Goudhurst Parish Council



HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Summary Notes of a Committee Meeting held on 25 August 2020 via Zoom

Campaign for A21 speed reduction.

Greg Clark MP had succeeded in getting a response from Highways England (HE) after 9 months of non-response. As a result, a senior HE officer (Peter Phillips) had agreed to meet with GPC. He did not offer a speed limit reduction, but rather, a possibility of traffic calming by means of road engineering. It was decided to develop strategies for the meeting aiming to achieve a speed limit reduction.

A homemade informal sign warning of 'Accident Black Spot' was suggested as a temporary measure.

Lorry Watch.

Goudhurst Traffic Action Group (GTAG) has installed signs designed by Goudhurst School Children in and around Goudhurst Village asking drivers to be more careful and HGVs to avoid the village. There will be a GTAG meeting at 3pm on Saturday 12 September on the Village Green.

GPC Highways Improvement Plan.

Mr Paul Green, a resident of the Market Place development discussed issues regarding the warning signs and white lining on the road surface next to The Market Place.

The possibility that KCC Public Rights of Way & Access Service could help us obtain funding for our proposed walking route along the verge of Station Road was discussed. Chairman Highways Committee is following up with an updated document.

A262 Iden Green lower speed limit. It was decided to accept the sped reduction to 50mph offered by Chris Koningen rather than press for a mixture of 40 and 50.

Date	Minute	Item	Action	Who	Target Date	Status
10.12.19		Lorry Watch	Pay cost of printing stickers for residents' waste bins on submission of invoice.	Clerk		Open
10.12.19		Speed surveys	Agreed to carry out surveys at three sites at cost of £345 + 2x£65 = £475 + VAT	Clerk		Open
10.12.19		Village designation of Iden Green	To organise details from Cllr Peter Wood's research into an application for lower speed limit based on village designation of Iden Green area.	PW and DB		Open?
25.02.20	6	Old Parsonage Site	Draft letter to TWBC regarding schedule of works and pollution survey	Clerk & DB		Open
25.02.20	7.3	A21 Speed Limit Reduction	Redraft letter to MPS re A21 meeting.	AH	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	4.1	A262 Station Rd	Contact KCC - repainting of 40 mph road markings on bend	Clerks	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	4.1		Chase quote from KCC for 'Max 30' signs for Station Rd	Clerks	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	5.2	A21 Speed Limit Reduction	Draft invitations for MPs to attend A21 meeting	DB	Aug- 20	Open
23.06.20	7.1.4	Footway beside A262	Draft letter to Kent Highways	DB/ Clerk	Aug- 20	Open
23.06.20	7.1.5	Children in road signs - Tennis Club	Clarify position of the sign with Kent Highways and to chase the quotation	Clerks	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	7.1.6	Lidwells Corner	Arrange meeting with residents - causes of collisions	DB	?	Open
23.06.20	7.1.7	Virtual Platform - Goudhurst Inn	Visit to take photos and report back to Committee	DB? Volunteer?	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	8.1	HGV trial area	DB to send report from KCC members working group to Committee	DB	Jul-20	Open
23.06.20	8.2	Residents' Emails	Reply to emails	DB	Jul-20	Open