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### **Roads & Traffic Committee**

### Minutes of the meeting held at 8pm on Thursday 10th October 2025

Present: Mrs J White (Chairman), Mr A Burton, Mr P Ceccherini, Mrs A King, and Mr M

Sheldon

In Attendance: Ms N Ripert (Clerk), Mrs Kate West (Communications & Admin Officer), Mrs M

Dormer, Mrs A Kyle, and & Mr A Symonds

**Public Question Time:** A member of the public, who has recently moved to the area and now resides on Ardingly Road, attended the meeting to raise concerns regarding the volume and speed of traffic in that area. He expressed particular concern for the safety of children and parents walking to and from Holy Trinity Primary School. The resident informed the Parish Council that he had already escalated the issue to West Sussex County Council and was now seeking the support of Cuckfield Parish Council (CPC) in advocating for appropriate safety measures. CPC advised the resident to also contact the local County Councillor for further support and representation at the county level.

#### RT014 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Oversby-Powell offered his apologies which were accepted.

RT015 To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any matter on the agenda (The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If you become aware, during the course of a meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item you must immediately disclose it.)

None

RT016 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2025 were approved and signed

**RT017** To note the Actions List

All actions were noted.

RT018 To receive an update regarding the proposed 20mph zone within Cuckfield along London Lane/Broad Street/High & South Street

No further updates were available at this time. Cllr White agreed to chase Cllr Bradbury for updates.

RT019 To receive an update regarding the implementation of a 30mph zone from the roundabout at Tylers Green through to the Bolnore roundabout

Committee agreed that, following the recent accident that occurred last week, it was now more urgent than ever to request the implementation of the 30mph speed limit on Tylers Green. It was noted, however, that the deadline for the submission of the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) had unfortunately been missed, and the application will be assessed as part of the 2026/27 Community Highways Scheme (CHS) process.

Cuckfield Parish Council adopted the General Power of Competence on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025, all decisions made during this meeting are done so under this power.

In light of recent accidents, Cllr White agreed to write to the County Councillor to request that this process be expedited.

# RT020 To receive an update on the traffic projects for the Glebe Road roundabout, railings on London Lane and the yellow hatched box by the old chemist

Committee noted that these projects were initiated by the task force established by the County Councillor, and that no updates were currently available.

### RT021 To consider the purchase of another set of SIDs

Committee agreed to prepare and adjust the budget accordingly for the following financial year to allow for the planned purchase of the new SIDs. Additionally, Committee advised the Clerk to contact the Burgess Hill Town Clerk to enquire about their SIDs installation and the supplier used.

# RT022 To note the updates from the last Traffic Steering Group meeting and consider the proposed actions

No updates were available at this time.

### RT023 To receive an update on encouraging more residents to get involved with speed watching

Cllr White conducted a social media campaign to encourage greater resident involvement. Committee agreed to undertake further marketing efforts to help generate additional interest and engagement.

#### RT024 To note the speed watch results

Committee noted the recent speed watch results. It was reported that 94% of drivers caught speeding did not reoffend and Cllr White reiterated that more speed watchers were needed. Cllr White observed as well that the high visibility of the Speed Watch team had a positive impact, as it generally encouraged drivers to reduce their speed.

### RT025 To receive an update on encouraging the reporting of potholes by residents

Committee noted that a social media campaign had been conducted across various social media platforms and community pages, advising residents on how to report potholes to WSCC. Cllr White added that the potholes which had been reported were now being repaired.

### RT026 To consider the installation of barriers or bollards on Whitemans Green near the roundabout

Following the recent incident at that location, Committee considered the potential installation of barriers or bollards and resolved not to proceed with this suggestion. Regrettably, it was noted that any such installation would be unlikely to prevent a vehicle from mounting the pavement, and WSCC had advised that resources would need to be focused on areas considered to be of higher risk.

# RT027 To note/discuss any accidents added onto the spreadsheet (circulated) Noted

# RT028 To note items arising after the preparation of this agenda which the Chairman agrees to take as urgent. Such matters will be for noting only or deferral to a future meeting only None

The meeting closed at 8.48pm	Signed:
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