

Report to Horndean Parish Council – Meeting Mon 3rd Nov
from District Councillors Elaine Woodard & James Hogan

37 Bus Service Update

Hampshire County Council has responded to our latest correspondence, in which we provided evidence from residents and planning documents showing clear unmet demand on the 37 route, together with information from Stagecoach indicating that additional services could be commercially viable with modest support.

In their reply, HCC confirmed that any proposal for funding must come from the operator. Following this, Cllr Hogan has written to Stagecoach South's Managing Director and Commercial Manager, copying in selected local Parish and District Councillors, as well as the local MP, detailing the evidence of service overcrowding and the references in planning documents to potential commercial viability identified by Stagecoach themselves. The letter invites Stagecoach to work collaboratively with councillors, the County Council, and local developers to explore options for early and late services and a joint funding package to strengthen the route.

Councillor Grants

All district councillors have £7,000 of grant funding for the 2025-26 financial year. To date, grants have been given:

Cllr Hogan

The Kings Arms Youth Project - funding school transition programme in Horndean

South of Butser Speed Watch – new equipment

Petersgate Infant School – outdoor curriculum enhancement

Clanfield Cricket Club – defib & club changing improvements

Clanfield Centre – Summer Festival

Horndean Parish Council -

Jubilee Hall replacement doors & Thursday volunteers waterproof coats

Horndean Community Association – thermal blinds

Petersfield Climate Action – Eco Fair 2026

One project in progress to complete the available funding.

Cllr Woodard

The Kings Arms Youth Project – funding school transition programme in Horndean

Horndean Parish Council – Jubilee Hall replacement doors

Horndean Community Association – repainting external top floor window frames

Miniland Therapeutics CIC – Miniland Farm playground

Horndean Technology College – Pensioners Christmas Lunch

Half of grant money still available for local groups

Garden Waste Service

There had been some restrictions previously on signing up for the garden waste collection in Horndean, Clanfield & Rowlands Castle but this problem has been resolved and EHDC is advertising for residents to join the garden waste service.

Garden waste subscriptions cost £124 per year for 25 fortnightly collections. In addition real Christmas tree can be collected on the first garden waste collection in the new year. A new 240 litre garden waste bin costs £82 and can be ordered when the subscription is set up.

East Hampshire Dementia Festival

The Dementia Festival, now in its fifth year and which offers support to those affected by dementia was held in Petersfield on Friday 31st October. Around 25 organisations took part.

EHDC has worked in collaboration with a number of dementia friendly groups across the district to produce a directory for people who have been affected by a recent diagnosis of dementia. The directory includes contact details for many local support groups and an easy to use advice checklist so people can keep track of the steps they've taken. A digital version of this directory is available on the council's website.