



DITCHLING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ditchling Traffic Committee Meeting held at Ditchling Village Hall (lower hall), Ditchling on Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 1pm

Present: Cllrs. Stapleton (Chair), and Orme
Mrs J Goodbourn (Underhill Lane Community Association)

Tracey Euesden (Clerk)

Public Participation:

1 Member of the public was present.

001.	Apologies for absence. Were received from Cllr Barna & Cllr Mills (Westmeston Parish Council) and Mary Flynn (The Ditchling Society)
002.	Declarations of interest. There were no Declarations of Interest.
003.	To Receive the <u>Terms of Reference</u> for the Committee. The Terms of Reference were received.
004.	To Receive the notes from the <u>Traffic Working Group Meeting</u> held on 19th March 2025. The notes from the meeting were received.
005.	To Review and update on Priority Projects. 5.1 Mobile Speed Indicator Devices. The Clerk has contacted ESCC Highways to request a site meeting to agree exact locations for the poles in so that licences can be applied for. <i>Action: TE to chase</i> 5.2 Village Gateways. Wilbar Associates to be asked to produce designs and costings for each location. <i>Action: TE to contact Wilbar Associates.</i> 5.3 Village Crossroads. Wilbar Associates has requested further information regarding the idea of installing buff pavers. <i>Action: RS to make contact.</i> 5.4 Extension of 20 mph Speed Zone. Due to the estimated costs of speed cushions, it was suggested that consideration be given to reviewing the extent of the zone and to explore a less expensive solution. <i>Action: RS to include this in discussions with Wilbar.</i>
006.	Working with Local Community Groups. 6.1 Underhill Lane Community Association (ULCA). Wilbar's comments with regard to the installation of gateways at Underhill Lane were noted but as residents had expressed support for the project, it was AGREED that it would be progressed. JG has provided a briefing document which will be shared with Wilbar. There is a preference

	for rumble strips to be included in the design but costings would need to be obtained. JG reported that the residents would wish to see all funding opportunities exhausted before committing to cover the full costs of implementation. She referred to grants from Lewes District Council CIL but applications are required before 31st May. The residents would like to include additional signage to warn of horse riders along with the existing “Access only” and “No Access for motor vehicles” signs. It was AGREED That Wilbar be asked to prioritise the drawings and costings for the Underhill Lane gateways in the hope that these can be produced in time for a grant application to be made before the end of the month. <i>Action: TE to contact Wilbar</i> <i>JG to measure the width of the banks on either side of the road.</i> 6.2 Other Community Groups RS had been in contact with a resident of Lewes Road regarding the condition of the road surface, lack of maintenance and safety issues. RS referred to the activities of ULCA and said that the formation of other residents’ groups should be encouraged.
	Date of next meeting: 15th July 2025 2:30 pm

The meeting closed at 2 pm.