local taxpayers covering another 20 police officers and taking account of those officers who retire or transfer each year, Sussex is on course for 192 more by March next year.



Katy Bourne OBE, [Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner](#)



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NALC evidence to Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill committee

This week I was pleased to be among several witnesses invited to give oral evidence to the Public Bill Committee of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill. The Committee is made up of government ministers, shadow ministers/spokespeople and other MPs who will scrutinise the Bill. I appeared alongside Tony Burton from Neighbourhood Planners London to discuss the neighbourhood and democracy measures in the Bill. The session provided an opportunity for us to share views on the Bill's measures on planning, neighbourhood planning and the infrastructure levy plus highlight other issues such as support for neighbourhood planning and funding. I also took the opportunity of marking this week's one-year anniversary since the government call for evidence on remote meetings ended, to press for this to be added to the Bill. You can [watch our part of the session again](#) on Parliamentlive.tv (from 12.15.43 to 12.59.10). And just a reminder that Tony is among the speakers at NALC's popular forthcoming online event [How to review neighbourhood planning policies](#) on 29 June where you can learn more about how your local (parish and town) council can develop a neighbourhood plan from scratch and how to review and renew existing plans.

Latest Civility and Respect Project newsletter

The [June newsletter from the Civility and Respect Project](#) was published this week and includes updates on project progress, response to the Committee on Standards in Public Life report, the civility and respect continuum, maintaining a stable council and the civility and respect training programme. The project approval board has recently signed off on an initial support programme for local councils, councillors and officers. The programme will feature the civility and respect pledge, bespoke training support and ways to strengthen governance to minimise opportunities for bullying and harassment.

Improvement and Development Board

I was pleased to chair the latest meeting of the Improvement and Development Board this week which covered issues from supporting councils through peer support, Local Council Award Scheme, Certificate in Local Council Administration, professional development for county officers and updates from the board's stakeholders which includes NALC, Society of Local Council Clerks, Local Government Association (LGA) and the government. The Board agreed to start an open recruitment process for a new independent chair, an exciting opportunity for the board to bring in a new perspective and friendly challenge. The board also heard from NALC and LGA about our joint work on corporate peer challenge for larger town councils - with Cirencester Town Council confirmed as the next council to take part. I am pleased to be joining the peer team, alongside an experienced clerk and councillor plus an LGA officer, to visit the council later this year.

Local Council Award Scheme webinar

Charlotte Eisenhart, head of member services, hosted a webinar on 23 June with nearly 200 local councils to help them put together a strong application for the [Local Council Award Scheme](#) (LCAS). This free webinar looked at how to complete the application, common pitfalls, an insight into the criteria and some feedback from councils who have taken part in the scheme. If you want to find out more about the LCAS, do get in touch with your county association and NALC will be advertising more free webinars soon.

NALC Policy Committee

NALC's Policy Committee were due to meet in person at the NALC office this week but due to the rail strike this took place remotely, here are a few highlights:

- The Committee adopted new policies on spatial planning and rural proofing
- It was agreed to refresh our work on the Sustainable Communities Act and engage with the government on improvements to their handling of proposals
- The committee discussed the [We're Right Here](#) campaign and the government's recently commissioned [Rapid Community Initiatives](#) report
- The Task and Finish Group on funding provided an update on their recent direct survey and early findings which they would be considered in more detail at their next meeting
- The Committee will be holding a special additional meeting to consider the neighbourhood governance review aspects of the Levelling Up white paper.

And finally...

We've recently added a new event to our popular online events programme for the year ahead. [Working between the tiers](#) will take place on 28 September 2022.

Email dated 24.06.2022 from Age UK Scam Alert for Horsham District

We just wanted to make you aware of a scam that has come to our attention in the Horsham District. We have made the Police aware and Community Wardens. Please you can share this alert with your colleagues and contacts. We would also appreciate it if you were able to share the scam on your social media platforms.

A man came to Lavinia House yesterday with an issue regarding his parents who live in Horsham. His parents had been approached at home by a man saying that he had been asked by Age UK to go along to see them in order to replace their loft insulation. He said that the cost of this would be £4,000 and that he would need them to sign a contract straight away and to also pay him some money. When they said that their son held Power of Attorney for them, he quickly went away.

Thank you for your support with this.

Very best wishes, Stacey

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from No Incinerator for Horsham Horsham Incinerator – last chance to have your say

The proposed incinerator Horsham incinerator site is in North Horsham off the A264 in Langhurstwood Road, near Warnham Station and the under-construction Mowbray Village. Planning Permission was granted following an Inquiry but an Environment Agency permit is also needed.

Environment Agency Summary Includes:

- We have carefully considered all of the documents provided to us by Britaniacrest Recycling Limited, as well as your consultation comments. We cannot find any reason that would cause us to refuse the permit variation application.
- We think we may issue the permit variation to Britaniacrest Recycling Limited; this is called a 'minded to' decision.
- We have written a draft permit variation document and a draft decision document. We would like you to read them. Please send any comments by 26 June 2022 11.59pm.

Ni4H is busy with legal and technical experts responding to the EA.

Peter Catchpole, Chairman of Ni4H said:

“The community needs to feel safe and secure with a proposal of this magnitude in our area and ensure the public are n’t at risk.”

Ni4H recently had a further very helpful meeting with our MP, Jeremy Quin, who said:

“I was pleased to see representatives from No Incinerator 4 Horsham who have been very effectively representing the community’s concerns about the planned incinerator North of Horsham. It was a good update as the team considers the latest consultation launched by the Environment Agency.”

Impacts of the proposal include health, wildlife, noise, odour, air quality, toxic pollutants, fire risk, monitoring and operator competence, as a company with haulage expertise wishes to venture into new territory with the construction and management of a huge incinerator.

HAVE YOU COMMENTED YET?

- Last chance to have your say on the Horsham incinerator!
- Individuals, schools, businesses, organisations, community groups and councils can all comment too.
- It's easy to send a short comment online, by email or post marked: Variation application: EPR/CB3308TD/V002

Online: <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/rh12-4qd-britaniacrest-recycling-limited-draft-dec/>

Email: pscpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk

Post: Environment Agency, Permitting and Support Centre, Environmental Permitting Team, Quadrant 2, 99 Parkway Avenue, Parkway Business Park, Sheffield S9 4WF

THE EA MUST RECEIVE YOUR COMMENTS BY 11:59pm on 26 June 2022

Please contact Ni4H if you would like any further information.

Kind regards

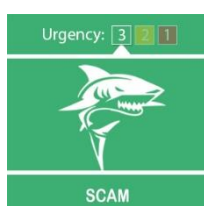
Karen, on behalf of

No Incinerator 4 Horsham Community Group

- Website: ni4h.org
- Facebook: [No Incinerator 4 Horsham Community Group](#)
- Twitter: [@4Horsham](#)

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from Sussex Alerts
SMS Scam Message



SMS Scam Message

Beware of similar SMS messages as shown below :

" Simon attempted to deliver today your parcel but no one answered. Reschedule & Track Parcel at <https://local-depot23.com> "

Fact : No one called at the address as confirmed by their Ring doorbell.

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from HDC
UK Shared Prosperity Fund

You may be aware of the funding allocation for Horsham District Council under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. I have attached a briefing note on the fund and a link to the prospectus which provides more detail regarding the priorities. The Council is tasked with drawing up an investment plan for the funding. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-prospectus>

The purpose of my email is to seek your initial thoughts on your understanding of the local issues and how the fund could assist in addressing them. I have attached a proforma to assist in this process. If you could return your initial thoughts by 7th July 2022, that would be appreciated. At this stage it does not have to be detailed projects, but an indication of your priorities which we can then consider alongside other calls on the funding.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and Levelling Up Round 2

UKSPF is a central pillar of the government's Levelling Up agenda. It provides £2.6 billion of new funding for local investment by March 2025.

There are 3 investment priorities

- *Community and place*
 - *Strengthening our social fabric and fostering a sense of local pride and belonging*
 - *To build resilient and safe neighbourhoods*
- *Supporting local business*
 - *Creating jobs and boosting community cohesion by supporting local businesses*
 - *Promoting networking and collaboration and stimulating innovation and growth*

- Targeted support to help businesses grow e.g. innovation, productivity, energy efficiency, low carbon and exporting
- People and skills
 - Boosting core skills and support adults to progress in work
 - Supporting disadvantaged people to access the skills they need
 - Funding local skills needs and supplementing local adult skills provision
 - Reducing levels of economic inactivity and supporting those furthest from the labour market

The prospectus gives some example Interventions

Communities and Place

- Improvements to town centres and high streets
- Support for local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities
- Active travel enhancements
- Volunteering and/or social action projects
- Funding for local sports facilities, tournaments, teams and leagues
- Community measures to reduce cost of living

Supporting Local Business

- Investment in open markets and improvements to town centre retail and service sector infrastructure
- Development and promotion of the visitor economy
- R&D grants supporting the development of innovative products and services
- Business support measures to drive employment growth

People and Skills

- Employment support for economically inactive people
- Intervention to increase levels of digital inclusion
- Support to help people in employment, who are not supported by mainstream provision to address barriers to accessing education and training courses
- Support for local areas to fund local skills needs
- Green skills courses

For Horsham District we have been allocated £1million over 3 years which ramps up in 2024-25

Local split of capital and revenue:

2022-23	90% revenue	10% capital
2023-24	87% revenue	13% capital
2024-25	80% revenue	20% capital

Each place's allocation will comprise both revenue and capital funding. Lead local authorities should set out their preferred mix of funding in their investment plan. For each year, there is a minimum amount of capital that places must spend but places can spend more capital if they choose to.

Match funding will not be required to unlock an area's allocation. However, all lead authorities are strongly encouraged to consider match funding.

In 2022-23, funding will be paid once the local investment plan has been signed off. In 2023-24 and 2024-25, payment will be made at the start of the financial year. Lead local authorities will be asked to return any underspends at the end of each financial year.

2022-23	£150,000 (15%)
2023-24	£270,000 (27%)
2024-25	£580,000 (58%)

The lead local authorities have the responsibility for developing an investment plan for approval by the government and for the delivery of the fund. Lead local authorities for each area will have flexibility over how they deliver the Fund. They may wish to use a mix of competitions for grant funding, procurement, commissioning or deliver some activity through in-house teams.

- *Police and crime representatives*
- *Members of Parliament*

Key Dates

Investment plan submissions window : 30th June to 1st August

Funding period : April 2022 to March 2025

Regards, Clare

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from Sussex Police Road Safety Briefing

Please find the below link for the video which was shown at the recent Road Safety Briefing;

<https://youtu.be/Hor99dKu0wE>

Kind Regards, Kendal

Chief inspector Wells CW178
Operations Command and Partnerships
Sussex and Surrey Police

You can report crime and incidents online at

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/report-online>

Email dated 22.06.2022 from WSCC

Road Closure Early Warning Notice - Hammerpond Road, Plummers Plain - Start Date: 12 September 2022

Please be advised that West Sussex County Council has received a request for Temporary Traffic Regulation as follows (please click link):

https://api-gb.one.network/downloads/tm/1139/early-warning-notice_129332835_3456855_0d612af4c1.pdf

The application is currently being processed, please be aware that the details are subject to change.

For any questions regarding this TTRO, please email ttro@westsussex.gov.uk

Yours faithfully, Streetworks Team

Location: Durban House, Durban Road, Bognor Regis, PO22 9RE

E-mail: ttro@westsussex.gov.uk

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from WSCC

Setting it in stone: time capsule to bridge the ages at ancient monument



news release

Setting it in stone: time capsule to bridge the ages at ancient monument



A time capsule has been sealed into the Old Swan Bridge in Pulborough – one of ten Scheduled Ancient Monuments owned and maintained by West Sussex County Council.

The idea came from businesswoman Helen Johnson and found support from Michael Taylor, the County Council Engineering Project Manager overseeing essential maintenance at the footbridge.

Helen, who owns The Cornstore Emporium antiques, gifts and tearoom business nearby, explained: “I suppose everyone was talking about the historic Platinum Jubilee and my husband, Adrian, was saying how interesting it would be if an artefact was found in the bridge. We’re surrounded by antiques at the emporium, which must have triggered us to think a time capsule would be something nice for people to open in years to come.

“I spoke to Michael and asked if there was any chance of putting a small capsule into the bridge’s structure. I heard about the opening of a Blue Peter time capsule, the contents of which did not survive well, so I bought a purpose-built capsule online.”

Michael said: “We are strengthening the northernmost arch and Helen approached us to ask if she could place a time capsule within the fill over the arch for somebody to find in many years to come.

“We saw this as a good opportunity for community engagement and gave her the go-ahead to start putting things together. The timing worked well because Helen had time to gather the items that she wanted to put in the capsule before we needed to fill the excavation of the arch.”

Contents of the stainless steel cylinder time capsule include a Platinum Jubilee souvenir newspaper, some coins from an earlier jubilee, plus a note with current local information.

Work on the footbridge, which spans the River Arun and links Pulborough and Coldwaltham, started in April after Historic England gave the go-ahead.

Michael explained: “Following the strengthening works we will be undertaking masonry repair and replacement works to the whole structure to ensure that this impressive structure lasts for years to come.

“The footbridge is currently closed to the public while the strengthening works take place but is scheduled to reopen in approximately two weeks as the mason does not require the bridge to be closed to complete his work.”

The project is due to finish in August, subject to unknown factors, such as severe weather.

Richard Finn, Director of Principal Contractor Landbuild, said: “ We are always more than happy to support local ventures such as these and were happy to assist Helen with the installation of the capsule.”

Most of Old Swan Bridge was built in the 18th century, replacing an old wooden structure. The fourth arch span (southernmost arch) was added in 1834.

The nine other Scheduled Ancient Monuments owned and maintained by the County Council are:

1. Woolbeding Bridge, Woolbeding with Redford
2. Trotton Bridge, Trotton with Chithurst

3. Iping Bridge, Stedham with Iping
4. Habin Bridge, Rogate
5. Durford Bridge, Rogate/Harting (river is boundary)
6. Fittleworth Mill Bridge, Fittleworth
7. Fittleworth River Bridge, Fittleworth
8. Stopham Bridge, Stopham/Pulborough (river is boundary)
9. Greatham Bridge, Parham

Above picture caption: Pictured on the slipway beside the ancient bridge are (from left) Michael Taylor, the County Council's Engineering Project Manager, business owner Helen Johnson with the capsule, and Richard Finn, Director of Principal Contractor Landbuild

Below: a close-up of the time capsule



Email dated 23.06.2022 from Sussex Alerts
Get Safe Online West Sussex Digital Ambassadors



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The Community Safety & Wellbeing Service, West Sussex County Council, invite you to see the attached leaflet regarding West Sussex Get Safe Online Digital Ambassadors. WSCC have 24 amazing volunteers with a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to help others be safe online. They are able to offer a range of support for residents and communities including attending community events, groups and offering 1:1 sessions.

Please share this fantastic (and first in the UK) initiative across your networks and communities.

Any questions please get in touch via DigitalAmbassadors@westsussex.gov.uk.

Attachments

[GSOL West Sussex Digital Ambassadors June 2022.pdf](#)



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(NWN, MSA, Sussex)

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Email dated 23.06.2022 from WSCC

Your June update – electric vehicle charging points go live, cost of living scams, new transport plan...and more



Thousands of new electric vehicle charging points for West Sussex



The largest-ever local authority roll-out of electric vehicle (EV) charging points in the UK has started in West Sussex.

The county council, along with Adur and Worthing Councils, Arun, Horsham and Mid Sussex district councils and Crawley Borough Council, signed a contract last year with Connected Kerb, one of the country's leading providers of EV charging infrastructure solutions,

to install and maintain thousands of charging points across the county.

The ground-breaking project will deliver transformational improvements to EV provision in the county, providing better access to charging facilities, particularly to those without off-street parking. [Residents will be consulted over where they want the charging points located.](#)

The roll-out will take place over the next decade.

Photo shows the launch of the scheme at Hazelgrove Road Car Park, Haywards Heath, on Monday.

[Find out more about electric vehicle charging points](#)

Cost-of-living crisis scams on the rise



Our Trading Standards officers are warning about the increased risk of scams related to the current cost-of-living crisis.

There are lots of different types of scams emerging including:

- scammers pretending to be energy companies, luring people with 'too good to be true' deals in order to steal their money
- fake sales representatives selling counterfeit shopping vouchers
- fraudsters sending out phishing emails pretending to offer an energy rebate or government support in order to obtain people's personal information.

To check if something might be a scam visit Citizens Advice on the link below.

If you've been scammed, report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040.

You can also report illegal or undesirable trading activity direct to West Sussex Trading Standards Service at www.westsussex.gov.uk/tsreport.

[Check if something might be a scam](#)

New Transport Plan for West Sussex

We have adopted our West Sussex Transport Plan for 2022-2036 and it is now available to read on the link below.

It's our main policy on transport and supports delivery of [Our Council Plan](#) and its priorities.



[Read the West Sussex Transport Plan](#)

[Become a care worker community hero](#)



We're on a mission to find local community heroes! If you, or someone you know, is considering working in care please spread the word and come to our recruitment events listed on the link below.

Search for local vacancies and read inspiring stories from other local community heroes on the Proud to Care [website](#).

Dates and venues of recruitment events

Have your say on local issues

- Do you want to help our children and young people in West Sussex to get the best start in life? If the answer is yes, [we would welcome your thoughts on our draft Children and Young People plan](#). Closing date: Sunday 26 June.
- Sussex Health and Care Partnership is [running a survey to understand the impact of the pandemic on your health and wellbeing](#). You can also tell them about your experience of healthcare during the last year. Closing date: Monday 27 June.
- Give your views on [proposals to improve safety for cyclists and walkers planned between the town centre and Manor Royal Business Park in Crawley](#). Closing date: Monday 11 July.
- Consultation has started on a series of proposals to make [Commercial Square and South Road in Haywards Heath even more attractive to visitors](#). Closing date: Thursday 28 July.
- [Give your feedback on the draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment \(PNA\)](#) which aims to better understand people's use of local pharmaceutical services, including getting prescriptions and health advice from local pharmacies and dispensing doctors. Closing date: Sunday 28 August.

Join in with Armed Forces Day



It's Armed Forces Day on Saturday (25 June) - a chance to show support for the men and women who make up the Armed Forces community: from currently serving troops to Service families, veterans and cadets.

[Click here to find out how to get local support](#) if you're a serving or former armed forces member, reservist or family member.

Armed Forces Day 2022 - find out more

On-call firefighters needed



Our West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service is currently recruiting on-call firefighters who respond to emergency calls within their local area from either their home or main employment.

They often have full time jobs elsewhere in the community, but live or work very close to one of the service's fire stations.

More info or to apply

Interested in Climate Change?

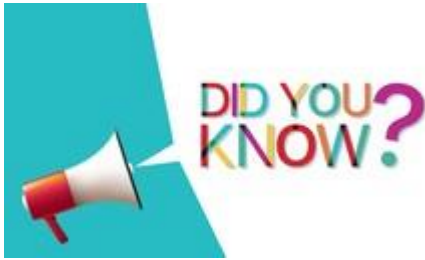
We produce more than 40 eNewsletters that you can also subscribe to on a range of topics, including Environment and Climate Change.

[Click here to add this topic to your subscription](#) and start receiving regular updates and useful information about what we're doing for the environment, local climate news and events and how we can tackle Climate Change in West Sussex together.



More news

- A warning has been issued to West Sussex businesses who sell alcohol without asking for proof of age, [after a Worthing shop had its licence revoked for selling alcohol to a child](#).
- Work to keep children and [young people in West Sussex out of the criminal justice system and reduce reoffending](#) has been praised following an inspection. West Sussex Youth Justice Service has received an overall rating of 'good' from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation, with four areas of the service rated as 'outstanding'.
- [#WestSussBus](#), an online forum about local buses, has been set up for you to [tell us your experiences, comments and ideas about local buses, and to help decide where improvements are needed](#).



Our West Sussex Record Office has launched its new [Transatlantic Ties website](#), the result of a three year project funded by the Mellon Foundation in New York.

The website explores the historical connections between West Sussex and the United States through the wealth of archives at the Record Office, including

what has become known as the Sussex Declaration.

Did you receive this eNewsletter from a friend? Sign up [here](#).



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Email dated 23.06.2022 from WSCC
Have your say about pharmaceutical services in West Sussex



news release

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People in West Sussex are being asked to give their feedback on recommendations to improve access to pharmaceutical services in the county.

[West Sussex Health and Wellbeing Board](#) has published the draft West Sussex Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) report, which aims to better understand people's use of pharmaceutical services. This includes services such as getting prescriptions and health advice from local pharmacies and dispensing doctors.

The report examines whether the provision of pharmaceutical services meets the current and future needs of people in West Sussex and identifies any potential gaps to service delivery.

The PNA is used by NHS England, local authorities and Clinical Commissioning Groups to inform decisions about applications for new, or changes to existing, pharmaceutical services and the commissioning of NHS-funded services that can be provided by local community pharmacies.

Councillor Bob Lanzer, the Cabinet Member for Public Health & Wellbeing and Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board, said: "The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment is an important tool in developing pharmaceutical services in West Sussex. We would encourage our residents and partners to feedback on the draft report to help important services such as prescriptions, and health advice from pharmacies and dispensing doctors.

"I would like to thank all those that have currently taken part in the consultation. Their feedback is greatly valued and along with a range of other information services, helps to shape the document."

The report found that on average, there are around 18 community pharmacies in West Sussex per 100,000 residents, which is lower than the England rate (21 per 100,000) but higher than the South East region rate (17 per 100,000).

The [draft PNA and its supporting documents](#) are available on the county council's website. Comments can be submitted via the [consultations page](#). The closing date for comments is Sunday 28 August.

For anyone who doesn't have internet access, the PNA can be viewed online for free at any West Sussex library.

The final PNA will be published on the West Sussex County Council website on 1 October 2022.

A new survey on dementia-friendly councils

In 2020, NALC launched a survey to identify the work that local councils are doing to assist those most vulnerable in their communities and gain insight into potential barriers to this progress. Following this, NALC published the [**Dementia-Friendly Communities guide**](#), demonstrating the positive impact of building dementia-friendly communities and providing local councils with the tools to help them develop their own. We're now undertaking a [**new survey**](#) to gather feedback on the use and effectiveness of this publication to inform a potential update. The survey closes on 22 July 2022, if you have any questions please contact [**policycomms@nalc.gov.uk**](mailto:policycomms@nalc.gov.uk).

Plunkett report on urban pubs

NALC's chair, Cllr Stevens, and I were delighted to attend the launch of the [**Plunkett Foundation's new research report on urban pubs**](#). The research finds that improved community rights, flexible funding and support could help more urban communities realise their ambition of taking ownership of their local pub, breathing new life into neglected buildings and transforming their neighbourhoods. We were particularly pleased to see the report call for more local councils in urban areas and include a case study on how Tollerton Parish Council supported their community pub. A timely opportunity to also remind you that the Good Councillors Guide to community business is available on the [**NALC website**](#).

NALC Management Board

NALC's Management Board held an informal meeting this week to keep in touch and catch up on a range of issues. We discussed arrangements for our in-person meeting of the National Assembly on 12 July, our first since before the pandemic, which we are also using as an opportunity for a grand reunion of our councillors at the new offices of NALC's partner [**CCLA**](#). The Board's next formal meeting, also in person, is on 5 July.

NALC at LGA annual conference

I'm looking forward to attending the [**Local Government Association's annual conference 2022**](#) in Harrogate on 28-30 June; the conference has been held online for the last two years. I'll be there with our chair, Cllr Keith Stevens, and other NALC colleagues, to champion and promote local councils to attendees comprising senior representatives from principal councils and organisations working with local government. We have a stand in the exhibition to engage with attendees throughout the conference, featuring our gameshow style spin the wheel. And we are holding a fringe event — [**Who has the \(local\) authority?**](#) — on 29 June, hosted by Jackie Weaver with speakers from the County Councils Network, District Councils Network and Shared Intelligence. So, if you're at the conference, do come and say hello!

Fortnightly meeting with county officers

This week we were joined by representatives from the Royal British Legion who gave us an update on risk management issues related to organising Remembrance Day events. This sparked a useful discussion about the links that many local councils have with veterans in their communities. We also received an update on the work of the

Civility and Respect Project, and it was exciting to hear about the training mentioned above and also a range of other new resources that will be available later in the year.

Pride month

Throughout June, NALC is celebrating Pride, a month dedicated to celebrating the LGBT+ community. It is important to acknowledge and raise awareness of the issues that continue to affect LGBT+ people across the country and globally. [NALC commends the great work that LGBT+ councillors](#) do every day and the efforts that local councils are making to ensure their communities are more welcoming and inclusive for all residents. On behalf of NALC, I want to wish the LGBT+ community a very happy Pride month!

And finally...

In [our latest blog](#), we have a brilliant feature from Luke Trevaskis, chief executive of Morecambe Town Council, as he explores 30 activities that can help local councils show support for their LGBTQ+ communities, promote inclusivity, and embrace diversity. Do bookmark this blog - and it's not too late to plan your own events!

Email dated 23.06.2022 from HDC

Latest news: New splash pad in Horsham Forum | Special celebratory Shelley bike ride | Local footballing hero is honoured in Horsham



[Latest news and information](#)

Open day for local Horsham charities

Our [Voluntary Sector Support team](#) are hosting an open day in Horsham on Saturday 2 July to help local people find out more about local charities, the type of work they do and the volunteering opportunities they have available.

A wide array of local charities will be in attendance, including Sussex Clubs for Young People (pictured), Horsham Rotary Club, Citizens Advice, Horsham Matters, Amberley Museum and more. There will also be lots of fun interactive activities to take part in on the stalls.



[Read more](#)

Join us on a poetic cycle tour to honour Shelley

A special bike ride for Horsham-born poet Percy Bysshe Shelley is taking place on Saturday 9 July.

Starting in Horsham Park, the cycle ride stops off at several of Shelley's favourite places, incorporating some of our District's beautiful countryside along the way.

For full details on the bike ride, [visit the Shelley Bicentenary Bike Ride webpage](#) where free tickets to take part can be booked.



[Read more](#)

Praise for Horsham District's waste collection crew

Cllr Toni Bradnum, Cabinet Member for Recycling and Waste, recently spent a morning with our waste collection crew. She told us:

"No wonder our waste team are held in such high regard and are respected by all. The skill manoeuvring these huge trucks through narrow roads and round parked cars is truly brilliant."

"Collecting approaching 64,000 bins every week, they do a fantastic job and I'm full of admiration for the whole team".

It was great to see Toni out with our crews last week to get first-hand experience of our daily waste and recycling operations.



Armed Forces Day flag raising

The Armed Forces Day flag was raised at Horsham's War Memorial in the Carfax at 8.30am today by Council Chairman Cllr Kate Rowbottom.

The flag raising took place a few days before the national Armed Forces Day, which this year is on Saturday 25 June. Armed Forces Day is a chance to show your support for the Armed Forces community, including currently serving troops, Service families, veterans and cadets.



Local footballing hero is honoured in Horsham

We were delighted to share that England Football Lionesses legend Faye White MBE recently visited The Bridge leisure centre to unveil her new commemorative plaque for her achievements in football.

In her early career, Faye used to train on the pitches at Broadbridge Heath, playing for both Broadbridge Heath Ladies FC and Horsham Ladies FC.



[Read more](#)

New splash zone for Forum fountains in Horsham

We're delighted to share that the Forum fountains will be getting an upgrade.

Last night councillors approved capital funding of £120,000 to create a children's splash pad and upgrade the treatment system.

We're looking forward to creating a much more interactive play area at the popular Horsham site.



[Read more](#)

Horsham streets ahead with new electric street sweepers

We are delighted to share that our town centre street sweepers are going electric!

Councillors recently elected to have two compact town centre sweepers replaced with new electric vehicles.

The new sweepers will help us reduce our carbon emissions, improve air quality, continue to remove diesel vehicles in our fleet and get to carbon neutral by 2030.





[More news from Horsham District Council](#)

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**Email dated 23.06.2022 from Sussex Police
National Response Policing Week of Action**



This week it's National Response Policing Week Of Action and I'd like to extend my grateful thanks to Sussex Police officers as they respond to 999 emergencies.

Often these are the officers who walk into the unknown every day and they can be the very first people on the scene. I know from speaking to crime victims that officers' calm professionalism after a traumatic event is very reassuring. As we saw during the height of the pandemic lockdowns, officers are often abused, spat at and assaulted on the course of their duty but they kept focused on keeping the peace.



Although newspapers often feature complaints about public servants, what they don't show is the huge number of thank you messages the force receive from people they have helped.

When people are arrested or detained in police custody, they are still innocent until proven guilty and so it's really important that their human rights are upheld which is why a lot of work has gone in to upgrading Sussex' custody suites to ensure detainees are safe and treated with dignity and respect.

To make sure that those in custody can feel safe in what is often a distressing time, I have a team of Independent Custody Visitors (ICVs).

ICVs make unannounced visits to police custody and are an external friendly face to check that detainees are being treated properly and have been offered basic things like food, water and a chance to speak to a lawyer.

My team of ICVs are currently recruiting and looking for more volunteers to come on board. If you have an interest in helping people and time to spare, if your over 18 and able to attain police vetting, this could be the role for you. Find out more and how to apply here:
<https://www.sussex-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/volunteer/>

June Performance and Accountability Meeting

In today's PAM, (Performance and Accountability Meeting), I asked how Sussex Police could be assured that it was complying with the Code of Practice for Victims and I was really delighted to hear that 76% of victims of stalking and harassment were satisfied or very satisfied and 95% of rural crime victims say the same.

I asked how many applications the force had received under Clare's Law - where partners or close relatives can ask police for information about a new partner's previous offending. There has been a 28% increase this year with 701 applications leading to 274 disclosures by police.

As one of the police force's leading the use of Stalking Protection Orders, Sussex currently has 67 live SPOs with eight people referred to specialist stalking perpetrator programmes to address and change their behaviour.

I asked how the force was addressing the number of outstanding arrest warrants and Chief Constable Shiner gave the example of how one of Sussex's most wanted criminals - on the run for six months after an aggravated burglary - was arrested by the Specialist Enforcement Unit in Lewes recently.

Today was the last PAM that DCC Julia Chapman will attend before her retirement after 30 years in the police service and three here in Sussex. I thanked her for bringing a real grip and fresh perspective to the role. On behalf of my office and the public, we wish her a happy and well deserved retirement.



Katy Bourne OBE, [Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner](#)



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Email dated 23.06.2022 from Southern Water

Join our [draft] Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) consultation webinars

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We'll be consulting on our draft Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) between July and September this year and will be hosting two supporting webinars early next month.

Our draft plan explains how we'll maintain supplies into the future, meeting the challenges of climate change and population growth and improving the environment.

Our proposals include helping customers use less water, reducing leaks on our pipes and collaborating with landowners and farmers to better protect water quality. We're also consulting on proposals for new sources like water recycling, desalination and new storage.

These webinars are in addition to our regional stakeholder workshops for which you may have recently received [our invitation](#); providing an opportunity for you to help

shape our strategic direction for the upcoming Business Plan period (2025 – 30) and longer term ambitions.

WRMP consultation webinars

It's really important we hear from our stakeholders - to help you understand and respond to our consultation we're holding two webinars.

These will allow you to hear from our water resources and catchment teams about the options in our draft plan, as well as ask any questions you might have.

WEBINAR 1

Focused on the 'west' of our region, including West Sussex, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

Date: Tuesday 19 July

Time: 1.30 - 3.30pm

[**Register for W Sussex, Hants & IOW**](#)

Have your say on our future plans

We're consulting on several plans over the summer, including our strategic resource options in Hampshire and our new Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans (DWMP).

Your feedback will help us to shape both our short-term delivery plans for the next five to 10 years, and our broader Long-Term Priorities.

[**Visit the Consultation Hub**](#)



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'Hidden region': rural England forgotten in Government's Levelling Up White Paper

Were England's rural communities a distinct region, their need for Levelling Up would be greater than that of any other part of the country, according to new research published today that finds the Government's metrics do not properly account for the pressures facing our smaller towns and villages and as a result effectively side-line 12 million people.

[Read more](#)

LATEST RURAL NEWS & ANALYSIS



Priced off the road



Alarming new figures show the desperate shortage of GPs as rural areas are worst hit



Lib-Dems pressing for rural fuel relief fund



An update from Sedgemoor District Council on affordable housing development



BT executive says Brexit is slowing superfast broadband rollout



Rural Related Politics - An RSN weekly review

WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK AT RSN HQ!

Our Chief Executive **Graham Biggs MBE** gave evidence yesterday to the **House of Lords Select Committee on Adult Social Care**. [You can watch the session at this link](#)

He explored the need to move away from a **#OneSizeFitsAll** approach to social care, which is not suited to the particular circumstances of **#rural** areas.

If you are a member of RSN and/or RSP, RHCA, RMTG we would like to invite you to the **RSN Seminar: Rural Health & Social Care which will be held between 11:00-1:00 on Wednesday, 27th July 2022 online via Zoom.** Speakers for this event are yet to be confirmed but overall this event will aim to look at the topic of Rural Health and Social Care from a national perspective, share ideas and best practice and engage in networking and discussions. We will also aim to discuss our [Revitalising Rural campaign](#) and our specific chapter on [Access to Rural Health and Care Services](#) and related policy asks of the Government.

[Please click here to book your place to attend the RSN Seminar: Rural Health & Social Care event](#)

Job vacancy: Chair of the Board of Trustees, Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE)

ACRE are seeking applications from exceptional people with an enthusiasm for rural communities who can provide leadership for our organisation as we embark on the next stage of our development.



Their current Chair, David Emerson CBE, comes to the end of his term in November, and ACRE are looking for a successor. The successful candidate will be a strategic thinker, with strong diplomacy skills, and have an understanding of, and passion for, rural community issues and membership organisations.

As Chair of their Board of Trustees, you will be our champion and ambassador, helping us to influence government and key stakeholders nationally, whilst engaging and responding to the needs of ACRE members locally.

The closing date for applications is 11 July. [More info can be found here.](#)

SPOTLIGHT

SPOTLIGHT ON: THE RURAL ECONOMY



Rural Economy Spotlight - June 2022

In the Rural Economy Spotlight this month, you can read about levelling up in relation to rural economies and rural enterprise, new grants available to farm businesses and others and explore links to nationally available data in relation to the rural economy.

[Access the Spotlight on the Rural Economy Spotlight here](#)



RURAL FUNDING DIGEST

Looking for funding for your local project or community group? Read the **latest** edition of the **Funding Digest** [here](#)



GOVERNMENT CONSULTATIONS

Read the **latest Government Consultations** that may be relevant to rural communities [here](#)



MEMBER INSIGHTS

Member Insights is the place to discover the statistics that define communities within our membership
Visit the Members Insights [here](#)



FAIRER FUNDING

Find out about our campaign for fairer funding for rural areas [here](#)
This includes our work on the Local Government Finance Settlement

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