

Highways, Transport and Planning



You asked, we listened: New highway rangers to help improve West Sussex streets

West Sussex County Council has launched a new Highway Ranger pilot to take action in local communities for cleaner and better-maintained streets.

The new countywide programme will tackle the everyday issues that can make an area look untidy, helping to keep local streets looking cleaner, safer and more welcoming.

The pilot launched on 3 August 2026, starting in Worthing before moving around the county until March 2027.

Highway Rangers will focus on the smaller maintenance jobs that can have a big impact on how an area looks and feels, including:

- Cutting back overhanging vegetation
- Cleaning road and traffic signs

- Clearing debris from drains and other highways drainage features
- Minor repairs to street furniture
- Removing weeds and clearing pavement edges
- Removing unauthorised signs and advertisements
- Minor hedge trimming and decluttering works

Areas of work will be identified by local highways teams working with county councillors, parish and town councils and community groups, alongside issues highlighted through routine inspections.

How to raise issues

While the Highway Rangers will not be able to address every issue raised, they can help make a start and support improvements where possible.

To raise an issue to be considered by the team, email parish-town.enquiries@westsussex.gov.uk with the location, description of the issue and any photos.

Thank you

Thank you to the many teams and community groups who already make a significant contribution to maintaining and enhancing their local areas. Your ongoing commitment and local knowledge play a vital role in keeping communities attractive and well cared for. The Highway Rangers are intended to complement, not replace, these existing efforts.



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