



- 9) **Western Sussex Rivers Trust** – water champion to address meeting – her role is part of the collaborative Downs to the Sea project with the purpose to help parish councils and communities interpret, understand, and take action for their local water environment, and help build a community of change. Engaging with parish councils on how they can take action for our rivers and wetlands and will be creating an information pack. Rother Action Plan for the Rother Partnership will provide an overview of current activity underway in the Western Rother catchment and identify a pipeline of future opportunities for funders and partners to consider. They are working with SDNPA on tackling invasive non-native species on the river and its tributaries. There is a proposal for a Parish and Community Engagement Event,.

The key topics that she plans to cover through engagement with parish councils are:

- a) Monitoring rivers and citizen science – how parish councils can get involved
- b) Restoring and protecting rivers, ponds and wetlands – what PCs can do & how WSRT can help
- c) Exploring and encouraging natural flood management in your parish & exploring nature-based solutions for road run-off
- d) Riverscapes in Neighbourhood Plans
- e) Signposting to other sources of information, e.g., Environment Agency, water companies, potential sources of funding.

Parish and community event on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at South Downs Centre, Midhurst

- 10) **Rogate village 20mph TRO application** – we think these works are planned for 10-15 November and will involve overnight road closure of the A272 – we await confirmation.

**11) Local Government Reform**

- a) LC and OP report from CDC zoom presentation
- b) WSCC survey response required by 13 August [Shaping West Sussex survey | SnapSea](#)

- 12) **Harting Coombe crossroads** accident concerns have been raised by a Milland resident as there have been two recent accidents where cars have gone straight across from Bull Hill ignoring the stop signs.

- a) WS accident data for the last 5 years (from 1/3/2020-28/2/2025) reports three accident records for the location.
- b) AC looked at the junction and thinks re-aligning would be a major and expensive undertaking but it needs better road markings and stop signage.
- c) AC has raised the matter with Highways.
- d) The resident has also raised the matter with YG who has also raised with highways.