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Ref: MW/7001

20th December 2023

Dear Councillor,

A MEETING OF NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL'S PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, CHURCH APPROACH, NEW ROMNEY ON WEDNESDAY 3rd JANUARY 2024 AT 6.45PM.

You are hereby summoned to attend the above-mentioned meeting of New Romney Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee to consider the under-mentioned business.

Signed:

Gemma Hall

Mrs Gemma Hall
Planning Clerk

Email: planning.clerk@newromney-tc.gov.uk

The afore-mentioned meeting will commence at 6.45pm.

Members of Public are welcome to join this meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: New Romney Assembly Rooms and New Romney Town Hall have restricted access for people with limited mobility; please enquire for details.

Anyone displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 should NOT attend the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. Who can participate in a New Romney Town Council meeting?

Members of the Public and Press may attend this Council meeting, except at such times as certain sensitive personal, legal or contractual matters may be considered in private and confidential session, when Members of the Public will be required to leave the meeting.

A maximum of THREE members of public may also participate by submitting a question at a meeting. The question must relate to a matter affecting the parish of New Romney and/or its residents. Each submission must last no longer than 3 minutes in total.

Any such question should be delivered to the Council by way of a written statement submitted by email by midday on the day of the Council meeting - to be read out during the meeting. The question submitted should be mindful of the 3 minute speaking time available. The reading of the question will allow for any mid-sentence delivery to be completed before being stopped at the three minute deadline. If any Member of Public does not have access to email, a question can be submitted by email by a representative on their behalf.

Any such questions should be emailed to: planning.clerk@newromney-tc.gov.uk by midday on the day of the Council meeting.

2. How and when do I have to let the council know that I want to participate?

You will need to give written notice (via email or post) that you would like to participate by 3pm on the Friday before the meeting, providing your name and contact details and a summary of what your question subject will be. No late notifications can be accepted.

3. What happens if more than three local residents want to participate by submitting questions to the Council?

The system will operate on the basis of “first come, first served” as identified by the Clerk. You will be notified as soon as possible after your ‘notification of wish to participate’ has been received as to whether or not you will be able to participate (by reading out your submission).

4. What will happen at the Council meeting?

Your question will be read aloud during the agenda item: Public Questions. If it is possible for the Chairman to provide a response to your question at the meeting, he/she will do so. If it is not possible to provide a response at that time, a response will be provided in writing – usually within 28 days of the meeting taking place.

Agendas and reports for meetings will be available at least 3 working days and usually 7 weekdays before the date of the meeting on the Town Council website. Any supplementary sheets will be available the day before the meeting and can be viewed at www.newromney-tc.gov.uk

THE LAWS OF LIBEL AND SLANDER

- These laws are very strict.
- If, in public, you say something about a person that is not true, even if you believe it to be true, you may be sued and have to pay compensation. Therefore, you need to be very careful about any criticism you wish to make of people in any written submission.
- Councillors are able to speak more freely and bluntly while in Council or Committee meetings than members of the public.
- You, as a member of the public, do not have the same protection.

NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
3rd JANUARY 2024

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES:

To receive and note apologies of councillors unable to attend.

2. DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE:

To receive and note any applications granted by the Town Clerk, on behalf of the Town Council, for dispensation to participate in Meetings of New Romney Town Council.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Significant or Personal Interests they may have in items on the agenda this evening.

4. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

To consider formal adjournment of the meeting of the Committee for a maximum period of fifteen minutes to allow for an allocated public session.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

Members of the public may put questions to the Chairman of the Committee for a period of fifteen minutes regarding matters to do with the town of New Romney and its coastal areas of Littlestone and Greatstone, including items on the agenda. Any Councillors who have declared an "Other Significant Interest" in matters to be discussed at this meeting will also have the opportunity to speak within the session set aside for public participation, in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct Item 5(3)(b), which reads as follows:

"Where you have an Other Significant Interest in any business of the Authority, you may... make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the business, provided that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose."

6. RE-CONVENING OF MEETING:

To formally re-convene the meeting of the Committee.

7. MINUTES (Encs*):

To approve the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 6th December 2023 (attached hereto).

8. PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT

To receive and note the Planning Clerk's report.

9. SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Encs*)

To consider planning applications attached hereto and including any received subsequent to issue of this Agenda and make any recommendations as deemed appropriate.

10. SCHEDULE OF LICENCING APPLICATIONS

To receive and note schedule of Licencing Applications.

**11. FOLKESTONE AND HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS
DECISIONS/MATTERS (Encs*)**

To received and note Hythe and Folkestone District Council's Reports, Decisions and Matters.

12. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS (Encs*)

To receive written reports and, within the remit of the Committee, take any such action(s) thereon as may be deemed necessary.

13. REPORTS OF WORKING PARTIES (Encs*)

(i) To receive and note the written reports of any working parties reporting to the Planning and Environment Committee and to take any such action(s) thereon as may be deemed necessary.

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MINUTES

of

**A Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee
Held in the Assembly Rooms, Church Approach, New Romney
on 6th December 2023
Commencing at 6.45pm**

PRESENT:

Councillors: P Coe, J Rivers, P Carey, S O'Hare, J Davies, and L Phillips

In the Chair: Councillor P Coe

In Attendance: Planning Clerk - Mrs G Hall
Members of public - x 2

379/2023-24 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and noted, as follows:

Councillor Terry - due to being unwell.

NB: Apologies from Councillor Houston were subsequently received due to personal reasons.

380/2023-24 **DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

No new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been received.

381/2023-24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

382/2023-24 **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

It was not necessary to adjourn the meeting as no questions had been received in writing.

383/2023-24 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

None received.

384/2023-24 **RE-CONVENING OF MEETING**

Not applicable.

385/2023-24 **MINUTES**

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 15th November 2023

The Chairman presented the **Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting Held on 15th November 2023**, a copy of which had been previously circulated to all Councillors.

Having duly considered the afore-mentioned minutes, it was:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Carey

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rivers

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 15th November 2023 be approved and signed as a true and correct record.

386/2023-24 **PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT**

The Planning Clerk's report was received and noted and read as under:

Footpath between Mountfield Ind Est – Church Lane.

KCC Cllr Tony Hills contacted me regarding the letter we sent to him asking for assistance in expediting the reinstatement of the footpath between Mountfield Ind Est and Church Lane, New Romney. Cllr Hills after further investigation was advised that an application for a Public Right of Way would need to be applied for but the waiting list to review applications currently stands at 4+ years.

I have emailed the Public Right of Way team at KCC to enquire whether we would need to apply for a PROW considering that we have had confirmation from Folkestone and Hythe District Council that the footpath is going to be reinstated once the development is completed. I shall keep the committee updated once I have heard back from Kent County Council & FHDC.

Still no update from FHDC re: the footpath reinstallation.

FHDC Charges to High Street Car Parking

We have had confirmation from Folkestone and Hythe District Council that the proposed charges for High Street Car Parking in New Romney are currently no longer being considered.

387/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Carey

SECONDED BY: Councillor Davies

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that NRTC Planning and Environment Committee comments, including those comments relating to additional planning applications received after publication of the agenda for this meeting, be submitted to FHDC Planning Department:

| <u>Application No</u> | <u>Location and Description</u> |
|----------------------------------|--|
| (i) 23/1158/FH | <p>Playing Field Close to St Nicholas Church of England Primary School, Fairfield Road, New Romney, TN28 8BP</p> <p>Erection of a single storey sports pavilion.</p> <p>No Objection subject to the concerns from Sport England are met.</p> |
| <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> | |
| <u>Voting:</u> | |
| For Application: | 6 |
| Against Application: | 0 |
| Abstained: | 0 |
| (ii) 23/1789/FH | <p>73 Coast Drive, Greatstone, New Romney, TN28 8NR</p> <p>Retrospective planning application for the conversion of an outbuilding to provide a 1- bedroom dwellinghouse.</p> <p>Recommend refusal, not enough information. Clarification is needed on drainage as identified by KCC Highways & Environment Agency.</p> |
| <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> | |
| <u>Voting:</u> | |
| For Application: | 0 |
| Against Application: | 6 |
| Abstained: | 0 |
| (iii) 23/1161/FH | <p>Shandon, St Andrews Road, Littlestone, New Romney, TN28 8PZ</p> <p>Erection of chalet bungalow within the side of 'Shandon' following the removal of an existing extension, together with new access and off-road parking.</p> |

This is a re-consultation following the submission of additional details or a change in circumstance.

These are detailed below:

Amended plans added 10.11.2023 & 15.11.2023 and amendment to proposal description.

No Objection subject to minimum distances are maintained.

RECOMMENDATION

Voting:

For Application:

6

Against Application:

0

Abstained:

0

(iv) [23/0769/FH](#)

Land Adj 39 Victoria Road
West, Littlestone,
TN28 8ND

Reserve matters application relating to appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 80 dwellings alongside parking, open spaces and associated works pursuant to outline planning permission: [Y18/0768/FH](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend refusal contravenes policy C1 & RM2 – referring to the KCC ecology report. There are serious concerns regarding overdevelopment, access to the site, lack of infrastructure and recent local flooding all need to be considered.

Voting:

For Application:

0

Against Application:

6

Abstained:

0

(v) [23/1810/FH](#)

Brick Kiln Fields,
Cockreed Lane
New Romney
TN28 8TE

Outline planning application
(with all matters reserved) for
3 chalet style 2-bedroom
properties including car
parking and widening of
access road.

RECOMMENDATION

**Recommend refusal –
Application doesn't match
the documents.
Overdevelopment.**

Voting:

For Application: 0

Against Application: 6

Abstained: 0

388/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF LICENCE APPLICATIONS**

There were no licence applications for consideration.

389/2023-24 **FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS/DECISIONS/MATTERS**

A schedule of delegated decisions of Folkestone & Hythe District Council Planning Department for the period ending 23rd November 2023 was duly received and noted.

390/2023-24 **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

The report regarding local air quality monitoring, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted.

It was:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Rivers

SECONDED BY: Councillor Coe

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY for the Planning Clerk to make contact with the Environmental Health Officer at Folkestone and Hythe District Council to see whether the air quality monitoring devices for New Romney can be added to the live map for regular monitoring.

391/2023-24 **REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES****Parish Highway Improvement Plan**

The report of the Parish Highway Improvement Plan Working Party, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted.

392/2023-24 **KENT LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2024-2034
CONSULTATION.**

The Consultation regarding Kent Local Flood Risk Management 2024-2034, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and **it was:**

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Coe
SECONDED BY: Councillor Davies

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – That all committee members will review the Kent Local Flood Risk Management Strategy 2024-2034 consultation and send their comments over to the Planning Clerk by 19th January 2024. The planning clerk will then collate the data received and complete the questionnaire of behalf of New Romney Town Council.

The Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and the meeting
Concluded **at 8:05pm**

Minutes prepared by the Planning Clerk

NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
3rd JANUARY 2024
SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS
FOR CONSIDERATION

Additional applications received

| <u>Application No</u> | <u>Location and Description</u> |
|--|---|
| (i) <u>23/1877/FH</u> | Sandcroft, Coast Road, Littlestone, TN28 8QZ Lawful Development Certificate (proposed) for the installation of a staircase between flat 4 & flat 5. |
| <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> <u>Voting:</u> For Application: Against Application: Abstained: | |
| (ii) <u>23/2056/FH/TCA</u> | Town Hall, High Street, New Romney, TN28 8BT T1 Bay re-coppice close to ground level, T2 Ash height reduction by a maximum of 3 metres & laterally by a maximum of 2 metres & T3 Holly height reduction by a maximum of 1 metre all situated in a Conservation area. |

RECOMMENDATION
Voting:
For Application:
Against Application:
Abstained:

(iii) [23/2058/FH/TCA](#)

Recreation Ground, Fairfield Road,
New Romney

T1 Norway Maple fell to ground, stump ground out and plant replacement tree, T2 London Plain reduce the length of all north and south facing lateral branches by a maximum of 3 metres & crown lift on the northern side to give 6 meters clearance above the adjacent highway (Rolfe Lane), T3 Norway Maple prune back all north facing lateral branches by a maximum of 2 metres to the fence line, T4 Sycamore fell to ground, stump ground out and plant replacement tree, T5 Sycamore remove dead branches at 3 metres above ground level & T6 Sycamore fell to ground, stump ground out and plant replacement tree.

RECOMMENDATION

Voting:

For Application:

Against Application:

Abstained:

(iv) [22/2100/FH](#)

Coast Drive Car Park, Coast Drive,
Greatstone.

This is a re-consultation following the submission of additional details or a change in circumstance. These are detailed below:

New documents have been added dated 20/12/23.

RECOMMENDATION

Voting:

For Application:

Against Application:

Abstained:

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DELEGATED DECISIONS OF FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL

- * Conditions attached to Approval and Reasons for Refusal are available for perusal on the FHDC Planning Portal.
(Reasons for refusal following '*No Objection*' recommendation by NRTC are given below.)

** NRTC Delegated Recommendation

For the Period Ending 21st December 2023

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| (i) <u>23/1772/FH</u> | Hardy House, 32 Hardy Road, Greatstone, New Romney, TN28 8SF |
| | Subject to TPO No. 6 of 1992 – Poplar tree to re-pollard down to 3m. |
| <u>DECISION:</u> | Approved with conditions (NRTC – No Objection) |

NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
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ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Local air quality monitoring

I reached out to Richardo.com who are responsible for the Kent Air website: <https://kentair.org.uk/>. As per our last P&E committee meeting it was requested to see whether it was possible for New Romney to be added to the live map on the Kent Air website and here is the response I received below:

Dear [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] has asked me to reply to your email below. I like to explain Richardo are an external contractor employed jointly by Kent local councils.

They manage the live air quality network and Kent Air website on behalf of these councils. They do not have the authority or resource to install live air quality monitors, also known as automatic monitors.

Each local authority is responsible for its own air quality monitoring including automatic monitors.

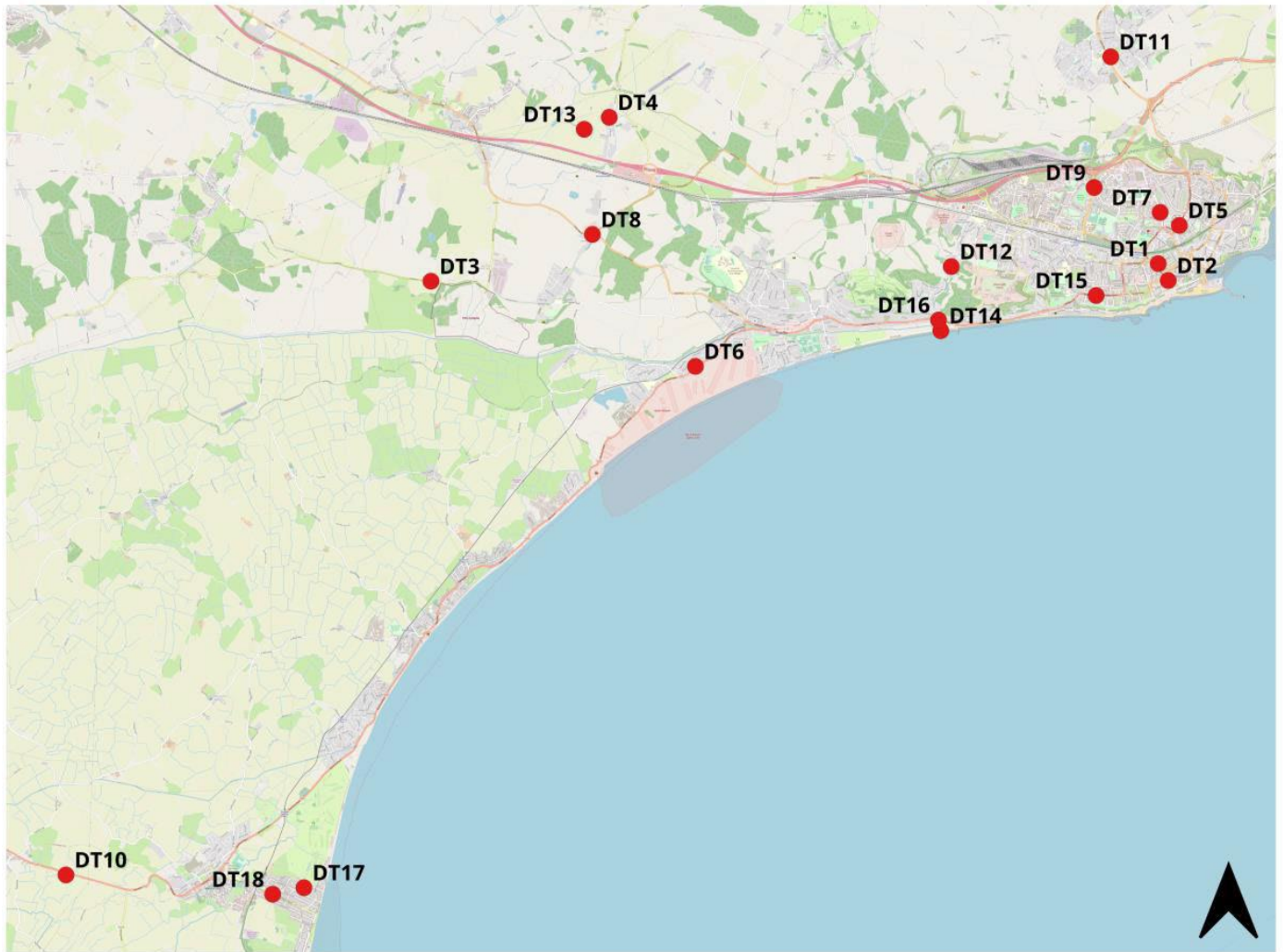
Automatic monitors are large fixed scientific equipment that require an electrical output and needs to be housed. Logistically they are extremely expensive to purchase, install, maintain and are very officer resource intensive.

Automatic monitors are usually installed in Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA) to help monitor pollution levels and focus the local authority action plans.

Folkestone and Hythe District currently do not have any AQMA and therefore we do not require automatic monitors at the present time.

We will continue to monitor air quality using passive diffusing tube method.

I hope this have clarify the situation. Should you require more information please do not hesitate to contact me further.



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Legend

● Diffusion Tube Locations

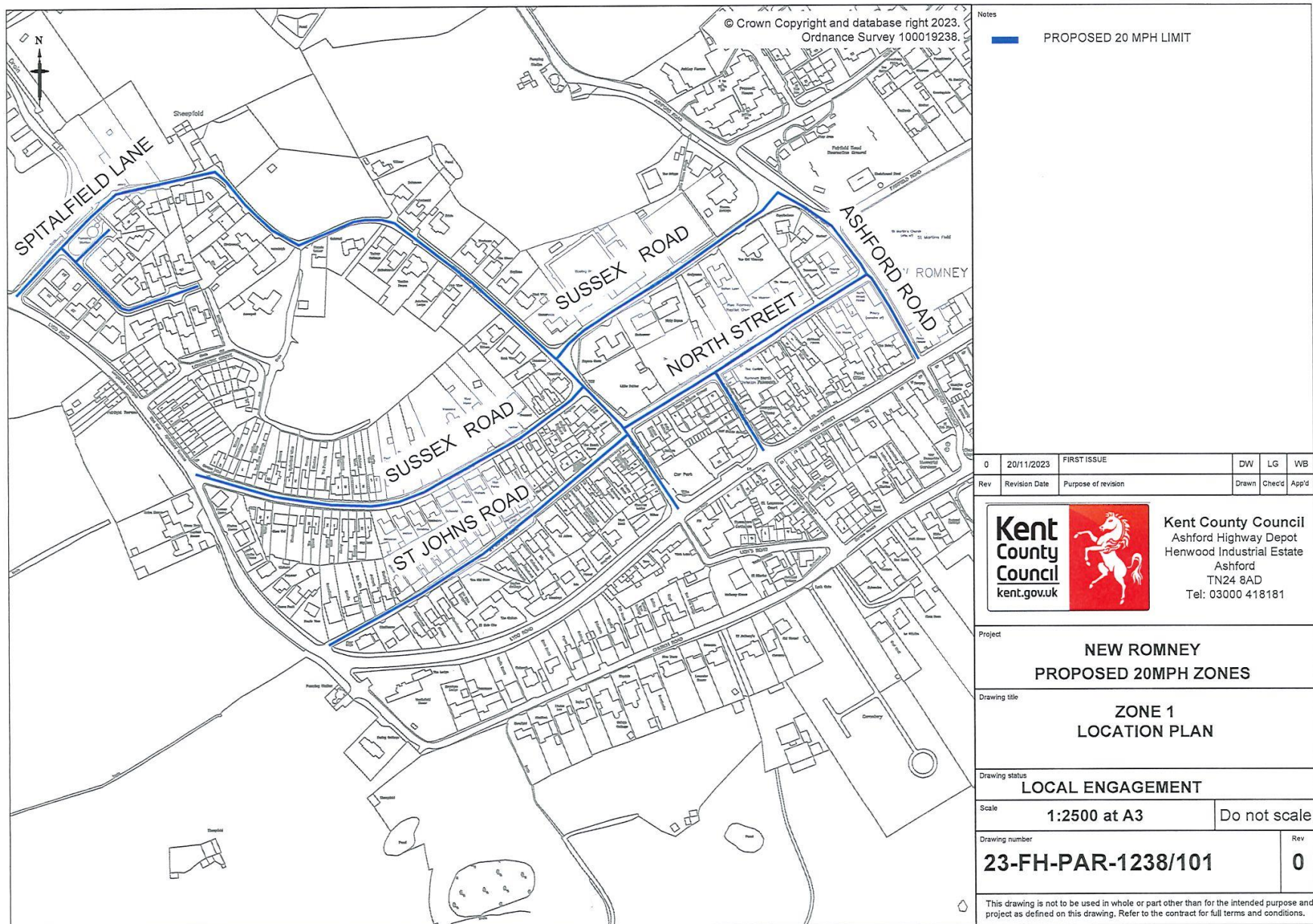
D10 – Martins Cottages
D17 – St Andrews Road
D18 – Littlestone Road

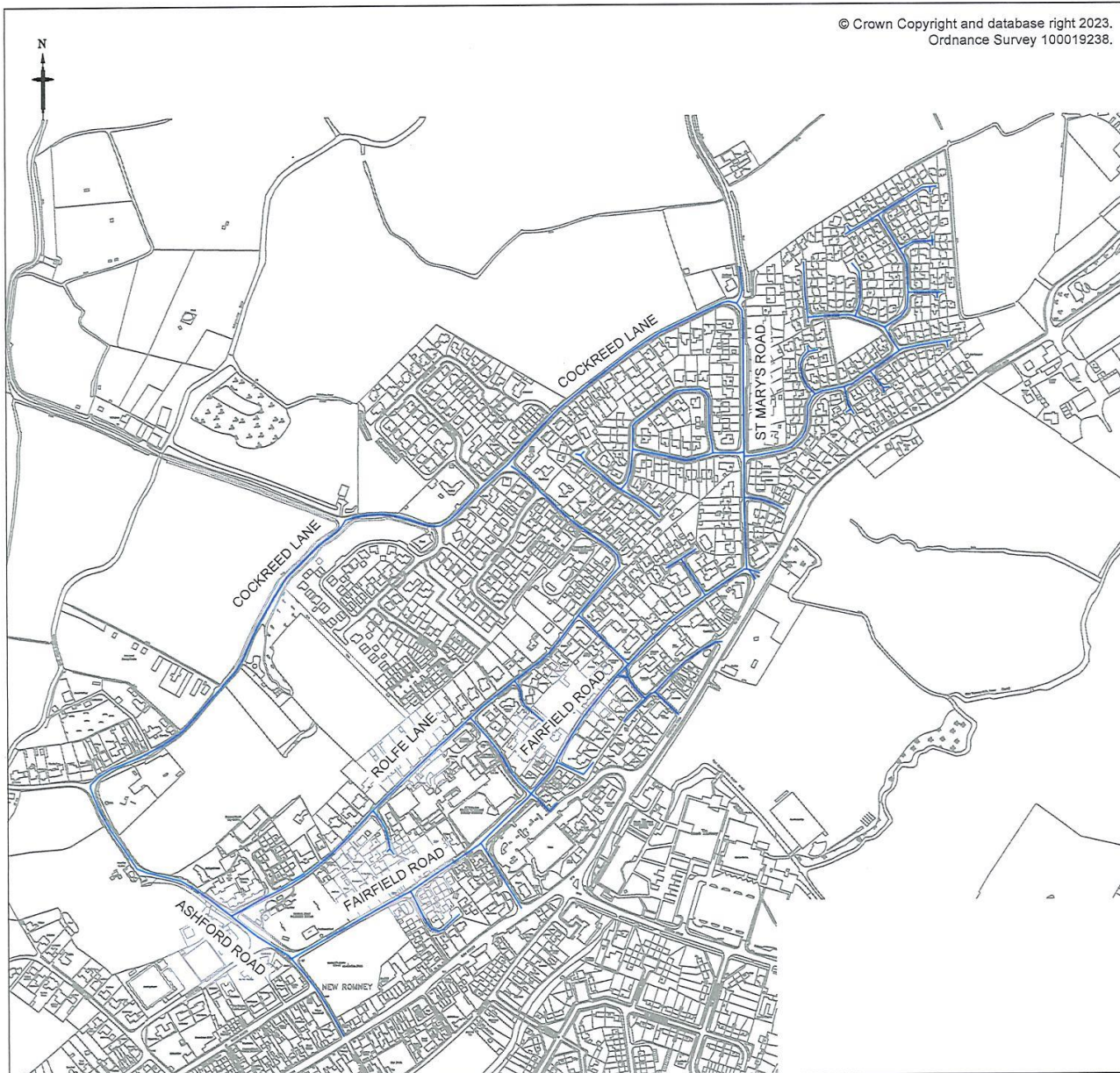
Please see above the locations of the Diffusion Tubes used by FHDC to assess the air quality.

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3rd JANUARY 2024
REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

Parish Highway Improvement Plan

- Public consultation date to be confirmed.
- Comments relating to the press release are being received and the overall response so far is very positive to the proposed changes for High Street Parking.
- We have now received the Extents Plan from Kent County Council re:20MPH zones ready for public consultation (these have been uploaded onto New Romney Town Council's website) – Please see below:





Notes

■ PROPOSED 20MPH LIMIT

| 0 | 24/11/23 | FIRST ISSUE | DW | RH | WB |
|-----|---------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Rev | Revision Date | Purpose of revision | Drawn | Chc'd | App'd |



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Kent County Council
Ashford Highway Depot
Henwood Industrial Estate
Ashford
TN24 8AD
Tel: 03000 418181

Project

**NEW ROMNEY
PROPOSED 20MPH ZONES**

Drawing title

**ZONE 2
LOCATION PLAN**

Drawing status

LOCAL ENGAGEMENT

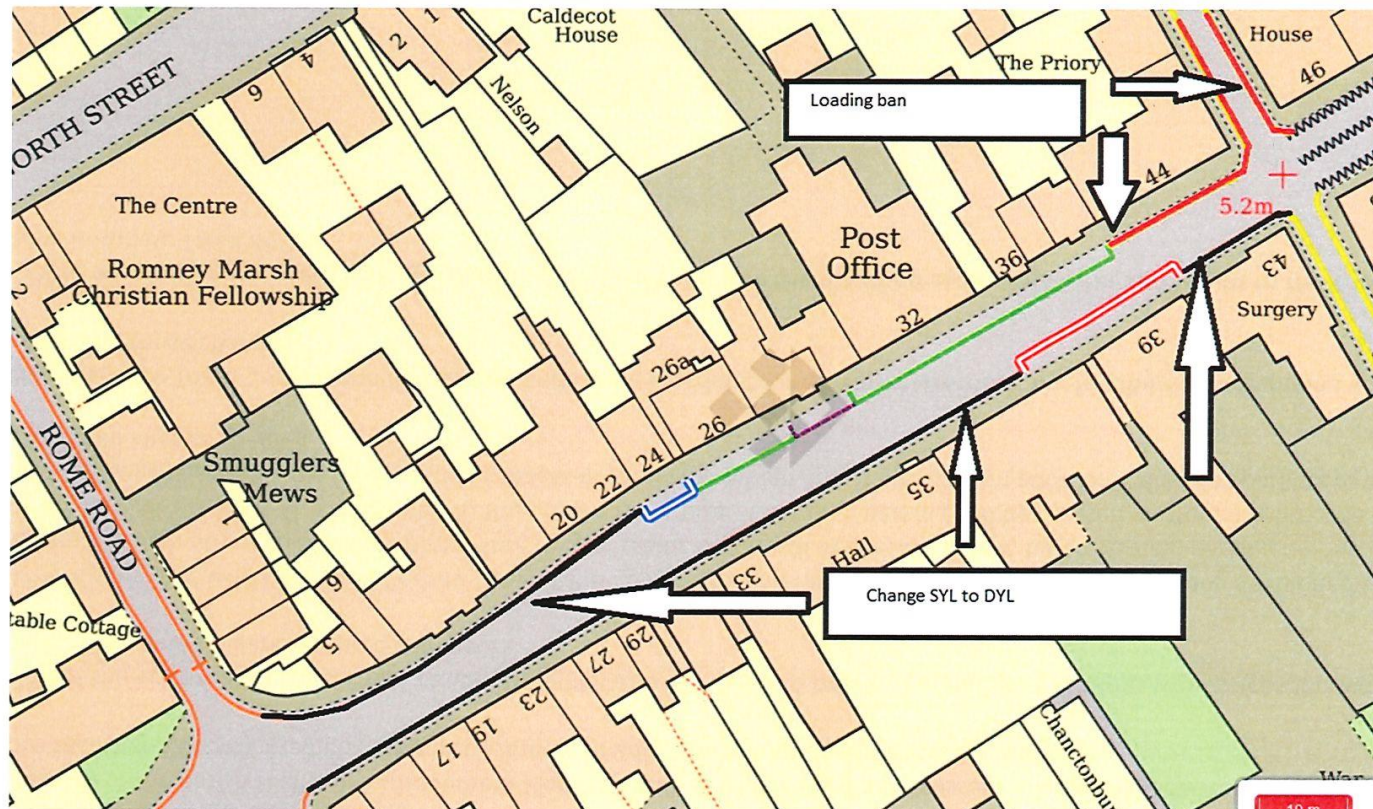
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| Drawing number | 23-FH-PAR-1238/102 | Rev | 0 |
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This drawing is not to be used in whole or part other than for the intended purpose and project as defined on this drawing. Refer to the contract for full terms and conditions.



New Romney Town Council
Parish Highway Improvement Plan
Proposed Changes to High Street Parking – New Romney



SYL – Single Yellow Line
DYL – Double Yellow Line

Loading Ban on the junction of Ashford Road and High Street would wrap right round onto the High Street opposite Oak Hall Surgery to prevent all motorist (including Blue Badge users) from parking there.

Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines on the opposite side of the road on the corner of the junction for Church Approach.

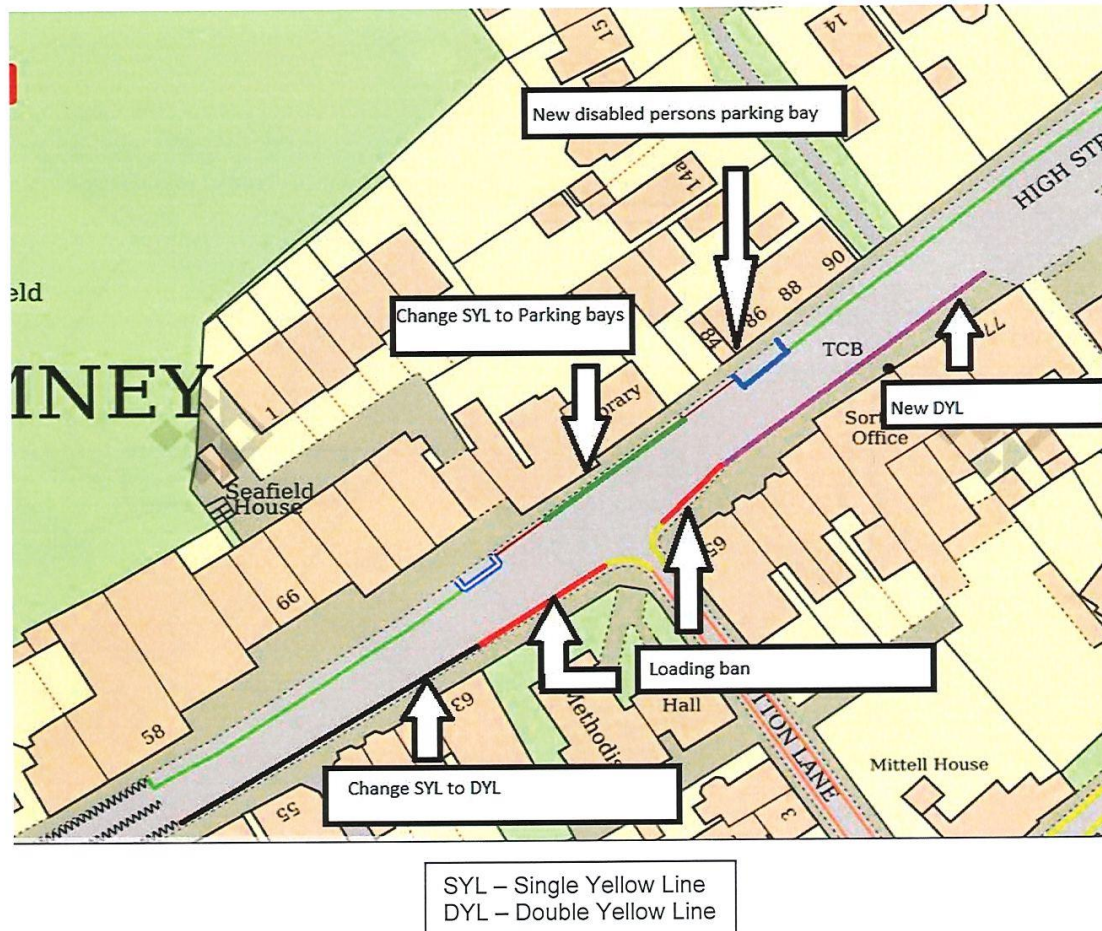
Zip zag lines will be refreshed outside Ruzzo all the way along to the crossing to prevent parking near the junction.

Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines from 22 High Street to the corner of Rome Road.

Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines from Costa Coffee to the corner of Victoria Street.



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Parish Highway Improvement Plan
Proposed Changes to High Street Parking – New Romney



Loading ban restriction to be added to the junction of Tritton Lane to prevent all motorist (including Blue Badge users) from parking there.

Single yellow line removed from outside the library and parking bays added.

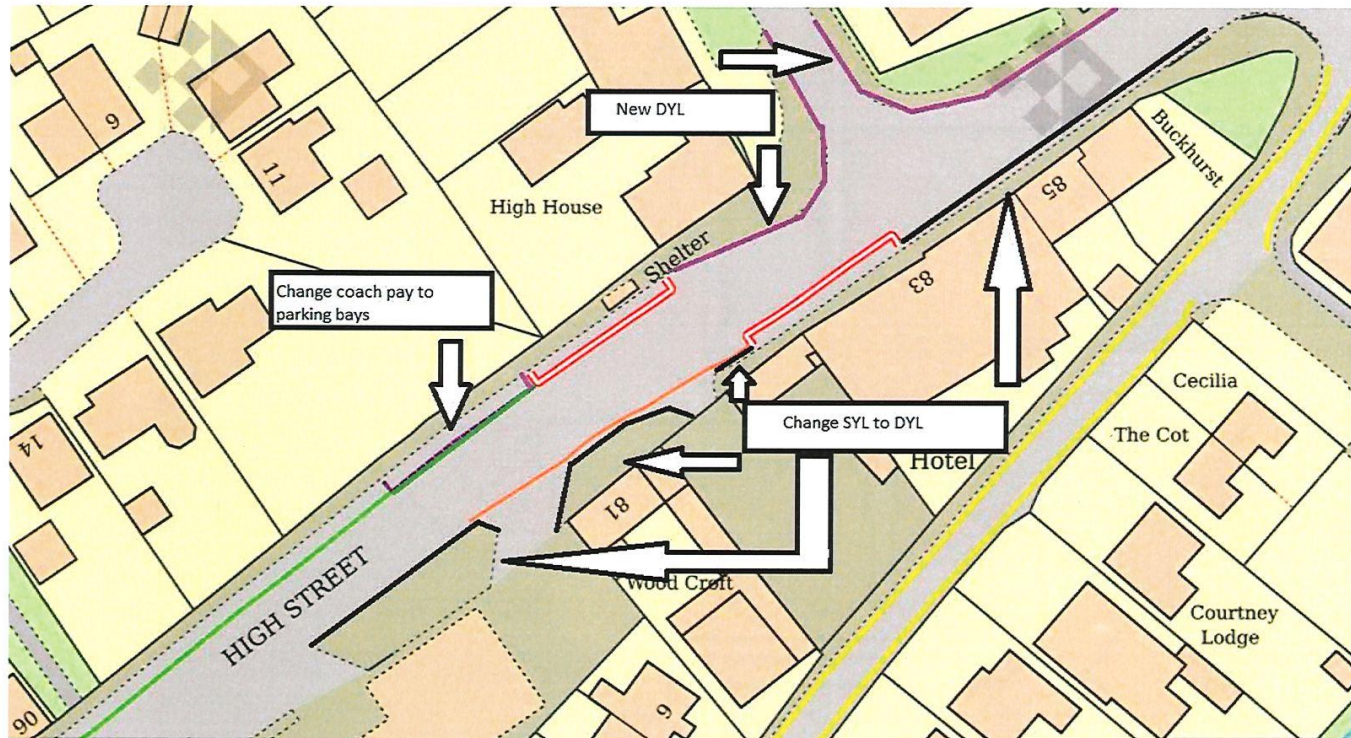
New disabled bay added after That Pet Shop outside Romney Spice.

Parking bays outside Premier shop and along to the garage to be removed and double yellow lines to be installed.

Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines from outside the Methodist Church and along to Church Approach turning.



New Romney Town Council
Parish Highway Improvement Plan
Proposed Changes to High Street Parking – New Romney



SYL – Single Yellow Line
DYL – Double Yellow Line

Coach parking bay to be replaced with additional parking bays.

New double yellow lines to be added from the bus stop round to George Lane on both sides of the junction.

Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines The Ship to the Premier shop on the corner of Tritton Lane. No parking to be permitted on that side of the High Street.



Highway Improvements Team working in Partnership with New Romney Town Council Highway Improvement Plan

Submission Date: December 2022

(Please remember that the HIP is for new initiatives/measures/schemes in your community – it is NOT to be used as a maintenance log, as these MUST be logged using the online reporting tool via this link <https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem>)

HIP Front Cover

| HIP Version | Submitted by (Name) | HIP Date | Record Of Meeting Dates with KCC Virtual or Face to Face | County Member |
|--|------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| 1 | | | | |
| Please list below the funding opportunities/Sources for HIP initiatives/Measures | | | | I.e., County Member, Parish Precept Donation, LTP |
| Are you an active member of the Speed Watch Scheme? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Are you an active member of the Lorry Watch Scheme? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Name of HIP Representative | | Contact Telephone Number | | Email Address |
| Name of Clerk | Planning Clerk – Mrs Gemma Hall | Contact Telephone Number | 01797 362348 01797 740161 | Email Address planning.clerk@newromney-tc.gov.uk |
| Name of Chair | | Contact Telephone Number | | Email Address |
| KCC Project Manager Team | Community & Engagement Team (EAST) | Contact Telephone Number | 03000 418181 | Email Address east.highwayimprovements@kent.gov.uk |

- Please note the Priority column MUST be those issues which are regarded as the most important (No 1 being your highest priority, then filtering down)
KCC is unable to guarantee that all your requests will be deliverable, but Project Managers can investigate your top 1 or 2 priorities per year.

Please Note: Highway Improvement Plans will only be accepted if they are in this prescribed template format. **PLEASE DO NOT ALTER IN ANY WAY.**
Whilst this is intended to be a living document for your Parish Council, KCC can only make resources available to review your HIP annually –
XXXX's review is on or after XXXX each year.



Highway Improvements Team working in Partnership with New Romney Town Council Highway Improvement Plan

Live Priorities Record

| Priority | Location | USRN | Problem/Concern | What do you feel are the potential solutions? | KCC Comments (This column is to be completed by Project Manager ONLY) |
|----------|---------------------------------------|------|-----------------|---|---|
| 1. | Please see 20 MPH zones 1-6 attached. | | Speeding | 20 MPH zones | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>KCC and PC agreed to focus on Zones 1 & 2 as a priority.</p> <p>As above, traffic survey locations to be determined by KCC.</p> <p>18/10/2023-</p> <p>Traffic survey results are mostly in support of a 20mph limit for the majority of Zones 1-2, however the eastern side of Cockreed Lane has average speeds that are too high.</p> <p>For KCC to discuss options with PC at meeting on 01/11/2023</p> <p>01/11/2023-</p> <p>All average speeds from the surveys are in support of the a 20mph limit for Zones 1 & 2, except for the eastern end of Cockreed Lane which were 28mph. This is higher than we would like, and it is unlikely that we would get compliance without physical measures, however these measures are usually not popular with residents due to noise, they are expensive, and they require a system of street lighting. We are unsure at this time if the streetlighting present would be adequate enough to be classed as a safe system.</p> <p>KCC to produce an extents plan for PC to conduct further informal engagement with residents and provide KCC with responses.</p> <p>KCC to look at options regarding upgrades to school signage.</p> |

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Highway Improvement Plan

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|----|---|--|--|--|---|
| 2. | i) Spitalfield Lane ii) Sussex Road iii) Church Road | | Speeding vehicles. Motorists use Spitalfield Lane, Sussex Road and Church Road as a shortcut to either avoid congestion caused by parked cars outside Spitalfield Terrace on the A259 coming into New Romney or they wish to avoid the traffic in New Romney High Street. | Traffic Calming required. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>KCC to explore options of "Unsuitable for HGV" and "Pedestrian in Roadway" signage along Spitalfield Road.</p> <p>KCC has sent 30mph Toolkit information to PC. PC to confirm that they wish for a kit to be arranged for them (this is a free resource)</p> <p>Traffic calming measures such as speed bumps and buildouts not feasible with current lighting as this is not to the required standard.</p> <p>01/11/2023-</p> <p>KCC to move forward with Unsuitable for HGV signage to be installed on Spitalfield Lane junction with A259, Sussex Road junction with Ashford Road, and potentially Ashford Road junction with A259 if space allows. KCC to fund</p> |
| 3. | i) Queens Road ii) Littlestone Road/Station Road iii) Coast Road iv) The Churchlands | | Speeding. | Enhanced vehicle activated signs or traffic calming measures needed. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>Did not discuss as prioritising above.</p> |
| 4. | Coast Drive near Spar Greatstone/Clark Road. | | Pedestrian crossing requested due to speeding and increase in pedestrians/visitors to The Green's. | The Green's is already a very popular destination for local residents and tourists/holiday makers visiting the play park and beach. New development on The Green's at Littlestone of the extension of the beach huts will cause more visitors. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>Did not discuss as prioritising above.</p> |
| 5. | Dymchurch Road | | Speeding. | Extend the 30 MPH speed limit up to Marlie Farm. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>Did not discuss as prioritising above.</p> |
| 6. | i) Spitalfield Lane ii) Fairfield Road | | Poor visibility. | Improve highway lighting for all roads without engineered footpaths. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>Did not discuss as prioritising above.</p> |



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| | iii) Cockreed Lane iv) Sussex Road v) Rolfe Lane | | | | |
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Highway Improvement Plan

Historical Priorities Record

| No | Location | USRN | Problem/Concern | What do you feel are the potential solutions? | KCC Comments |
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| | High Street, New Romney | | Inconsiderate parking | Red lines needed to improve traffic flow and pedestrian safety. | 02/02/2023- Not feasible as this is only conducted in London. |
| | All roads | | Double yellow line review – Many lines in our Parish are faded and need repainting and possibly extending. | | 02/02/2023- Any faded lines should be reported online via https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem Any extension to double yellow lines will need to be considered on a case by case basis. |
| | i) St Nicholas School – Fairfield Road, New Romney, TN28 8BP, Craythorne Lane & Rolfe Lane, New Romney. ii) The Marsh Academy – Station Road, New Romney, TN28 8BB See School Zone map attached. | | Speeding and problem parking. Cars driving too fast near the school. Speed limit is currently 30MPH by both schools. Parent's parking on double yellow lines and blocking driveways. No crossing for St Nicholas School. | School Zones required. | 02/02/2023- St Nicholas School is incorporated into Zone 2 of PC plans for 20mph zone. For a formal crossing point, both a traffic survey and pedestrian survey would need to be conducted to ascertain feasibility. KCC estimate at least £30,000 for a formal crossing (subject to fluctuation with cost of materials constantly changing) Traffic surveys to be conducted throughout Zone 1 & 2. KCC to determine locations and obtain cost of these surveys along with pedestrian survey. Vehicles parking on double yellow lines and blocking driveways are for enforcement by F&H and police. PC advise that there are current plans for double yellow lines in the area. |

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| | | | | | <p>KCC has sent PC information on the School Travel Plan to share with both schools.</p> <p>18/10/2023-</p> <p>Traffic and Pedestrian survey results have been analysed and unfortunately does not meet the minimum criteria for the installation of a formal crossing point.</p> |
| | <p>i) High Street ii) Church Lane iii) Church Road vi) The junction of Ashford Road onto The High Street. v) Station Road, Littlestone Road, Marsh Avenue, Blenheim Road, St Martins Road, The Churchlands, Marsh Crescent, Wiles Avenue, and Carey Close</p> | | <p>Problem parking – causing congestion. i) Vehicles parking on Double Yellow lines outside Premier Stores near Tritton Lane causing a bottle neck in The High Street which causes delays and congestion due to the heavy flow of traffic. Larger vehicles struggle to get through the gap. ii) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines near Church Lane Surgery/The Old School House. iii) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines, blocking driveways, creating bottlenecks, and causing congestion especially near The Old School. iv) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines near junction opposite Oak Hall Surgery causing bottlenecks and congestion. v) Vehicles parking on grass verges/pathways.</p> | <p>i) Relocation of 'Coach Parking' bay from opposite the garage on the Highstreet to somewhere more suitable: Mountfield Ind Est or The Marsh Academy Car Park to free up parking spaces for other vehicles including an additional disabled bay. The new car parking bays should have time limits on them. To stop vehicles parking outside Romney Cycles – Premier Store side of the High Street to allow free flow of traffic – double yellow lines/red lines. Stagecoach have changed their timetable for New Romney High Street buses which was due to congestion. v) Bollards on grass verges needed.</p> | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>PC to liaise with F&H Council regarding the "Coach Parking Bay"</p> <p>PC advised that buses and HGVs are struggling to manoeuvre past each other as there are pinch points caused by vehicles parking on both sides of High Street.</p> <p>PC requested double yellow lines from Esso garage down to Premier Shop to allow free flow of traffic, with parking available with restricted time limits opposite.</p> <p>KCC to seek advice on this and come back to PC.</p> <p>PC reported issue with delivery of gas bottles on Ashford Road whereby the driver parks on the pavement, blocking it for pedestrians, and causing vehicles on the other side to drive on the pavement to get around.</p> <p>PC requested bollards but suspect that the pavement is not wide enough.</p> <p>KCC to measure pavement and ascertain options.</p> <p>01/11/2023-</p> <p>PC to continue with F&H District Council in regards to the Coach Bay and subsequent installation of double yellow lines by the Esso petrol station.</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>PC reporting a crash issue at the junction of Ashford Road and High Street (A259). Crash data at this time shows one slight injury collision that occurred December 2022 where a vehicle overshot the STOP junction and collided with another.</p> <p>PC to report maintenance issues with lining via https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem</p> <p>PC requested an advanced STOP sign to be installed just before the buildings on the nearside. KCC have visited the site and there is an advanced STOP sign already present with a distance plate.</p> <p>PC also proposed a buildout by the junction, however High Street unfortunately does not have the available width to install one here.</p> <p>Moved to historical as no further options at this junction, and Coach Bay issues being dealt with by F&H.</p> |
| 3. | Lydd Road – A259 – Outside Spitalfield Terrace. | | Problem parking. Vehicles parking outside Spitalfield Terrace on the A259 as you go into New Romney. This causes major congestion due to a bottleneck/single file traffic and as consequence waiting vehicles then cut down Spitalfield Lane. | Due to the new development happening opposite Spitalfield Terrace a pedestrian crossing is due to be installed which should prevent the cars from parking on the A259. However there will inevitably still be cars that park there and cause an obstruction and a long term solution needs finding. | <p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>Did not discuss as prioritising above.</p> <p>01/11/2023-</p> <p>PC to liaise with Development Agreements team via DevelopmentAgreements@kent.gov.uk</p> <p>If unable to have measures agreed with the developer to alleviate this issue, for PC to raise again for Highway Improvements to discuss</p> |
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