

Rudgwick Parish Council

Weekly Clerk's Update: 29 March – 4 April 2021 (Agenda April 2021)

To: Parish Councillors

c.c: Christian Mitchell (West Sussex County Councillor)

Richard Landeryou (Horsham District Councillor)

From: Anna Clayton

The weekly update provides information regarding:

- Announcements/delegated decisions by the Clerk
- Planning information
- Correspondence/communications from parishioners
- Correspondence/communications from outside organisations

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)
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Clerk's announcements/delegated decisions:

GENERAL REMINDER: Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Parish Office staff are working their regular hours but not always in the office. If you wish to speak face to face to a member of staff, please contact the Clerk on 07927 702321 during her office working hours (Monday – Wednesday 9.30 – 15.30).

- Old car battery disposed of outside KGV – Clerk carried out safe removal;
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New Applications (Delegated Decision)

New Planning Applications for consideration by Delegated Decision and noting at the Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021				
Application No	Applicant	Reason for Application	Recommendation	Response Date

New Applications

For discussion at Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021				
Application No	Applicant	Reason for Application	Recommendation	Response Date
DC/21/0454 01.04.2021	5 Pathfield Road, Rudgwick	Increased ridge height to existing roof with erection of rear dormer and installation of front rooflights.		22.04.2021
DC/21/0476 06.04.2021	Hermongers Farm, Hermongers, Rudgwick	Demolition of existing single-storey link and erection of two-storey side extension and alterations to front porch. Erection of detached car port and garden shed.		27.04.2021
DC/21/0477 06.04.2021	Skylarks, Hermongers Farm, Rudgwick	Enlargement of incidental curtilage and erection of single-storey side extension, garden shed and green house.		27.04.2021
DC/21/0478 06.04.2021	The Chalet, Hermongers Farm,	Conversion of garage to provide additional living accommodation.		27.04.2021

	Hermongers, Rudgwick			
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Decisions

Decisions – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021				
Application No	Applicant	Reason for Application	RPC Recommendation	HDC Decision
<u>DC/20/2554</u>	Sunnyview, Loxwood Road, Rudgwick	Application to confirm the continuous occupation in excess of 10 years in breach of agricultural occupancy conditions, ref: condition no.2 of RW/20/62 and condition no. 3 of RW/1/83. (Certificate of Lawful Development - Existing).	No objection	Permitted
<u>DC/21/0118</u>	Little Hawks, Lynwick Street, Rudgwick	Erection of a double storey rear extension with a new dormer window and 2 No. rooflights to east elevation. Demolition of old garage roof and construction of new pitched roof.	No objection	Permitted

Applications going to Committee

Applications going to Committee – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021				
Application No	Applicant	Reason for Application	RPC Recommendation	Planning Committee Date

Appeals Lodged / Appeals Decided

Appeals Lodged / Appeals Decided – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021

Application No	Applicant	Reason for Application	RPC Recommendation	Public Inquiry/Written Representation

Enforcement Numbers

Enforcement Numbers – Rudgwick Parish Council Meeting 12.04.2021				

Correspondence/communications from parishioners / to the Council

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Emails/correspondence from external organisations/people

01.04.2021 Email from WSCC

Soft Sand Review of the Joint Minerals Local Plan – Adoption

Dear Stakeholder,

In partnership, West Sussex County Council and the South Downs National Park Authority have undertaken a Soft Sand Review of the West Sussex Joint Minerals Local Plan, as required by Policy M2 of the adopted Plan.

The Inspector’s Report and modifications recommended by the Planning Inspector were considered by West Sussex County Council on 19 March 2021, and by the South Downs National Park Authority on 25 March 2021.

Both Authorities resolved to adopt the formal changes to the JMLP, with effect from 25 March 2021.

Attached to this email is the Adoption Letter, which provides further information.

If you would like to view the updated JMLP, and any documentation regarding the SSR, including its accompanying Sustainability Appraisal, please see the enclosed Adoption Statement, or visit our website: www.westsussex.gov.uk/mwdf.

Kind regards,

Planning Policy and Infrastructure Team.

01.04.2021 Email from HDC

Council Matters: Climate Change - Special Issue No.3



Special Issue no.3 for councillors, neighbourhood and parish councils
1 April, 2021

Tackling Climate Change

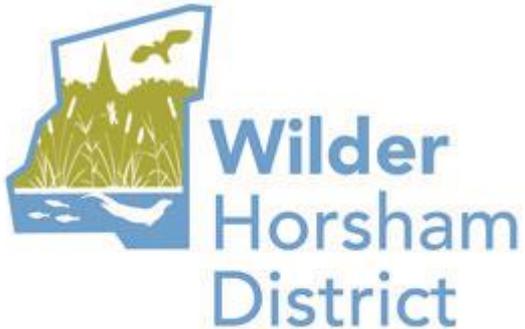
We are committed to tackling climate change and reducing our carbon footprint

These special editions of Council Matters will keep you updated on how we are progressing with our climate change agenda, as well as offering tips and advice on how to find out more, get involved, and reduce our carbon footprint. With Spring in the air this month's focus is on the natural world and the environment. Enjoy!

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Applications now open for a Nature Recovery Award

Late last year the Nature Recovery Award was set up by the Sussex Wildlife Trust in partnership with Horsham District Council's Wilder Horsham District project. Applications

for the next round of funding are now open.

This fund has been established to help community groups and landowners wishing to put in place practical schemes to expand and improve networks for wildlife across the Horsham District landscape. Funding is available for projects up to £5,000.

The closing date for applications is Sunday 23 May.

[Find out more and apply for funding](#)

Our Parks and Countryside teams are helping habitats to thrive



During these winter months, our Countryside team has been busy tackling a number of habitat improvement projects across the District.

At [Sandgate Park, Storrington](#) they have been undertaking heathland management – clearing back and opening up the ground to allow the tiny heather seedlings to germinate and flourish.



Whilst at [Warnham Local Nature Reserve](#), planting has started on a second heritage orchard.

The team have selected to plant a host of old Sussex varieties including Crawley Reinette, Sussex Mother and the delicious Egremont Russet which originates from Pulborough.

We hope to see their hard work come to fruition over the coming years.



Support available to help deliver your sustainable community projects

In July 2020 Horsham District Council launched a Horsham District Community Climate Fund to enable voluntary and community groups to work on projects to help reduce climate change.

We have now had two successful rounds of applications and nine successful projects are now underway including the Greening Steyning 2030 Project, Sustainable Henfield, the Transition Horsham Community Allotment, tree planting for One Church, more sustainable facilities for

2nd Horsham Scouts, and getting in place a new heat pump system for Southwater Village Hall.

The next round of applications opens from 5 April to 14 May 2021 and is your chance to get involved in this vital climate change work.

What will you do this year?

[Find out more and apply for funding](#)

Encourage biodiversity at home by creating a sustainable, wildlife-rich garden



Over 70 of our Council staff recently listened to a Wilder Horsham District talk by Sussex Wildlife Trust offering us some great ideas on how we can encourage wildlife of all sorts into our gardens.

National Gardening Week 26 April - 3 May

National Gardening Week is now a great opportunity for you to dig out your gardening gloves and discover a host of tips and suggestions to help you create the perfect, sustainable, wildlife-rich garden.

A good place to start learning more is to visit the website of the Sussex Wildlife Trust, our partner in the Wilder Horsham District project. Here you will find a range of information and advice; from how to encourage wildlife into your garden, the importance of flowers, composting questions for the sustainable gardener, to the essentials for feeding birds and how to help butterflies, moths and hedgehogs in your garden.

[Find out more from the Sussex Wildlife Trust](#)

[Visit the RHS National Gardening Week website](#)



Buy Local - it's good for business and good for the climate

From 12 April non-essential shops will at last be opening up once more. This is great news, both for us and our local shops. Shopping locally means your money stays in the community and helps the circular economy. And did you know that shopping locally also helps to protect our environment?

Supporting our local shops may mean that you don't need to use your car. Car emissions account for 15% of the UK's overall carbon emissions according to the Energy Saving Trust – that's 85 million tonnes – and many of those journeys are not actually necessary.

Shopping local also gives you access to locally produced, unique items that haven't been mass-produced. And don't we all like the friendliness and the personal nature of interacting with owners of small businesses?

Find out about our commitment to reducing our carbon footprint. Buying local is one small step that you can make towards doing your bit for the environment.

[Read about our commitment towards becoming carbon neutral](#)

Do you know a young environmentalist?

The **Horsham Youth Eco Forum**, led by Sussex Green Living, is a space for local young environmentalists to meet, discuss and connect.

The Forum takes place online every other Sunday from 6-7pm and they are looking for young people aged 11+ to join, to discuss their worries and hopes, and to share ideas and actions.

Sussex Green Living hopes that the creation of this forum will enable young people to tackle eco-anxiety with eco-action whilst being an essential part of the local green community.

For more information young people can email Catherine at YEF@SussexGreenLiving.co.uk



All About Horsham article December 2020

[Find out more](#)



If I had a 'hammer!

After the long, dull lockdown winter Richard from the Sussex Wildlife Trust has been excited to see Yellowhammers in his garden. These are farmland birds which can be encountered singing on hedgerows in the countryside across Sussex.

You can read more about his wildlife sightings both at home and across the District in his regular blog posts for the Wilder Horsham District partnership.

You can also watch these beautiful canary-yellow birds brightening up his garden with a startling burst of bright colour on a short video he captured from his garden. Why not put some birdseed down and maybe you can attract some into your garden too.

[View the video](#)

[Read the wildlife blog from the Wilder Horsham District Team](#)

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- [Find out about how we are tackling climate change](#)
 - [See our carbon reduction targets and action plan](#)
 - [Learn about the Wilder Horsham District partnership](#)
 - [Horsham District Community Climate Fund](#)
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RH12 1RL



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01.04.2021 Email from HDC

Publication of plan: April 2021, Cabinet.



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Council and cabinet meetings

Agendas, minutes and publications

[Thursday, 1st April, 2021, 9.59 am - Publication of plan: April 2021, Cabinet.](#)

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**Horsham
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29.03.2021 email from WSCC

Public Notice Horsham Bypass, Horsham - Start Date 09/04/2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a notice in relation to a temporary traffic regulation order which the County Council will make and will be operative at the location and on the dates and times indicated. Please click the following link to see the public notice:

https://api-gb.one.network/downloads/tm/1139/public-notice-horsham-bypass_121755563_3310599_1f95cc24d1.pdf

If you have any comments to make regarding the notice or are unable to open this document, please respond with history to this e-mail to ttro@westsussex.gov.uk

Please delete if it is not relevant to you / your area.

Yours faithfully

Streetworks Team

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

E-mail: ttro@westsussex.gov.uk

[Report a problem with a road](#) or pavement or [raise a highways related enquiry](#)

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29.03.2021 Email from HDC

COVID-19: More lockdown rules are cautiously lifted from today Monday 29 March



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Coronavirus (COVID-19)

[Information and advice for residents](#)

More lockdown rules are cautiously lifted from today Monday 29 March

From today 29 March, England has moved to the next stage of the roadmap out of national lockdown.

The changes mean that we will get to see our families and friends again in a limited way, which will mean a huge amount to so many of us.

To make sure the roadmap stays on track, it's important that we all continue to follow the rules to stop the spread of the virus and avoid undoing all our hard work.

Below is a short explanation of what is changing from today:

Social contact

The evidence shows that it is safer for people to meet outdoors rather than indoors. And this is why from today, outdoor gatherings (including in private gardens) of either 6 people (the Rule of 6) or 2 households will be allowed.



Business and activities

Outdoor sports facilities such as tennis and basketball courts will also be allowed to reopen, and people will be able to take part in formally organised outdoor sports.

Travel

The 'stay at home' rule ends today, but many restrictions will remain in place.

People should continue to work from home where they can and minimise the number of journeys they make where possible, avoiding travel at the busiest times and routes.

Travel abroad will continue to be prohibited, other than for a small number of permitted reasons. Holidays abroad will not be allowed, given it will remain important to manage the risk of imported variants and protect the vaccination programme.

[Visit the Government website to find out what you can and cannot do](#)

Our Council services

In accordance with the Government's roadmap out of lockdown, the following Council-owned parks and countryside facilities are re-opening for use by the general public.

- Horsham Park outdoor gym areas, tennis courts and ball courts. The benches alongside the Park Podium bandstand are re-instated.
- Southwater Country Park café is open for takeaway use. Please note that the beach area remains closed.
- The Pump Track at Highwood has re-opened.
- Broadbridge Heath Skate Park, ball courts and play areas.
- Warnham Local Nature Reserve remains open as usual and the Heron's Rest Café is open for a limited takeaway service only. The hides, however, remain closed.

[Visit our website for full updates about our services](#)

Respect, protect and enjoy parks and open spaces safely

We've all missed being able to meet up with friends and family in our parks and open spaces.

As the weather improves and restrictions begin to relax, we're asking everyone to respect our parks, protect the landscape and enjoy public spaces safely.

The vast majority of us are following the rules, so if you do begin to meet up with friends in public spaces continue to:

- Socially distance
- Take your litter home with you
- Only meet up with two households or up to six people

Respect wildlife. When exploring the countryside, it is best to keep dogs on a lead or under close control in fields of livestock, and do please stick to footpaths and bridleways so as not to disturb ground nesting birds and other wildlife. Nature may have recolonised some areas, so please tread carefully and look out for wildlife that has moved into unexpected places during lockdown.

Protect the landscape by ensuring you are following the [Countryside Code](#), which sets out how visitors to rural areas can behave safely and responsibly.

Enjoy our beautiful parks and countryside by exploring local walks and cycle paths while maintaining social distancing. We know everyone has their favourite places to go – but if too many people go at once then social distancing becomes more difficult.

Other ideas to get out and enjoy the sun

Alternatively you can enjoy our local countryside by getting out and about taking part in some of our selected [short circular walking routes around the District](#).

Or you can try a cycle ride at your pace on any of these [44 recommended circular cycle routes](#).



The spring weather is a great opportunity to explore the rich history of our District by taking part in our new [Heritage Trails](#); some 20 different trails have been created involving engaging walks around our District.

Help to find employment and jobs

Many people in our District have been adversely affected by the pandemic, including the loss of jobs and livelihoods.

To help the District bounce back, we have produced a range of programmes to help people of all ages and backgrounds to get back into work or start their own business.



[Visit our website to find out how we can help you](#)

Test and Trace Support Payment: Now available for eligible parents and carers

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate on or after 8 March 2021 by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria.

The extension of the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, which is administered by district and unitary local authorities in England, ensures that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities.

[Find out more and apply for the payment](#)

Guidance for clinically extremely vulnerable people

Clinically extremely vulnerable people will no longer be advised to shield from Thursday 1 April 2021. Letters are being sent by the Government with more information. Individuals in this group should follow national guidance from this date.

[Read the Government's full guidance for clinically extremely vulnerable people](#)

Guidance for planning an event

As part of the spring 2021 roadmap, the Government has clarified what type of events are allowed within the new roadmap system.

[Visit our website to view breakdown of the current expected dates for resumption of certain activity.](#)

29.03.2021 Email from Chichester District Council

**Chichester District Council Tree Preservation Order – Woodland North of
Barnsfold Cottage, Station Road, Loxwood, Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14
ORW**

Chichester District Council



Rudgwick Parish Council

If calling please ask

Democratic Services

for:

01243 534655

democraticservices@chichester.gov.uk

Our ref: TCP-19-005271

Your ref: LX-20-00275-TPO

24 March 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Chichester District Council Tree Preservation Order – Woodland North of Barnsfold Cottage, Station Road, Loxwood, Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14 0RW

On the 22 October 2020 we made the above Tree Preservation Order, and sent you a copy.

We have considered whether or not the Order should be confirmed (or, in other words, made permanent). Three letters of objection were received about the Order. These were considered before making a decision. On 24 March 2021 the Council decided not to confirm the Order. The Forestry Commission currently have control of how the wood will be managed/sustained and West Sussex County Council would have to review if extraction of clay is appropriate/acceptable or not. The Council has decided that the Tree Preservation Order would not be appropriate. For more information about our decision, please contact Mr Henry Whitby, Tree Officer, telephone (01243) 534522.

If you disagree with our decision you can challenge it by applying to the High Court under Section 284 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. You can apply to the High Court if you believe that:

- (1) the Order is not within the powers of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990; or
- (2) any of the relevant requirements have not been complied with in relation to the

Order.

You must apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date of our decision.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Frost
Director of Planning and Environment

29.03.2021 from WSCC
Shining a light on County Buildings' history



news release

Shining a light on County Buildings' history



Work has started on the partial demolition of County Buildings in Crawley – but not before a record of the site’s history and a set of lights were preserved for future generations to see.

The record of the building’s past, plus current photographs, have been shared with Crawley Museum. The heritage pack is available for residents to view at:

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/media/15435/historic_building_record.pdf

Last month, the County Council asked its Project Management company to commission Archaeology South-East to carry out an Historic Building Record of the former children’s library, attached to the main library, at Northgate Avenue, Crawley.

A set of lights, hanging in the stairwell adjacent to the old library’s main entrance, was identified as being of interest and indicative of the time County Buildings was constructed in 1963. Crawley Museum was approached to see if it would like the lights as a donation from the County Council: the offer was accepted as “an interesting acquisition for the museum”.

Marie Ovenden, County Council Growth and One Public Estate Programme Delivery Manager, said: “We are delighted to pass this symbolic item to the museum. As a Crawley-born resident, I am conscious of the attachment to the old library and adjacent buildings.

“The heritage pack will serve as a long-lasting record of the site. The demolition is the first part of a wider redevelopment and this is a key site to support the regeneration of Crawley town centre.”

Museum Curator Holly Parsons said: “We are very excited to accept the lights from the old library building. We have very little in the collection to represent Crawley’s recent history, and hope they bring back many happy memories for our visitors.”

A dedicated web page, giving details of the partial demolition of County Buildings, together with a link to frequently asked questions, is available at: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/about-the-council/how-the-council-works/partnership-work/county-buildings/>

The demolition project is a key part of the [One Public Estate](#) initiative.

DDS Demolition Ltd is carrying out the work. Both the magistrates' court and Centenary House will remain in situ.

Picture caption: illuminating the past, with the set of lights from County Buildings: from left, Marie Ovenden, West Sussex County Council Crawley Growth Programme Delivery Manager, Toby Ramsden, Faithful & Gould Managing Building Surveyor, Holly Parsons, Curator Crawley Museum, and James Patterson, DDS Ltd Site Manager.

Notes to editors

Archaeology South-East is a division of the UCL Centre for Applied Archaeology
