

LEAD MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Transport and Environment, Councillor Claire Dowling, on 16 March 2026 at Committee Room, County Hall, Lewes

Councillor Wright spoke on item 6 (see minute 57)

51. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 16 FEBRUARY 2026

51.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2026.

52. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

52.1 There were none.

53. URGENT ITEMS

53.1 There were none.

54. REPORTS

54.1 Reports referred to in the minutes below are contained in the minute book.

55. PROGRAMME OF TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENTS 2026/27

55.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

DECISIONS

55.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

(1) agree the draft programme of transport improvements for 2026/27 set out in Appendix 2 of the report;

(2) agree the allocation of County Council funding, development contributions, active travel funding, Bus Grant, Local Growth Fund and Town Deal monies towards specific improvements identified in the 2026/27 programme set out in Appendix 2 of the report;

(3) note that the 2026/27 programme of transport improvements will be included in the initial Sussex and Brighton Mayoral Combined County Authority (MCCA) Local Transport Delivery Plan submitted to Government in March 2026, and the more detailed delivery plan for the period up to 2029/30 to be submitted in September 2026; and

(4) agree the proposed allocation of the bus grant capital allocation up to 2029/30 as set out in Tables 1 and 2 in section 2 of the report which will also feed into the Sussex and Brighton MCCA Local Transport Delivery Plan.

REASONS

55.3 The draft programme of local transport improvements for 2026/27 represents a balanced programme of improvements which supports the key objectives of both the previous Local Transport Plan (LTP3), and the recently adopted Plan (LTP4) and its principles of 'planning for people and places'.

55.4 Whilst there are various schemes in the 2026/27 programme of transport improvements that support the delivery of LTP4 and its principles of 'planning for people and places', there are several legacy schemes which are reflective of the previous LTP3 and its priorities which will need to continue through to construction. The introduction of a revised scheme request assessment approved by the Lead Member for Transport and Environment in September 2025 will mean new schemes included in the programme of transport improvements will closely align with delivering the objectives of LTP4.

55.5 The draft programme for the allocation of County Council funding, development contributions, active travel funding, Bus Grant, Local Growth Fund and Town Deal monies towards specific improvements identified in the 2026/27 programme was considered and endorsed by the cross-party Member Panel on 25 February 2026.

55.6 The 2026/27 programme will feed into the initial Sussex and Brighton Mayoral Combined County Authority (MCCA) Local Transport Delivery Plan that will be submitted to Government on 20 March 2026, as well as the final detailed delivery plan for 2026/27 to 2029/30 submitted to Government in September 2026.

56. EAST SUSSEX AND BRIGHTON AND HOVE RECORD OFFICE COLLECTIONS POLICIES

56.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

56.2 It was noted that there were 3 typographical errors within the policies at Appendix 1, 2 and 3 of the report.

56.3 Paragraph 6.2 of Appendix 1 is to be corrected as follows:

Format and transfer of digital records will be discussed with depositors prior to acceptance. See the East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office Digital Preservation Policy.

56.4 The bookmark link for 'Policy aims' within the 'Contents' of Appendix 2 is to be corrected to replace the broken link.

56.5 Paragraph 5.1 of Appendix 3 is to be corrected as follows:

Material from private individuals, societies, groups, clubs, businesses, families and others that generally constitute a 'Category 6' accession, will either be Deposited (Loaned) or Donated (Gifted) to East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office. Deposited collections will remain the property of the Depositor, whilst a Donated collection (a 'Gift') will become the property of East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office on accession.

DECISIONS

56.6 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

(1) approve the East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office Collections Development Policy, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report;

(2) approve the East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office Selection, Appraisal and Disposal Policy as set out in Appendix 2 of the report; and

(3) approve the East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office Collections Information Statement as set out in Appendix 3 of the report.

REASON

56.7 The policies set out at Appendices 1, 2 and 3 of the report are required for East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Record Office to share agreed working practices with customers and staff, demonstrate adherence to national standards for archival best practice, and to maintain Accredited Archive status and appointment as a Place of Deposit for public records.

57. EASTBOURNE TOWN CENTRE PHASE 2A EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

57.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

DECISIONS

57.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

(1) note the previous development work that has been undertaken in relation to the Eastbourne Town Centre Movement and Access Package 2a, Terminus Road (Cornfield Road to Langney Road); and

(2) agree that Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders are advertised post construction in relation to vehicular access and timings within the Eastbourne Town Centre Movement and Access Package Phase 2a project.

REASONS

57.3 The Eastbourne Town Centre Movement and Access Package: Phase 2a scheme, has received substantial South East Local Enterprise Partnership Local Growth Fund funding to enhance pedestrian safety and accessibility in Eastbourne's town centre. The County Council is acting as the project deliverer for the scheme, which must be delivered by August 2026.

57.4 Based on continued stakeholder engagement and feedback received and to ensure the County Council meets its statutory duties for consultation on Traffic Regulation Orders, the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order is to be advertised on completion of construction in relation to vehicular access and timings on the scheme.

57.5 Following the outcomes of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order consultation a further report detailing any unresolved objections will be presented to the County Council's Planning Committee for its consideration.