

Weekly RPC Clerks Update 12 – 18 August 2019

Clerk's announcements/delegated decisions:

- Litter Warden has inspected fingerposts in Rudgwick Parish, please see report (under general correspondence)
- IT issues – it may be necessary to evaluate how RIALTAS is accessed.
- Rudgwick Hall gates, resident has been so kind as to agree to close the gates to the entrance car park in the evening.
- Policies and procedures recommended by A Beams have been prepared for the Finance Meeting (22.8.2019)
- Warden has cut back growth around fingerpost Tismans Corner – it is clearly visible again.
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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




- 18.8.2019 Email from parishioner regarding how to report fraud.
- 18.8.2019 Email from parishioner regarding planning application. (forwarded to Planning Committee)



General Correspondence

FINGERPOSTS IN RUDGWICK PARISH CONDITION REPORT AUGUST 2019 – S Quail Warden

LOCATION	LEGIBLE	ROUNDEL IN PLACE	FINGERS MISSING DAMAGED	LETTERS MISSING DAMAGED	NUMBERS MISSING DAMAGED	GENERAL CONDITION	RISK FOR WORKERS / VOLUNTEERS	LOCATION PHOTOS
Church Street opp. Lynwick Street	YES	YES	NO	NONE	Number 8	POOR. Bare wood exposed in places. Needs repainting. Has been washed down	LOW	
A281/Lynwick Street	YES	YES	No	NONE	NONE	Post in very poor condition. Very tall and difficult to reach the top. Roundel very rusty. Finger posts have been renewed with reflective surface.	MEDIUM	

Haven Road/ Garlands T jctn (Collins Cross)	YES	YES	NO	NONE	NONE	GOOD. Need washing down.	LOW	
Old Post House (The Haven)	YES	YES	1 missing	NONE	NONE	Poor to average. Needs a good wash down and a coat of paint.	HIGH. Sited on a narrow verge on a blind corner	
Opp. The Blue Ship (The Haven)	YES	YES	NO	NONE	NONE	Very poor post joint rusted through. Needs wash down and repaint.	LOW	

Jctn Gibbons Mill road/Garlands road	YES	YES	2 MISSING	NONE	NONE	POOR. Rusty. Needs wash down and repaint	LOW	
Okehurst Road opp Heathers Farm road	YES	YES	No	NONE	NONE	MEDIUM. Tilted backwards off the edge of the ditch. Needs wash down and repaint.	LOW	
Mucky Duck	YES	YES	NO	NONE	NONE	GOOD. Recently restored	LOW	

Hornshill Lane/Tismans Common	YES	NO	NO	NONE	NONE	Poor. Age overgrown and obscuring the sign. Low branches of oak tree have decapitated the roundel. Needs wash and repaint	MEDIUM quiet corner with little traffic. 'Men at work' signage would be needed	
Jctn Loxwood Road/Tismans Common	YES	YES	NO	NONE	NONE	Generally POOR. One finger post flaking paint. Post rusty and needs a repaint. Two fingers totally covered in overgrown hedge which urgently need cutting back.	MEDIUM busy corner with heavy rush hour traffic . 'men at work' signage would be needed	

17.08.2019 Email from Erica Baxter, PCSO _ Speedwatch project

Hi Jonna,

Rumour may reach you of a PCSO wandering the streets of Rudgwick/Bucks Green/Cox Green today – it was me, looking for potential sites for Community Speedwatch in the area! I chatted with a few residents and found a general consensus that the community would support a scheme by volunteering.

You and I spoke a bit about Community Speedwatch (CSW) some while ago, I've learned more since then and it really is a good scheme nowadays with proven benefits. For instance, every numberplate submitted for speeding is automatically checked for tax, insurance and MOT, and traffic data gathered can be viewed by Parish Council for a general understanding of the local situation.

I'm partway through a process of getting groups rolled out across the whole district, because the documented behaviour changes caused by a single active group should be enhanced by greater numbers. One way I am speeding up the process is by pre-assessing for potential sites then showing these to Steve O'Connell who leads CSW for Sussex Police – because he can fully safety/policy assess them. Today I have focussed on the A281 and on Church Lane, and think I have found multiple locations for each direction of travel.

Here's a link to the main website <https://www.communityspeedwatch.org/> or if you prefer not to click links just search for Community Speedwatch and the site has a photo of two people in hi-viz looking at a blue Volvo.

It would be really good to have a chat about the scheme as a whole, and I hope you are interested to do so. I'm happy to pop by and explain more, answer questions, and explain where the sites may be – just let me know.

With kind regards,

Erica



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12.08.2019 Email from Rudgwick Holy Trinity Church

Providing an update regarding the cemetery extension. (Email forwarded to councillors)

12.08.2019 Email from JSA planning regarding a plot of land that could be considered for development. (forwarded to Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee Chair)

12.08.2019 Email from WSCC Planning Committee

Link to the draft minutes of the meeting held on 9.7.2019 where the planning application for landfill at the former brickworks was discussed.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/about-the-council/how-the-council-works/committees-and-decision-making/statutory-committees/planning-committee/>

12.08.2019 Email from organiser of the memorial event at Rikkyo School to commemorate the loss of two British planes during the second World War, inviting councillor representation. (Email forwarded to the councillors).

**14.08.2019, Email from NALC
NALC Newsletter**



NALC publishes updated Model Financial Regulations

NALC has published its updated Model Financial Regulations for England and Wales. The documents include easy-to-use templates and guidance to help complete the templates.

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NALC calls to extend business rates reliefs

NALC welcomes the Non-Domestic Rating (Public Lavatories) Bill, which sees moves to address exempting public conveniences from business rates but would like to see the bill go further with reliefs to all public toilets.

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NALC welcomes plans to strengthen local councils

NALC has welcomed the government's announcement for plans to strengthen the purpose and role of local councils across the country, including a commitment to make it easier to set up new local councils.

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NALC researches the 2019 local elections

NALC is researching the local elections in May this year to examine the elections process for local councils. The data collected will be used to shape future campaigns.

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Member updates

Chief executive's blog

Model Financial Regulations 2019 for England and Wales

Guest blog by Lord Gary Porter reflecting on his work with NALC

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