

Memo (Agenda August 2021)

To: Parish Councillors

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

From: Sarah Hall

Date: 16th August 2021 (week commencing 9th August 2021)

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

(2) Delegated Decisions (Email Consultations)

Number	Applicant & Reason	Consultation Closes	Councillor
DC/21/1554 05.07.2021	Outline application for the erection of 7no dwellings with all matters reserved. Crabtree Inn, Brighton Road, Lower Beeding	27.08.2021	Delegated
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 record on HDC website	Delegated
DC/21/1483 28.07.2021	Erection of a single storey rear extension. 3 Vaughan Copse, Mannings Heath	31.08.2021	Delegated
DISC/21/0140 29.06.2021	Approval of details reserved by conditions 1 and 2 on application DC/20/1667 Figgy Barn, Kerves Lane, Horsham	Not available	Delegated
DC/21/1367 07.08.2021	Prior Approval for the erection of a single-storey rear larger home extension, which would project 4.50m from the rear elevation, comprising a maximum height of 3.15m and an	Not available	Delegated

	eaves height of 2.50m. 3 Vaughan Copse, Mannings Heath		
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(3) HDC Decisions

Number	Applicant & Reason	Comment to HDC	HDC Decision
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(4) Applications going to Planning Committee (North)

Number	Applicant & Reason	Comment to HDC	HDC Recommendation

(5) Enforcement Numbers

Number	Nature of Complaint	HDC Action

(6) Appeals

Number	Applicant & Reason	Planning Inspectorate
DC/20/1698 APP/Z3825/W/21/3280286	Erection of 9No. double storey dwellings, car-ports and garages with landscaping and associated works including access improvements previously approved under DC/17/1158. Land at Former Swallowfields Nursery, Church Road, Mannings Heath	

Community Speed Watch Data



Town/Parish Council Report for Nuthurst Parish Speedwatch Group

Reporting between 14-07-2021 and 14-08-2021

Current Volunteers = **22**

Summary for this Period

Number of Sessions this period = 0
 Total Vehicles exceeding limit = 0
 DVLA Valid vehicles = 0
 Accuracy = n/a

Police Actions this Period
Overall

My group started Recording* on = 30-05-2019
 Number of Sessions since start date = 76
 Vehicles recorded exceeding limit since start date = 377

Maximum Speed recorded in 30 limit = 49
 mph(+63%) Maximum Speed recorded in 40 limit = 60
 mph(+50%)

Date	Time	Type	Location	Recorded	Letters	Vehicles
		Traffic Heading		Percent		
28-07-2021	15:30-> 16:30	BOOKED	A281 south of Horsham-On the grass island by the Dun Horse Pub... traffic heading South			Unknown
27-07-2021	15:30-> 16:30	BOOKED	Nuthurst Road-Going South, 500 yards from Junction of A281 and Nuthurs.. traffic heading East			n/a Unknown n/a
Totals				0	0	

Website Analytical Data

Analytics Nuthurst Parish Council
 All Web Site Data

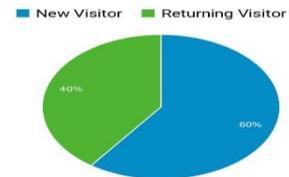
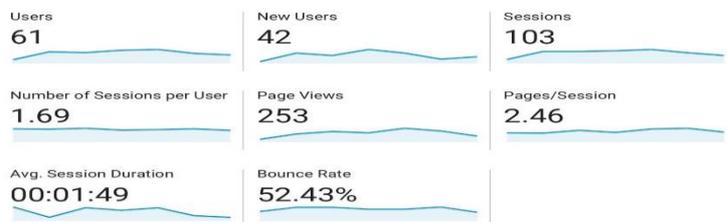
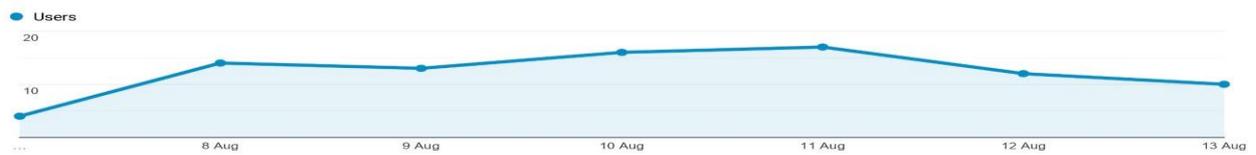
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Audience Overview

All Users
 100.00% Users

7 Aug 2021 - 13 Aug 2021

Overview



Language	Users	% Users
1. en-gb	50	81.97%
2. en-us	10	16.39%
3. en-us.utf-8	1	1.64%

Correspondence

Email dated 11.08.2021 from HALC Communication re Local Plan



Mr M Eastwood
Chairman
Horsham Association of Local Councils

Our ref: PRC/scw
Your ref:

By email: malcolm.eastwood@henfield.gov.uk

Date 10 August 2021

Dear Malcolm,

Thanks for your letter and draft minutes. I share your concerns over the Local Plan and the difficulties we were having getting to Regulation 19. This delay, caused by MHCLG changing the rules, could be seen as an opportunity allowing more work to be done on our Plan and working out further alternatives for our Members. I would hope that Council, being well aware of the issues, would endorse a move to Regulation 19 when we bring it forward to it.

I do support your point on the local site selections and better understanding of selection mechanisms. I understand this is already in hand, involving Lynn and Barbara and her team. It will help across the board understanding.

Thank you for your copy of the Land Agent document, colour coding each Parish and outlining the vulnerabilities of the neighbourhood plans in our area. This document is of much concern as it shows developers are keeping a beady eye open for their chances. Can we share your letter and the list with our District Councillors please?

Let us continue to work together and I look forward to our next meeting.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Clarke".

Councillor Paul Clarke
Leader of the Council

HORSHAM DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (HALC)

Tel: 07446955498 email: malcolm.eastwood@henfield.gov.uk

9th August 2021

Councillor Paul Clarke, Leader of Council,
Glen Chipp, Chief Executive Officer,
Horsham District Council

Cc: Lynn Lambert, Barbara Childs, Graeme Acraman

Dear Paul and Glen,

Following on from our recent Zoom call, HALC held our latest meeting on Wednesday 4th August. For transparency I attach a copy of the minutes, although just reading item 5 will give you a good flavour of the Local Plan discussion.

Our Members continue to be very concerned about Horsham District Council's inability to endorse a new Local Plan and to deliver on its Regulation 19 commitment. Whilst we do understand that changes in government legislation on 20th July now necessitate additional work to create a 30 year vision, we are disappointed that our District Councillors who had ample opportunity to deliver what was needed well before this date did not do so. The fact that the Government intends to adopt a new NPPF at some point this year creates another burning platform and we would suggest that Horsham need to understand when this is likely to occur. If necessary we should ask our MPs to lobby for sufficient time to be given for the vision work to be completed so that the revised Plan can be presented to our District Councillors for their vote.

Nevertheless, we are where we are and the attached minutes suggest some next steps for your consideration. Our proposal is that we should use this time productively to hold some "Understand the Local Plan" workshops where we can bring Planning Officers, District and Parish Councillors together to do just that. If this is acceptable Graeme and myself would be very willing to work with Lynn and Barbara to create the agenda and to attend each of the workshops. We feel it very important that District Councillors, Planning Officers and Parish Councillors should be seen to be working together if we are to succeed.

The purpose of the workshops would be to understand the planning reasons behind the site selections which in some cases aren't aligned with parishes preferred sites. We need an open and honest discussion with an objective to be better informed about the Plan, the no plan implications, the site decisions and to understand any adjustments which might help the Local Plan progress.

During these workshops we might also be able to identify sites where we should ask the developers to bring forward planning applications to reduce the shortfall in the 5 year housing supply. Having read the two Inspectors reports released last week the shortfall is now estimated to be between 661 & 751 homes (less the 100 now approved at Shipley). Understanding the likely impact on housing numbers and treatment of planning applications in a "no plan" scenario should be a priority for these sessions.

Without a Local Plan with its approved sites the shortfall in housing supply will continue to grow and let's be in no doubt that the risks from that scenario are very real. I have obtained a copy of the sheet at the foot of this letter which has been circulated by a Land Agent to the developer community and which was screen shared at our HALC Meeting last week. It lists all of our parishes and gives each of them a red or green status, red denoting that the chances of a speculative planning application being successful is high. This document was accompanied by an email encouraging developers to "get your planning applications in now".

This process has already started with the Shipley site amongst others. If there is no consensus about which sites should be allocated then it is highly likely that the developers will do that for us. If there is no Local Plan in preparation the housing numbers will be unlimited, the sites unspecified and Planning Inspectors will have no choice but to tilt the presumption that sites should be allocated even further in their favour as was stated in the Shipley case. Any District Councillors who may still feel that we can just leave things to chance so that they can avoid having to make some difficult decisions are failing in their duty to the district and its residents.

We are hopeful that we can all work together to overcome what is undoubtedly a very uncomfortable situation for all of us but we owe it to our residents to put in place the planning rigour and controls that a Local Plan brings. This will avoid the anarchic scenario which I am sure has a lot of developers, whose sites were not selected for allocation, rubbing their hands together with glee at this time. We must not give them the satisfaction.

Yours sincerely,

Malcolm Eastwood
Chairman, Horsham Association of Local Councils

Parish Council	Neighbourhood Plan	Loss of HDC Five Year Supply Implication
Amberley Parish Council	Made June 2017	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
Ashington Parish Council	Made June 2021	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROTECTION UNTIL JUNE 2023
Ashurst Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Billingshurst Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Bramber Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Broadbridge Heath Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Coldwaltham Parish		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Colgate Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Cowfold Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Henfield Parish Council	Made June 2021	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROTECTION UNTIL JUNE 2023
Horsham: Denne Neighbourhood Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Horsham: Forest Neighbourhood Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Horsham: Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Itchingfield Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Lower Beeding Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
North Horsham Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Nuthurst Parish Council	Made August 2015	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
Parham Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Pulborough Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Rudgwick Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Rusper Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Shermanbury Parish Council	Made June 2017	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
Shipley Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Slinfold Parish Council	Made September 2018	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
Southwater Parish Council	Made June 2021	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROTECTION UNTIL JUNE 2023
Steyning Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Storrington and Sullington Parish Council	Made September 2019	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD (From Sept 21)
Thakeham Parish Council	Made April 2017	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
Upper Beeding Parish Council	Made June 2021	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROTECTION UNTIL JUNE 2023
Warnham Parish Council	Made June 2019	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD (From Sept 21)
Washington Parish Council	Made September 2019	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
West Chiltington Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
West Grinstead Parish Council	Made June 2021	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS NO NP ALLOCATED SITES
Wiston Parish Council		NO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT
Woodmancote Parish Council	Made June 2017	PRESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AS PLAN MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD
	Correct as at 30th July 2021 - Following Inspector Appeal Decision Confirming 4.2 years supply in Horsham District	

**Email dated 13.08.2021 from HDC
'A Year Like No Other'**

Please find below a link to 'WEST SUSSEX IN THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC - A YEAR LIKE NO OTHER'

<https://nuthurstpc.sharepoint.com/:b/s/General/EQwAt9JfStHnhKmp2fHWNoQBUzxFcT-epyIIA5sxlG0xYA?e=rKBojD>

**Email dated 13.08.2021 from NALC
Chief Executives Bulletin**

South East Region County Association Forum (SERCAF)

NALC works closely with 43 county associations to support local (parish and town) councils. The county associations come together regionally to share good practices and progress joint initiatives. This week SERCAF met remotely, and there were valuable discussions on the easing of pandemic restrictions, local county devolution deals following the prime minister's recent announcement and the difficulty of recruiting clerks. SERCAF also agreed to seek a meeting with Transport for the South East to discuss regional concerns.

Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA)

The **SAAA** board met this week, signed off its annual accounts, and discussed arrangements to procure a new audit contract for next year. It also received feedback on the submission of this year's AGAR governance returns. Currently, over 94% of local councils have submitted their returns, but there are still 381 outstanding. Parish meetings are doing poorly, with around 75% returned and 275 still outstanding. If you know of any non-responders, please encourage a quick return! The SAAA is a sector-led body that NALC and SLCC set up to procure external audit services for local councils saving the sector millions of pounds.

Climate change report

With this week's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) **Report** and the disturbing footage of extreme weather across Europe, it is clear we have to take urgent individual and collective action to tackle the climate emergency. I'm impressed that so many local councils are already taking action at the most local level and would encourage those who have not done to do so. There are plenty of inspirational examples and a wealth of supporting guidance on our **website** for you to use. The Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG) has published a new **webpage** for local government on climate change and the environment, which brings together crucial guidance and information. Let us know what you're doing at policycomms@nalc.gov.uk.

New blog by Dr Gordon Morris

In **our latest blog**, Dr Gordon Morris, an honorary research associate for the Centre for Rural Policy Research at the University of Exeter, talks about the results of a survey aimed at councillors, clerks and interested professionals on the implications of the post-COVID-19 and Brexit worlds for England's 10,000 local councils.

Scribefest

Our partners Scribe present Scribefest on 29 September 2021 — an annual free virtual conference exclusively for clerks, responsible financial officers and members of local

councils. You can join Scribe for a range of presentations from industry experts and speakers, including our very own chair, Cllr Sue Baxter and our county association colleague, Jackie Weaver. [Find out more](#) about the conference and how to register your place.

And finally...

Congratulations to Tilshead Parish Council, who won the **Best Kept Village** competition in the medium village category run by the CPRE. Thirty-nine villages entered this year, but Tilshead impressed the judges who said it gave "an immediate impression of a well-cared-for village in which the wider community participates".

Email dated 13.08.2021 from HDOPF

Horsham District Older Peoples Forum - Public zoom meeting 7th September

We are holding a public meeting, via zoom, on **Tuesday 7th September 10.30am - 1pm**

The main topic for discussion is hearing people's experiences and views on access to their GP and the NHS. Laura Robertson, Sussex NHS Commissioners will be attending to update us and answer questions i.e. on the Autumn booster jab, long covid treatment etc.

We will also be launching our 'Chatty Cafe' project in partnership with HDC & Age UK WSBH as our contribution to tackling loneliness and social isolation. The idea is a simple, proven and cheap one. Cafes/pubs etc. who wish to take part, simply assign a table(s) as a 'Chatty' one. Anyone who would like to chat with others just sits at that table and has a friendly conversation. It is up to the venue as to times and days, which will be also advertised on the national [Chatty Cafe online website](#). We are fortunate to have Jenny Bimpson from the project as a guest speaker and to tell us about how the now national scheme came about.

We will also, as usual, have time for anyone to raise an issue for discussion and possible action.

If you think we should be discussing or looking at another issue, or you like to hear from a particular guest speaker or topic then please let me know.

Come and join in with our discussion and add your 'six penneth worth' on the 7th September via zoom. Our meetings are always informative and interesting. You are guaranteed to learn something new.

To claim your place, please email hdopforum@gmail.com

Thank you for your interest and ongoing support

Martin Bruton, Chairman, [Horsham District Older Peoples Forum](#)

Email dated 13.08.2021 from CAGNE
Meeting with chairs of Gatwick Noise Forums



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Meeting with the Gatwick Noise Forum chairs

I appreciate that you are on your summer break, but Gatwick Airport chairs have offered meetings with members of the Gatwick Airport noise forums - the NCF and NEX - with the chairs.

As you know the Forum has a seat on the NCF which our council representatives - Cllr Chris Leyland of Slinfold and Cllr Jim Blackmore of Salfords and Sidlow PC - will attend on 31st August along with me as an elected member of Warnham PC and secretary to the Forum. I will take notes to pass to you all.

In the past we have invited these chairs to attend one of our meetings but this was declined. We will invited them again as you should have an opportunity to ask questions of them - Warren Morgan of NCF and Jonathan Drew of NEX - direct.

In the meantime can you please let me know if you have any issues you wish our Forum representatives to raise with the Gatwick Airport chairs?
cagnetatwick@gmail.com

Thank you, and I apologise again for the timing which we will also raise with the chairs

at the meeting on the 31st.

CLlr Sally Pavey, Secretary to the Forum
Councillors of Warnham PC

Thursday 30th September at 7pm – Our Natural World – Book Talk 2

Sarah Ward, Living Seas Officer at Sussex Wildlife Trust, *'The Ocean is a carbon sink'*.

Sir Charlie Burrell will talk about his experience setting up the Knepp (West Sussex) rewilding project and how this might fit into a regional Nature Recovery Area.

Chaired by CAGNE

Book via <https://actionnetwork.org/events/talk-two-our-natural-world>

**Email dated 13.08.2021 from Sussex Police
Assaults on police officers are unacceptable**



**Sussex
Police & Crime
Commissioner**

Ensuring we are all
Safer in Sussex

This week we received great news of two funding awards. The Police Science, Technology and Research Board has provided £45,000 to my office to develop an innovative new app for people who find themselves in vulnerable situations, especially women and girls.



Funding for the app has been awarded by the Board which provides monies for future police programmes. They were particularly keen to receive bids supporting police efforts to better understand and/or combat violence, abuse and intimidation against women and girls.

The new app will provide reassurance and support, helping those who feel they are in danger to quickly and easily share their location with a trusted contact, as well as giving them the means to capture evidence and make a non-emergency report to Sussex Police.

The Home Office also announced yesterday that my office will receive £205,204 to develop and expand a successful programme that helps victims of Domestic Abuse and helps DA perpetrators address their behaviour.

In Sussex, DA Perpetrators can self-refer to the existing programme run by Cranstoun or be referred by a professional. Demand for the support services has exceeded expectations in the first four months of the programme with 76 men self-referring.

The £205k is part of the £11.3 million awarded to 25 Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) in England and Wales, to go towards domestic abuse intervention programmes.

Supporting victims of crime is a key statutory responsibility for PCCs but so is preventing re-offending. The DA perpetrator programme is just one example of a successful behaviour change approach which saves resources and time and most importantly prevents further and future harm.

Last night I was delighted to join the charity Sussex Pathways for the presentation of their Queen's Award for Voluntary Services by the Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex, Sir Peter Field. Sussex Pathways assists around 100 released prisoners to integrate back into society each year and avoid reoffending. We know restorative justice works so I have been pleased to support the charity with substantial funding to help them continue their life-changing work.

Over the past year in Sussex over three officers
were assaulted every day

Yesterday morning, I was asked to talk on local radio about the appalling rise of attacks and abuse on police officers following alarming figures revealed by the Police Federation and Government statistics. Over the past year in Sussex, more than three officers were assaulted every day, totalling 1235 attacks with 26% resulting in injury.

The number of assaults has steadily increased over the past three years, with 1,151 attacks last year and 1,033 in 2018/19 in Sussex. Nationally, there were 36,969 attacks last year, an increase of 20% on the year before.

I made it very clear that the public depend upon police officers to keep us all as safe as possible, so the law needs to ensure that we protect our emergency service workers including police. This is why I support the proposed doubling of the available jail sentences for people who assault them.



Katy Bourne OBE, Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner

Email dated 13.08.2021 from HDC
New Items of Interest from Horsham District Council

Friday, 13th August, 2021, 9.06 am - Minutes published: Meeting of Tuesday, 3rd August, 2021 5.30 pm, Planning Committee (North).

This item matches your subscribed committee "Planning Committee (North)"

[View this item on the web site](#)

Email dated 12.08.2021 from Sussex Police
West Sussex Community Safety and Wellbeing Team



West Sussex Community Safety and Wellbeing Team



Whilst this message is issued on behalf of West Sussex, residents across the county may be interested in the contents.

The Community Safety and Wellbeing Team is part of West Sussex County Council and works with partner organisations to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour across West Sussex. The team are involved in a number of community safety issues including:

- Domestic Abuse
- Sexual Violence
- Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking
- Staying Safe Online
- Child Exploitation
- Preventing Radicalisation and Violent Extremism
- Hate Incident Reporting
- Serious and Organised Crime.

To keep up to date with community safety topics, including current support and advice, information on key campaigns and events taking place across the county, you can follow them on social media via Facebook and Twitter and you can also sign up to their [Community Safety E-newsletter](#), which comes out 6-weekly.

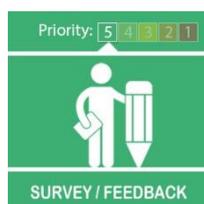
The team also host a number of free webinars throughout the year aimed at residents which are promoted in their newsletters and across their social media platforms.

Message Sent By

Derek Pratt MBE (NWN, Administrator, Sussex)

**Email dated 12.08.2021 from Sussex Police
Violence Reduction Partnership Survey**

**In the know
Surrey and Sussex**



Sussex Violence Reduction Partnership brings together the police, local authorities, judicial bodies, health providers and community organisations to tackle the root causes of serious violent crime in Sussex, to protect young people and make our communities safer.

They are currently conducting a survey try to gain a broad spread of public views in respect of serious violence and knife crime, to inform the community confidence baseline, which is a key success measure for the Home Office.

Neighbourhood Watch would like to invite you to participate in this survey, which is being hosted by Sussex Police. To take the survey please visit <https://sussexpolice.researchfeedback.net/s/OpSafety> . If you are hesitant to click this link then please search online for "Op Safety/Violence Reduction Partnership survey"

Thank you for your assistance in helping to keep Sussex safe.

Message Sent By

Derek Pratt MBE (NWN, Administrator, Sussex)

**Email dated 12.08.2021 from HDC
Great Big Green Week**

The [Great Big Green Week](#) is a new national event from 18-26 September, celebrating how communities are taking action to tackle climate change. It will be the largest event for climate and nature ever seen in the UK.

We are happy to share news of any events that you are organising on the Council's social media pages to help get the word out there.

If you are planning any events for this special week please let me have brief details, and maybe a web link if relevant, **by Thursday 26 August**.

Thank you very much.
Best regards, Sarah.

Sarah Hogben
Communications and Marketing Officer



Email dated 11.08.2021 from WSCC
Town and Parish Council News - Special edition: Ash die back



Special edition August 11 2021



Ash tree disease impacts West Sussex

Ash dieback (ADB) is a devastating disease that has the potential to kill over 95% of West Sussex ash trees over the next 10 - 20 years.

As nearly 21% of all broadleaved trees in West Sussex are ash, this would have a major impact on the county's landscape, wildlife, and habitats.

Although there is no treatment, a small percentage of ash may be resistant to, or tolerant of, the infection. Survivors can be used for breeding tolerant ash trees for the future.

The County Council is working with district and borough councils, other organisations, and land owners to take a coordinated approach to mitigate potential health and safety risks.

There will be further selective felling of ash trees and reactive work this summer. Phase 2 of the highway survey for ash trees, due to be carried out last year, stalled because of Covid 19 but should restart this year.

In the meantime, alternative approaches will help to fill some of the data gaps. This will help to prioritise inspections.

For more information visit the [West Sussex County Council website](#).

What parish and town councils need to do:

- If you have responsibility for trees, check your tree condition surveys are up to date.
- Know where your ash trees are and, if you have volunteer tree wardens, encourage them to monitor the trees and report regularly.
- Where trees are located near the highway network, or a public right of way, please share this data with the county council: ADB@westsussex.gov.uk We can then explore opportunities for joined up working to reduce frequency of road and path closures.
- Prepare a plan to manage the impact of ADB – [see the Ash dieback toolkit](#); also the recently published [guidance for homeowners and those with ash trees on their land from The Tree Council](#);
- Be aware that ash trees with tree preservation orders (TPOs) or trees in Conservation Areas will normally still require consent for any works from the local planning authority. Contact the [district or borough council](#) tree officer for specific advice.



If you own woodland which contains ash you should be aware that:

- Markets for lower grade timber are available which may help reduce the cost of felling; and,
- There are [grants available](#) which can contribute towards the cost of restocking and ongoing management.

For further information on managing your woodland please contact your local Forestry Commission Woodland Officer:

Julian Williams (Chichester, Arun) julian.williams@forestrycommission.gov.uk or
Jamie Cunningham (Horsham, Worthing, Crawley, Mid Sussex)
Jamie.cunningham@forestrycommission.gov.uk



Please be aware that under the Forestry Act 1967, a licence is required to fell most trees. Details of how to apply for a licence and any exemptions which may apply are outlined in the [Tree Felling – Getting Permission document](#). Note that public bodies are exempt where there is a legal duty to maintain a service or network. See [Operations Note 46a](#) for more detail.

Finally, please do not panic! Whilst the safety of trees is always the responsibility of the landowner, the requirement under health and safety legislation is to have a suitable and sufficient risk assessment, and to apply measures that are reasonable and practicable.

More on this and the duty of care is in [Common Sense Risk Management of Trees](#), from the [National Tree Safety Group](#). Also see [Forest Research](#) for further advice on the identification of ADB and how to report it, and the [Arboricultural Association](#) for directories of registered consultants and contractors.

Keeping in touch

For daily updates, residents can follow us on social media [@WSCCNews](#) and [@WestSussexCC](#).

We are also now on [Nextdoor](#), the app designed with communities in mind. Your residents can follow the link and join the conversation.

Thank you for your support. Keep safe.

CORONAVIRUS

SYMPTOM FREE COVID-19 TESTING IS NOW AVAILABLE. KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE, TEST TWICE A WEEK.

We've done ours, have you?
westsussex.gov.uk/GetTested

#KeepWestSussexSafe



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This eNewsletter is for Town and Parish councillors and clerks in West Sussex. If you are a resident, we recommend you sign up for our Residents' eNewsletter, which has information targeted to you. Sign up for our eNewsletters [here](#).



Email dated 12.08.2021 from HDC
Tackling Climate Change - Horsham District Council Special Newsletter - August 2021



Tackling Climate Change

Special Issue: August 2021

Join Horsham District Council in tackling climate change and reducing our carbon footprint

Dear Councillor and Parish Clerk,

Yesterday the latest [Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change \(IPCC\) Report](#) was published, painting a stark picture of the rate of climate change. But scientists say a catastrophe can be avoided if the world acts fast. Now is the time for all of us to work together.

One of the priorities of Horsham District Council's Corporate Plan is to reduce our carbon emissions. These special edition newsletters will keep you updated on how we are progressing with our climate change agenda, as well as offering tips and advice on how to find out more, get involved, and reduce our carbon footprint.

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A new Sustainable Procurement Charter has been approved at Cabinet

We have two key targets to become a carbon neutral council. One of these means that we want to work with suppliers that are providing the Council with goods, works or services to support our targets by reducing their own emissions.

This new Charter has four key principles we want suppliers to achieve. This includes recognising the need to protect and enhance the District's high quality environment, whilst tackling climate change and improving waste management.

We will use this charter to ensure that all new contracts include ambitious sustainability commitments and drive down carbon emissions in the supply chain. It will also allow us to get better carbon data, particularly from our main suppliers.

Now that the Charter has been approved it will be designed and published on our website for prospective suppliers to view.

[Read the draft Sustainable Procurement Charter](#)



Get ready for The Great Big Green Week

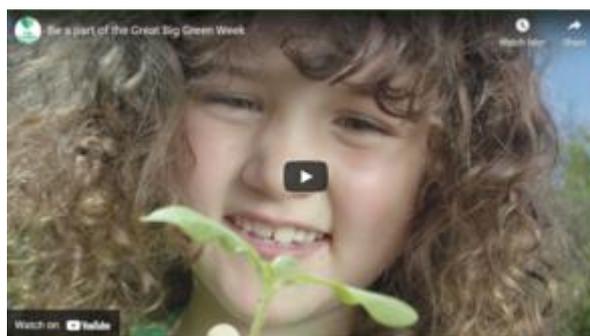
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A national week of events celebrating action on climate change

The Great Big Green Week will be the largest event for climate and nature ever seen in the UK.

Thousands of events will celebrate how communities are taking action to tackle climate change.

Click on the image to watch the introductory video.



Great Big Green Week community hubs will celebrate local activity and raise the profile of climate change action. Events are planned across the country, including here in Sussex. *Look out for more details in next month's newsletter or [visit the GBGW website](#) now.*

Why this year - COP26 of course!

This year we have a huge opportunity to raise our ambitions for tackling climate change because the UK is hosting the 2021 United Nations climate summit, known as **COP26** this

November in Glasgow. This summit is when countries across the world update their plans for reducing emissions.

Find out more about COP26

Progress on moving to electric and hybrid vehicles



We currently have three electric vehicles at the Council: one car used by our 'doorsteppers' in the Waste and Recycling team and two vans used by our car parking team and our Trees Officer.

We are now investigating the switch to a range of electric vehicles from the large waste fleet vehicles to the smaller road sweepers.

- The trial of an electric powered road sweeper was successful and is also extremely quiet - which will please our residents as the team go about their early morning cleaning in Horsham town centre!
- We are also investigating leasing new hybrid vehicles for our Community Wardens early next year.
- Finally, we are asking all departments who use vehicles to carry out reviews to see if any can be shared with other departments or given up altogether.

Keep an eye on future newsletters as we progress this work.



A County-wide approach to carbon reduction work

We are working closely with West Sussex County Council and neighbouring authorities to ensure we maximise any partnership opportunities to benefit our carbon reduction targets.

As County moves closer to their own 2030 target of becoming a carbon neutral council check out their progress through some key facts below.

- Emissions for 2020/21 across the County were down 13 per cent compared to the previous year, largely due to the effects of Covid-19.
- Travel related carbon emissions went down by 60 per cent, representing a 5 per cent reduction in the total WSCC carbon footprint.

- County are looking at ways to report carbon emissions relating to home working and this will be factored into reports for the 2021/22 year.

Like us, County are also working to ensure their public buildings, car park lights, and business travel will be carbon neutral. They are also looking to address heat demand within their leasehold residential buildings which will be one of our own big challenges all as we head towards 2030.

[Read updates on County's carbon reduction achievements](#)





Helping to reduce waste with Horsham's new Reuse hub

We're now taking donations of unwanted furniture that's still in good condition in a new trial Reuse container at Hop Oast's Park and Ride car park.

This is a great way for us to help our residents to reduce waste. We're making it easy for you to donate your unwanted items and doing our best to give good-condition furniture a new lease of life as an alternative route for furniture that might otherwise end up at the HWRS as waste.

Funded by the West Sussex Waste Partnership and managed by Horsham District Council, the Reuse container is open at the Horsham Park and Ride Hop Oast car park, Worthing Road, Horsham RH13 0AR from:

- Wednesday to Saturday
- 1 April - 30 September: 10am-5pm
- 1 October - 31 March: 10am-4pm

[Find out more](#)



Supporting visiting wildlife at Warnham Local Nature Reserve

Artificial rafts at Warnham Local Nature Reserve have attracted two pairs of nesting Common Terns to raise their families here; a great example of work here to support local and international wildlife.

The species usually breed on shingle beaches and coastal rocky islands but are now becoming established occasionally on inland water bodies. Artificial rafts such as those found at Warnham mimic the effect of a shingle island and if small fish are plentiful then these beautiful elegant birds have all they need to raise a brood of young.

The adults will soon be heading back to southern Africa to their wintering grounds before being followed by their offspring a few weeks later.

Wilder Horsham District project

Visit our Wilder Horsham District pages for details of our partnership with the Sussex Wildlife Trust, where we are working closely with local communities and landowners to help reverse the decline in species and habitats and enrich the natural environment for all residents and visitors.

Find out about Wilder Horsham District

Help share the news of our Climate Action work

We are now producing a Climate Action newsletter to share our news and stories with the public.

If you know someone who you think might like to start receiving a copy please do forward on this email and encourage them to sign up. Thank you.



Sign up here



Useful Links

[Find out about how we are tackling climate change](#)

[See our carbon reduction targets and action plan](#)

[Horsham District Community Climate Fund](#)

[Learn about the Wilder Horsham District partnership](#)

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Crime summary

Burglary

Reference: 1011 5th August

Location: Corfe Close, Southwater

Date and time: Approximately 1545hrs 5th August

Details: A property was entered believe in an attempt to steal, nothing was stolen.

Burglary other than Dwelling – There are no burglaries to sheds, garages or other outbuildings to report this week.

Rural Crime Team

The Rural Crime Team monthly update has just been published on the website and provides an overview on what the team has been working on.

You can find the latest update in the campaigns section on the Sussex Police website.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/police-forces/sussex-police/areas/campaigns/campaigns/.divisional-campaigns/rural-crime-team-monthly-update/>

News and appeals

Appeal launched after attack on two swans at Southwater Country Park

Sussex Police are appealing for information after a swan was found dead and another was seriously injured at the Southwater Country Park near Horsham.



A member of the public found one bird on Friday, July 30 near the Lennoxwood Lake.

Subsequent tests at a veterinary practice confirmed it had been shot with a ball bearing.

There were also separate reports of a cygnet being found in the area from similar injuries.

Officers are liaising with the RSPCA and want witnesses or anyone with information to come forward.

In particular, officers are investigating reports of two young men seen with a catapult or slingshot in the area in the past week which may be connected.

Anyone with information should report it to Sussex Police online or call 101 and quote serial 883 of 30/07.

KSI - Killed and Seriously Injured

Sussex Police are committed to reducing the number of killed and seriously injured (KSI) incidents on the county's roads and making the road network safer for all road users.

In 2019 there were a total of 5,250 injury collisions reported to police in Sussex. Of these, 42 were fatal and a further 1107 resulted in serious injuries. These are numbers are too high and have far reaching consequences for family and friends.

There are five principal causes of KSIs known as the Fatal Five:

Inappropriate speed

Drink and/or drug driving

Not wearing a seatbelt

Distraction, including use of a mobile phone or device

Careless and/or inconsiderate driving or riding

Working together, Sussex Safer Roads Partnership (SSRP) strives to create a safer environment for all road users, reduce the risk of life-changing injuries and eliminate fatalities. Using the wealth of knowledge and experience within the partnership, SSRP provides advice and support to all road users across Sussex.

Visit the SSRP website

Follow the SSRP on Twitter @SussexSRP

Community Speedwatch (CSW) is a county-wide initiative involving community members working collaboratively with Sussex Police to monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices. Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are referred to the Sussex Safer Roads Partnership with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds.

Keeping the roads safe for everyone is everyone's responsibility. Whether people are driving for pleasure or business, driving an HGV, riding a motorbike, driving a car a scooter, cycling or as a pedestrian. Everybody has their part to play in observing the basics of road safety.

Find out more about CSW in your area, join an existing scheme or start your own by

emailing csw@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Monthly Roads Policing Update

The Monthly Update provides communities with a snapshot of the collective activity that we've undertaken across Sussex. This includes vehicles stopped for speeding, people driving without insurance, and penalty notices for those not wearing seat belts. The update is published every month and features an advice section, captures a snapshot of local activity, and explains how you can engage with us.

TO READ THE FULL STORY, PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE AND LOOK UNDER CAMPAIGNS.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/police-forces/sussex-police/areas/campaigns/campaigns/ksi---killed-and-seriously-injured/>

Help us keep Sussex safe

If you saw or heard anything, or have any information about any incident in this message please [contact us online](#), email us at 101@sussex.pnn.police.uk or call **101**, quoting the reference number provided.

Alternatively you can contact the independent charity **Crimestoppers**, anonymously, on **0800 555 111**, or online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Links and attachments: Sussex Police will only ever link you to secure Websites we trust. We will only send you attachments where we believe it is absolutely necessary.

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