

Appendix 1 - Angmering Report Cllr Andy Cooper

Please accept my apologies for this evening and well done to APC for getting back to face to face meetings, I know that this is a big step forward for you all.

District Matters

The District, especially some Councillors are coming to terms with the new committee system and within this new system many items will be determined by the specific committee, even the minutes will not come to the full council meeting so please ensure you keep an eye on all the committees for relevant items of interest.

The District Council is looking at costs and ways to ensure all the main meetings are webcast, I am hoping this will happen in the near future, the thing to remember is that the webcast will not allow those watching to participate so you may have to look at physically attending any of those of which are of interest to you. Questions will need to be submitted in advance.

We are also looking at new corporate vision over the next few months, focussing on achievable goals as we come out of the pandemic and including climate change as an overarching theme.

You have probably seen over the weekend that Nigel Lynn will be leaving his role as CEO, moving on to a new council and a new role in September, this will mean interesting times in the coming months. The new monitoring officer also starts in September.

I would like to add that with everything that is happening regarding planning applications, I personally and my fellow ward councillors are mindful of the increased pressure that Angmering and the immediate surrounding area is under, this is at the forefront of my mind and will continue to apply pressure to ensure that Angmering gets represented at every level plus getting the infrastructure and mitigation it needs and deserves.

I have been liaising with surrounding parishes to build a cohesive response to some of the new proposed developments and I will continue to do so.

As always please contact me with any questions you may have, I know that this brief report only skims the surface and I am happy to receive emails of specific topics at anytime

Regards

Cllr Andy Cooper

Appendix 2 - Angmering PC 19 July 21

1. The West Sussex Transport Plan (WSTP) is being reviewed to set out the County Council's approach to managing and investing in the transport network from 2022 to 2036. The draft West Sussex Transport Plan, which will set out how the County Council intends to address challenges including:

- transport emissions and climate change
- a growing and ageing population
- rural isolation
- public health and wellbeing
- congestion
- road safety

The Draft Plan has been published for consultation from 16 July 2021 to 8 October 2021; it is available to view at www.westsussex.gov.uk/wstpconsultation along with background information about the plan.

2. At the visit with Highways regarding Dappers Lane, the officer said he would send you details of speed indication devices
3. Digital safety help

A team of Library Digital Volunteers are now offering remote support for basic digital safety enquiries and can talk you through how to set up privacy settings and parental controls on a range of apps and devices.

To get in touch with this **free service**, phone **0330 222 3455**, or email your name, phone number and a brief description of the help needed to: library.digital.support@westsussex.gov.uk.

Register [here](#) to get regular information about how to stay safe online.

4. Clean energy future for Record Office

The West Sussex Record Office in Chichester is the latest County Council building to switch to clean electricity to reduce its carbon footprint and will be powered by 174 roof-mounted solar panels, generating more than 60 MWh of zero carbon electricity each year and prevent 14 tonnes of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere.

The system will bring additional generation capacity at a time when the County Council is already producing more clean electricity than it consumes in delivering its core activities.

Appendix 3 - I attended this virtual meeting as a stand in for the Chair who was committed to another meeting and would report back as follows.

Just over half of the registered attendees were present but there were some interesting points and updates gained.

There is a board meeting on Friday that will consider points raised at this meeting the first one since March.

The first update was from Trevor Leggo was the lack of secretarial support for the districts of WSALC . Only 1 of the 4 districts so far has a secretary so Horsham, Arun and Mid Sussex are being supported by Anna Beale.

Training is up and running with a good take up so far. All published on the web. Site. These are still on a roll around every 12 weeks.They are open to more suggestions and also to customised training. Maybe groups of local parishes with the same requisites could group together.

The feedback so far is that members are in favour of carrying on with the digital training as it takes away the travel etc. Required for face to face and is therefore more easily accessed.

The next update was on the recruitment of clerks and he touched on the fact that there was a National shortage of experienced clerks and therefore no pool. It was making locus very expensive as well. I did point out that our, present Clerk had no experience when she started but has done a superlative job on her learning curve and uses every information tool at her disposal. Maybe it is a case of getting the vacancies out to a bigger market that shows the attraction of this career to reach more of the right kind of applicants.

Policing was then touched on and Trevor, reported on the recent meetings with Jo Shiner and the feedback on reporting and local problems.

West Sussex are one of only 2 counties in the country that are doing this so far. He hopes to try and get more cluster parishes involved in this.

Next up was the Armed Forces Covenant Grant and the duties of each district / borough to uphold this that no one is disadvantaged through serving. There are in fact 42000 active or ex servicemen within West Sussex. He said current projects in different areas were the archiving of materials, maintaining war graves and memorials .in some areas minibuses have been purchased (Thorney Island) for servicemen and their families, driven by soldiers and maintained as well by the forces. Also veteran breakfast clubs for the isolated. There are currently breakfast clubs in Littlehampton Worthing and Bognor. Michelle from Littlehampton. Has got details of their one if we have need. Alison an Ian Neville.

Mark Mulberry reported that for first quarter of this financial year there were 4/5 parishes who had not settled debts. 7/8 parishes had dropped out so far (3 of which serviced by same clerk so could be personal). Trevor Leggo stated most would return. 5 parishes in West Sussex had never been included in membership. In East Sussex there is 100% sign up. In Surrey just 1 missing so all looking good.

Trevor then passed over some news from the clerks forum regarding Community right to buy and land left unused. To make sure what assets we had and where forum then went on to discuss community wardens and their worth and expense. Horsham rent out 2 at a cost of £80k per annum but as yet not sure how beneficial. Chichester have a number deployed around their parishes who are directly in touch with police and PCSOs and this is proving a good scheme. Littlehampton are looking into this and have costing of £45 to £50k per annum but are questioning the authority that they have on situations as it depends on how experienced and qualified they are as to the level of this.

The effectiveness of Neighbourhood plans was then discussed as they seem to be being ignored by Planning departments. Trevor pointed out the new white paper and thought that there would be further problems. The only benefits seemed to be CIL monies if you do have a plan.

Southern water was then discussed and their poor water quality history as one Parish had raw sewage all over fields in the latest floods and Southern Waters response was massively lacking in response. The consensus of opinion was that the recent fine had no impact on them at all as they were so affluent. WSALC agreed to begin a combined approach and to this end they are looking at a way to collate all incidences re flooding and polluting in the parishes centrally.