



## GATEWAY TO THE SOUTH DOWNS

### PLUMPTON PARISH COUNCIL AND EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE STRENGTHENING LOCAL RELATIONSHIPS LIAISON MEETING ON 4<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2010 AT 2.00pm IN PLUMPTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ROOM

**Present:** Plumpton Parish Council

Mr R Taylor Chairman Plumpton PC (RT)  
Mrs K Wride Chairman Highways PPC (KW)

Mrs E Cullen Clerk PPC  
Councillor M. Stroude (MS)

**East Sussex County Council**  
Andy Brooke (AB) Highway Maintenance Manager  
Ian Johnson (IDJ) Traffic and Safety Manager

Item	Subject	Action
1.	<u>Apologies</u> Mr O St John and Mrs Sophie Coleman	
2.	The minutes of the meeting held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2010 were signed as a true record by RT and AB.	
3.	No matters arising other than those covered during the meeting.	
4.	<u>Highway Maintenance</u> AB reported that surface dressing had taken place on the first section of South Road had. Potholes would be repaired overnight on 21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2010 on Plumpton Lane; it was necessary to close the road to get the job done in one go.	
5.	<u>Rights of Way</u> Sophie Coleman was not present at the meeting. Agenda Items: Plumpton 13a - PC to request from ROW when this footpath is to re-open after temporary repair. Footpath 17a: PC to request from ROW when the work will be take	Clerk



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6	<p><b><u>Speeding Concerns/traffic calming measures</u></b>  <b>(as listed in PPC Highway Safety – Strategy Objectives)</b></p> <p>1.1 IDJ – Not sure what has happened with the signs. I will chase this up.</p> <p>1.2 Ongoing.</p> <p>1.3 Residents have asked for lines at the end of West Gate as on NADFAS and Jumble Sale days people park very close to the junction with Station Road.  RT – I am buying some cones, and will give them to residents who have requested them, and keep some to put on the road junctions when these events take place.  IDJ – There have been two requests for white lines from residents. I don't think yellow lines would work.</p> <p>1.4 IDJ – Ongoing at Half Moon. Signage at White Bridge has Improved things.  AB – Not replacing bollards at the Half Moon – on Pitstop and owner cannot be traced.</p> <p>1.5 This is with the Police.</p> <p>2.1 Plan produced by NR which is their land (parking issues)</p> <p>2.2 KW – Signs did not appear from the PCSO. Will chase.  IDJ – Have been looking at this for years. A rail was Discounted.  RT – Plenty of parking round the side of the shop.</p> <p>3.1 With the Police</p> <p>3.2 With the Police – PCSO has been in village with speed gun.</p> <p>3.3 With the Police.</p> <p>4.1 Radar boxes put up.  IDJ – Looking at speeding on the outskirts of the village – Reducing speeds on the whole of Plumpton Lane is not realistic. The speed from the sign for Plumpton Green to the beginning of village could in future be reduced but only to 40 mph, not 30 mph.</p> <p>4.2 Ongoing.</p> <p>4.3 KW – Radar boxes in for a week. Please can you request Linda Sawyer to send the data to the PC.</p> <p>4.4 See above.</p> <p>4.5 KW Speed Watch – waiting for results of survey from boxes.  IDJ - Get people out there to man the gun.  KW – Would there be any funding from ESCC.  IDJ – No, it's a Police lead thing. Until the data comes back, don't know what will be needed.  KW – What about the chicane in Ditchling, do you have to have street lights?  IDJ – No necessarily.</p> <p>4.6 List for ongoing road works had been sent to PC by Simon Marchant</p>	<p>IDJ</p> <p>KW</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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7	<p><b><u>Transport -</u> Intentions of NR to straighten the road at level crossing to make implementation of modern crossing gates easier.</b></p> <p><b>KW – How could they straighten the road?</b>  <b>RT – Thought the problem was at the site line.</b>  <b>KW – Would there be flashing lights just north of the racecourse southern entrance. How would they change the road? Would there be an order?</b>  <b>AB – All sorts of legal agreements would be needed.</b>  <b>KW – Has ESCC been approached by NR?</b>  <b>IDJ and AB – Have heard nothing.</b>  <b>RT – A suggestion was made to modernize the existing gates.</b>  <b>KW – Is the CC able to help in any way?</b>  <b>MS – No-one consulted for the ones at Cooksbridge and other villages.</b>  <b>RT – 20 years ago when British Rail wanted half barriers there was a 2 year consultation, but the legislation has changed since then.</b>  <b>MS – The presentation at the APM was not good, there were no Health and Safety concerns.</b>  <b>KW – I had a good meeting with Martin Butler NR last week and he answered all my questions. Straightening the road could cause a problem, including safety of those who attend the play group.</b>  <b>MS – I don't think ESCC get involved.</b>  <b>KW – Would the Public Transport section be involved? NR are keen to move the bus stop, would it be easy.</b>  <b>IDJ – Public Transport can move a bus stop, they would have to apply to me to look at Highway safety. If you move a bus stop, the kerb has to be made higher and also it has to be made disabled friendly – it costs a lot of money.</b>  <b>KW – NR would cost out three options. Changing the bus stop would have to be factored in.</b>  <b>AB – Not easy to put in higher kerbs.</b>  <b>MS – There would have to be liaison with the bus company regarding schedules etc. NR would have to go to ESCC bus section.</b></p> <p><b>8 Construction and Planned Maintenance – South Road – C6 Surface Dressing from Honeygot Lane to Station Road under a road closure. Starts 9th June 2010 for anticipated half day duration.</b>  <b>A B – Surface dressing programme weather dependent.</b></p>	
9	<b><u>Any Other Business -</u> None.</b>	
10	<b><u>Date and Time of next meeting -</u> 20<sup>th</sup> July, , 2010 Committee Room Village Hall at 2pm.</b>	<b>ALL</b>
11	<b>THESE MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM ONLY AND WILL BE RATIFIED AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2010.</b>	