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# A meeting of the Chanctonbury County Local Committee will be held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday, 11 July 2018 at Pulborough Community Centre, Swan View, Pulborough RH20 2BF

#### **Tony Kershaw**

Director of Law and Assurance

#### **Your local County Councillors**



Pat Arculus Pulborough



**David Barling**Bramber
Castle



Lionel Barnard Henfield



Paul Marshall Storrington

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#### **Agenda**

#### 7.00 pm 1. **Election of Chairman**

The Committee is asked to elect a Chairman for the Chanctonbury County Local Committee for the 2018/19 municipal year

#### 7.00 pm 2. **Welcome and Introductions**

The Members of Chanctonbury CLC are Pat Arculus, Member for Pulborough, Lionel Barnard, Member for Henfield, David Barling, Member for Bramber Castle and Paul Marshall, Member for Storrington.

#### 7.05 pm 3. **Declarations of Interests**

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#### 7.10 pm 4. **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 7 March 2018 (cream paper)

#### 7.15 pm 5. **Urgent Matters**

Items not on the agenda that the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances.

#### 7.20 pm 6. **Progress Statement** (Pages 9 - 18)

The document contains brief updates on statements of progress made on issues raised at previous meeting. The Committee is asked to note the report.

# 7.30 pm 7. **Coastal Care: 'Inspiring Healthier Communities Together'**- Local **Community Networks (LCNs)**

Members will receive a presentation from representatives leading the new Coastal Care programme on the development of Local Community Networks (LCNs) in the Chanctonbury area.

LCNs are bringing together a network of health, council, voluntary sector providers and patients, who are working together to create more effective joined-up services and community support to improve the health and wellbeing for their whole local population.

# 7.50 pm 8. Partridge Green - Bines Road - Proposed Traffic Regulation Order (CBY01(18/19)) (Pages 19 - 30)

Report attached by Director of Highways and Transport & Head of Highway Engineering.

The Committee is asked consider the objections to the scheme, and the responses in Appendix B, and make a recommendation

to implement the reduction of speed in conjunction with the extra measures recommended by Sussex Police as detailed in the report.

#### 8.10 pm 9. Talk With Us

To invite questions from the public present at the meeting on subjects other than those on the agenda.

The Committee request, where possible, that members of the public submit their questions at least 3 working days before the meeting to allow a substantive answer to be given. Questions should be submitted to monique.smart@westsussex.gov.uk

# 8.25 pm 10. **Community Initiative Funding (CBY02(18/19))** (Pages 31 - 38)

Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.

The report summarises the Community Initiative Funding applications received via The West Sussex Crowd. The Committee is invited to consider the applications and pledge funding if appropriate.

# 8.40 pm 11. **Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies** (Pages 39 - 40)

There are no nominations of Authority School Governors but the Committee is asked to note the vacancy list.

#### 8.45 pm 12. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will take place at 7pm on **Wednesday 21 November at The Steyning Centre** 

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#### To: All members of the Chanctonbury County Local Committee

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silent for the duration of the meeting.

#### **Chanctonbury County Local Committee**

Wednesday 7 March 2018 – At a meeting of the Committee held at 7.00 p.m. at The Steyning Centre.

Present: Mr David Barling (Member for Bramber Castle) (Chairman), Mrs Pat Arculus (Member for Pulborough), Mr Lionel Barnard (Member for Henfield) and Mr Paul Marshall (Member for Storrington)

In attendance: Chris Stark (Area Highways Manager), Dean Wadey (Principal Community Officer), Monique Smart (Democratic Services Officer), Nick Burrell (Senior Advisor, Democratic Services)

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

- 44. Mrs Arculus opened the meeting stating that the Chairman had been delayed in traffic. She welcomed everyone including Debbie Kennard, The Cabinet Member for Safer and Stronger Communities. Members and Officers introduced themselves.
- 45. Mrs Arculus stated that agenda item 7 -Coastal Care: 'Inspiring Healthier Communities Together' Local Community Networks, had been postponed until the next meeting in July.
- 46. Mrs Arculus also confirmed that Members had agreed to bring forward agenda item 8 Transforming Grants: Crowdfunding to the start of the meeting.
- 47. Mr David Barling arrived at 7.02pm and took over the Chairmanship of the meeting.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

48. No interests were declared.

#### **Minutes**

49. Resolved – that the minutes of the Chanctonbury County Local Committee meeting held on 15 November 2017 be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

#### **Progress Statement**

- 50. Members considered the statement on matters arising from previous meetings (copy appended to the signed minutes) and made the following comments:
  - Speeding in Storrington –Mr Paul Marshall confirmed that a Community Highways Scheme application would be submitted by the Parish Council in time for the deadline in July.
  - Speed Limit for A2037 Shoreham Road and Henfield Road, Upper Beeding. Following the options paper circulated with the previous minutes, the Area Highways Manager confirmed that officer advice was that the Traffic

Regulation Order (TRO) should not proceed without engineering measures such as Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) but that the cost of £15,000 for a VAS would take it over the budget for a TRO. Following much debate the Committee **agreed** to proceed with option 2 which was to invoke clause 1.6 of the Speed Limit Policy and instruct officers to proceed with a 30mph speed limit without engineering measures that will likely receive objection from Sussex Police and is unlikely to be met with compliance. Alongside this the Local Member agreed to ask the Parish Council to submit a new Community Highway Scheme for the engineering measures. It was also suggested that once the speed limit was implemented a temporary VAS be used

- Members welcomed the attached update on Air Quality Action Planning in Cowfold and Storrington. It was suggested that a further update be provided as the projects progress.
- The Chairman also reported that the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure had agreed a further 5 of the top scoring TROs across the County and that 2 of those 5 were in the Chanctonbury area. The top one was for a reduced speed limit in East Street, West Chiltington and the second was for double yellow lines in The Pike, Washington.

#### Talk With Us

- 51. The Chairman invited questions from those in attendance and the following matters were raised and discussed:
  - A Teacher and students from Steyning Grammar School requested the Committee consider the need for a number of crossing points in Steyning. The Area Highways Manager stated that the Safer Routes to School Team are currently working with the local Primary School and looking at the possibility of a school crossing patrol. As the Grammar School have a number of sites and therefore student's move around in the day it was suggested that more permanent crossings should be considered. A local resident with children at the local schools also spoke in support of this proposal. It was agreed that the Area Highway Manager, Schools, Parish Council and Members would arrange a walk around the area and discuss options.
  - A Pulborough Parish Councillor asked for an update on the improvement works in Lower Street, Pulborough. The Area Highways Manager undertook to get an update from the Project Manager.
  - An update was requested on a revised speed limit and crossing for B2135. The Area Highways Manager confirmed that the TRO had been advertised and had received a number of objections so would come back to next CLC for decision.
  - The Chairman of Upper Beeding Parish Council asked for an update on the possibility of a crossing near Dacre Gardens in Upper Beeding. The Area Highways Manager confirmed that a Community Highway Scheme was currently being accessed and moderated.

#### **Transforming Grants: Crowdfunding**

- 52. The Chairman welcomed Nick Burrell, Senior Advisor, Democratic Services. Nick Burrell provided a powerpoint presentation, attached to the signed minutes, detailing the County Councils new approach to community funding using a crowdfunding model.
- 53. Nick Burrell confirmed that the new approach would mean organisations having to apply for Community Initiative Funding (CIF) via a new internet based system. Advice and guidance from the Communities Team and Democratic Services at West Sussex County Council would continue. Applications would still be discussed with local Members and at pre agenda meetings, prior to coming to the CLC for final decision as they do now.
- 54. Nick Burrell also confirmed that groups would have to reach 90% of their target fund for any funds to be released.
- 55. It was hoped the new approach would start in April and there would be the opportunity to review the process after a full year. Members encouraged community groups to consider putting projects on the new system and feedback to Members about the process.

#### **Community Initiative Fund**

- 56. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Law and Assurance (copy appended to the signed minutes), which detailed applications for Community Initiative Funding. The Committee debated the respective merits of the projects for which funding was sought.
- 57. Resolved that the following awards are made:
- 108/CBY West Chiltington Croquet Lawns, £1000 towards new equipment 131/CBY Sussex Clubs for Young People £619.05 towards setting up the Duke of Cornwall Award
- 177/CBY Thakeham Parish Council, £1000 towards playground refurbishment. 184/CBY - Steyning Town Community FC, £2000 towards refurbishment of the
- clubhouse
- 189/CBY Ashington Youth Club, £2000 towards a Youth Shelter
- 194/CBY Trinity Methodist Church, £1000 towards upgrade the fire alarm

#### **Nominations for Authority School Governors**

- 58. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Education and Skills (copy attached to the signed minutes).
- 59. Resolved -That the Committee approved the following nominations:-

Nomination for Appointment:

Mrs Sue Meekings for a four year term to Storrington Primary School

Nomination for Reappointment:

Mr Bruce Wallace for a four year term to Ashington C.E. Primary School

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

- 60. The Chairman confirmed that the next meeting of the Committee will take place on Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 7pm at Pulborough Village Hall.
- 61. The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.39pm

Chairman

### **Chanctonbury County Local Committee**

### 11 July 2018

### **Progress Report**

Date & Minute No.	Subject:	Action / Progress	Officer/Member Contact:			
07/03/18 Min 51	Safe crossing points in Steyning	The Safer Routes to School Team are working with the local Primary School and looking at the possibility of a school crossing patrol. The Grammar School would like more permanent crossings. It was agreed that the Area Highway Manager, Schools, Parish Council and Members would arrange a walk around the area and discuss options.	Area Highways Manager			
UPDATE	A site meeting was held with key stakeholders on 18th April 2018 and it was agreed that the Grammar School will liaise with Steyning Parish Council to produce an application for a Community Highway Scheme.					
07/03/18 Min 51	Update on the improvement works in Lower Street, Pulborough.	The Area Highways Manager undertook to get an update from the Project Manager.	Area Highways Manager			
UPDATE	The improvement works in Lower Street are completed. Some footway maintenance works followed on from the improvement scheme and subject to some remedial works associated with this there are no other works programmed for Lower Street.  However, the Area Highway Manager has met with Pulborough Parish					
	proposals.	joing concerns with a view to	_			
Misc	Schemes attached Updates attached on	schemes that have been published but still subject to	previously approved and			



Previosuly agreed Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) in progress 2018/19

TRO	Description	Status
		Implementation stage. Illuminated signs have been moved.
CHA1602 PULBOROUGH A29	Extension of 30mph speed limit,	Order ready to be sealed once 30/40 roundals have been
London Road	north for approx 200m	blacked out
	Speed reduction to 30mph within	
CHA1701 - PARTRIDGE	the village, along Bines Road and	
GREEN Bines Road	Church Road	Decision Report is complete. Awaiting CLC.
	No Loading restrictions installed	
	on North Street. Double yellow	
CHA1801 - STORRINGTON	lines to be installed on Monastery	Formal consultation 7th June, to 28th June. More than 5
North Street	Lane, and West Street	objections received so will report to next available CLC.
CHA1802 - WASHINGTON	Installation of DYLs throughout	Formal consultation 24th May to 15th June. No objections.
The Pike	The Pike	Awaiting implementation.
CHA1803 - WEST	Speed reduction to 20mph around	
CHILTINGTON East Street	Primary School	Awaiting formal consultation, due July 2018.

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**2018 Improvement Scheme Updates (In Current Delivery Programme)** 

Confirm job #	PM	Scheme Name		CLC	May 2018 Update
6008900	Simon Osborne	School Hill, Storrington HGV Signing	HGV signing	Chanctonbury	Design is primarily comnpleted, advertisment of the required TRO is due in June'18 following informal consultation.
64931	Roland Plumb	Lower Street, Pulborough Enhancements	Footway Improvements	Chanctonbury	Works completed in March '18.
6010303	Simon Osborne		Needs increased measures to ensure	Chanctonbury	Gateway 1 complete. Scheme is currently being designed internally within the 18/19 Improvements Programme.
6010304	Peter Bradley		Air quality problem in Cowold village, exacerbated by HGV traffic Provide advisory HGV routing signs on A24 and A23 to avoid Cowfold as requested by the Steering Group	Chanctonbury	Early work has raised concern over the viability of long distance lorry route signing (what message would work and what impact there might be). Considering what data is required.
6010317	Simon Osborne	IPedestrian Improvements to Water Lane	Roundabout with B2139 - On border of Thakeham and Sullington.	Chanctonbury	Preliminary deisgn is complete and Gateway 2 due in May'18 to discuss the most appropriate option to design.
	Peter Bradley	Wiston Bends	Localised road widening, stablilisation and VRS	Chantonbury	Next stage is to review the options appraisal and secure a recommendation. £50k sought for continuation of design. No delivery programme possible at this stage.

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Communi	Community TRO Requests received July 2017/ July 2018 (for selection in November 2018)								
Confirm Enquiry Number	Division	Parish	Dominant Road Name	Local Member	TRO Type Parking / Speed Limit / Moving	Summary			
432789	Henfield	Shermanbury	Fryland Lane	Lionel Barnard	Speed Limit	Request for s reduction of speed along length of rural road			
43347	Pulborough	Pulborough	Swan Bridge	Pat Arculus	Parking Issue	Request for limited waiting restrictions in car parking area just prior to the bridge.			
436476	Storrington	Storrington	Washington Road	Paul Marshall	Speed Limit	Request for speed reduction from 50mph to 40mph. Awaiting speed data			

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#### May 2018 Update Statement for Chanctonbury CLC

# New Community Highway Schemes submitted 2017/ 2018 to be assessed and considered for possible selection for design in 2019/2020 ADP

Confirm Enquiry Number	Applicant	Division	Parish	Local Member	Scheme Name	Description	Comments	Date recieved dd/mm/yy	Approx Cost	CLC
433767	Parish/ Town Council	Bramber Castle	Upper Beeding	David Barling	A283 improved footway		Incorprate area for equestrians to assist South Downs Link users.		£120,000	Chanctonbury
434521	Parish/ Town Council	Storrington	Amberley	Paul A Marshall	B2139 Footway extension	Extend existing footway over culvert to school playing field	Rejected in 2016.	12.01.18	£100,000	Chanctonbury
34035	Parish/ Town Council	Bramber Castle	Upper Beeding	David Barling	A2037 Henfield Road and Shoreham Road - Speed Reduction Measures	Provide speed reduction measures such as Vehicle Activated Signs to slow traffic	Not yet assessed	29.05.18	£20,000	Chanctonbury
34105	Community Group	Storrington	Storrington	Paul A Marshall	Fern Road and adjoining roads traffic calming	Provide measures to reduce traffic flow and speeds	Not yet assessed	29.05.18	£80,000	Chanctonbury

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<b>Chanctonbury County Local Committee</b>	Ref No: CBY01(18/09)
11 July 2018	Key Decision: No
Partridge Green – Bines Road Proposed Traffic Regulation Order	Part I
Report by Director of Highways and Transport & Head of Highway Engineering	Electoral Division(s): Henfield

#### **Summary**

The proposal relates to Bines Road and Church Road retrospectively south and north of the western entrance to High Street, Partridge Green. At their meeting on 2 March 2016 the Chanctonbury County Local Committee (CLC) resolved to promote the lowering of the present 40mph speed limit in this area to 30mph under the March 2010 Speed Limit Policy exception, which allows for the usual link with actual speeds to be disregarded for village speed limits.

Further investigation and consultation with West Grinstead Parish Council and Local Member Mr Lionel Barnard have confirmed the local perception is that a lower speed limit will influence driver behaviour, reduce speeds, and improve road safety.

Following an extended Statutory Public Consultation between 26 October and 16 December 2017 seven objections have been received, including one from Sussex Police which is included in Appendix B to this report.

#### Recommendation

That the Chanctonbury CLC consider the objections to the scheme, and the responses in Appendix B, and make a recommendation to implement the reduction of speed in conjunction with the extra measures recommended by Sussex Police.

#### Proposal

#### 1. Background and Context

- 1.1 At present the existing 40mph speed limit begins, at the southern end, on Bines Road, approx. 100m south of the junction of Bines Road and Star Road. Travelling north, this stretch of road includes approx. 35 frontages and a junction with the High Street, at which point it becomes Church Road. The existing 40mph ends approx. 450m north of the junction of Church Road and Staples Hill.
- 1.2 The present 40mph speed limit is signed at the entry points, and with a series of repeater signs. The area in which the 30mph reduction is proposed is subject to street lighting and repeaters would therefore not be required.

- 1.3 Traffic Speed Data from February 2017 at several points along this length of road indicates that average speeds are in the range of 34mph 42mph in both directions.
- 1.4 Local perception is that a constant 30mph speed limit will influence driver behaviour, slow speeds, and improve road safety. In the latest five years for which data is currently available there have been four collisions, all of low severity, within the area of the proposed speed reduction.

#### 2. Proposal

- 2.1 The proposal is to reduce the 40mph speed limit to 30mph from the current 40mph entrance signs at the south, to a point approximately 20 metres north of the junction of Church Road and Staples Hill, as shown in Appendix A.
- 2.2 It is also proposed, in light of the comments from Sussex Police, that further measures will be taken to reduce vehicles speeds in the area, including the installation of village gates by the Parish Council, and the installation of an area of centre hatching at the northern end of the new restriction.

#### 3. Resources

3.1 It is estimated that the cost of introducing the speed limit signing and associated lining will be approximately £5,000. The proposals are an identified Chanctonbury CLC priority and they pre-date the 2016 TRO process changes.

#### **Factors taken into account**

#### 4. Consultation

- 4.1 The twenty-one day Statutory Public Consultation period was between 26<sup>th</sup> October and 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017. However a further month was allowed for submissions and comments in order to allow for a Highways Officer to attend a West Grinstead Parish Council meeting, extending the consultation period to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Between these dates copies of the drawings and Statements of reasons were placed at the local library, on the County Council website and a Notice was placed in the West Sussex County Times.
- 4.2 The Local Member Mr Lionel Barnard was consulted, as was Sussex Police. Whilst Sussex Police did not lodge a formal objection, they have registered a comment, answered in Appendix B.

#### 5. Risk Management Implications

5.1 Given the recorded average speeds there is a risk that the proposed 30mph limit might not be sufficiently observed by motorists to meet local aspirations for lower speeds and improved safety along this length of road. However the extra measures proposed are designed to ameliorate this risk.

5.2 If the TRO is not introduced the concerns of the local community will not be addressed.

#### 6. Other Options considered

6.1 For this scheme the possibility of a community highways scheme was considered, before being rejected on the grounds that the local community was specifically in favour of a reduced speed limit, for which a community highways scheme would not be necessary.

#### 7. Equality Duty

- 7.1 The Equality Act 2010 bans unfair treatment and seeks equal opportunities in the workplace and in wider society. It also imposes a Public Sector Equality Duty. The protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage/civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 7.2 The protected characteristics have been duly considered and assessed in the course of the consideration of this proposal. No relevant or disproportionate impact upon any of the protected characteristics in the Equality Act 2010 has been identified in the consideration of the proposals detailed in this Report.

#### 8. Social Value

8.1 The reduction of the speed limit along this area of the network is considered to meet with the County Council's Social Value Policy in that it delivers a safer environment for user of the public highway.

#### 9. Crime and Disorder Act Implications

9.1 As noted, the police have registered their concerns regarding the Crime and Disorder Act implications of the proposed speed reduction, and WSCC has sought to address these concerns by taking extra measures to promote compliance. These are the installation of village gates, and the introduction of centre hatching along the northern section of the new speed limit.

#### 10. Human Rights

10.1 It is unlawful for a public authority to act in a way that is incompatible with a convention right. There are no concerns regarding any human rights implications in the scheme.

Matt Davey Guy Bell

Director of Highways and Transport Head of Highway Engineering

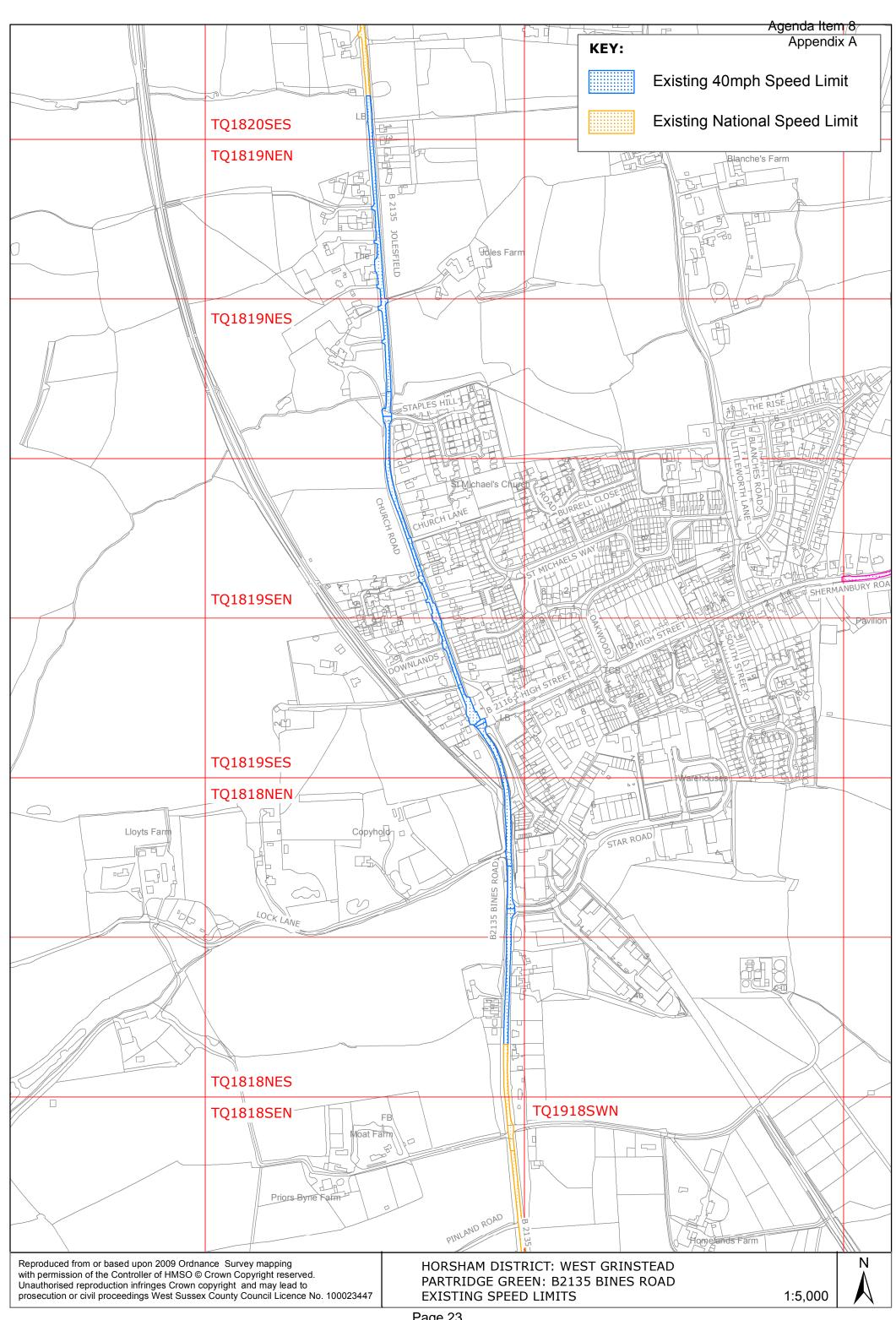
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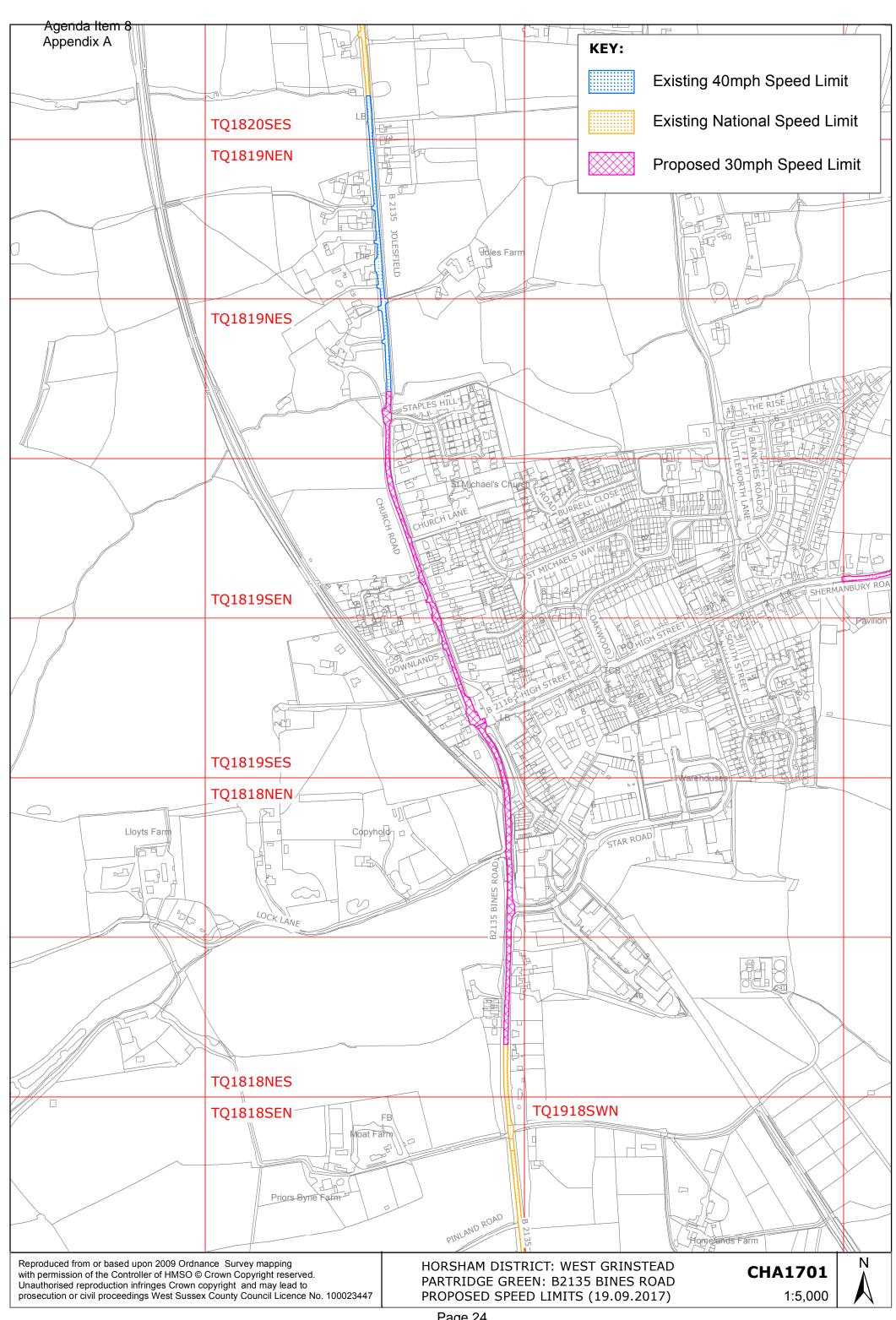
#### **Appendices**

Appendix A – plans of existing restrictions and advertised proposals

Appendix B – summary of objections

**Background Papers: none** 





#### **Objection/Comments Comments from Director of Highways & Transport** Resident of Bramber, West Sussex While the idea can be supported in The original proposal for the scheme principle, the order falls short in its did indeed include the point where scope. the Downslink route meets the The justification correctly refers to the B2135, however the speed data did high usage by cyclists and walkers of not support the installation of a the section of the road south of the 30mph in this section of the road old railway bridge, then stops the 30 against our Speed Limit Policy. It limit some 170m short of where the falls out of the area that could be Downslink route meets the B-road. If considered a part of this proposal, you are that worried about vulnerable utilising the March 2010 Policy road user safety you would either exception. provide an off-road alternative route, or continue the 30 limit south of the Downslink section. Resident of Partridge Green 1. The text inaccurately describes the 1. Appendix A accurately shows the location of the TRO extent of the proposed restriction. 2. Signage will impinge on visibility 2. This is an issue that can certainly from the driveway of Jolesfield House be avoided at the point of implementation. We have scope to make slight adjustments to the location of entry and exit terminals within (but not in excess of) the proposed restriction. 3. The northern end of the TRO is 3. The extra measure to be taken located at the bottom of a hill and will by WSCC, to install centre hatching give rise to unpredictable vehicle in the northern extent of the new speeds at the junction of Staples Hill restriction, is specifically designed and the driveway of Jolesfield House to answer to this point. The contention is that centre hatching creates a visual narrowing of the carriageway and therefore engenders more considered driving behaviour and speeds. 4. The TRO is not addressing local 4. As stated, a 30mph restriction at concerns regarding speeding, as the the southern end of the village local concern is greater at the would fall out of the WSCC speed southern end of the village. policy both in terms of the speed data and the easement in the policy. The greater number of supportive comments received during the formal consultation period (29 expressions of support,

against 7 objections) suggests that there is local support for the scheme even in its reduced form. 5. The proposal is unenforceable 5. The extra measure to be taken by WSCC, to install centre hatching in the northern extent of the new restriction, and for the installation of village gates, are both intended to assist in bringing vehicle speeds down, thus making the restriction as self-enforcing as possible. 6. The scheme therefore does not 6. With the extra measures being provide benefits that outweigh the put in place we do not anticipate Crime and Disorder Act implications significant Crime and Disorder issues. 7. The scheme will compromise the 7. The proposed speed limit will conform to WSCC Speed Policy, with effectiveness of existing speed limits around the country its stated aim to provide consistency of speed limit setting across the county while also meeting local concerns regarding the speed of traffic in villages. 8. Where there is non-compliance it is 8. The extra measure to be taken likely that pedestrians and other by WSCC, to install centre hatching vulnerable road users may be at in the northern extent of the new greater risk because they will have the restriction, and for the installation expectation that traffic will be of village gates, are both intended travelling at 30mph or less and so to assist in bringing vehicle speeds may unwittingly endanger themselves down. by misreading the speed of vehicles when crossing the road. 9. WSCC Speed Limit Policy 3.4 9. The Speed Limit Policy is (30mph easement for villages) is considered to conform to national flawed and open to legal challenge guidance and to be fit for purpose. and judicial criticism Resident of Partridge Green 1. The balance of supportive 1. The northerly stretch of the proposed 30mph limit change runs comments, as against objections, suggests that there is local support from Staples Hill to Partridge Green High Street. This is a straight stretch for the speed reduction, which conforms with policy under the of road with no parked cars -30mph easement for villages. accidents over the past ten years have been few and none due to speeding -

it easily accommodates a 40mph limit.

- 2. No consideration has been given to how this speed limit will be enforced with implications regarding the Crime and Disorder Act that WSCC are obliged to consider. It is certain that a reduced limit will increase noncompliance with the law. In their background document para 9:3 WSCC are obliged to review changes in speed limits with regard to the Crime and Disorder Act what reviews have they carried out to date?
- 3. The public consultation procedure has been compromised by the failure of the WSCC Traffic Officer to turn up at a public meeting convened on 13/11/17 to give residents and the Parish Council an opportunity to ask questions relating to the TRO. At this meeting the Parish Council did not seem to be aware of the Crime and Disorder Act implications of the scheme and it should therefore not be implemented.
- 4. Despite requests from the Parish Council WSCC have not released the background traffic data from their monitoring exercise carried out earlier in the year, relating to the TRO this information can be obtained under the Freedom of Information Act.

- 2. The Speed Limit Policy is considered to conform to national guidance and to be fit for purpose. The extra measure to be taken by WSCC, to install centre hatching in the northern extent of the new restriction, and for the installation of village gates, are both intended to assist in bringing vehicle speeds down, thus making the restriction as self-enforcing as possible.
- 3. The WSCC Traffic Officer was unable to attend the public meeting on 13/11/17, however he was able to attend the public meeting in December and was able to discuss the Crime and Disorder implications of the scheme.
- 4. WSCC has received one FOI request in relation to this TRO. All relevant documents were released on that occasion and would be again were we to receive a further FOI request. All Traffic data is available to view by the general public on the Roads and Travel pages of the WSCC website.

#### Resident of Partridge Green

- 1. There have been few accidents on this stretch of road over the past ten years and according to West Sussex police data none have been due to speeding. The traffic flow at present is perfectly acceptable.
- 2. West Sussex County Council are ignoring national policy government guidelines in their approach to reducing speed limits in villages across the county. Sussex police have also stated that this reduction in speed limit is unenforceable and refuse to accept responsibility.
- 1. The balance of supportive comments, as against objections, suggests that there is local support for the speed reduction, which conforms with WSCC policy under the 30mph easement for villages.
- 2. WSCC are mandated to conform to the Speed Policy as amended in 2010. The extra measures proposed (centre hatching and village gates) are being delivered in order to answer to the concerns of Sussex Police.

- 3. Over the past four years developers have been lobbying to have the speed limit reduced in Church Road as they believe this will increase their chances of having an access approved to a proposed development site of over 100 houses north of The Rosary, something that the village of Partridge Green could well do without.
- 3. This proposal has been brought to WSCC with demonstrable community support, as well as the support of the local county councillor. The assessment of the scheme's merits has been made without reference to any development in the area.

#### Resident of Partridge Green

I am a frequent user of the junction and find it perfectly safe. In terms of traffic safety I am much more concerned by the rumoured (and locally unwanted) housing development at the Rosary. This would result in substantially more traffic than at present, with increased risk of accidents. The proposed change seems designed to facilitate this development, rather than to make a serious contribution to road safety.

This proposal has been brought to WSCC with demonstrable community support, as well as the support of the local county councillor. The assessment of the scheme's merits has been made without reference to any development in the area.

#### Resident of Partridge Green

Objection stated, but no reasons provided.

## Registered Online, without address details

If the 40mph is respected that should not be a problem. Cyclists and pedestrians have a responsibility to look before they cross the road. If the speed limit is dropped it will put much more pressure on delivery companies. Speed flashing signs would work better.

While it is accepted that cyclists and pedestrians have a responsibility to consider their own safety on the public highway, it is difficult to see how a 30mph will put pressure on delivery companies in the area as congestion is not an anticipated consequence of the scheme. Vehicle activated signs could only be considered as part of a Community Highways Scheme due to the cost implications.

#### Comment from Sussex Police

Whilst it is not the intention of Sussex Police to alter its decision not to object to the proposal, but upon reflection and in view of the speed data supplied In response to the concerns of Sussex Police, WSCC has gained an undertaking from West Grinstead Parish Council to fund the

we are concerned there is likely to be low levels of compliance and it is only fair to inform the Authority there is a realistic expectation that a Crime and Disorder Act issue will be generated. As you are aware the Service has limited capacity and resilience and will assume that if correctly placed, speed limits will be self-enforcing and that the Highway Authority will be responsible for ensuring it meets those aims.

installation of village gates, whilst WSCC will implement a section of centre hatching in the northern area of the scheme, all with the intention of lowering vehicle speeds.



#### **Chanctonbury County Local Committee**

**Community Initiative Funding** 

11 July 2018

**Report by Director of Law and Assurance** 

Ref:	CBY02 (18/19)
Key I	Decision:
No	
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	oral Divisions:
All in	<b>Chanctonbury</b>

**CLC Area** 

#### Recommendation

i) That the Committee considers the pitches made to the Community Initiative Funding as set out in Appendix A and pledge funding accordingly.

#### **Proposal**

#### 1. Background and Context

The Community Initiative Fund (CIF) is a County Local Committee (CLC) administered fund that provides assistance to local community projects. Bids should show evidence of supporting one or more of The Five Ways to Wellbeing - a set of evidence-based actions which promote people's wellbeing. They are: Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give.

The terms and conditions, eligibility criteria and overall aim of the CIF have been agreed by all CLC Chairmen and they, along with details of the Five Ways of Wellbeing, can be found on the County Local Committee pages of the West Sussex County Council website using the following link

http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/your\_council/meetings\_and\_decision-making/county\_local\_committees/community\_initiative\_funding.aspx

For projects to be considered for funding they must upload their project idea to the West Sussex Crowd (<a href="www.westsussexcrowd.org.uk">www.westsussexcrowd.org.uk</a>) funding platform and pitch to the Community Initiative fund.

#### 2. Proposal

That the Committee considers the pitches to the Community Initiative Funding as set out in Appendix A.

Pledges will be considered in the preparation and fundraising stage. When considering pitches in the preparation stage, decisions are subject to the applicant receiving full verification from locality and starting fundraising by the end of the financial year.

#### 3. Resources

For the 2018/19 financial year, Chanctonbury CLC has a total of £18,857.12 for allocation. Details of awards made in the last year are included in Appendix B.

There are three new pitches for consideration by the Committee with a total project cost of £7,266.00. All 3 are actively fundraising. These are outlined in Appendix A and can also be viewed at: <a href="https://www.westsussexcrowd.org.uk">www.westsussexcrowd.org.uk</a>

CIF is intended for applications up to £5,000.

#### Factors taken into account

#### 4. Consultation

Before a project can be added to the West Sussex Crowd it must be eligible for the <a href="spacehive">spacehive</a> platform, and then before beginning crowd funding must be verified by <a href="Locality">Locality</a>. This involves inspecting the project to make sure it's viable and legitimate. The Democratic Services Officer, in consultation with the local County Councillor, will preview all projects that have then gone on to pitch to the Community Initiative Fund to ensure they meet the criteria.

District and Borough Council colleagues are consulted on whether applicants have applied to any funds they administer. In addition, some CLCs have CIF Sub Groups that preview pitches and make recommendations to the CLC.

#### 5. Risk Management Implications

There is a risk in allocating any funding that the applicant will not spend some or all of it or that it might be spent inappropriately. Therefore the terms and conditions associated with CIF provide for the County Council to request the return of funds.

#### 6. Other Options Considered

The pitching process asks for information about whether a project could proceed if the organisation only received 90 per cent of the funding applied for. The CLC is invited to take this into consideration in deciding the level of any award.

The Committee do have the option to defer or decline pitches but must give valid reasons for doing so.

#### 7. Equality Duty

Democratic Services Officers consider the outcome intentions for each pitch. It is considered that for the following pitches, the intended outcomes would:

- advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it; and
- foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic

and people who do not share it.

The CLC in considering any pitch should be alert to the need to consider any equality implications arising from the bid or the way the money is to be used if any are indicated in the information provided.

#### 8. Social Value

The criteria for the Community Initiative Funding asks applicants to evidence support for one or more of the Five Ways to Wellbeing - a set of evidence-based actions which promote people's wellbeing.

#### 9. Crime and Disorder Act Implications

The applications for decision contain projects that will positively benefit the community and contribute toward the County Council's obligations to reduce crime and disorder and promote public safety in section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

#### 10. Human Rights Act Implications

The County Council's positive obligations under the Human Rights Act have been considered in the preparation of these recommendations but none of significance emerges.

#### **Tony Kershaw**

Director of Law and Assurance

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**Background Papers:** Pitches are available to view on

www.westsussexcrowd.org.uk



#### **Current Pitches**

The following projects have pitched to the community initiative fund since the last meeting:

#### **Actively Fundraising**

- 228/CBY Ashurst Village Hall Stage extension, £1,859.00 Towards a portable stage. <a href="https://www.spacehive.com/avhstageextension">https://www.spacehive.com/avhstageextension</a>
- 227/CBY Cowfold Country Mice Nursey technology, £3,154.00 Towards additional ICT resources.
   <a href="https://www.spacehive.com/cowfold-country-mice-nursery-technology">https://www.spacehive.com/cowfold-country-mice-nursery-technology</a>
- 226/CBY Auntie Val's Kitchens Community Interest Company, £2,253
   Towards the repair and installation of a cold room.
   https://www.spacehive.com/freeze-or-not-to-freeze



### **Community Initiative Funding: Summary for 2017 - 2018**

The following applications have received funding in the 2017/2018 financial year.

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Applicant	Summary	Member	Awarded	Evaluation
16/CBY	To set up and equip a	Previous	£737.00	Have worked with
Ashington	village maintenance	Member		Communities Team
Rangers	group with tools,			to get this up and
	uniforms, safety gear etc.			running.
				No evaluation form
				received yet.
32/CBY	Towards the creation of a	Lionel	£2,000.00	Project be
Partridge Green	secure area in the hall.	Barnard	,	complete in June
Village Hall		2ama a		2017.
Village Hall				No evaluation form
				received yet.
26 /CDV	Towards promotion	CLC	£500.00	
36/CBY	Towards promotion,		£300.00	Event took place on
Age UK	signage and catering for	General		2 October 2017.
Horsham	Full of Life Steyning.			Members were
				invited to attend.
				Evaluation form
				completed
38/CBY	For signage, outdoor	Paul	£635.68	No evaluation form
The Wiston	furniture and cutlery.	Marshall		received yet.
Meeting Place				Verbal feedback
				received.
47/CBY	Towards printing of the	Paul	£579.62	The event took
Ashington	festival programme.	Marshall		place on 19 August
Festival,	resultation programmer			2017.
1 cocivaly				No evaluation form
				received yet.
58/CBY Auntie	Funding towards a	Paul	£1250.00	No evaluation form
Val's Kitchen	labelling machine	Marshall	21230.00	received yet.
Vai 3 Riccircii	labelling machine	Marshan		received yet.
<b>82/CBY</b> St	Towards the School	Pat Arculus	£2500.00	No evaluation form
Mary's C of E	Community Swimming	rat Arculus	22300.00	
•	, ,			received yet.
Primary PTA	Pool	Data Assaulas	61000 00	Nia analysis Carre
101/CBY West	towards youth equipment	Pat Arculus	£1000.00	No evaluation form
Chiltington and				received yet.
Thakeham				
Cricket Club				
108/CBY West	Towards new equipment	Pat Arculus	£1000.00	No evaluation form
Chiltington				received yet.
Croquet Lawns				
131/CBY	Towards setting up the	CLC	£619.05	No evaluation form
Sussex Clubs	Duke of Cornwall award	General		received yet.
for young				,
People				
177/CBY	Towards playground	Pat Arculus	£1000.00	No evaluation form
Thakeham	refurbishment			received yet.
Parish Council				
184/CBY	Towards refurbishment of	David	£2000.00	No evaluation form
Steyning Town	the clubhouse	Barling	22000.00	received yet.
Community FC	die dubilouse	Darming		received yet.
Community FC	<u> </u>			<u> </u>

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189/CBY	Towards a youth shelter	David	£2000.00	No evaluation form
Ashington	·	Barling		received yet.
Youth Club				
194/CBY	Upgrade the fire alarm	Paul	£1000.00	No evaluation form
Trinity		Marshall		received yet.
Methodist				
Church				

Chanctonbury							
School	Division	Division Member	Vacant From	Current Status	Chairman	Head	
Ashurst C.E. Primary School	Bramber Castle	David Barling	Aug-18	Resigning at end of term	Alison Woods	Janet Williams	
Amberley C.E. Primary School	Storrington	Paul Marshall	Sep-18	Resigning at end of term	Ray Jackson	John Gilbert	
West Chiltington Community Primary School	Pulborough	Pat Arculus	Sep-18	Resigning at end of term	Julian Hoad/Julia Handley	Julian Rose	

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