

**RUSTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES:** of the Meeting held on 3 June 2024

**PRESENT:** Councillors Mrs V Allen, J Bennett, J Ceiriog-Hughes, Mrs A Cooper, A Cooper, Mrs P Gregory, G Lee, Mrs S Partridge, D Rogers and P Warren

**In attendance:** Ms R Costan (Deputy Clerk), Mrs C Ward (Clerk of the Council) and Mr J Burch (Leisure and Amenities Officer)

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**20/24**      **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed that Councillor Mrs Cooper be elected as Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

The Committee RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs Cooper be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

**21/24**      **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed that Councillor Jamie Bennett be elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Committee RESOLVED that Councillor Jamie Bennett be elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

**22/24**      **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**23/24**      **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mrs Partridge declared a personal interest in Minute 26/24(a). She remained in the Meeting during consideration of this item but took no part in the discussion and vote thereon.

**24/24**      **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 February 2024 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**25/24**      **APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE SPORTS FACILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE**

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The Deputy Clerk advised that Representatives should now be appointed on the Sports Facilities Sub-Committee and the Committee AGREED as follows:-

Councillors Bennett, Ceiriog-Hughes, Mrs Cooper, Cooper and Lee

**26/24**      **WOODLANDS RECREATION GROUND**

*(Prior to consideration of the following item Councillor Mrs Partridge had declared a personal interest as her son's business was the Club's Main Sponsor)*

**(a) Rustington Football Club**

The Deputy Clerk firstly referred to the Club's Season Review, previously circulated, and highlighted the fantastic range of successes that Rustington Football Club teams had achieved during the 2023/24 Season, including winning two County Cups, reaching a third Cup Final and winning two Leagues. She also confirmed that Rustington Raiders Football Club would soon be affiliated into the Club and all Girls' Teams would be playing as "Rustington FC Girls", with the Under 14's Team playing at the Woodlands Recreation Ground on Sundays.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information and relayed their congratulations for the Season's successes.

The Deputy Clerk then referred to Minute 4/24(a) and confirmed that further email correspondence, previously circulated, had been received from James Bennett, Chairman of the Club and Kevin Short, Treasurer, relating to the further expansion of the number of teams wishing to be affiliated to Rustington Football Club. She explained that the Club had now formally requested that joint usage of the Woodland Park Sportsfield, alongside the Rustington Otters Youth Football Club, be explored. The Deputy Clerk then confirmed that she and the Clerk had met with representatives from Rustington Otters Youth Football Club on 23 May 2024 and that the work required to understand the possible availability of pitches at the Woodland Park Sportsfield for the 2024/25 Season was now underway. She said that the representatives from the Club had agreed to forward the required information to the Council as soon as practicably possible.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**(b) Rustington Sports and Social Club - Renewal of Lease from 25 March 2024**

The Clerk reminded the Committee that the new Lease had commenced on 25 March 2024 for a period of 20 years, at an annual rent of £16,500.00 for the first five years, with a review at five-year intervals throughout the Lease.

She said that she had been informed by Councillor Bennett, following his attendance at a recent Meeting of the Sports and Social Club Management Committee that the Club had some concerns at the significantly increased cost of the Buildings Insurance, which was now being provided by the Council, with the Club being re-charged. She said that she would be contacting the Chairman of the Club to discuss these concerns as soon as practicably possible.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**(c) Devito's Circus - Request to hire the North Field in 2025**

The Deputy Clerk reported that a request to hire the North Field for a week in 2025 had been received from a newly established small Family Circus "Devito's Circus". She explained that the Big Top was estimated to hold 180 people per performance and that no articulated vehicles would be involved in the setting up of the site.

Following a detailed discussion, the Committee RECOMMENDED that the Circus should be contacted for further details on what type of acts would be performing, details of other venues that it had visited, proposed dates for the visit and what its requirements would be in order to operate. This information should then be presented to the next Meeting of the Committee for further consideration.

**27/24 THE WOODLANDS CENTRE - CURRENT LETTINGS**

The Deputy Clerk gave a progress report on the Lettings against Budget and said that the income for the period from 1 April to 30 April 2024 was currently above the 2024/2025 Estimate of £55,000.00 by approximately 50%.

She said that the total income to the aforementioned date was £6,863.58 which represented 12.5% of the Budget.

She also reported that the final income figure in respect of The Woodlands Centre hirings for 2023/2024 had been £58,666.71, some £4,666.71 over Budget.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information.

**28/24      SAMUEL WICKENS CENTRE - CURRENT LETTINGS**

The Deputy Clerk gave a progress report on the Lettings against Budget and said that the income for the period from 1 April to 30 April 2024 was currently above the 2024/2025 Estimate of £12,500.00 by approximately 49%.

She said that the total income to the aforementioned date was £1,552.50 which represented 12% of the Budget.

She also reported that the final income figure in respect of The Samuel Wickens Centre hirings for 2023/2024 had been £14,006.34, some £2,006.34 over Budget.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**29/24      RUSTINGTON YOUTH CENTRE**

**(a)      Current Lettings**

The Deputy Clerk gave a progress report on the Lettings against Budget and said that the income for the period from 1 April to 30 April 2024 was currently above the 2024/2025 Estimate of £11,800.00 by approximately 35%.

She said that the total income to the aforementioned date was almost £1,324.00 which represented over 11% of the Budget.

She also reported that the final income figure in respect of the Youth Centre hirings for 2023/2024 had been £15,727.37, some £4,227.37 over Budget.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**(b)      Youth Club - Arun Youth Projects**

The Deputy Clerk referred to the Arun Youth Projects Annual Report, previously circulated from Mr Matt Pollard, Arun Youth Projects (AYP) Youth Service Manager for the period February to April 2024.

She explained that the average attendance per week had risen to an average of 12 young people from a cohort of 35 individual young people for the duration of the 13 sessions covered by the Report period.

The Deputy Clerk then referred to Minute 7/24(b) and confirmed that a Meeting had taken place, with Jon Jolly, the Executive Leader of Arun Church, to review the existing provision and discuss possible future options. She explained that Mr Jolly had agreed to discuss the matter with the Arun Youth Projects Team and to provide the Parish Council with a detailed proposal in the near future.

The Committee NOTED the Report, a copy of which is attached and forms a part of these Minutes.

30/24      RUSTINGTON MUSEUM

(a)      Museum Report

The Deputy Clerk referred to a Report, previously circulated, from the Museum Manager.

She then explained that the Museum Manager was seeking approval for the disposal of two items relating to sheet music, as detailed within her Report, which were not deemed to have a link to Rustington and did not fall within the Museum's Collections Development Policy.

Following a brief discussion, the Committee RECOMMENDED that the aforementioned items highlighted within the Report should be disposed of.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE the remainder of the Report.

A copy of the Report is attached and forms a part of these Minutes.

(b)      Renewal of the Loan Agreement between Rustington Heritage Association and the Parish Council

The Deputy Clerk referred to the revised Loan Agreement, previously circulated, and confirmed that Rustington Heritage Association were happy with the details contained within the document. She confirmed that no changes had been made since the last Revision of the Agreement in April 2018.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE the Renewal of the Loan Agreement.

31/24      WOODLAND PARK SPORTSFIELD

(a)      Rustington Otters Football Club

The Deputy Clerk reported that the reinstatement/reconnection of the electricity supply at the Sportsfield was now completed.

She then provided the following update regarding other matters relating to the Club:-

- *Training only - this initiative continues to provide a great service to the local kids, giving them the opportunity to train each week without the expectation of games*
- *A regular number join on a Saturday up to 20, with 10 Mondays and 30+ on Tuesdays*
- *We've integrated 20 in to playing teams from U8/9/11s, with more coaches we can have more teams*
- *We now have girls training with 20+ on a Saturday morning. An U12 girls team will be registered next season with potentially an U11 as well*
- *All coaches hold FA level 1 as well as Safeguarding and First Aid. 2 coaches have completed UEFA C, we have 40 coaches in the Club*
- *Facilities are being fully utilised now that water and electric are connected. Unfortunately, there was a leak due to the frost which has caused damage needing fixing*
- *The ground held up well over Winter with only 3 Sundays being called off due to standing water*
- *Next season we will have estimated 15-16 teams up to U18, which includes the girls team*
- *We will be having a break throughout June and back mid-July however; we will keep the momentum with the girls' team and training only. We will confirm once agreed*
- *David Oakes has been down and agreed times and usage of the facility for Soccer Camp*
- *We plan to hold a girl only week back end of the Summer holiday, it will be free as we want to encourage as many as we can. We will confirm dates etc as soon as possible*
- *We hosted a mini-tournament in May which proved to be a great success with many compliments from other teams regarding the pitches and facilities at the Sportsfield.*

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information.

**(b) Extension of Lease**

The Clerk referred to Minute 9/24(b) and reported that the Council's Solicitors had recently advised that they were still waiting for West Sussex County Council to correspond further, following the return of the proposed Lease to them in March 2024, with several suggested amendments and queries. At that time, the response was that they were waiting on instructions. She said that a further email requesting a progress report had been sent by Mr Guy, the Solicitor acting on behalf of the Council, at the beginning of May, but to date she had nothing further to report in this regard.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**32/24 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - CHANGING PLACES FACILITY**

**(a) Progress Report**

The Deputy Clerk referred to Minute 10/24 and confirmed that the Changing Places Facility had been completed within the set timescale and had opened to the public on 1 May 2024. She reported that there had been no matters of concern to date but confirmed the option to install a Fob Entry System was still being explored. She added that the administration process to draw down the £40,000.00 Grant Funding from Arun District Council had been progressed.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information.

**(b) International Toilet Twinning Scheme**

The Clerk reported that the Reverend Curate from St Peter and St Paul Parish Church had contacted the Council regarding the International Toilet Twinning initiative. The Church had paid to be Twinned with a Latrine in Nigeria and was hoping that the Council would support this by displaying an acknowledgement framed certificate in the Changing Places Toilet. She then explained that the Scheme aimed to help fund projects that taught communities about hygiene and supplying sustainable resources for families to build their own toilets in many African Countries and Pakistan.

Following a brief discussion, the Committee RECOMMENDED that the St Peter and St Paul Parish Church's request for new Changing Places Facility to be Twinned with a Latrine in Nigeria should be supported by way of displaying a framed acknowledgement certificate in the unit.

**33/24 ANNUAL PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE OF AMENITY AREAS**

**(a) Potential Removal of Horse Chestnut Tree - The Street**

The Deputy Clerk explained that the large Horse Chestnut Tree located at the front of the Changing Places Facility had been reported by a parishioner concerned that it appeared to be diseased.

She reported that the Council's Arboriculture Contractor and a representative from Arun District Council had both confirmed that the tree would need to be removed, due to a Fungal Disease, after the current bird nesting season had finished. She explained that due to the size of the tree and location, it would be necessary to carry out the works on a Sunday, and a traffic management company would be required to set up the site, shut down the traffic lights by the pedestrian crossing and install temporary lights. She explained that the estimated cost for the aforementioned traffic management and removal of the Horse Chestnut Tree would be £7,000.00 plus VAT. She also confirmed that the tree was located within the Conservation Area and that whilst it was not subject to a Tree Preservation Order, it would require a formal Planning Application that would take approximately six weeks.

Following a detailed discussion, the Committee RECOMMENDED that arrangements for three quotations to be obtained for consideration at the next Meeting of the Committee, in readiness for the removal of the Horse Chestnut Tree in late 2024, as detailed above.

It was further RECOMMENDED that the cost of the removal of the tree should be borne from balances if this proved to be necessary.

**(b) Pavement Area to the front of 83 The Street**

The Deputy Clerk referred to email correspondence, previously circulated, from a parishioner requesting that the Parish Council give consideration to maintaining an area of pavement adjacent to 83 The Street. She confirmed that the concerned parishioner had been in direct contact with the County Council, in its capacity as the Highways Authority, but that the request for maintenance had not been deemed as a priority although the parishioner had expressed concern that the area in question was becoming a potential trip hazard.

Following a detailed discussion, which referenced to other similar areas of pavement design within The Street, the Committee RECOMMENDED that the Parish Council make a Representation to the County Council expressing concern at the deterioration of the aforementioned area adjacent to 83 The Street, but that no further action be taken in respect of future maintenance of this area of public highway land.

**34/24 PUBLIC SEATS - PROGRESS REPORT**

The Deputy Clerk reported on the current situation in respect of donated and replacement seats as follows:-

- 5 x Seats - Greensward - Donor requests currently on hold
- 1 x Seat - Greensward or Broadmark Lane - Donor request on hold
- 1 x Seat installed in Broadmark Lane/Glenville Road - 16 May 2024
- 1 x Seat - Broadmark Lane - Possible replacement seat - under discussion with potential donor
- Replacement Seat - The Street - Currently being progressed
- New Seat - The Street (o/s Westcourt Medical Centre) - Installed 28 February 2024
- Replacement for Damaged Seat - Windmill Drive - Replacement seat installed on 28 February 2024, but now damaged/vandalised once again. Currently subject to an insurance claim.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**35/24 BUS SHELTERS**

The Clerk reported that with the exception of two shelters suffering from vandalism and graffiti, which had been repaired and obscured, there had been no further works undertaken.

She said that apart from general repairs and maintenance through the Summer months, no major works were planned, e.g. total refurbishments, during the current financial year.

The Committee NOTED this information.

**36/24 FAMILY FUN FAIR 25-28 APRIL 2024**

The Deputy Clerk referred to Minute 15/24 and confirmed that the Showtime Amusements Family Fun Fair visit had progressed as planned and despite the very wet weather experienced during several of the operational days had been a success.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information.

**37/24**      **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

The Deputy Clerk reported that the organising group had met on 21 May 2024 and that representatives from both the local Veteran's Breakfast Club and Blind Veteran's UK had been in attendance, alongside representatives from Local Uniform Groups and The Lions Club. She confirmed that the Meeting had been positive and that it was hoped that there would be a significant contingent of Veterans in attendance at the Service on 10 November 2024.

The Committee were pleased to NOTE this information.

**38/24**      **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL LITTER BIN - WOODLANDS AVENUE**

The Clerk reported that a request had been received from a local resident for an additional litter bin to be installed in Woodlands Avenue, in close proximity to its junction with Wakehurst Place, as the area seemed to be the victim of extensive debris, particularly at weekends. She reminded the Committee that the Council had previously agreed that all requests for the installation of additional litter bins at new locations within the Village should be judged on their own merit.

She then said that, following the receipt of the above she had contacted the Cleansing Operations Manager at the Arun District Council, to request the up-to-date criteria regarding requests for additional litter bins, together with the cost of the bin itself and the ongoing annual servicing.

She said that the response received stated that it had been some time since this topic had been considered by the District Council, but at that time, its contract and mapping data, along with local information from Biffa, had indicated that the District Council was nearing capacity, and as such, was not adding any additional litter bins. It was important to note that the District Council had no statutory obligation to do so at that point.

However, since that time, some extra bins had been added to the contract, particularly in new estates upon adoption and in areas experiencing increased usage due to land development. The intention had always been for the District Council to review its policy, but it had been awaiting the implementation of two pieces of Government Legislation: the deposit return scheme and the extended producer responsibility scheme. Unfortunately, both of these had recently been delayed, and there were also some potential changes in legislation regarding the co-mingling of dog waste and litter, which further complicated the matter.

As far as the installation of litter bins in Rustington was concerned, two on the seafront had been removed, so there was capacity for them to be reinstalled free of charge at some stage in the future, and the District Council was open to assessing the viability and need of any suggested locations which were felt to be in dire need of a litter bin.

The Clerk then advised the Committee that the current costs for additional bins were as follows:-

To supply a litter bin	£345.77
To fit a litter bin	£ 50.00
Annual Service Charge (Incl. future maintenance (yearly fee) of bins fitted	£290.22

Following a further discussion, the Committee RECOMMENDED that the aforementioned request for an additional litter bin should be declined at the present time, because of the continuing financial constraints being faced by the Council. It was agreed, however, that the location in question should be monitored and re-addressed, should a dire need become evident from further representations from members of the public.

**DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the dates for future Meetings had been agreed at Full Council (Minute 258/23 refers) and were as follows:-

- 2 September 2024
- 11 November 2024

**There being no further business the Meeting concluded at 7.28 pm.**

**Chairman: ..... Date: .....**



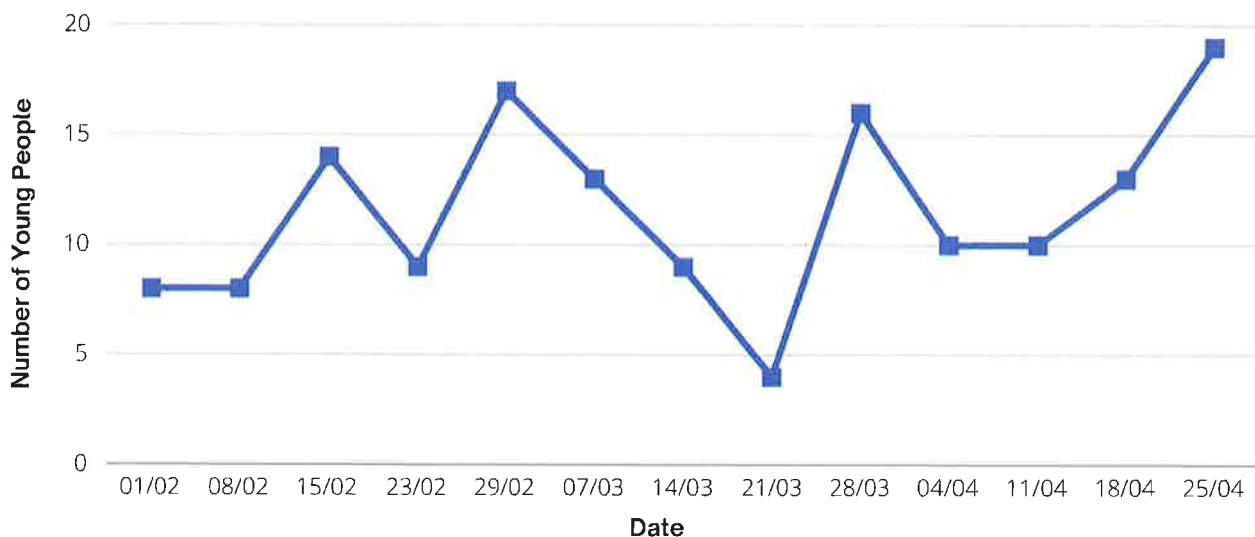
## Rustington Youth Centre Update: Feb - April '24

### Introduction

The report will provide information on the current Rustington Youth Club sessions, including attendance data, the number of sessions delivered, the number of different young people attending sessions, as well as a breakdown of attendance by age and gender for the period between February and April 2024.

## Attendance Data

Every Thursday 7-9pm - School Years 7-13

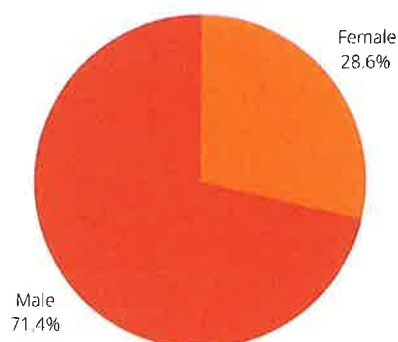


The average attendance of young people across this reporting period is 12, with the highest attended session having 19 young people on 25/04. 10 or more young people attended 8 of the 13 sessions offered in this reporting period.

There were no session closures during this recording period. During the same period, we have only had one incident of poor behaviour resulting in a young person being banned for two weeks. Each week we have two young people who attend the session from Goring-by-Sea to meet with friends here. One new young person joined us after easter, he is really enjoying having a new space to socialise with peers.

# Attendance Data

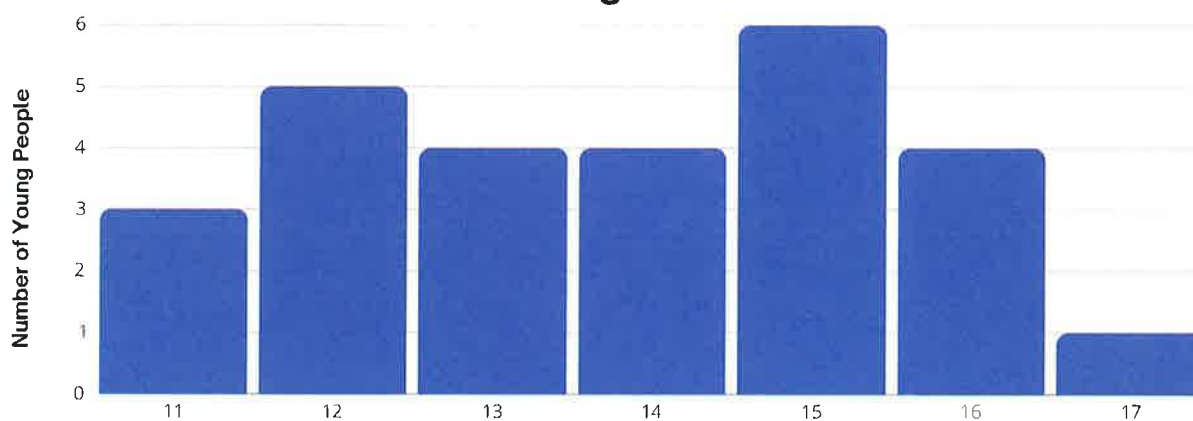
## Gender



The chart shows the gender breakdown of the young people attending the RYC sessions. The data shows a similar trend to gender data present in other AYP sessions with the majority of young people attending AYP sessions being male (25).

10 female young people attended sessions in this reporting period. This reflects the same level of data recorded in the last three reporting periods.

## Age



The graph shows the age breakdown of the young people. The graph highlights the highest level of engagement comes from the 12 and 15 year-olds. We recognise that our 17 year old's have stopped attending during the last reporting period which has allowed us to create a new atmosphere with younger young people. A new code of conduct has been designed and is now placed across the centre during the session along with a 'no vaping/smoking sign'. We are focusing on reminding young people who choose to vape/smoke to do this away from the centre.

During this reporting period:

150 different engagements over 13 sessions.

2 new young people joined a session.

35 unique young people.

7 Young People attended four or more sessions.

# YOUTH CLUBS - WHATS ON



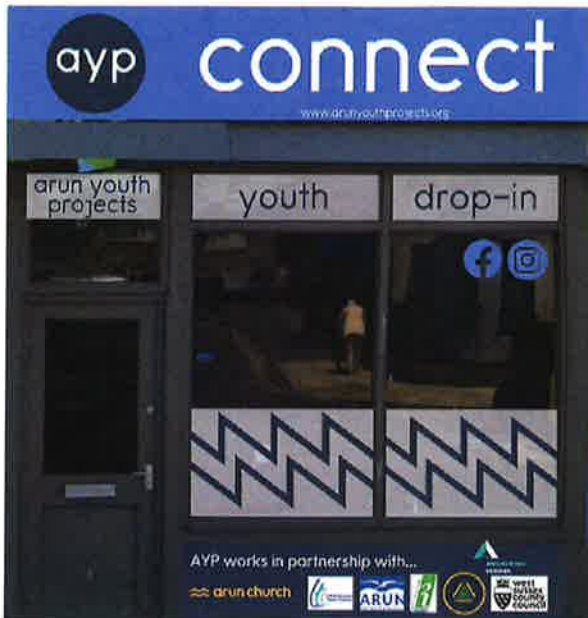
Day	Location	Time	Age Group
Monday	Angmering Community Centre	7:30pm-9pm	Year 7-9
Tuesday	Southfields Jubilee Centre	7:30pm-9pm	Year 7-9
Wednesday	The Keystone Centre	4-5:30pm	Year 4-6
Wednesday	The Keystone Centre	7-9pm	Year 10+
Thursday	Rustington Youth Club	7-9pm	Year 7-13
Friday	The Keystone Centre	6-8pm	Year 7-9
Tues-Thurs	AYP Connect, Littlehampton High Street	3-6pm	Year 7-13

Sessions are funded by Rustington Parish Council, Littlehampton Town Council, Angmering Parish Council and National Lottery

## TARGETED PROVISIONS

What	Why	Location	Age Group
Smallholding 'Project	Using the outdoors and a brand new smallholdings. This project supports those students who may be at risk of exclusion, exploitation, struggling with their mental health or are returning to education.	The Angmering School	Year 7-11
Mentoring	We want all young people to thrive in their communities. During mentoring a youth worker will support a young person to develop their social and emotional language to be more confident and aware of their support networks and where to go for specialist support.	School-based	Year 7+

# FUTURE PLANS



Arun Youth Projects is really excited to be opening a new youth drop-in on Littlehampton High Street. We hope that we are able to grow our presence locally and share the offer of Rustington Youth Club with parents and adults across the community to support growth in attendance at our weekly session.

We are exploring summer sports sessions to take part at Rustington Youth Centre again, similar to tennis sessions with a pro coach last summer.



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## Museum Report - Leisure & Amenities Committee - June 2024

### Documentation

MODES now has 3740 entries as the catalogue is updated (up 135). In addition to new acquisitions, some new records are being created by volunteers as they work on the inventory.

By using the RHA laptop, volunteers are checking the inventory of boxes brought up from the store at The Woodlands Centre. The records are then checked before being uploaded to the main MODES database. This is creating a consistent naming for the locations as they are updated.

### Collection Move

Items are being selected for the move to storage at the Fishbourne Roman Palace from both the store at The Samuel Wickens Centre and The Woodlands Centre. The focus is on the archaeology which hasn't been sorted or used.

### Disposals

The Committee is asked to approve the following disposal:

The sheet music (please see image below) was left behind after the "Musical Rustington" exhibition. It was on loan from a local gentleman who was a music teacher and who wanted to share some of his collection. He did not want it back and so it has been left.

It was noticed that there were stamps on some of the pages for "Birmingham and Midland Institute, School of Music" (BMI). The modern BMI was contacted and they would be delighted take the music back into their collection as they hold the archives as the School has since closed and the collections move to other locations.

The Committee is asked to approve the sending of the music to the BMI for their archives. It has no connection to Rustington.



## **Acquisitions Highlights** - For photos of the objects see Appendix A

### **New Objects**

The postcard collection has been brought up to date with the purchase of modern postcards from All Seasons.

A copy of the train accident at Roundstone Crossing in 1965 has been donated to the Museum.

A brooch with a miniature painting of St Peter and St Paul Parish Church has been purchased for the Museum Collection.

### **Handling Collection**

3.5kg of half pennies have been donated to the Museum. Recently, a shove ha'penny board was found in the Museum store, and it is hoped that this will be made use of in the summer holidays now that there are coins to use.

### **Social Media**

**Facebook** - The Museum's Facebook page continues to grow in support, and the page has 634 followers, up 17 (7 May 2024)

**Twitter** - The Museum Twitter account, @RustingtonMuse1, still has 209 followers (7 May 2024).

**Website** - Recently updated for the May to June events.

### **Events**

The Talks Series continues to prove popular with the following attendance figures recorded:

Tim Baldwin	East Sussex Artists	40	17 Feb, 2pm
Sue and Clive Fennell	A-Z of Sussex	58	21 Feb, 7pm
David Bone	An introduction to the geology and fossils of West Sussex	60	20 Mar, 2pm
Kelvan Gale	Angmering Station	61	17 April, 2pm

Spaces for events have now increased to 60 and have been held in the Community Hall, and waiting lists are still required.

### **Forthcoming talks**

People can book online using Eventbrite, or by contacting the Museum direct.

Geoffrey Mead	Coasting along Sussex (FULLY BOOKED)	15 May, 7pm
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Graeme Taylor	Rustington a D-Day, special addition as part of the Village's Commemorations	5 June, 2pm
Dr Janet Pennington	Sussex Inn Signs and their History	19 June, 7pm
Mike Scott Rumble	'The Colour of Heraldry'	17 July, 2pm

The talk in May is already fully booked.

The Museum will be hosting family crafty sessions in June half term, aided by volunteers. These days have proved to be very popular, and there has been increased interest in the SEN days too.

### **Visitor figures**

Visitor figures are recorded daily on a spreadsheet and are as follows for the period January to April 2024 (includes data for the same period in 2023 as comparison):

January 2024	156		January 2023	90
February 2024	244	half-term activities	February 2023	265
March 2024	185		March 2023	193
April 2024	232	(as of 27 April) – crafts in holidays	April 2023	165

### **Outreach**

#### **Public Talks given by Claire**

27 March – Visit to The Martlets in East Preston with handling collection.

16 April – “You Group” at St Symphorian’s, Durrington. Talk on history of Rustington.

23 April – “New Beginnings” at East Preston. This would have been the third visit to the group (and they have already booked for March 2025)

30 April – Handling Session with Platinum Club. Cancelled due to indisposition.

### **Exhibitions**

#### **April 2024 - The Lido**

Using Museum Collections and asking for people’s own memories and objects, the story of The Lido. A similar Exhibition was delivered several years ago at the old Museum and was very popular.

#### **September 2024 – School Days**

Looking at the history of the Schools in the Village.

### **Work by Julie**

Julie has been attending online training on working with volunteers and MODES. She continues to accession objects and postcards brought in for the RHA.

### **Work by Volunteers**

The Volunteers have been working on the RHA laptop to update MODES with location data. Objects are also being re-packed when needed. The work is finding some objects that have not been accessioned individually or previous missing.

Volunteers also play a key role in the crafty sessions, helping families with resources and guiding them through the crafts. There have been many positive comments about their friendliness and helpfulness.

**Claire Lucas - Museum Manager**

**7 May 2024**

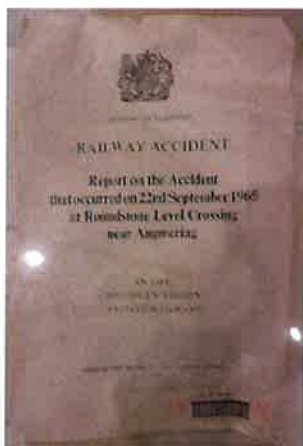


## Appendix A – News Acquisitions

RUSPC:2024.14 – modern postcards



RUSPC:2024.15 – Roundstone Crossing train accident report



RUSPC:2024.17 – brooch with St Peter and St Paul



Actual size is 1 inch across.