

Memo (Agenda November 2021)

To: Parish Councillors

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

From: Sarah Hall

Date: 25th October 2021 (week commencing 18th October 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 |
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| DC/21/2301 11.10.2021 | Non Material Amendment to previously approved application DC/18/2231 (Demolition of existing 3no. dwellings and associated buildings, retention of existing ponds and erection of 4no. dwellings (net 1no. dwellings) associated improved access and provision of hardstanding, parking, landscaping and garden and amenity space) to allow for amendments to existing windows and doors, relocation of the plot 1 car port from south to north side of the house, extending access road. Plot 1 white render changed to timber cladding to match proposed materials of plot 3&4. Alterations to Plot 2 including white render changed to brick to match proposed materials of plot 3&4. Plot 2 elevations amended to match approved floor plan. Ghyll House Farm, Broadwater Lane, Copsale | Not available | Planning 04.11.2021 |
| DC/21/2319 12.10.2021 | Prior notification for the demolition of buildings. Copsale Barn, Copsale Road, Copsale | Not available | Planning 04.11.2021 |
| DISC/21/0236 27.08.2021 | Approval of details reserved by conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 to approved application DC/21/0475. Woodfield, Copsale Road, Maplehurst | 09.11.2021 | Planning 04.11.2021 |

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| DC/21/2231 20.10.2021 | Surgery to x4 Oak and x1 Yew 29 The Whytings, Mannings Heath | 10.11.2021 | Planning 04.11.2021 |
| DC/21/2389 21.10.2021 | Fell x3 Ash (works to trees in conservation area) Foxhollow, Nuthurst Street, Nuthurst | 11.11.2021 | Planning 04.11.2021 |

(2) Delegated Decisions (Email Consultations)

| Number | Applicant & Reason | Consultation Closes | Councillor |
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(3) HDC Decisions

| Number | Applicant & Reason | Comment to HDC | HDC Decision |
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| DC/21/1344 | Conversion of part of existing barn into residential dwelling (Class C3) Coutyard Barn, Great Steeds Farm, Copsale Road, Copsale | Objection | Application Withdrawn |
| DC/21/1604 | Installation of an above ground swimming pool (Householder Application). Keystone Cottage, Nuthurst Road, Monks Gate | No objection | Permitted |
| DC/21/1605 | Installation of an above ground swimming pool (Listed Building Consent). Keystone Cottage, Nuthurst Road, Monks Gate | No objection | Permitted |
| DC/21/1841 | Erection of a single storey rear extension. 8 Woodlands Walk, Mannings Heath | No objection | Permitted |

(4) Applications going to Planning Committee (North)

| Number | Applicant & Reason | Comment to HDC | HDC |
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(5) Enforcement Numbers

| Number | Nature of Complaint | HDC Action |
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| EN/21/0488 | Alleged: Poor condition of the roof of the west wing resulting in water ingress and lack of drain pipes. Sedgwick House, Sedgwick Park, Horsham | Pending consideration |

(6) Appeals

| Number | Applicant & Reason | Planning Inspectorate |
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Community Speed Watch Data



Town/Parish Council Report for Nuthurst Parish Speedwatch Group

No data available.

Website Analytical Data

Analytics Nuthurst Parish Council
All Web Site Data

[Go to report](#)

Audience Overview

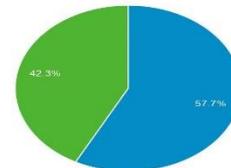
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16 Oct 2021 - 22 Oct 2021

Overview



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| 2. en-us | 12 | 16.22% |
| 3. es-es | 1 | 1.35% |

Correspondence from HDC

Email dated 22.10.2021 from HDC

Chief Executive of Horsham District Council to retire



NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release: 22 October 2021

Chief Executive of Horsham District Council to retire

Chief Executive of Horsham District Council, Glen Chipp, has announced his decision to retire from the Council next April.

Speaking of his retirement Glen said:

“I feel privileged and honoured to have served as the Council’s Chief Executive since April 2018 and I’ve thoroughly enjoyed my time here. Together with the officers and Members we have achieved some great things and I’m sure we will continue to deliver even more before I leave next year. I fully intend to remain committed to delivering the best possible outcomes for our residents right up until my last day.”

Leader of the Council Cllr Paul Clarke commented:

“I would like to thank Glen for his support to me as Leader over the past few months. He has been a massive help in the difficult transition time. Glen has huge experience in working both in local government and before that in the private sector. That mixed experience and insight into a wide range of issues will be greatly missed by both the Council and myself.

“The period in which Glen has been Chief Executive has seen enormous challenges with a need to continue to offer the best of council services to residents, alongside huge pressures on the Council’s finances.

“Under Glen’s leadership we have balanced those demands without cutting any major services for residents, whilst minimising any increases in Council Tax. The last two years have been particularly challenging for the Council. The seemingly ever changing demands on us as we try to meet the Government requirements for future housing, alongside managing the response to the pandemic, has tested his skills.

“I want to say a huge thank you to him on behalf of all of the Cabinet and Members and wish him every happiness in his retirement.”

Email dated 21.10.21 from Emma Parkes
Water neutrality and planning decisions in Horsham District

Dear all

Following my email below we have now established how we can continue to consider planning applications, and I hope this note will assist you in understanding the decision making process. Please note this note relates to the process for water neutrality only.

I can confirm that we can continue to determine most planning applications for householder development, some very minor schemes and certificates of lawful development under Parts 1 and 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) as we have previously done, as they will not have a significant effect either individually or cumulatively on the Arun Valley sites.

All other types of permitted development, including prior approvals, will likely need to be screened to consider whether they have a significant effect. The applicant may though need to seek approval under Section 77 of the Habitats Regulations to seek to demonstrate the proposal does not have a significant effect. This is because Regulation 75 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 imposes a condition on any permission granted by the General Permitted Development Order that is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site, that development must not commence until a developer has received written notification of the approval of the local planning authority under Regulation 77.

We will therefore likely receive a new type of Section 77 application. This will not be subject to public consultation as the key consideration will be any response from Natural England and the Council's ecologist, to ascertain whether the development has a significant effect. These will though be available to view through the Councils weekly list.

We can continue to determine non material amendments and condition discharge applications as we have previously. Amendments to permissions already granted will need to be assessed on a case by case basis depending on the likelihood of implementation of the extant permission and what the changes are.

In the case of all other development, where an increase in water consumption is likely (including reserved matters), we will require the application to be accompanied by a water neutrality statement setting out the strategy for achieving water neutrality within the development. Water neutrality can be achieved by developers building significant water efficiency measures into new development and by providing offsetting measures to reduce water consumption from existing development, so the development becomes water neutral. The statement will need to calculate the water balance and we will be providing some further guidance on what should be included in a water neutrality statement. It is not just a case of providing water efficiencies measures onsite as this will not make the development water neutral.

This also applies to any applications which have a resolution to grant but have yet to be granted. Any applications which have been to committee will need to return to committee if we are able to continue to recommend approval, after consideration of the water neutrality matter.

If an application cannot demonstrate water neutrality is reasonably achievable this will mean the development will not meet the requirements of Section 63 of the Habitats Regulations, and the application could not be determined positively.

As this is a recent and very significant matter, we will allow time for water neutrality strategies to be produced and submitted where the issue of water neutrality is the only outstanding matter preventing the grant, or recommendation of grant, of planning permission. If a water neutrality statement is received on a current application we will allow for a period of re-consultation for Parish, Neighbourhood Councils and any neighbours to comment. Going forward we will be updating our local list and water neutrality statements will be provided at the point of validation.

At this stage there is no known mitigation for the potential impacts on the Arun Valley sites other than demonstrating water neutrality.

There are some useful background documents on the Waterwise website including 'A Review of Water Neutrality in the UK.' Any proposal in Horsham District will though need to provide locally sourced information.

I do hope this information is of assistance. If you have any questions please do let me know, although please note I am on leave next week.

Kind regards,

Emma Parkes
Head of Development and Building Control



Correspondence

Email dated 22.10.2021 from NALC Chief Executives Bulletin

Meeting with the minister for levelling up

NALC's chair, Cllr Sue Baxter, had an introductory meeting with the new minister for Levelling Up, The Union and Constitution, Neil O'Brien MP, this week. The new minister's **responsibilities** were finally officially confirmed earlier in the week and include the levelling up white paper, Shared Prosperity Fund, county deals and devolution and high streets, towns and community assets in England. Their meeting was particularly timely given the white paper is due to be published within the next few weeks and provided an opportunity to highlight the role of local (parish and town) councils in their communities and the levelling up agenda. Other issues discussed included creating new local councils, funding and direct access to dedicated government funding, innovative examples of work by councils in areas such as housing and community safety and community governance in the other devolved nations.

NALC publishes new guide on website accessibility

I was pleased this week to publish a new guide on website accessibility and publishing guidelines. The guide aims to help local councils ensure their websites meet the needs of all users — especially those with disabilities or impairments that use assistive technology. I'm really grateful to our colleagues at [Aubergine](#), an award-winning website and design agency and web accessibility experts, who we worked with to co-write the guide. You can [find out more and read the guide](#) on our website.

Climate science expert to give a keynote speech at NALC AGM

I'm delighted to announce that Professor of climate science, Chris Rapley OBE, will deliver a keynote speech on the climate crisis at next week's NALC annual general meeting (AGM). Taking place just days ahead of the start of COP26 in Glasgow, the speech is one of a series of NALC events next week. You can read more in our [news story here](#) and the speech will take place at 11.00 on 26 October and will be live-streamed on [NALC's Facebook page](#).

Pay claim update

Further to our recent bulletin update, the National Employers wrote to us to confirm they met on 19 October and agreed by a majority to [reaffirm as full and final the pay offers](#) made previously in respect of local government services (Green Book). We will continue to keep you updated.

More in Common report on Democratic Repair

More in Common, an international initiative set up in 2017 to build societies and communities that are stronger, more united, and more resilient, have published a research report, [Democratic Repair: What Britons want from their democracy](#). Their conclusions are interesting and relevant to our sector and NALC's campaign to get more people involved to make a change and include:

- Getting involved locally provides a pathway to greater trust and confidence for many less-engaged Britons
- When Britons think of becoming more involved in democracy and decision-making, many are likely to start with the community where they live.
- Most Britons want more of a say in decisions made about their local community.
- By a margin of 68 to 32 per cent, Britons believe that people in their area can find ways to improve society when they want to.
- Britons express a greater sense of agency over action and initiatives rooted in their local community – feeling it is a sphere where they can make a real difference and solve meaningful issues for themselves and their families in the day-to-day, unlike national debates feel distant from their lives.

All good reasons to get involved in the work of local councils!

Information exchange on local government reform

An important part of our work is to bring people from across together to share good practices and information. So I was pleased we held an online meeting on 19 October for county officers and members of our National Assembly to update each other on

what happening in their areas on local government reorganisation, devolution and county deals. Feedback was really positive, and we'll be organising a further session in the New Year.

Meeting of SAAA

The Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments Limited (SAAA) held its latest meeting on 20 October. As you know, SAAA is the company set up by NALC and the Society of Local Council Clerks to procure external audit services for the sector and oversee the annual governance and accountability returns (AGAR) week. The Board noted good progress with procuring audit firms to provide the external limited assurance regime from 2023, and further details will follow later in the year.

Rural Coalition

Also taking place on 20 October was the Rural Coalition, which brings a range of stakeholders together, including NALC, who have an interest in rural communities. Subjects covered included affordable housing, young people, the spending review and future priorities. With young people one of NALC's current big themes, it was a timely opportunity to hear more about CPRE's recent [research on young people](#) and its challenging findings of why young people are being pushed out of the countryside.

Remote meetings survey

NALC and the Local Government Association call for the Government to allow councils to use virtual and hybrid council meetings options again. To support our efforts, we have launched a [survey](#) looking at the impacts of returning exclusively to in-person meetings since May 2021. The survey is designed to capture the reflections of those responsible for or running statutory and decision-making meetings in councils over the past six months. The survey is intended for an officer to complete and is also open to local councils. Please only submit one survey per council. Duplicates may result in all submissions from the same council being removed from the data set. The deadline for submissions is 12 November 2021.

In/out and about

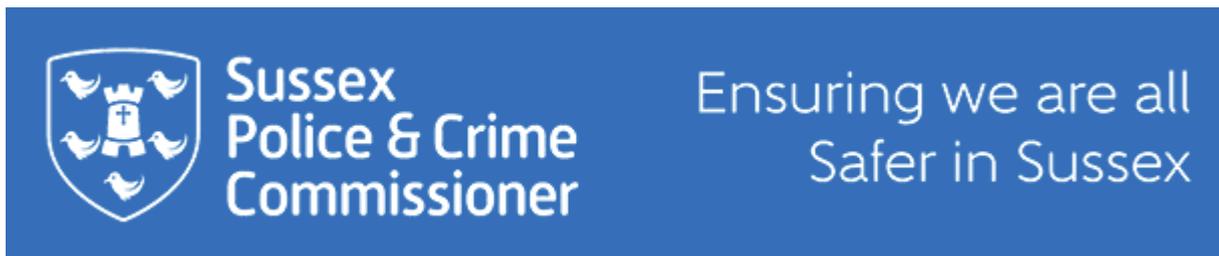
Sue was physically in Cheshire on 20 October to speak at the county association's hybrid AGM – you can watch her speech and the whole event again [here](#).

- Our head of policy and communications, Justin Griggs, attended the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils AGM on 19 October and spoke about our work on young people at a panel session on promoting youth engagement.

And finally...

As you will have read previously in my bulletin and *LCR* magazine, we have identified the youngest councillor in the country. Well, our colleagues at the Northumberland Association of Local Councils were celebrating their 75th anniversary. They unearthed who they believe to be the first woman chair – Cllr Elizabeth Lamb of Embleton Parish Council, in 1896. Do any local historians out there know of any earlier appointments?

**Email dated 22.10.2021 from Sussex Police
Welcoming more rural crime officers**



This week I was delighted to join the Sussex Police Rural Crime Team on the Downs near Falmer as they welcomed an additional four police officers, making it the largest dedicated rural crime police taskforce in the south east with 20 officers and PCSOs.



The new members of the team were joined by ACC Jayne Dando, Romy Jackson from the National Farmers Union and local farmer Ben Taylor.

With hubs for the team across the county, Inspector Oli Fisher said his officers were able to provide both a visible presence in more remote areas and reassurance to the farming and rural communities that Sussex Police have the capacity and commitment to tackle rural crime.

With the latest drone technology and more trained drone pilots, the Force can quickly access areas of the countryside that are not easy to reach on foot or in vehicles to support investigations into stolen equipment and locate missing and vulnerable people.

Inspector Fisher said the two new drone pilots were able to increase the aerial surveillance capability to “acres and acres” so that when they are “targeting poaching activity which is hard to spot with the naked eye” the drones allow the team to locate suspects “and the team can vector in resources as necessary.”

Local farmer Ben Taylor said the Rural Crime team had made a real difference with “really proactive policing and many more visits to farms by police officers who are out and about looking for those causing trouble.”

Romy Jackson from the NFU said the Rural Crime team officers were really passionate about their tasks and that was something I heard first-hand from the new members of the team who couldn’t wait to start. There's more information in this short video from my visit.

EVERY RESIDENT DESERVES TO FEEL SAFE

In today's webcast Performance and Accountability Meeting I asked Chief Constable (CC) Jo Shiner about the force's approach to rebuilding and retaining public trust in policing. CC Shiner said that she and her officers absolutely recognised that recent events had made some people feel far less engaged with their police force which is why she was leading an ongoing listening programme with the public. She said the force would always go the extra mile during the vetting process for new officers and staff and she reassured me that her officers were regularly encouraged to call out inappropriate behaviour by colleagues and to report any suspicion of abuse of authority.

I asked how the force was reacting to reports of needle attacks in nightclubs across the UK. Sussex police already works closely with pubs, clubs and universities to highlight the dangers of drinks being spiked with ongoing campaigns particularly during fresher's weeks. The Chief Constable said spiking drinks was often the precursor to other crimes such as sexual assault and she said the force would treat any needle attacks anywhere as a serious criminal offence.

Predictive or hotspots policing has been much talked about and has been carried out in Sussex before. The current hotspots operation covers identified locations across Sussex where serious crimes ranging have been recorded in a 150square metre area. Teams of officers target these areas on a regular basis and with a combination of telematics and GPS tracking the force data analysts can see where officers are over a given period and what impact their presence is having.

The feedback from local people and businesses around these hotspots is so far very positive, and the force is also monitoring and addressing the areas where displaced crime is sometimes pushed to.

This is part of a continuing drive to make our streets safer that was supported by the £100m Serious Violence fund which allows forces to take an aggressive and consistent approach to deter and identify criminals.



Katy Bourne OBE, Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner



SHARE WITH A FRIEND

Email dated 21.10.2021 from HALC

Housing development 'could become a lottery' without a Horsham local plan in place | West Sussex County Times

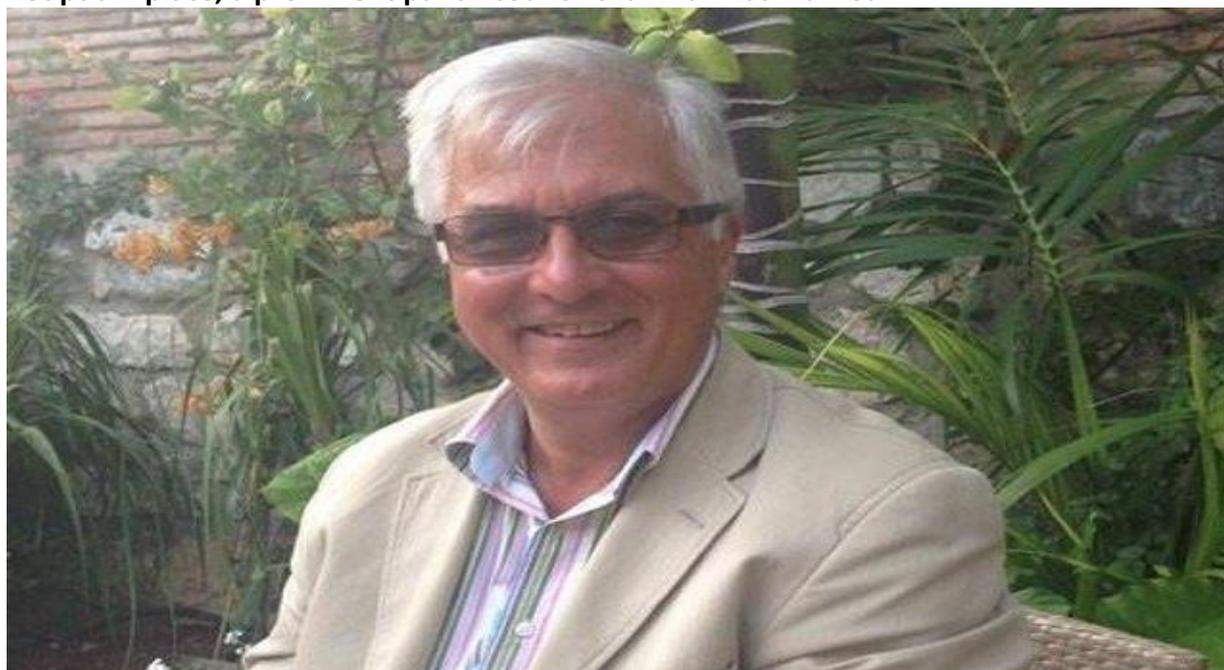
Dear HALC Members,

I thought it would be helpful to share the attached County Times article. I realise that life has moved on quite a bit since I did this interview a couple of weeks ago with the potential delays resulting from the concerns raised by Natural England but the principles still remain sound even if the timeline might need to change.

Kind regards, Malcolm

<https://www.wscountytimes.co.uk/news/politics/housing-development-could-become-a-lottery-without-a-horsham-local-plan-in-place-3419571>

Housing developments could 'become a bit of a lottery' if a revised Horsham local plan is not put in place, a prominent parish council chairman has warned.



Malcolm Eastwood, chairman of both Henfield Parish Council and the Horsham District Association of Local Councils

[Horsham District Council](#) was on the verge of publishing its latest draft strategy for consultation back in July, but [this was delayed due to further work needed to respond to new government planning guidance](#).

The forward plan now has a decision on the local plan due to be taken in November.

While there are many vehemently opposed to the plan and specifically [where it seeks to allocate thousands of new homes](#), the counter argument is that [no plan would leave the district wide open to speculative development](#).

Meanwhile a current lack of a five-year housing land supply is [already causing Horsham District Council to lose significant planning appeals](#).

Huge number of development sites promoted or optioned

July's draft plan considered a total of 19,860 homes are deliverable across the 17-year period of which 8,063 dwellings already have planning permission or are 'otherwise identified for development'.

However the County Times has seen research showing that on top of the homes either approved or allocated in a neighbourhood or the local plan, sites totalling 45,000 homes are being promoted across the Horsham district, with sites for a further 30,000 dwellings with the potential of being optioned or with planning pending.

Malcolm Eastwood, chairman of both Henfield Parish Council and the Horsham District Association of Local Councils (HALC), said: "If we do not have a local plan the risk is any site could be brought forward by a developer and it becomes a bit of a lottery which ones are given planning permission and which ones are not."

He explained how the district's parish councils want to see a plan endorsed by councillors to reduce this risk as the closer a plan gets to being made the more weight an inspector can give it at any appeals.

A call for sites in 2019 and a subsequent consultation on potential allocations showed just how much land was being promoted for development.

'Nobody likes housing requirement but we must have a local plan'

And while Mr Eastwood acknowledged that nobody likes the district's proposed housing requirement, as it would be a substantial increase from the last plan, arguments made to the government to reduce it had 'fallen on deaf ears'.

Therefore the task is to find the 'least worst sites that would deliver the numbers, or all of the sites are potentially in the mix'.

He added: "The parishes when we had the last meeting, they said: 'We must have a local plan and we must try to reduce the risk of speculative development'."

He pointed out that HDC planning officers have to assess all sites against a number of planning criteria and then reveal the results.

These will be scrutinised by a planning inspector at examination and if there are any flaws these will be picked up on.

He acknowledged that some areas could be unhappier than others depending on where the allocations are located, but warned the alternative to a plan would be an 'unlimited number of homes and an unlimited number of sites under consideration' without much of the necessary infrastructure being provided.

He described how in his own parish of Henfield they had allocated sites in the neighbourhood plan, which had allowed them to start dialogue early with developers about what infrastructure and community facilities could be provided.

The alternative was to go to appeal with communities and developers fighting each other in front of an inspector.

Mr Eastwood called it a 'very important period' up to November's meetings and called for dialogue to continue between HDC and the parishes.

He added: "We need to work together with the parishes and district council planning officers to deliver a local plan no matter how hard it is in terms of numbers."

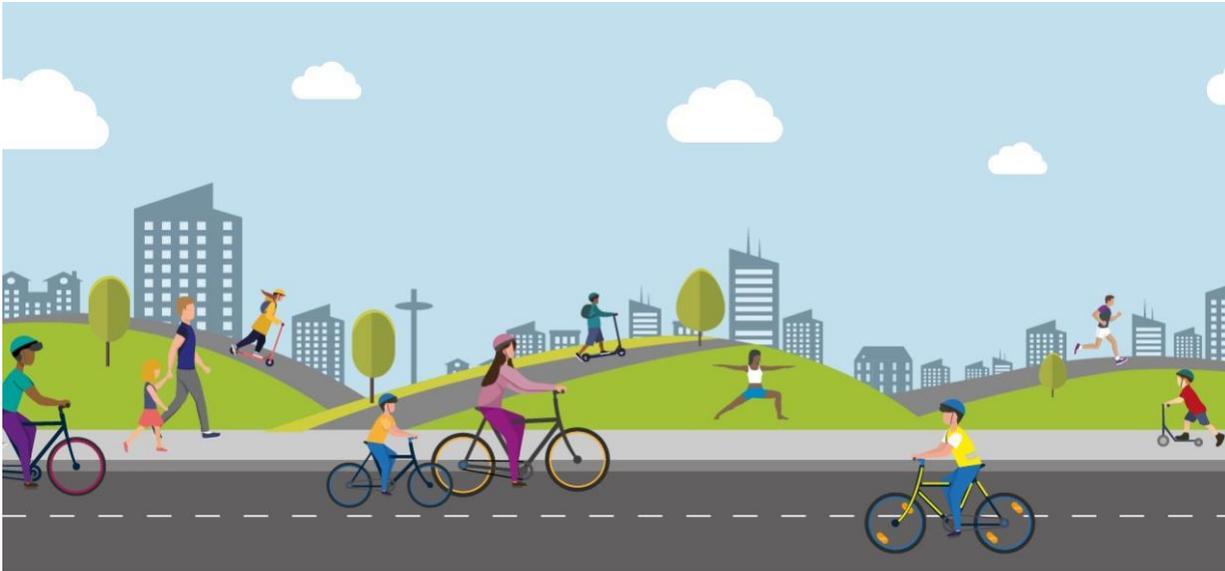
One area where the parishes want to see more work done is on ecology and how it would be affected by overdevelopment in some areas.

Email dated 21.10.2021 from WSCC
Government awards 100 per cent of County Council's Active Travel bid



news release

Government awards 100 per cent of County Council's Active Travel bid



The Government has awarded £274,900 so the County Council can develop its next package of cycling and walking schemes and promotional activity.

The successful bid to the Department for Transport's enabling fund means that:

- Initial designs for three Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP) schemes can be developed ready for the next round of Active Travel Fund capital funding. The LCWIPs are produced by the County Council, some of our district and borough partners and the South Downs National Park Authority.
- The County Council can continue its successful promotional work in promoting active travel, such as its ongoing [Think Active Travel campaign](#), designed to help residents make positive choices around how they travel, wherever possible.
- Work to encourage pupils and parents to walk to school can resume - building on the "Walk to school" project started by Living Streets in 2012.

Joy Dennis, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, said: "Providing a wide range of safe, accessible cycleways across the county to ensure residents can travel sustainably is important to us, so this latest funding award is really positive: it will enable us to develop three or four priority cycling and walking schemes to then bid for capital funding."

“When we first put in for this funding, the Department for Transport had asked us, and several other local authorities, for additional information and assurances and it’s pleasing to know they have backed us with 100 per cent of our application.”

Notes to editors

- The Department for Transport’s enabling fund is called the [capability fund](#) Funds support staffing and resources to draw up infrastructure plans and behaviour change initiatives.
 - The County Council’s new [Council Plan](#) sets a target of providing at least 30km of new cycling infrastructure in West Sussex over the next four years. More than 27km of new cyclable infrastructure has been provided since 2018/19. A further eight schemes are currently at various stages of development.
 - Ambitions for the future are set out in the [West Sussex Walking and Cycling Strategy 2016-2026](#), which contains dozens of routes that were suggested by a range of local stakeholders and forms a pipeline of improvements for further investigation.
 - The Strategy is currently being updated to take account of 40 schemes identified in Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP) produced by our district and borough partners and the South Downs National Park Authority.
 - West Sussex County Council has also produced a draft LCWIP that contains six long-distance routes and this document will be the subject of a public consultation in 2022. In addition, the County Council is a statutory consultee in the planning process and works with developers and the Local Planning Authorities to secure improvements associated with local development. One recent example is the ‘missing link’ on the eastern side of the A29 Shripney Road in Bognor Regis, which was provided by the developer of the new Lidl store.
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Email dated 20.10.2021 from Sussex Police

Neighbourhood Watch 2021 Crime and Community Survey Launched

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Surrey and Sussex





Neighbourhood Watch 2021 Crime and Community Survey Launched

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH 2021 CRIME AND COMMUNITY SURVEY LAUNCHED

For the second year running, we want to hear your thoughts about crime, community, and how effective Neighbourhood Watch is.

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CL72YGJ

The survey, launched on Wednesday 20th October 2021, is **open to the public across England and Wales, regardless of whether they live in a Neighbourhood Watch area or not.**

The results will enable us to better understand on a national and regional level crime, fear of crime and benchmark whether membership to a Neighbourhood Watch scheme, or living in a Neighbourhood Watch area, has an impact on levels of crime, concern about crime, neighbourliness, and the willingness of communities to work together.

Last year our survey received just over 30,000 responses from across England and Wales providing us with a rich and useful set of data. This year we will be able to compare our data to last year's results.

Please share this survey via email and social across all the various communities to which you belong whether they be a Neighbourhood Watch community or others such as sport, religious or work communities. This will help us receive a good balance of responses from Neighbourhood Watch members and non-members which will enable us to compare experiences between these two groups. To help you reach others we have attached a poster that you can print and display locally or share digitally. Alternatively, re-share our social posts ([Facebook](#) / [Twitter](#) / [Instagram](#) / [LinkedIn](#)) to your channels.

A good response in all regions will ensure we can publish a national report and provide individual regions with their own reports.

All data will be anonymised and aggregated and will be used by Neighbourhood Watch to ensure our work is effective, inclusive, and representative.

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CL72YGJ

The survey closes on the 16th of November. Thank you for your support.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NETWORK, Central Support Team

Email dated 20.10.2021 from NALC
NALC Newsletter

News

New guide on website accessibility

NALC has published a new guide on website accessibility and publishing guidelines — [find out more and read the guide.](#)

News

NALC speech at the SLCC conference

CIlr Sue Baxter, NALC chair delivered a keynote speech to the SLCC National Conference 2021 on 13 October 2021 — [read the full speech.](#)

Local Council Award Scheme

Local Council Award Scheme

Deadlines for submitting LCAS applications in 2022 are now available on the [NALC website](#). There will be three rounds in January, May and September.

Making rural housing more affordable

Making rural housing more affordable

Last few tickets remaining for the online event on making rural housing more affordable, taking place on 17 November 2021 — [register your place.](#)

**Future
Communities
2021**

Future Communities 2021
Join Baroness Grey-Thompson DBE, Jackie Weaver,
Michael King and Lord Jonathan Evans KCB DL at our
groundbreaking conference on 2 December 2021.

Email dated 19.10.2021 from CAGNE
October Newsletter



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**Aviation
Town and Parish
Council Forum**

October Forum Newsletter

There is much talk about about Gatwick Airport's plans to rebuild the emergency, northern, standby runway as a second runway. Here is the consultation link to papers and questionnaire -

<https://www.gatwickairport.com/business-community/future-plans/northern-runway/documents/>

Here are some details pulled out of over 1,000 pages of the consultation documents https://mcusercontent.com/0b329a9ce3db16eca4cd930c8/files/2f019f3e-c06a-9959-c934-03abe1ba575e/G2_leaflet_for_events_7.10.21.pdf

**Webinar and meeting relating to environmental concerns
Thursday 21st October 7pm – The Air that we Breathe**

Dr Gary Fuller from Imperial College *discusses the finding of his research into air quality conducted around Gatwick Airport.*

Bridget Fox for the Woodland Trust *on the importance of tree-planting for our air quality and why trees need to stay and not make way for hotels and car parks.*

Chaired by Friends of the Earth Victoria Marsom

Book to attend - <https://actionnetwork.org/events/talk-three-the-air-that-we-breathe>

Thursday 11th November at 7pm – The Concerns of Future Generations

Chaired by West Sussex Youth Cabinet – a gathering of young minds:
The science tells us so clearly that if we keep expanding airports, the future for our children is just unspeakably grim.

Caroline Lucas, Member of Parliament, Green Party

Friends of the Earth speaker Laura McFarlane-Shopes

Book and share with youth in your parish/ town

- <https://actionnetwork.org/events/talk-four-the-concerns-of-future-generations>

Not happy about Gatwick Airport consultation van, then your authority can write to your member of parliament, district/ borough/ county council detailing this fact as they are, in most cases, statutory consultee. This is part of the Development Consent Order Gatwick are required to engage and consult fully.

Catch up on missed events -

CAGNE Question Time – https://youtu.be/dQ4_8Na4CYw

Time is Ticking webinars - Our Natural World webinar - watch it here <https://youtu.be/HI4PF4SLHdY>

Gatwick continue with the Noise Management Board with the Fair and Equitable Distribution of air traffic study having now appointed a body to undertake this work. This will be used as part of FASIS (modernisation of airspace) - Gatwick already having submitted plans for airspace for 2 runways as such could see new areas overflowed to accommodate such large increases in the number of flights and to give respite to those already impacted by growth.

Documents below are provided to you as a member of the Forum - please provide feedback for the Forum members that sit on NCF.

https://mcusercontent.com/0b329a9ce3db16eca4cd930c8/files/bd3b135a-4f45-b759-4cc7-acb42e34e417/NMB_Community_Forum_5_Key_Points_and_Actions_Draft_v1.0_.pdf

https://mcusercontent.com/0b329a9ce3db16eca4cd930c8/files/d6afcd9f-f65b-d2e1-67f3-9f1b077b5735/NCF_5_IP02_Proposed_Agenda.pdf

https://mcusercontent.com/0b329a9ce3db16eca4cd930c8/files/35711421-482a-4e9f-3c04-c839817cea5e/File_Note_NMB_FED_tSG_Meeting_1_16.09.21.pdf

FASIS explained

- https://mcusercontent.com/0b329a9ce3db16eca4cd930c8/files/3fd029b4-b9f7-881a-46b5-2f3dcd6b590/FASIS_at_Gatwick_explained_18.8.21.pdf

The CAGNE Forum is a separate body to CAGNE. The Forum was founded by councillors for councils to break down the jargon of aviation to ensure they can

represent their residents.
Please encourage other councils to join the Forum.

Email dated 19.10.2021 from WSALC
Queen's Green Canopy



West Sussex Association of Local Councils

Chairman
Douglas Denham St Pinnock
CEO
Trevor Leggo

Dear Mayor, Chairman and Clerk

19th October 2021

Queens Green Canopy

By now you may be aware of the intention to mark HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022 with a nationwide programme of tree planting.

I recently attended the launch at Ardingly by Sir Nicholas Soames, the project being led in West Sussex by the Lord Lieutenant.

As Chairman of the West Sussex Association of Local Councils I believe it would be a splendid way to mark the Queen's reign if every town or parish council supported the planting of at least one tree in its community. Details of how to obtain young trees free of charge will be shown on the [WSALC website](#).

In the summer of 2022 we will invite councils to submit a photograph of planting in support of the Queens Green Canopy and I hope West Sussex is at the forefront of participation.

Yours Douglas Denham Pinnock Chairman WSALC

Email dated 18.10.2021 from Sussex Police
Horsham Weekly News and update



Horsham Weekly News and Alerts

News and appeals

Appeal for witnesses after cyclist, 68, hurt in collision with a car in Horsham

Police are appealing for witnesses after a cyclist suffered serious injuries when he was in collision with a car which failed to stop in Horsham.

Police were called to North Parade at around 9.45pm on Tuesday (October 12).

Ambulance crews transported the cyclist, a 68-year-old man from Horsham, to Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton with broken ribs as well as cuts and abrasions.

The car that failed to stop, a silver Ford C-Max, has since been located and recovered by police for examination.

The driver, a 36-year-old woman from Haslemere, Surrey, is assisting with enquiries.

Anyone who witnessed the collision or has dashcam footage of the manner of driving is asked to report it online or call 101, quoting serial 363 of 13/10.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/sussex/news/appeal-for-witnesses-after-cyclist-68-hurt-in-collision-with-a-car-in-horsham/>

Sussex partners mark Anti-Slavery Day

Sussex partners working to combat modern slavery are reflecting on a year of progress.

In October 2020, Chief Constable Jo Shiner, Chief Executive of East and West Sussex County Councils, Becky Shaw, and Brighton and Hove City Council Chief Executive Geoff Raw marked Anti-Slavery Day with a UN Sustainable Goals pledge from their respective organisations to become a slavery free community in Sussex.

The pledge outlined how partners would work proactively with national and local government, law enforcement agencies, businesses, the voluntary and community sector, faith bodies and local communities.

On behalf of all Sussex partners, Detective Chief Inspector Kris Ottery of Sussex Police said: Monday 18 October is Anti-Slavery Day this year, so we reflect on the achievements of the last year and our ongoing collective effort through the Sussex Anti-Slavery Network, which includes a wide range of partners across the county.

For more information about modern slavery and how to combat it, see;

Sussex Police Modern Slavery advice webpages

The work of the Anti-Slavery Commissioner

How the government is tackling Modern Slavery

If you think you have information that might identify or locate a potential victim or suspect for modern slavery, or someone you know is a victim of modern slavery, or even a location where you think exploitation might be happening, please report it online or call the police on 101 (always call 999 in an emergency).

You can also contact the national Modern Slavery Helpline on 08000 121 700 or the Salvation Army Modern Slavery helpline on 0300 303 8151, or the independent charity Crime stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

TO SEE THE FULL STORY, PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/sussex/news/news/sussex-partners-mark-anti-slavery-day/>

The Roads Policing monthly update for October has been published on the Sussex Police website and provides an overview of what our teams have been doing to keep our roads safe.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/police-forces/sussex-police/areas/campaigns/campaigns/.divisional-campaigns/roads-policing-update/>

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

Message Sent By

Adur, Worthing & Horsham (Police, District Engagement Officer, Sussex)

Email dated 18.10.2021 from HDC

Warnham's new Discovery Hub is ready to open | Water neutrality and planning implications | Warm Home Discount scheme opens today



Latest news and information

Exciting adventures this Half Term at Warnham's new Discovery Hub

Horsham District Council is delighted to announce the opening of its new Discovery Hub at Warnham Local Nature Reserve on Monday 25 October, just in time to host an exciting variety of free fun activities for school children over the half-term holidays.

Finishing touches are also being put to the Shelley Wildlife Garden ahead of its opening.

[Read more](#)



Water neutrality and its planning implications

On 14 September 2021 Horsham District Council received a 'Position Statement' from Natural England on "Mitigation of water usage", which can be [viewed here](#).

This statement sets out concerns that development in Horsham District, parts of Chichester District and Crawley Borough are increasing the demand for water, which is thought to be harming internationally protected species in the Arun Valley, with the potential threat of extinction of some species.

The advice from Natural England is that in order for development to proceed, it be 'water neutral'. What this means is that new development should not increase the rate of water abstraction from our water supply site in Hardham above existing levels.

This means Horsham District Council is now unable to determine current planning applications positively unless it can be shown that they are water neutral. Whilst this is not expected to impact most smaller scale householder applications, all other proposals will need to be able to demonstrate water neutrality in order to allow the Council to comply with our legal duties.

This is a new and evolving issue for the Council and it will keep its dedicated webpages updated on this subject.

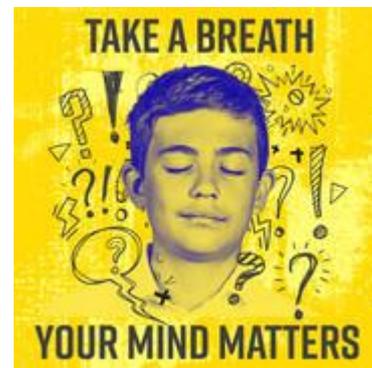
[Read more](#)

Activities for young people this half-term in Horsham District

Throughout the October half-term Horsham District Council and partners have created a programme of events and activities to support young people and parents across Horsham District.

Active partners include Southwater Youth Project, 4theYouth and Sussex Clubs for Young People.

[View the programme](#)



Get chatty to improve your mental health

Horsham District Council's Community Services Officers, together with Horsham District Older Persons Forum and West Sussex Brighton and Hove Age UK, are working together to promote a scheme which they hope will get people talking again.

The Chatty Café scheme is very simple: a 'This is a Chatter and Natter table' card is placed on a designated table in the venue which makes it clear that anyone sitting there is happy to engage in conversation. The aim is to get people of all ages back socialising, chatting, and to reduce loneliness and isolation.



The Council's Community Services team has sent out a letter to the District's cafes looking to encourage as many as possible to sign up to the scheme.

[Read more](#)

Keep your home warmer this winter

The Warm Home Discount is a Government scheme giving qualifying households a £140 discount on their electricity bill. The discount is applied to energy accounts between October and March, and launches today, 18 October 2021.

Horsham District Council urges local people concerned about keeping their homes warm this winter or paying energy bills to apply promptly for the Warm Home Discount.



[Read more](#)

The sad passing of Cllr Roy Cornell

It was with deep sadness that Horsham District Council received the news that Cllr Roy Cornell passed away on 23 September 2021.

Roy first became a Councillor on 3 May 2007 and served continuously until his death. He was Ward Member for Roffey South.

He was the Cabinet Member for Waste, Recycling & Cleansing from July 2015 to May 2017.

Commenting upon his passing, Leader of Horsham District Council Cllr Paul Clarke said: "Roy was a kind person, always willing to help new Councillors, myself included. He was an honest man and had a good sense of humour, which was needed because of his love of football.

"He always looked out for his residents in Roffey South. He will be sadly missed by myself and colleagues from all political sides."



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**Email dated 18.10.2021 from HDC
Firework Advice**

Dear Sir / Madam

Please be in receipt of the following advice, thank you

REF: Health & Safety at Work Act 1974
The Firework Regulations 2004
Firework (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2004.

Firework displays should be enjoyable and spectacular occasions and if you are planning your own celebration using fireworks you must make sure it's safe. You need to know your responsibilities so that you do not break the law. The purpose of the letter is to provide you with some straightforward guidance to help you.

If you are holding a local firework display, such as those organised by many sports clubs, schools, or parish councils, you need to carry out a risk assessment or be aware of the risk assessment produced by the company responsible for the display. If your display is not by a professional pyrotechnist please contact me for more advice.

Attached for your information is further authoritative guidance about how to protect people from firework dangers, it is freely available from HSE's website you can obtain these guides from the link below. The RSPCA also offers animal welfare guidance during what can be a stressful time for animals.

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/explosives/fireworks/using.htm>

<http://www.eig2.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/WTOFD-Blue-Guide.pdf>

<http://www.eig2.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/GYOFD-Red-Guide.pdf>

https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/HomeAndCommunity/InYourHome/FireSafety/DG_064665

<https://www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare>

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Other useful web addresses for information on firework safety are as follows:

It is also recommended that you contact your neighbours especially farmers, stables, and dog kennel owners to advise them in advance of your intention to hold a firework display. Older people living alone or in sheltered accommodation may also appreciate advance warning, so the noise does not come as a shock.

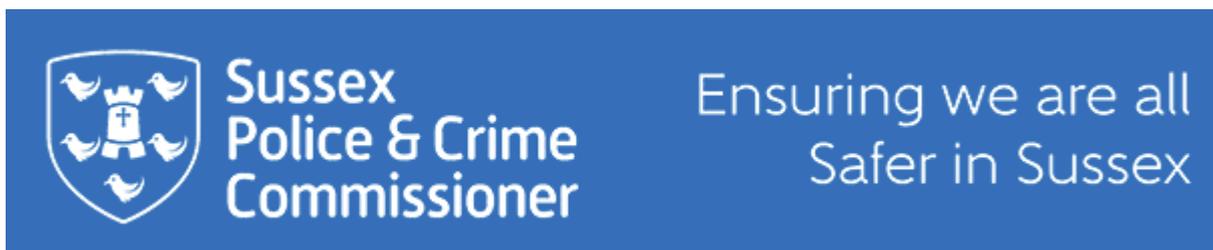
Horsham District Council is committed to preserving the historic bonfire tradition and we want your event to be both enjoyable and safe for everyone. In the meantime, should you wish to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me on my above direct line.

Yours sincerely



Mike McGale
Technical Health & Safety Officer

Email dated 18.10.2021 from Sussex Police
Have your say on potential changes to firearms licensing



Following the tragic incident in Plymouth in August there has been discussion as to whether existing regulations around firearms licensing in England and Wales are fit for purpose.

The Home Office is currently reviewing licensing arrangements and will be introducing new statutory guidance to be followed by all police forces. To help myself and other PCCs across the country understand your opinion on these issues, the Association of Police & Crime Commissioners is running an online survey about your views. The results will then be fed back to the Home Office.



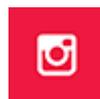
TAKE THE SURVEY BY 5PM ON WEDNESDAY

The short survey asks for your views on things like the amount of scrutiny of medical records and whether or not an applicant should pay the full costs of having their request processed.

In England and Wales there are more than half a million licence holders who legally own nearly 2 million firearms. While the overwhelming majority do so safely, it is right that everyone's views are considered so that any changes to guidance are proportionate and reflective of public opinion. Safety for all is also paramount.

The survey is anonymous, only takes a few minutes, and is open until 5pm on Wednesday 20 October.

Katy Bourne OBE, Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner



SHARE WITH A FRIEND

Email dated 18.10.2021 from Rural Services
Rural Services Bulletin



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Rural Related Politics - An RSN weekly review

WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK AT RSN HQ!

Last week the **Rural Services Network** hosted an event as part of the **Countryside COP**, exploring the move to net zero in rural communities. With over 100 delegates and speakers from First Bus and Calor, there was varied discussion on steps that rural communities could take, along with some asks of Government. These outcomes will be circulated next week in the Rural Bulletin so watch this space!

Our **RSN Seminar: Rural Economies** event will take place online via Zoom from 11am to 1pm on **Wednesday, 24th November, 2021**. If you are a member of RSN, please [register to attend this seminar](#) by following [this link](#)

SPOTLIGHT ON: RURAL HOUSING



Spotlight on Rural Housing - October 2021

A quarterly bulletin facilitated by your membership of the **Rural Services Network** and produced in partnership with the **Rural Housing Alliance**

The Spotlight highlights a selection of current rural housing issues and opportunities

Access the October 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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Email dated 17.10.2021 from Sussex Police
Get Safe Online - Behaving Respectfully Online

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CRIME PREVENTION

Get Safe Online - Behaving Respectfully Online



Behaving respectfully online.

The internet is a fantastic resource, but as we all know, many of its users either intentionally behave disrespectfully towards others, or simply don't consider their actions ... however innocent they seem.

When this happens, it can hurt others in a number of ways, from embarrassment to affecting their entire future.

We've put together some information including ten top tips on respectful online behaviour.

Visit www.getsafeonline.org/respect

#onlinerespect



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Behaving respectfully online

One of the most important things about any community is that its members maintain respect for others in that community. That's whether it's a club, business, suburb or city. Or the virtual community of 4.8 billion internet users around the world. As we all know, however, this isn't always the case, with many people either behaving disrespectfully or simply not thinking before they act online.

Both intentional disrespect and lack of consideration can impact others in a variety of ways. Quite how depends on what has been said or done, their personal situation, their circumstances, personality and resilience. The effects could be embarrassment, mental trauma, an unwanted digital footprint, losing out on a job, becoming a victim of crime,

or a viral torrent of wider abuse. Often, if those responsible put themselves in others' shoes, they may be genuinely horrified when they realise the effects. Many online abusers, however, gain satisfaction and even pleasure from their actions.

Examples of deliberate disrespect include:

- Abuse on grounds of race, colour or beliefs – religious, political or otherwise. This could include harassment, bullying, intimidation, or trolling.
- Abuse on grounds of gender, sexual orientation, body image, disability or other attributes.
- Cyberstalking, with ex-partners, celebrities, politicians and other public figures being typical targets. Stalking can be online only or alongside real-world stalking.
- Attempting to force opinions, political views or ideologies on others, sometimes in the knowledge that they could cause wider harm.
- Creating and/or sharing news, posts, images or videos about individuals or groups of people, with negative motives.

Examples of inadvertent disrespect include:

- Posting or sharing seemingly innocent information or images about others – including your own children and other family members – without their permission.
- Posting or sharing embarrassing images or video of others, such as suffering a misfortune, or on a night out.
- Sharing, requesting or passing on intimate images or videos. In some cases, this could also be illegal.
- Saying something to or about someone that's hurtful on grounds of circumstances or background, but you did so hastily without thinking about it beforehand.
- Creating and publishing/posting rumours and/or jokes about someone for 'harmless' fun, but which may cause offence, not least if others join in.

All of the above apply to not only those who create the disrespectful material, but also those who share it.

Behaving respectfully online: ten top tips

- Voice your opinions, beliefs, and agreement or disagreement with others in a balanced, objective, tolerant way. This will earn you wider respect than out-and-out attacking speech, or blindly following or spreading what others say.
- Don't be a 'keyboard warrior' by saying something to, or about someone online that you wouldn't say to their face.
- Treat others as you'd like to be treated yourself.
- Online, use only language that you would use when speaking to your parents and others you respect.

- There's no place online for abuse or intolerance on grounds of race, colour, gender, sexual orientation, appearance or beliefs.
- The internet is a fantastic resource, but not for promoting hate, violence, extremism or various forms of abuse.
- If you're tempted to create or share content or views that could hurt, embarrass or otherwise negatively impact others, put yourself in their position and consider how it would affect you. Think twice, or sleep on it.
- It's harder to tell online if someone is genuine, a made-up persona or is using someone else's identity (profile or photo). Always be yourself, as impersonating others can be harmful.
- Look into whether something is true and from a reputable source, before passing it on. There's a lot of misinformation, fake news and ungrounded rumour on the internet, some of which has serious consequences when spread.
- Consider others' feelings – or other effects it may have on them – before posting or publishing information or images/video about them without their permission. This includes your own children and other family members.

Get Safe Online

Get Safe Online is the UK's leading source of information and advice on online safety and security, for the public and small businesses.

It is a not-for-profit, public/private sector partnership backed by law enforcement agencies and leading organisations in internet security, banking and retail.

For more information and expert, easy-to-follow, impartial advice on safeguarding yourself, your family, finances, devices and workplace, visit www.getsafeonline.org.

If you think you've been a victim of online fraud, report it to Action Fraud, the UK's national fraud and cybercrime reporting centre on 0300 123 20 40 or at www.actionfraud.police.uk. In Scotland, report fraud to Police Scotland by calling 101.

Message Sent By

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