

Meetings

Council Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month (apart from August and December) commencing at 7.15pm in the Roger Montgomeri Room at The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue. Members of the public are welcome to attend and, prior to each Council and Committee Meeting, time is set aside to give members of the public an opportunity to pose questions. A copy of the Agenda for each Meeting is displayed at the Public Library and on Parish Notice Boards around the Village.

Council and Committee Meeting Dates September – December 2006

Mon 18 Sep	Planning	Mon 6 Nov	Planning
Mon 25 Sep	Finance & General Purposes	Thur 9 Nov	Leisure & Recreation
Mon 25 Sep	COUNCIL	Mon 20 Nov	Planning
Mon 25 Sep	Planning	Mon 27 Nov	Finance & General Purposes
		Mon 27 Nov	COUNCIL
Mon 9 Oct	Planning	Mon 27 Nov	Planning
Mon 9 Oct	Allotments		
Thur 12 Oct	Lighting & Amenities	Mon 4 Dec	Planning
Mon 23 Oct	Finance & General Purposes	Mon 4 Dec	Allotments
Mon 23 Oct	COUNCIL	Mon 18 Dec	Finance & General Purposes
Mon 23 Oct	Planning	Mon 18 Dec	Planning



Your Councillors

Chairman	Cllr G M Tyler (East Ward) Seaward, The Close, Sea Avenue, Rustington BN16 2DW	Tel: 01903 856950
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East Ward		
Cllr J W Collins	85 Fircroft Crescent, Rustington BN16 3HT	Tel: 01903 771976
Cllr P A Harris	Mill House, Mill Lane, Rustington BN16 3EG	Tel: 01903 770330
Cllr C S Pryor	9 Mill Lane, Rustington BN16 3ED	Tel: 01903 785135
Cllr Mrs M Rice	4 Marama Gardens, Sea Road, Rustington BN16 2ND	Tel: 01903 850384
Cllr R C Steward	Canberra, 18 Botany Close, Rustington BN16 2BJ	Tel: 01903 771420
West Ward		
Cllr A K Akbar	78 Westlands, Rustington BN16 3NW	Tel: 01903 732929
Cllr Mrs C P Broomfield	15 Harsfold Road, Rustington BN16 2QE	Tel: 01903 786262
Cllr J E Ceiriog-Hughes	15 Manor Road, Rustington BN16 3QT	Tel: 01903 770464
Cllr T G Field	105 Worthing Road, Rustington BN16 3LX	Tel: 01903 774026
Cllr R S Grevett	'The Birches', 58 Woodlands Avenue, Rustington BN16 3EY	Tel: 01903 776780
Cllr A S D Lauretani	The 'Gilly', 4 Barwick Close, Rustington BN16 3TT	Tel: 01903 771441
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Clerk of the Council		
Mrs Carole Ward	Council Offices, 34 Woodlands Avenue, Rustington	Tel: 01903 786420

Useful Telephone Numbers

Arun District Council (Littlehampton) - General Enquiries	01903 737500
Arun Direct (Street Cleaning, Bus/Beach Shelter Cleansing)	01903 737754
Benefits	01903 737753
Council Tax	01903 737752
Environmental Health	01903 737755
Housing	01903 737751
Planning & Building Control	01903 737756
Arun District Council (Bognor Regis)	01243 863141
Police (Non-Emergency Calls)	0845 6070999
Southern Water	0845 2720845
Street Lighting Faults (SOLVe)	0845 7581622
West Sussex County Council (24-hour Helpline)	0845 7581232
West Sussex County Council (Highways Department)	01243 642105



Chairman's Message

The first Newsletter of the new Civic Year and, once again, I have the great honour of being re-elected as Chairman of the Council.

This job brings with it all the highs and lows of Council life, but here in Rustington it mainly seems to be the highs, an enjoyable experience for any Chairman.

This Newsletter sees the start of a very exciting year for Rustington, the Museum Project has now been granted planning permission by the District Council and, at present, we are applying for Grant Aid to be able to commence the Project. At last, Quality Status is paying dividends and

we are in negotiations with the other tiers of Local Government regarding services in the Parish of Rustington. And, even more importantly, we want to hear from you.

The Flyer enclosed with this issue is all about the Parish Health Check. This will not be a Council-owned Project but a community-owned Project - Your chance to have your say. Please get involved as this will shape the FUTURE OF RUSTINGTON.



What's on...

Councillors' Surgeries

The Council, with effect from 17 June, introduced a bi-monthly Surgery, to give members of the community the opportunity to meet with Councillors to air their views in respect of the way in which the Parish is managed and maintained, as well as raising any other issues of interest or concern.

The Surgeries are held on Saturdays at the Village Information Centre in the Churchill Car Park from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. The dates for the remainder of the current Council Term are:

- 12 August 2006
- 14 October 2006
- 9 December 2006
- 10 February 2007
- 14 April 2007

Sussex Police 'Drop-In' Surgeries

The Police Community Support Officers (PCSO's) will be holding their 'Drop-In' Surgeries at the Village Information Centre in the Churchill Car Park from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on the following Saturdays:

- 16 September 2006
- 7 October 2006
- 4 November 2006
- 16 December 2006

Community Carol Concert

As many of you will be aware, the Council organises a Community Carol Concert every year, which is held in the Village Memorial Hall at The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue. Entry is free and everyone is welcome to attend and participate in this Festive Celebration. Complimentary coffee, tea, soft drinks and mince pies are provided, and there is also a Grand Christmas Draw. This year's Concert will be held on Saturday 16 December commencing at 7.30 pm. Don't forget to put this important date in your diary!!

Blood Donor Sessions

Regular Donor Sessions are held at the Village Memorial Hall and posters are displayed on Council Notice Boards. Please come along and support this lifesaving cause.

Citizens' Advice Bureau

The Council provides a facility at the Village Information Centre in the Churchill Car Park for the Citizens' Advice Bureau to visit on a Tuesday morning. Appointments must be made in advance through the Littlehampton Citizens' Advice Bureau (Tel: 01903 724010).



34 Woodlands Avenue, Rustington, West Sussex BN16 3HB
 Offices Open Monday-Friday 10.00 am to 12 noon, 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm
 Tel: 01903 786420 Fax: 01903 788736 Email: enquiry@rustingtonpc.org
 Website: www.rustingtonpc.org



Parish News...

Rustington-In-Bloom

The In-Bloom Committee is continuing with its 2006 Campaign to ensure that the Village is as aesthetically pleasing as practically possible.

A new public seat, commemorating this year's Campaign has now been installed in the vicinity of the flower beds in front of the Village Memorial Hall at The Woodlands Centre. The Committee was delighted to raise £157.00 towards the Campaign from the proceeds of the Grand Tombola Stall at the Rustington Festival Fete, and the winning entry in the Schools Design-A-Floral Bed has been planted and now holds pride of place on the grassed area in front of the Southern Water Pumping Station in Broadmark Lane. The winner of the Competition, Deivid Kaminskas, together with other pupils from Summerlea Community Primary School, who participated in the Competition, assisted the Council's Contractors, Ferring Nurseries with the planting task.



The Committee is always ready to welcome new Members to get involved with its continuing efforts, so if you feel you would like to help 'make that difference', please contact the Council's Offices or visit the Village Information Centre for further details.

2007 will soon be here and that Campaign needs to be organised now!!

Gardens & Allotments Competitions

Following the judging of this year's **Gardens Competition** entries by the Chairman of the Arun District Council, the Chairman and Secretary of the East Preston and Kingston Horticultural Society and Mr D Luscombe of Ferring Nurseries, the results were declared as follows:

- Class 1 - Window Boxes, Balconies and Patio Tubs etc. (Residential)**
 Winner Mr J Norris, Pear Tree Cottage, 6 Walnut Avenue
 Runner-Up Miss L Moore, 29 Jubilee Avenue
- Class 2 - Window Boxes, Balconies and Patio Tubs etc. (Commercial)**
 Winner The Windmill Public House, Mill Lane
 Runner-Up The Lamb Public House, The Street
- Class 3 - Front Gardens of Any Size (Residential)**
 Winner Mrs S Weston, 8 Ravenscroft, Sutton Avenue
 Runner-Up Mrs P Lee, 37 Knightscroft Avenue
- Class 4 - Front Gardens of Any Size (Commercial)**
 Winner Rustington Manor Hotel, Broadmark Lane
 Runner-Up Princess Marina House, Seafield Road

The judges also agreed that a Certificate of Commendation should be awarded to the Overstrand West Estates for their outstanding gardens.

The judging of the Council's **Allotments Competition** took place on 3 July and the following results were declared:

- Joint Overall Winner and Site Winner Penfold Lane**
 Plot Number 38 - Mr K Lee and Plot Number 39 - Mr B Lee
- Site Winner Conbar Avenue**
 Plot Number 23 - Mr & Mrs M Minton
- Site Winner Worthing Road**
 Plot Number 13 - Mr P F Ayling

A Special Annual Award has been introduced this year, in recognition of the tenant/s who have made the most outstanding effort and achievement during the year. The Trophy for this Special Award has been donated by Councillor Cliff Pryor, the previous Chairman of the Allotments Committee, and this year's winner is The Oak Community Project.

Certificates of Commendation were also awarded to deserving plots on each Site.

All of the above-mentioned winners will be presented with their awards at the Reception following the Council's Civic Thanksgiving Service on 17 September.

Basketball Court / Kickabout Area

– Woodlands Recreation Ground

The enhancement of the Basketball Court/Kickabout Area on the Woodlands Recreation Ground was completed early in July, and it is already proving to be very popular with all age groups within the local community.



The enhancement includes the installation of heavy duty fencing, new multi-use goals and a cricket wicket, together with a new green decatone surface.

The total cost of the enhancement was £25,000, and, as previously reported, the Council was fortunate enough to secure funding of £10,000 from the Sita Environmental Trust, through the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme, £5,000 from the Arun Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership, and £5,000 from Awards for All. The balance of funds required for the Project have been provided by the Parish Council from its 2006/2007 Precept.

Parishioners' Awards

The Council, at its Annual Meeting, agreed that the first of this year's Parishioners' Awards should be presented to the Zachary Merton Community Hospital League of Friends, in recognition of its immeasurable dedication, loyalty and support for the Hospital's patients, their families and also the nursing staff, for in excess of 25 years. The second award goes to Mrs Anne Lecuyer in recognition of her exceptional and relentless devotion and commitment to the 1st Rustington Scout Group, together with her support, guidance and ceaseless efforts for the benefit of the younger members of the community of Rustington.

The recipients will receive their awards at the Reception following the Council's Civic Thanksgiving Service on 17 September.

Rustington Museum at Church Farm Cottage



Planning Permission has finally been granted conditionally by the Arun District Council, for a Museum, Craft Workshop Building and Café. So, the project is now 'live' and the Parish Council, working in partnership with the Rustington Heritage Association, can proceed with its efforts to secure grant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund for this most ambitious Project for the Village.

The Council is currently seeking to appoint an external Consultant to manage the Project from the embryo stage through to the Grand Opening of this new community facility.

The Architect is now preparing working plans, so that the estimated contract costs can be obtained from suitable companies.

The progression of the Project will be reported in all future issues of the Newsletter, to ensure that everyone in the community is kept fully informed.

Christmas Lighting

A three way Partnership has recently been formed between the Rustington Chamber of Trade and Commerce, Store Property Investments Limited and the Parish Council, to financially support a new Christmas Lighting Scheme in the Village Centre in time for the festive season. All three Partners met earlier this year and were in agreement that the Christmas lighting for the Village had deteriorated over the past few years to a pretty dismal level. The three Parties are currently in the process of making a final decision in respect of the preferred design, but the aim is to provide a Lighting Scheme that the local community can enjoy and be proud of, both this year and in future years.

Rustington Emergency Planning

YOUR PARISH



We are seeking your support in compiling a record of Rustington parishioners who would support their fellow Rustington residents in times of need and distress.

Of course, the Council hopes never to have to use your skills and support, but it is committed to making robust plans to support the local community should the worst happen.

If you are qualified and would like to offer help in the following areas, please email or send details to the Council of your qualifications, resources and experience:

- (a) Medical Personnel: Doctors, Nurses, Certified First Aiders
- (b) Plumbers, Carpenters, Electricians, Bricklayers,
- (c) Engineers - Electrical, Mechanical, Water and Maritime
- (d) Volunteer Support Groups: RNLI Personnel, St John's Ambulance, WRVS, Samaritans etc
- (e) Current serving Military, Military Reservists or recent Ex-Military or Emergency Service Personnel (Police, Ambulance and Fire Brigade)
- (f) Amateur Radio and/or CB Radio Operators
- (g) Social and Care Workers
- (h) Teachers, Caterers, Chefs, Computer and IT Specialists
- (i) Organisations, Schools and Clubs with facilities to provide emergency short term accommodation or places of retreat
- (j) Other Groups or Community Helpers?

E-mail: enquiry@rustingtonpc.org

Rustington Youth Centre

The Youth Centre is open five evening per week for youth activities.

Monday – 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm
 Senior Youth Club – Ages 13-18

Tuesday – 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm
 Youth Club for Young People with Learning Difficulties

Wednesday – 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm
 Amateur Wrestling Club – Under 12s

Thursday – 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm
 Senior Youth Club – Ages 13-18

Friday
 5.15 pm – 7.15 pm – Under 8s Club
 7.15 pm – 9.15 pm – Under 13s Club

If you would like more information in respect of facilities for hire, or any of the Clubs using the Centre, please contact the Council's Offices.

News from the Village Information Centre



The Village Information Centre is now a well-established point for both parishioners and visitors alike to access a wide range of information. Literature is available in respect of local attractions and places to visit, together with many leaflets and flyers produced by the District and County Councils, as well as other authorities. Free parking discs, for use in both the Churchill Car Park and the Somerfield Car Park, can also be obtained from the Centre.

The local Police Community Support Officers' 'Drop-In' Surgeries are held at the Centre, as are the recently introduced Councillors' Surgeries. The Littlehampton and District Citizens' Advice Bureau outreach facility is also located at the Centre on Tuesday mornings.

The Centre is open from Monday to Saturday from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and members of the Council's personnel are available to assist with any enquiries. From the positive feedback received since the opening of the Centre at the beginning of the year – it is well worth a visit!!