

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of a meeting of the Highways Improvement Working Group held on Thursday 09 May 2024 by Teams commencing at 10.00am.

Present: Cllr S Fishenden (Chairman)
Cllr V Ngwenya
Cllr D Brazier – Kent County Council
Mr N Rowe - Community Engagement Officer (West), Kent Highways

In attendance A de Jager (Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllr F Cottee, P Kirtley and M Manley,

2. Declaration of Interests

None

3. Notes of Previous Meeting

The notes of the meeting of 23 January 2024 were RECEIVED and NOTED.

4. Highways Improvement Plan (HIP)

Update on:

- North Ash Road – double yellow lines. Mr Rowe advised that he had received the results from the Parish Council consultation and Kent Highways has now commenced their consultation.
- Ash Road Pedestrian Crossing (Olivers Mill Bus Stop) – It was AGREED to recommend to the Parish Council, that the request for a pedestrian crossing at this location should be added to the HIP for KCC to investigate.
- Rural Roads, improvement of passing points. A request to identify locations where passing points could be introduced or improved was placed in the last edition of the Bulletin, but no specific locations were identified.

5. Consideration was given to the following:

- North Ash Road – the installation of children crossing signs and ‘Slow’ markings painted on the road. It was AGREED to take this to the Parish Council. It was felt that these proposals were not required at this location as speeding is not a problem at this location. It was suggested that the informal pedestrian crossing on Ash Road at the Olivers Mill bus stop, may be a preferred location for installation.
- Chapel Wood Road – installation of double yellow lines on the north side of Chapel Wood Road from the roundabout towards the Royal Oak Pub. The parking of vehicles along this road has been inspected by Kent Highways and it was found that the parking was not dangerous. This will not be progressed.

6. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be set once a response has been received from KCC. The HIP will be submitted to KCC on 17 May 2024.

The meeting closed at 10.17am