



# Rustington Parish Council

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20 January 2026

Dear Councillor (and Parishioners for information)

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the **Monthly Meeting** of the Council to be held on **Monday 26 January 2026** in the **Roger Montgomeri Room** at The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue, Rustington, **commencing at 7.00 pm**. (Please use the Council Offices' entrance at 34 Woodlands Avenue).

There will be a **Public Question Time at 6.45 pm** when Members of the Public may question the Council. It is hoped that immediate answers can be given. If this is not possible, the answers will be given at the next Meeting or, if preferred, sent direct to the questioner.

Yours sincerely

*Paul Ward*  
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**Clerk of the Council**

## **A G E N D A**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Resignation - Councillor Mrs Valerie Allen - Chairman to report
3. Declarations of Interest by Members

*Members and Officers are reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial/pecuniary interests that they may have in relation to items on this Agenda*

*You should declare your interest by stating:-*

- (a) *the item you have the interest in*
- (b) *whether it is a personal interest and the nature of the interest*
- (c) *whether it is also a prejudicial/pecuniary interest*
- (d) *if it is a prejudicial/pecuniary interest, whether you will be exercising your right to speak during the Public Question Time*

*You then need to re-declare your interest at the commencement of the item or when the interest becomes apparent*

4. To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 24 November 2025  
*(Copy attached)*



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5. Sussex Police:-

- (a) Matters Arising (if any)
- (b) Arun All Parishes - To note the Report of the Meeting held on 18 November 2025 from Inspector Ross Wickings  
*(Copy attached for Members)*

6. District Councillors - Matters Arising (if any)

7. County Councillors - Matters Arising (if any)

8. To receive a Verbal Report from the Clerk on any matters arising from the Minutes

9. Chairman's Report

10. Planning Committee - To note the Reports of the Meetings held on 27 October 2025, 1 December 2025 and 15 December 2025  
*(Copies previously circulated)*

11. Finance and General Purposes Committee:-

- (a) To receive the Report of the Meeting held on 15 December 2025 and to consider any Recommendations contained therein  
*(Copy previously circulated)*
- (b) To authorise the issue of the Precept on the Arun District Council for 2026/2027
- (c) To receive the Report of the Meeting held on 26 January 2026 from the Chairman of the Committee, and to consider the Recommendations contained therein  
*(Finance and General Purposes Committee Agenda and associated documentation previously circulated)*

12. Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting - 9 April 2026 - Guest Speaker - Clerk to report

**NB: This Item was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 24 November 2024**

13. The Woodlands Centre - Major Redesign and Refurbishment Project - To note the Summary Notes of the Design Workshops held on 27 November 2025 and 18 December 2025, and Clerk to report  
*(Copies attached for Members)*

14. Review of Youth Provision - Progress Report

15. Rustington In-Bloom - To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 January 2026, and Councillor Lee to report  
*(Copy attached for Members)*

16. 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Festival of Britain Musical Concert - 13 June 2026 - Clerk to report

17. Future of Zachary Merton Hospital and Land:-

- (a) To consider correspondence between the Chairman and Mike Jennings, Deputy Chief Executive, Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust, including a Press Release issued by the Council and a letter to the Chairman from the Chairman of Angmering Parish Council  
*(Copies attached for Members)*
- (b) To receive a Report from the Chairman of the informal Meeting held on 16 January 2026 to consider the next steps to be taken by the Council

18. Arun District Council:-

- (a) Local Government Reorganisation:-
  - (i) Town and Parish Council Briefing - 18 December 2025 - To note an email received from Dawn Hudd, Chief Executive, together with associated documentation in this regard  
*(Copy attached for Members)*
  - (ii) Government Consultation - Shaping West Sussex - To note the latest information received from Dawn Hudd, Chief Executive  
*(Copy attached for Members)*
- (b) Forthcoming Changes to Arun's Waste Collection Services - To note an email received from Joe Russell-Wells, Group Head of Environment & Climate Change  
*(Copy attached for Members)*
- (c) Town and Parish Council's Climate Change Group Meeting - 5 February 2026 - 13:30-15:00 - Biodiversity Focus - To consider an email received from Jonathan Letendrie, Project Support Officer, Climate Change, and Clerk to report  
*(Copy attached for Members)*

19. West Sussex County Council:-

- (a) Government's Consultation on Proposals for Local Government Reorganisation in West Sussex - To note an email received from Paul Marshall, Leader  
*(Copy attached for Members)*
- (b) 2025 Highways Briefings - To note an email received from Zoe Capel, Highways Customer Service Manager  
*(Copy previously circulated to Members via email on 19 January 2026)*

20. To receive Reports from Members attending other External Meetings (if any)

21. Urgent matters arising, for information only, since the preparation of this Agenda

22. To note the following Documents and Publications previously circulated to Members:-

- (a) CAGNE - Government body seeks to weaken your voice over airspace change
- (b) CAGNE - Airspace change and High Court Hearing

- (c) CAGNE - Urgent Action Needed - Air Navigation Consultation - deadline 20 January
- (d) Carers Support West Sussex - Caring Through Winter
- (e) Care UK - Angmering music and memory café launch
- (f) Care UK - Free Talk - Use it or Lose it - Staying active as we age
- (g) Care UK - Arun Dementia Alliance January 29<sup>th</sup>
- (h) CPRE - Your latest update on our countryside
- (i) CPRE - We've done it! Thank you for your support
- (j) CPRE - Add your voice to our Letter to England
- (k) East Preston Parish Council News - 27 November 2025, 4 December 2025, 11 December 2025, 20 December 2025, 31 December 2025, 8 January 2026 and 15 January 2026
- (l) Hidden Disabilities - Correction: Indeed and Hidden Disabilities Sunflower for a global Conversation on Inclusion
- (m) Home-Start Arun, Worthing and Adur - Help to make Christmas magical for local families
- (n) National Association of Local Councils - Chief Executive's Bulletin - 27 November 2025, 4 December 2025, 11 December 2025, 18 December 2025 and 15 January 2026
- (o) RHS - Fund your community garden with confidence
- (p) SALC Newsletter - Winter 2025
- (q) Stonepillow - Real help for homeless people this Winter
- (r) Stonepillow - Restoring hope for people on the streets
- (s) Stonepillow - Seasons's Greetings from Stonepillow
- (t) Turning Tides - Join our Christmas Events
- (u) Turning Tides - December 2025 and January 2026 Newsletter
- (v) West Sussex County Council - Flood Warning - Climping Beach including Poole Place
- (w) West Sussex County Council - Highways, Transport and Planning - News and Updates - 28 November 2025, 1 December 2025 and 19 December 2025,
- (x) West Sussex County Council - News Release - 25 November 2025, 2 December 2025, 3 December 2025, 8 December 2025, 9 December 2025, 11 December 2025 x2, 15 December 2025 x2, 19 December 2025, 7 January 2026, 8 January 2026, 9 January 2026, 12 January 2026 x2, 14 January 2026 x2 and 15 January 2026
- (y) West Sussex County Council - Residents' eNewsletter - December 2025, Digital and AI Special Edition, Christmas and New Year, Healthy New Year Special Edition and January 2026

23. To note the following Documents and Publications received for Members' information:-

- (a) Wellspring West Sussex - Issue No. 2 - 2025