

LEAD MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Communities and Safety, Councillor Bill Bentley, on 29 November 2018 at County Hall, Lewes

Councillor Stephen Shing spoke on item 4 (see minute 17)

14 DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 25 OCTOBER 2018

14.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 October 2018.

15 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

15.1 Councillor Stephen Shing declared a personal interest in item 4 in that he is a resident of Coppice Avenue, but he did not consider this to be prejudicial.

16 REPORTS

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

17 PETITION TO REDUCE THE SPEED TO 20MPH AND TO INVESTIGATE THE ROAD STRUCTURE IN FARMLANDS WAY, FARMLANDS AVENUE AND COPPICE AVENUE IN POLEGATE AND WILLINGDON

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

17.2 Mrs Deborah Tyler, Mr Melvyn Tyler and Ms Lynda Nichols spoke in support of the petition's aims on behalf of local residents. The written comments of Mrs Pauline Sharpe, another Lead Petitioner, were read out.

DECISIONS

17.3 The Lead Member RESOLVED to inform the petitioners that (1) a reduction in the 30mph speed limit to 20mph in Farmlands Way, Farmlands Avenue and Coppice Avenue in Polegate and Willingdon, is not a priority for the County Council; and

(2) the road surface is not in need of repair apart from a section outside of 40 Farmlands Way, and there should be a broader investigation of the construction and setting of the concrete slabs and how this can best be managed in the long term.

Reasons

17.4 A 20mph speed limit in Farmlands Way, Farmlands Avenue and Coppice Avenue is not a priority for the County Council at the present time due to its relatively good safety record.

17.5 The County Council will be looking to carry out a minor repair to one section of the road outside house number 40 on Farmlands Way which was found to be in poorer condition than the

rest of the road. This will include removing two of the slabs and replacing them with a tarmac construction.

17.6 East Sussex Highways officers will meet with residents on-site, to investigate and discuss other areas of concern on Farmlands Way, Farmlands Avenue and Coppice Avenue.