

Weekly RPC Clerks Update 29 July – 5 August 2019

Clerk's announcements/delegated decisions:

- **Contacted Lloyds Bank regarding King George V charity account – the office had been unaware that our application had been received (three weeks ago).**
- **Cooler in KGV – no objections from the three clubs, clerk has contacted interested party.**
- **Open Space Warden reported fault to KOMPAN play equipment, clerk has contacted KOMPAN and repair is being arranged.**
- **Open Space Warden reported wear and tear to skate park, clerk has contacted P Matten for repair.**

List of organisations that communicate with the Council on a regular basis.

AIRS (Action in Rural Sussex)

APCAG (Association of Parish Councils Aviation Group)

CAGNE (Communities Against Gatwick Noise Emission)

CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England)

HALC (Horsham Association of Local Councils)

HDC (Horsham District Council)

NALC (National Association of Local Councils)

SSALC (Surrey and Sussex Association of Local Councils)

WSCC (West Sussex District Council)

E-MAILS/COMMUNICATION from parishioners to the Council

- Email regarding tree hindrance from Station Road resident. (Open space Warden has been asked to visit and provide update.)
- A resident of Copse Road reported damage to the pavement caused by the contractor who cleared drains. (Open Spaces Warden has reported this to LoveWestSussex)
- Telephone call from resident regarding parking opposite property's driveway. (Clerk signposted to relevant organisations for reporting if appropriate).

E-MAILS/COMMUNICATION from external organisations to the Council

- **01.08.2019 Email from Slinfold Clerk**

My Parish Council has asked me to contact Clerks in the area to try to establish if your own Parish has raised any concerns about the roadworks in Broadbridge Heath.

It has been raised now at our last three-monthly meetings and there is a view that WSCC and HDC should revisit plans for the road network that were agreed many years ago, to include the 'staying open of the original bypass'.

Broadbridge Heath are of course mostly affected by this and I have asked Jo Ball the Clerk for their views but in the meantime can you provide me with any feedback on behalf of your own parish or area please?

- Email from WSCC, Winter Resilience Audit to be completed by 16th September 2019

30.07.2019 Email from Strategic Planning Draft Statement of Community Involvement Consultation

The Statement of Community Involvement sets out how and when the Council will involve the community and other interested people and organisations in the preparation of our policies and guidelines, including those related to planning and development. It also discusses community involvement in relation to planning application decisions and explains the role of the Council and that of the applicants and their agents.

The current SCI, which was reviewed in 2017, has now been reviewed and updated to reflect changes to planning legislation and the current review of the Horsham District Planning Framework. The draft SCI 2019 has been published for consultation and is available to view on the Council's website via the following link: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/planningpolicy/planning-policy/statement-of-community-involvement>.

If you have any comments on the content and structure of the draft SCI please email strategic.planning@horsham.gov.uk or send them to Strategic Planning Team, Horsham District Council, Parkside, Chart Way, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 1RL. Please note that the deadline for comments is **Friday 6 September 2019**.

If you have any further queries in relation to this consultation please do not hesitate to contact a member of the team on 01403 215398.

01.08.2019 Email from CAGNE August Newsletter

August Forum Newsletter

The Gatwick Airport Master Plan for 3 runway airport

This was launched on 18th July and Gatwick will now be seeking a Development Consent Order, which will include a public consultation next year and will be a Secretary of State for Transport decision.

[The CAGNE Master Plan Brief](#)

Arrivals – The Reduced Night Noise Trail starts in March 2020

There is some concern that the number of flights to be flown may be far greater than predicted by Gatwick Airport, please read the report.

[Full details of trial here](#)

Route 4 westerly departures

There has been another legal challenge but Gatwick are continuing with the CAP 1616 process for this route.

[Read here](#)

All departure routes have now been analysed to if any improvements can be made to reduce noise impact.

The slides as provided by Gatwick Airport, below, and show that during the month of September 2018 that Route 1 to the west could be improved by a new waypoint involving a full CAA CAP 1616 level 1 consultation;

Route 7 to the west could be improved with a new waypoint (this would need a CAP 1616 level 1 process), but 95% of planes are already climbing higher than required above 6,000ft;

Route 8, used at night to the west, has a 93% climb rate so no further action;

Route 5 to the east has to avoid Biggin Hill Heathrow holding stack as it vectors as with Route 6 to the east. Outliers seen as the problem as climb rate has increased;

Route 9 over Horsham is not frequently used and so a full years data was used with the holding stacks causing issues to the route but observing most planes already climb higher than required.

Route 2 to the east has a low climb rate due to Gatwick arrivals, holding stacks but most are already reaching a higher climb rate than required. Most aircraft already operate Noise Abatement Procedure 2 that is seen as the quietest way to fly planes.

No details given on route 4 and route 3 which are restricted by Heathrow departure routes. A steeper climb trial has been completed at Heathrow and the details of this may help, but it is not expected that Heathrow will seek to climb higher to allow Route 3 to lift by 1,000ft due to pressure of FASIS and other airspace changes for new runway.

[Departure slide presentation](#)

The New Gatwick Noise Monitoring System

Gatwick have introduced the first part of the new system that will enable residents to access more data and interact with the system. It is still the place you complain to about aircraft noise.

[Noise Complaint](#)

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01.08.2019 Email from HDC

Publication of plan: Forward Plan, Cabinet

Please find a link below;

[Thursday, 1st August, 2019, 1.39 pm - Publication of plan: Forward Plan, Cabinet.](#)

01.08.2019 Email from WSCC

WSCC Town & Parish News August 2019

TOWN AND PARISH NEWS

Working together on behalf
of our communities



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Being clear on our budget challenge 2020/21

Find out more about the county council's budget setting process and the proposed savings options in a [new animation](#).

Live now on the [WSCC website](#), there is also information on the budget setting process, next steps and the national and local context for West Sussex.

West Sussex County Council, like many other local authorities across the country, continues to face unprecedented financial pressures mainly due to increasing demand on social care services, significant reduction in government funding, and uncertainty around future funding.

The county council has made almost £240m of savings since 2010 and in the same period our funding has been cut by more than £155m by Government. But we still

have a gross budget gap of more than £127m (before any council tax increase) to close over the next four years.

The budget 2020/21 web pages will be regularly updated, so please keep checking back.



West Sussex County Council Annual Report for 2018/19 published

West Sussex County Council has noted and published its annual report for the year 2018/19, following a full debate at a meeting of the Full Council at County Hall, Chichester.

The report provides a comprehensive summary of the council's achievements over the year, including updates on performance and an acknowledgement of the council's commitment to improvements to its children's services and fire and rescue service.

The annual report can be viewed online [here](#) and residents are reminded that they can keep up-to-date on the council's performance by visiting the [West Sussex Performance Dashboard](#).



New Chief Fire Officer announced

Dr Sabrina Cohen-Hatton is to join West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service as its new Chief Fire Officer.

Dr Cohen-Hatton joins the service with 18 years of fire service experience - most recently as Interim Deputy Chief Fire Officer for Surrey Fire and Rescue Service.

She is a chartered psychologist and her pioneering research into critical decision-making has received international recognition.

She said: "It is an honour and privilege to be given this opportunity to lead the fire and rescue service in West Sussex.

"I have witnessed the human and economic impact of the emergencies we attend. We are privileged to be trusted to help when these events happen, and also trusted to prevent them from happening at all."

Sabrina will be joining West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service in the autumn.



Recycle more and #ThinkBeforeYouThrow

We've just launched a brand new version of our [Think Before You Throw video](#) which shows the massive amount of recycling which West Sussex is missing out on.

The West Sussex Waste Partnership recently carried out a study which showed that 22,000 tonnes a year, or just over 14 per cent of the general rubbish collected from homes in the county, could have been recycled.

The study found the common items that could have been recycled but were being missed were:

- Plastic pots, tubs, and trays (including black plastic)
- Card (corrugated and non-corrugated)
- Newspapers, magazines and other recyclable paper
- Glass bottles and jars

Please watch the video to find out more about the campaign and what you can and can't recycle in West Sussex at www.thinkbeforeyouthrow.co.uk.



Summer of fun in West Sussex

Our 'Summertime Sussex' campaign promotes the fantastic range of family friendly activities on offer in West Sussex to encourage local families to make the most of our wonderful county this summer.

Look out for posters in local libraries, tips and inspiration on West Sussex County Council's social media, as well as competitions, trivia and nostalgia. The website www.experiencewestsussex.com is also packed full of

ideas to keep children entertained during the summer holidays.

An adorable video of local schoolchildren talking about what they love doing in the summer holidays can be viewed [here](#). You'll see it's the simple things they enjoy the most!



Highways - improving local spaces and places

We know there are lots of excellent examples across the county of parish/town councils who undertake initiatives on the local highways that improve the local environment. We are keen to continue this partnership approach and enable those of you who want to do this.

West Sussex Highways has developed '**Improving Local Places and Spaces We Live In**'. This brings together in one place what communities are doing, what they can do and how we can help. The scheme will highlight opportunities in three areas:

- **Community Highways Partnerships:** agreements covering maintenance activities such as cutting back vegetation and clearing footpaths
- **Community Led Improvements:** Community Highways Schemes and Operation Watershed
- **Community Action:** activities for volunteer groups and communities.

This is just the start. We are continuing to develop this to see how we work together and support.

There will be a number of events/forums coming up in September and October to find out more. Further details will be available on our website in August. For further information, email active.communities@westsussex.gov.uk.

In the meantime, you can hear how [Henfield Parish Council](#) and [Tarring Flood Action Group](#) have embraced local opportunities.



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West Sussex Crowd one year on...

Community groups are once again able to apply to the Community Initiative Fund (CIF) following a successful debut year for our new crowdfunding platform – [West Sussex Crowd](#).

90 projects received funding from all areas of the county with the crowd generating more than £625,000 in pledges between May 2018 and July 2019.

The CIF window is open to crowdfunding applications up until **9 October**, and funding decisions will be taken at the appropriate [County Local Committee](#). These meetings have so far awarded successful campaigns a combined £202,000 in Community Initiative Funding during 2018/19.

As you may also be aware, last month we introduced the Micro Fund for small-scale projects valued at £750 and under as an alternative to the crowdfunding route for smaller projects.

Please help us to promote the current round of funding and direct residents to visit www.westsussex.gov.uk/CLC and click 'Funding' for more information. Groups are advised to contact talkwithus@westsussex.gov.uk to find out about application deadlines relating to their County Local Committee.

Posters are available on request for display on your communities' noticeboards.



Taste West Sussex summer edition

The summer edition of Taste West Sussex magazine is out now.

It's packed with local foodie features and news, plus the chance to win a year's supply of ice-cream, a selection of 'boozy sorbets' and a cookery course at Kenny Tutt's new Worthing restaurant. There's also a coupon for a discount burger meal at a Chichester restaurant.

[Read the latest edition here.](#)

If you would like copies for your parish rooms/office please email taste@westsussex.gov.uk with the number you require.

Our latest communication campaigns

Take a look at three of our latest communication campaigns:

- [Budget 2020/21](#)
- [Safer Seasons: Summer](#)
- [Make your climate pledge](#)

Feel free to share these links, and the information contained within, to help keep your residents updated and informed.





Have your say on local issues that affect you

Have your say on matters that affect you and your local communities - and get your residents to do the same - by visiting our **Have Your Say Consultation Hub**. From major road schemes and Joint Area Action Plans, to premises licence applications and safeguarding in our schools; we want to hear your residents' views to help shape future policy and decisions.

Our current consultations are:

[Special Care Adult and Paediatric Dentistry services survey](#)

[Carers Support West Sussex Survey](#)

Residents can also take part in Chichester District Council's survey on The Novium Museum: [Let's Talk: The Novium Museum](#)

[Go to the Have Your Say Consultation Hub](#) for details of all of our current consultations.

Your Voice: The People's Panel

Alternatively, encourage your residents to join **Your Voice: The People's Panel** where they'll be regularly consulted about a number of important local issues. Once registered they'll receive links to surveys, reports and outcomes and occasionally links to other public surveys.



[Find out more information and subscribe here.](#)



Get in touch!

If you have any questions about what you've read, or you'd like to share some of the work your town or parish council is doing for us to highlight in future newsletters, email us at:

townandparishcouncilnews@westsussex.gov.uk

Follow us on social media

Don't forget you can also follow West Sussex County Council on social media for all the latest news and updates. Just click on one of the social media links at the bottom of this email.



Do you have an event coming up?



If you would like to promote an event in your area you can use the [events calendar](#) on our website.

You can search for West Sussex events [here](#).

01.08.2019 Email from HDC Draft Cabinet Meeting Minutes

Please find below a link to the draft cabinet minutes

[Minutes published: Meeting of Thursday, 25th July, 2019 5.30 pm, Cabinet.](#)

01.08.2019 Email from HDC Draft Council Meeting Minutes

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02.08.2019 Email from AirS Village Halls Newsletter August 2019



Funding Opportunities

This information has been gathered from various public and voluntary sector newsletters and data sources, including East Sussex County Council, West Sussex County Council and local CVS organisations. We are grateful for access to this information. For more information please visit [ESCC Funding News](#) or [West Sussex 4 Funding](#)

Please note the closing dates for applications as some may have a short deadline.

Co-op Foundation - Space to Connect

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help community organisations improve and protect community spaces in England where people can connect and co-operate.

Explore – grants of up to £10,000 for organisations that want to start exploring ways that local challenges could be addressed through better use of space, and/or identify potential spaces that could be opened up to community use

.Applications will be considered from UK-based charities, social enterprises and other voluntary and community organisations that do not mainly aim to generate profits for private distribution.

Applications are welcome from organisations working in partnership, provided they are led by a voluntary, community or social enterprise organisation. Activities should start in

October 2019 and finish by 31 March 2020.

Explore funding is for organisations that are interested in exploring potential for better use of spaces in their community. This funding is to help identify local challenges that could be addressed through better use of spaces, such as loneliness, health, community cohesion and access to services. It could also help identify potentially underused spaces, and opportunities to make better use of them to meet local needs and priorities.

Explore funding is intended for groups to engage the community in a conversation about how the spaces could be better used to address local needs and priorities.

This may involve:

- Holding community meetings and workshops.
- Carrying out community engagement work.
- Bringing together local decision-makers and other stakeholders to respond to issues and priorities raised through community engagement.
- Identifying potentially underused spaces and exploring the feasibility of making them more available for community use.

Explore funding is for revenue costs (not for capital costs) and can be used for:

- Core costs including staff time.
- Activity costs including low value equipment and resources.
- Workshops.
- Venue hire.

How To Apply

Deadline - 12 August 2019 (12 noon) for Explore grants.

[Tel:08437 519251](tel:08437519251)

Guidance notes and the online application form are available on the Co-op Foundation website. https://www.coopfoundation.org.uk/funding_support/space-to-connect/.

The Archer Trust

The Archer Trust is a UK Christian charitable grant-making trust, set up in 1994 in memory of Ronnie Archer, who rose through the ranks of Unilever to become Vice-Chairman. It is hoped that the Archer Trust will be a fitting memorial to a talented but modest man.

If you meet the following criteria, the Trust may be able to help you:

- You are a small UK charity for whom a grant of between £500 and £4,000 will make a big difference
- In one way or another, you provide aid or support to a defined group of needy or deserving people, for instance those with physical or mental disabilities or the disadvantaged
- You are competently run and can support your application with up-to-date accounts

The Trust prefers to support organisations working in areas of high unemployment and deprivation. They favour charities which make good use of volunteers

Apply anytime. Please note, a reply may take some time because the trustees only meet twice a year, normally in March and September.

Applications should be sent by post to The Secretary, The Archer Trust, Bourne House, Wadesmill, Ware, Herts, SG12 0TT.

The Clothworkers' Foundation - Open Grants Programme

The Clothworkers' Foundation award grants to UK registered charities, CICs, and other

registered UK not-for-profit organisations (including special schools). Grants are awarded towards capital projects which are defined as:

- Buildings (purchase, construction, renovation or refurbishment)
- Fittings, fixtures, and equipment
- Vehicles

Applications must fit within one of the main programme areas: alcohol and substance misuse; disadvantaged minority communities; disadvantaged young people; domestic and sexual abuse; homelessness; older people; people with disabilities; prisoners and ex-offenders; visual impairment.

[Contact Form](#)

[Energy Saving Trust - Energy Redress Scheme](#)

Energy Saving Trust distributes payments from energy companies who may have breached rules. The funds can pay for anything from making a home more energy efficient, to providing advice that helps consumers keep on top of their bills.

Energy Saving Trust has developed an open application process for charities seeking funding from the Energy Redress Scheme. Successful projects will be selected with input from an independent panel of experts and could cover a range of locations across England, Scotland and Wales.

The minimum grant that can be requested is £20,000 and the maximum amount is the lesser of £2 million or the total value of the current fund. The scheme can fund projects lasting up to two years, can fund 100% of the project cost and can cover revenue and capital measures.

The amount of funding available through the scheme varies throughout the year and

will be reviewed on a quarterly basis. Eligible charities that have [registered](#) interest in the scheme will be notified when funds become available.

Email: energyredress@est.org.uk

[Mrs A Lacy Tate Trust](#)

The scheme is intended to support local organisations undertaking general charitable projects. Costs associated with eligible projects that are associated with the charitable objectives of the trust are eligible. These charitable objectives are as follows:

- Benefiting inhabitants of the county of East Sussex
- Relieving poverty, hardship and distress
- Furthering the education of children
- Relieving the suffering of animals

Grants are made between the values of £100 and £2,500.

The application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time.

The Mrs A Lacy Tate Trust does not maintain a website or an email address. Groups should write to the Trust for further information on how to apply:

Mrs A Lacy Tate Trust, Heringtons Solicitors, 39 Gildredge Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 4RY Tel: 01323 411020

[The Nineveh Charitable Trust](#)

The Nineveh Charitable Trust supports a broad range of UK-based projects and activities of benefit to the General Public, with an emphasis on promoting a better understanding of the countryside.

The Trust promotes:

1. The health, welfare and education of the general public
2. The study and appreciation of agriculture, silviculture, ecology and land management

3. The study and appreciation of land and estate management that encourages conservation of the countryside

[Contact Form](#)

[The Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants Programme](#)

Registered charities and recognised churches which are raising money for capital projects (building work, refurbishment or the purchase of long-term equipment) or a one-off short term activity (such as an annual respite break or holiday for disadvantaged young people) can apply for funding through the Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants programme.

To be eligible to apply the total project cost must be less than £1 million, the organisation must have an annual income of less than £500,000 and the organisation applying must already have raised a third of the total costs.

Please note they do not publish deadlines or maximum amounts as this is dependent on the number of applications they receive. The most commonly donated amount is £1,000.

Applications can be submitted at any time and the Foundation is currently accepting applications for the November 2019 meeting of Trustees.

Organisations can only apply once every 12 months regardless of the outcome of their application.

Email: contactus@rankfoundation.com

[Space to Connect Grants Scheme](#)

Space to Connect is a partnership between the Co-op Foundation and the Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport.

The scheme's Explore funding strand offers up to £10,000 to organisations that are interested in exploring potential for better use of spaces in their community.

This funding is to help identify local challenges that could be addressed through better use of spaces, such as loneliness, health, community cohesion and access to services. It could also help identify potentially underused spaces, and opportunities to make better use of them to meet local needs and priorities.

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- Identifying potentially underused spaces and exploring the feasibility of making them more available for community use.
- Explore funding is for revenue costs (not for capital costs) and can be used for:
 - Core costs including staff time
 - Activity costs including low value equipment and resources
 - Workshops
 - Venue hire.

The scheme is open to charities, social enterprises and other voluntary and community organisations that do not mainly aim to generate profits for private distribution.

The deadline for Explore applications is 12th August 2019 (12 noon).

Tel: 08437 519251 Email: foundation@coop.co.uk

[Sussex Police Property Act Fund](#)

The main aim of the fund is to support local projects undertaken by voluntary/charitable organisations that solely benefit the communities of Sussex. The maximum grant available is £500.

Local charities and voluntary and community groups working to benefit the local residents are eligible to apply.

Each application needs to be supported by a Sussex Police officer or member of staff who has knowledge of the charity or organisation.

Applicants may apply at any time.

Should you wish an organisation or group that you are involved in to be considered for funding please contact your [local Prevention Team](#). They will be able to recommend you for funding using the application form.

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation - Community Centres and Village Halls Grants

Trusthouse is interested in applications for capital projects at community centres in the most deprived urban areas and village halls in remote and economically deprived rural areas.

The Foundation wants to support community centres and village halls which are at the heart of small, deprived communities. They expect that you will be providing a range of activities for all ages and abilities which help to promote community cohesion and address local problems of isolation, poverty, lack of local facilities, transport and other issues of relevance to your area.

They interpret 'community centres' in the broad sense, so you might be a church, sports facility or other building which offers a range of activities throughout the week which all

the community can access.

The Foundation will consider applications for new buildings; upgrading, renovating or extending buildings; improving or creating outside space (but not car parks). You will need to have secured a minimum of 50% of the costs of the project before you start an application.

Tel: 020 7264 4990



Contact Us

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02.08.2019 Email from NALC Chief Executives Weekly Bulletin

Cabinet reshuffle

The Government's reshuffle is complete and it is worth highlighting a few announcements:

- As mentioned last week, Robert Jenrick MP is the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government. We have also been informed by colleagues that he is also the president for Nottinghamshire county association, so hopefully, he should have a good understanding of the sector!
- Luke Hall MP is the new Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Minister for Local Government and Homelessness. He is also MP for Thornbury and Yate in South Gloucestershire, which falls within the area of the Avon local councils associations (ALCA).
- Lord Gardiner was reappointed Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Rural Affairs and Biosecurity at the Department for Environmental, Food and Rural Affairs. We have built a good relationship with him on rural issues, so are pleased to see him continue in this post.

We have sent them our congratulations and are seeking meetings to discuss key issues. You can find further details on the [Ministry website](#). Please do let us know if you have particularly good contacts with any of them.

Election research

Following a discussion on Northamptonshire ALC's motion at our last National Assembly meeting, we have published councillor and council surveys to collect feedback on what happened in the May 2019 elections. The results will be used to gain a national picture of the local election process and to highlight any on-going issues, to be raised with national organisations, such as the electoral commission or LGA. NALC also hopes to use the findings to encourage more members of the public from different backgrounds to stand for election in the future by gaining stories of best practice. Take a look at our [news story](#) and please complete the surveys below! And encourage others to do so too. We have had over 1,000 responses since Wednesday!

[Complete councillor survey](#) | [Complete local council survey](#)

Tree charter newsletter

July's Tree Charter newsletter was published this week and sent to all of our tree charter branches. NALC has partnered with The Woodland Trust and The National Union of Students to promote ten principles of protecting green spaces and trees in local areas. The newsletter highlights case studies from three excellent local councils: Falmouth, Loughton and Bishop Waltham. A date for your diary is 30 November, the annual tree charter day, where we encourage as many people as possible to plant trees around the UK. You can apply for free trees through **The Woodland Trust**.

If you would like to find out how your council can get involved then head over to our [website](#), where there is plenty of supporting material and guidance. If your council is doing good things with trees please contact claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk

BHIB Cyber Essentials Pilot

NALC sponsors BHIB have teamed up with Berea Associates to run a pilot aimed at making cybersecurity simple for local councils. At the moment they are working with 5 councils in Northamptonshire and Buckinghamshire to pilot a Cyber Essentials and Security scheme. They are working with a wide size range of councils and exploring the use of cyber technology to ensure the safety of council information. The solution provides a cybersecurity guidance and advice pack for councillors, clerks and volunteers along with a web-based self – assessment that once completed will give you your HM Gov. Cyber Essentials certificate. We'll keep you posted with progress and share more about the solution in the coming weeks!

The Village Survival Guide

The Prince's Countryside Fund has published this week 'The Village Survival Guide' which NALC had had input to. It features case histories, checklists and practical advice, and is intended to help those living in the countryside to utilise the talents available in their own communities. The guide references how working with your local (parish and town) councils can deliver great initiatives: such as a volunteer car service which has been a lifeline for villagers getting to medical appointments and for those who don't qualify for non-emergency patient transport, 'car clubs' which has helped connect schools, elderly and the disabled around the villages, and the Good Neighbours Scheme which brings volunteers in touch with residents who need support, such as gardening, DIY or even just befriending to help tackle loneliness. [Find out more](#)

Local Government Association (LGA) releases Councillors' guide to handling intimidation

LGA has released a report on the practical steps for councillors to use to protect themselves from intimidation. [Read the full report](#)

The key points from the report are:

- Councillors are encouraged to keep a record of any intimidatory communication or behaviour
- Contact with unknown or anonymous individuals should be undertaken with care

And finally...

I am pleased to announce that Katie Bourne, the newly appointed Sussex Police Crime Commissioner has been elected as the Chair of the **Association of Police & Crime Commissioners**. In that capacity, she also sits on the Government's new national policing board which had its first meeting this week. She will also be speaking at our conference in October on 'Creating Safer Communities' and I am sure there will be opportunities to question her on the Government's plans to recruit additional police officers.

Additionally, we have announced an exciting line-up for our youth engagement workshop which highlights how to engage young people in local politics. The panel is: Amanda Chetwynd-Cowieson, chair at British Youth Council; Kayleigh Wainright, head of membership & policy at UK Youth; Rachael Farrington, founder of Voting Counts; Jason Arthur, director of strategy and communications at Step Up to Serve and Cllr Sam Foulder-Hughes, at Kingston Council and former British Youth Parliament councillor. I think this will be a very stimulating panel talk and look forward to seeing them all in October!

Make sure you [buy your tickets](#) before they sell out!

02.08.2019 Email from WSCC

Road Closure

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION

TISMANS COMMON, RUDGWICK

NOTICE IS hereby given that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended, the use of (and parking on) Tismans Common, Rudgwick from junction with Loxwood Road to the junction with Tismans Common Crossroads is temporarily prohibited from 23/08/19 at 09:30 until 23/08/19 at 15:00

The restriction will be in place day-time only between 09:30 – 15:00

This closure is necessary to allow Balfour Beatty to undertake pothole repairs in the carriageway

Emergency vehicle, Residential and Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times

The alternative route for traffic will be signed via Tismans Common, Loxwood Road and vice versa

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

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

Any queries about the works please contact Balfour Beatty – 01243 642105

Dated 02 August 2019

Matt Davey Director of Highways, Transport and Planning