

LEAD MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Transport and Environment, Councillor Claire Dowling, on 17 January 2022 at County Hall, Lewes

Councillors Stephen Shing and Wendy Maples spoke on item 4 (see minute 36)

Councillors Godfrey Daniel and Julia Hilton spoke on item 5 (see minute 37)

34. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 13 DECEMBER 2021

34.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2021.

35. REPORTS

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

36. PETITION CALLING ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL TO REDUCE THE SPEED OF TRAFFIC IN JEVINGTON

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

36.2 Comments from the Lead Petitioner received after publication of the agenda were read out, and the Lead Member referred to an email from the Jevington Residents' Association. The Lead Member thanked the Lead Petitioner.

DECISIONS

36.3 The Lead Member RESOLVED to advise the petitioners that:

- (1) Speed humps or a traffic calming scheme in the Green Lane area of Jevington are not a priority for the County Council at the present time;
- (2) A traffic calming scheme in Jevington does not currently meet the benchmark score for consideration within a future capital programme, but they may wish to contact Willington and Jevington Parish Council to determine their interest in a community funded scheme through the Community Match initiative. A Feasibility Study (at a cost of £500) would be required prior to a Community Match application; and
- (3) The existing traffic signs on the approaches to Green Lane will be reviewed to identify whether any improvements would be appropriate.

Reasons

36.4 The resources that are available for road safety are limited and priority must be given to locations with a history of personal injury crashes. As part of this year's Road Safety Programme for Local Safety Sites, the County Council has identified 59 locations where at least four personal injury crashes have occurred in the latest three-years. As the safety record within the extent of the 30mph speed limit at Jevington is very good, a road hump at Green Lane, as part of a wider traffic calming scheme in Jevington, is not an identified road safety priority for the County Council

37. A259 DENMARK PLACE/A2101 ALBERT ROAD, HASTINGS, PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS

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

DECISIONS

37.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to (1) Note the responses to the stakeholder consultation and public information exercise on the proposed pedestrian crossing improvements set out in this report; and

(2) Approve the proposed changes to the pedestrian crossing facilities at the junction of the A259 Denmark Place/A2101 Albert Road to improve accessibility to the seafront and encourage more active travel and progress the scheme to detailed design and construction.

Reasons

37.3 Improvements to the pedestrian crossing facilities at the A259 Denmark Place/A2101 Albert Road junction in Hastings town centre will help to improve accessibility to the seafront and encourage more active travel. In turn, this will contribute towards the County Council's commitment of net zero carbon emissions by 2050 or earlier if possible, and the Government's decarbonising transport agenda.

37.4 No objections have been received following the stakeholder consultation and public information on the proposals although requests for additional provisions have been received which will be considered and incorporated where possible as part of the detailed design.

38. VIRIDOR IN EAST SUSSEX COMMUNITY FUND

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

DECISIONS

38.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to approve the constitution of the Viridor in East Sussex Board, which will assess applications to the Community Fund and award funding, as set out in paragraph 2.4 - 2.9 and appendix 3 of the report.

Reasons

38.3 Limone is committed to Social Value and, during the procurement process of the processing and disposal of dry mixed recyclables contract, proposed a Community Fund. The value is £15,000 per year for local projects that deliver benefits to the local community. It has taken some time to agree and prepare the administration for the fund. We are in year three of the contract and now have a total fund of £45,000 available to award to successful applicants.

38.4 Since the fund went live and was advertised on 21 September 2021, we have had five applications that are waiting to be assessed by the Board. It is hoped that the Board can be assembled, and a meeting can be organised early in 2022. In consultation with ESCC, Limone has produced documents that set out the governance and constitution of the Community Fund.

