



Henfield Parish Council

Meeting of the Children and Young People Committee held on
Monday 8th June 2026 at 7.30pm in the Henfield Hall.

Present: Cllrs S Leader (Chairman), D Jemmett, G Perry

In attendance: Mrs H Boosey (Parish Administrator – PA)

1 Declaration of Members' Interests

There were none

2 Apologies

Received from Cllrs F Ayres, M Andrews, E Goodyear, A Willard

3 Approval of minutes of meeting 11th May 2026

Approved. Signed and dated by the Chairman.

4 Matters Outstanding

To receive the report circulated before the meeting.

There was a brief discussion about the removal of the graffiti at the Skate Park undertaken by Horsham District Council. Cllr Leader asked whether the Parish Office had been informed that the removal had taken place. The PA informed the committee that the Works Officers had been on site for an inspection when the removal team were in attendance.

Cllr Leader asked to be informed when the repairs to the Accessible Roundabout are taking place so that she can inspect the site and repairs.

Action: PA to inform the committee and the Works Team when the date for the repair to the Accessible Roundabout is confirmed.

There were no other questions about the report.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

5 Chairman's Announcements

Cllr Leader volunteered at the Henfield Football Tournament in May and had arranged to meet with a new Skate Park Operator at the tournament, however it was cancelled.

Action: Cllr Leader to contact the Football Club for details of the Skate Park Operator to rearrange.

Cllr Leader informed the committee that Tom Johnson from the SkateFarm won an award last week for sports coaching.

6 Youth Engagement

1. Review the Map for display on the CYP Noticeboard

There were no further additions to the map.

There followed a discussion about gathering data from each youth organisation with a proforma form.

Action: PA to post map on Youth Noticeboard.

Action: PA to contact the volunteers from the Scouts and Access Henfield re. proforma form.

Action: Cllr Leader and PA to draft email for next Youth Engagement meeting to include proforma, notes of last meeting and the latest version of the map.

7 Skate Park

1. Update from the Working Group.

Meeting arranged for Thu 11 Jun with SkateFarm to determine next steps

Action: WG to create history and progress report for Committee

2. Street Art Wall

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Perry **SECONDED** by Cllr Jemmett and **VOTED ALL IN FAVOUR** to approve expenditure of up to £1,700 to repair the street art wall at the Skate Park using marine ply coated with clear wood preserver, exterior primer and exterior masonry/acrylic paint.

8 Basketball court/ multi-sport court

1. To receive the report from Cllr Andrews.

Cllr Andrews progress report was read to the committee in his absence. The report explained that a local resident has expressed an interest in helping to source funding and that there is support from the Chair of the Sussex Basketball Association.

2. To discuss potential improvements to the basketball/multi-sports court on the King's Field.

There followed a discussion about the use of the court.

Action: PA to arrange a meeting with Cllrs Andrews, Leader and interested parties to discuss potential improvements to the court.

Action: PA to determine whether HLC offer indoor basketball.

9 Future Projects 26/27

1. Chessbrook Green

PA confirmed that the playground is owned by Horsham District Council and maintained by Henfield Parish Council and the land surrounding the playground is owned by Saxon Weald.

Action: PA to arrange a new date for viewing of Chessbrook Green by the Committee.

Action: PA to contact Saxon Weald regarding permission to add additional equipment to the site.

11 Clerk's Report

1. Financial update

At the end of May 2026, the committee were 16.7% through the financial year and have spent 0% of their budget.

Action: PA to check the schedule of payments to the Youth Club.

2. Any further updates

None

12 Any other urgent matters to be raised by councillors

For information Cllr Perry noted that there are ongoing discussions in the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee regarding the treeline at the King's Field behind the Skate Park.

Cllr Perry also informed the committee that there are ongoing discussions about the attendance of the Fun Fair on the common at the Joint Commons Committee.

13 Date and time of next meeting

13th July 2026 at 7.30pm

Meeting Closed at 8.27pm