

# Cinque Port Town of New Romney



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Ref: MW/7001

28<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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**  
**6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 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 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (attached hereto).

**8. PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT (Encs\*)**

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\*)**

- (i) To received and note Hythe and Folkestone District Council's Reports, Decisions and Matters.
- (ii) Local Planning Appeal Decision – Report attached.

**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.

- (i) Sea water quality and surface water flooding update, if available.

**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.

**14. CHANGES TO VARIOUS PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS:  
CONSULTATION (Encs\*)**

To consider the Afore-mentioned Public Consultation and take any such action as may be deemed appropriate.

**MINUTES**  
of  
**A Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee**  
**Held in the Assembly Rooms, Church Approach, New Romney**  
**on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
**Commencing at 6.45pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Councillors:** P Coe, P Carey, K Terry, S O'Hare, J Davies, and J Houston

**In the Chair:** Councillor P Coe

**In Attendance:** Town Clerk - Mrs C Newcombe

527/2023-24 **APOLOGIES**

**Apologies for absence were received and noted, as below:**

Councillor Phillips - for personal reasons  
Councillor Rivers - for personal reasons

528/2023-24 **DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

No new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been received.

529/2023-24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

530/2023-24 **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

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

531/2023-24 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

None received.

532/2023-24 **RE-CONVENING OF MEETING**

Not applicable.

533/2023-24 **MINUTES**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

The Chairman presented the **Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting Held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024**, a copy of which had been previously circulated to all Councillors.

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

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Terry  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor O'Hare

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024 be approved and signed as a true and correct record.**

534/2023-24 **PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT**

The Planning Clerk's report, which had been previously circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted and read as under:

**14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**  
**PLANNING CLERKS REPORT**

**(i) Pentland Homes – Mud on road report.**

I received an email from a concerned resident regarding the state of the roads by the Pentland Homes Development on Ashford Road, New Romney. The main concerns was the amount of mud on the road cause by trucks entering and leaving the site. I contacted both Planning Enforcement at FHDC and Pentland Homes directly regarding this.

I have had an email from Pentland Homes ensuring us that the roads will be swept and wheel washing will be done. I have replied to the resident with the outcome.

**(ii) Footpath – Mountfield Ind Est – Church Lane.**

The following letter has been sent to Folkestone and Hythe District Council regarding the re-instatement of the Footpath from Mountfield Industrial Estate to Church Lane, New Romney on behalf of New Romney Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee.

535/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

It was

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor O'Hare  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Houston

**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:**

<b><u>Application No</u></b>	<b><u>Location and Description</u></b>
(i) <a href="#"><u>23/2017/FH</u></a>	3, The Churchlands, New Romney, TN28 8LE
	Single storey garden annexe.

<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b>	<b>No Objection</b>
<b><u>Voting:</u></b>	
<b>For Application:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Against Application:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Abstained:</b>	<b>0</b>

536/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF LICENCE APPLICATIONS**

There were no licence applications for consideration.

537/2023-24 **FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS/DECISIONS/MATTERS**

(i) A schedule of delegated decisions of Folkestone & Hythe District Council Planning Department for the periods ending 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were duly received and noted.

(ii) Details of a local planning decision relating to 'Land adjoining 39, Victoria Road West, Littlestone TN28 8ND were received and it was duly noted that the aforementioned appeal had been upheld.

538/2023-24 **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

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

539/2023-24 **REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES**

**Parish Highway Improvement Plan**

The Parish Highway Improvement Plan update, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members and which referred to a very positive public engagement event held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024, was duly received and noted.

540/2023-24 **PRE-SUBMISSION OF THE KENT MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN 2024-2039 PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

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

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Coe  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Terry

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that New Romney Town Council decline to comment on this occasion but request that the Council be kept informed in regard to this matter.**

The Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and the meeting  
 Concluded **at 6.59pm**

*Minutes prepared by the Town Clerk*



**NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**  
**PLANNING CLERKS REPORT**

**Parking near a junction.**

We recently had our public engagement for the Changes to the High Street parking and 20MPH zones. During the public engagement we had several members of public comment on vehicles parking on the corner of Spitalfield Lane onto Lydd Road right at the junction. Cars must go round them and onto the other side of the road at the junction which is very dangerous.

I have reached out to our local Police Officer who will do more patrols in the area, when he drove past there wasn't anyone parked near the junction but will keep checking.

I also reached out to Folkestone and Hythe District council's Parking Services and was advised the following:

*We can only enforce parking near a junction if there is a restriction in place such as a yellow line. Although the Highway Code states "Cars, goods vehicles not exceeding 2500 kg laden weight, invalid carriages, motorcycles and pedal cycles may be parked without lights on a road (or lay-by) with a speed limit of 30 mph (48 km/h) or less if they are:*

- 1. At least 10 metres (32 feet) away from any junction, close to the kerb and facing in the direction of the traffic flow*
- 2. In a recognised parking place or lay-by.*

*We have now powers of enforcement over the first point above. In theory the police would be able to enforce as either dangerous parking or obstruction but there are several factors associated with this. Defining dangerous parking or just being a bit of nuisance for one and obstruction generally means no other traffic/pedestrians can get past. If something appears to be parked dangerously, we always advise the person to contact the police on 101 or online.*

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**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**  
**SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  
**FOR CONSIDERATION**

<b><u>Application No</u></b>	<b><u>Location and Description</u></b>
(i) <a href="#"><u>23/2082/FH</u></a>	Plot B, Land Rear of Plot 15, Collins Road, New Romney, TN28 8LH  17 no. general industrial units with associated parking and access road.
<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b> <b><u>Voting:</u></b> <b>For Application:</b> <b>Against Application:</b> <b>Abstained:</b>	
(ii) <a href="#"><u>24/0097/FH</u></a>	Land Adjoining 113 Queens Road, Littlestone, TN28 8LT  Detached bungalow with pitched roof built to Passivhaus standard.
<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b> <b><u>Voting:</u></b> <b>For Application:</b> <b>Against Application:</b> <b>Abstained:</b>	
(iii) <a href="#"><u>24/0078/FH</u></a>	New Inn, 37 High Street, New Romney, TN28 8BW  Erection of 2 semi-detached houses facing onto Church Road.
<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b> <b><u>Voting:</u></b> <b>For Application:</b> <b>Against Application:</b> <b>Abstained:</b>	

(iv) [24/0152/FH](#)

105 Littlestone Road, Littlestone,  
New Romney, TN28 8LP

Work to tree the subject to TPO No:8 of  
1998 T1 sycamore crown reduction by a  
max of 4 mtrs off height approx. 2 mtrs max  
lateral spread.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Voting:**

**For Application:**

**Against Application:**

**Abstained:**

(v) [24/0159/FH](#)

135 Queens Road, Littlestone, TN28 8NA

Works to trees subject to TPO No5 of 1994  
– Fell T1 Sycamore, T2 Holm Oak, T3 Holm  
Oak, T4 Holm Oak, T5 Holm Oak, & T6  
Holm Oak.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Voting:**

**For Application:**

**Against Application:**

**Abstained:**

(vi) [24/0105/FH](#)

Land Adjoining 1-2 West Lawn Cottages,  
Lydd Road, New Romney

Self-Catering tourist accommodation

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Voting:**

**For Application:**

**Against Application:**

**Abstained:**

### **Additional Planning Applications Received:**

(vii) [23/1591/FH](#)

Land west of Ashford Road, New Romney

Hybrid planning application comprising: full planning application for the erection of 94 residential dwellings including access from Ashford Road, open space, landscaping, car parking and associated infrastructure . Outline planning application with all matters reserved for the erection of 5 self/custom build units.

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

Additional information pack - added  
04/03/24

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

##### **Voting:**

**For Application:**

**Against Application:**

**Abstained:**

(viii) [24/0271/FH](#)

North Street House, North Street,  
New Romney, TN28 8DW

Works to trees situated within a Conservation area comprising of overall reduction to T1 Tulip by up to 4 metres, T2 Olive by up to 2 metres, T3 Ornamental Cherry by up to 2 metres, T4 Laburnum by up to 2 metres & T5 Lilac by up to 2 metres.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

##### **Voting:**

**For Application:**

**Against Application:**

**Abstained:**

**NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**

**DELEGATED DECISIONS OF FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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**For the Period Ending 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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| (i) <a href="#"><u>23/0245/FH</u></a>      | Swallows, Station Approach, Littlestone, New Romney, TN28 8LU   |
|  | Demolition of existing garage and erection of 3 bed dwelling.   |
| <b><u>DECISION:</u></b>                    | <b>Refused</b><br>(NRTC – Recommended Refusal)  |
| (ii) <a href="#"><u>23/2054/FH/TCA</u></a> | St Martins Field, Ashford Road, New Romney  |
|  | Works to trees in a Conservation area comprising of T1 Sycamore fell to ground level, stump ground out, plant replacement tree & T3 Sycamore fell to ground, stump ground out and plant replacement tree. |
| <b><u>DECISION:</u></b>                    | <b>Approved</b><br>(NRTC – Did not comment as it is an NRTC application)  |
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**For the Period Ending 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**

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| (i) <a href="#"><u>23/1440/FH</u></a>  | Land rear 55, High Street, New Romney, TN28 8AH                              |
|  | Demolition of existing building and erection of two-detached one bed houses. |
| <b><u>DECISION:</u></b>                | <b>Refused</b><br>(NRTC – Recommended Refusal)                               |
| (ii) <a href="#"><u>23/2023/FH</u></a> | 5 St Marys Road, New Romney, TN28 8JB  |
|  | Erection of one-bedroom garden annexe.                                       |
| <b><u>DECISION:</u></b>                | <b>Approved</b><br>(NRTC – No objection)                                     |
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**For the Period Ending 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

(i) [23/1947/FH](#)

Edale, Spitalfield Lane, New Romney, TN28 8HQ

Demolition of garage and erection of attached single storey side extension together with loft conversion.

**DECISION:**

**Approved**

(NRTC – No objection)

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**NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

**Kent & Medway Air Quality Forecast**

Received date: 29.02.2024

<b>Today</b>	Air pollution levels within the post code region TN28 are forecast to be Low
<b>Tomorrow</b>	Air pollution levels within the post code region TN28 are forecast to be Moderate

*The probability of pollution levels being within the four main bandings is shown in the table below.*

<b>Air Pollution Level</b>	<b>Today</b>	<b>Tomorrow</b>
Low	>95%	<5%
Moderate	<5%	>95%
High	<1%	<5%
Very High	<1%	<1%

**Recommended Actions and Health Advice**

<b>Air Pollution Banding</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Accompanying health messages for at-risk individuals*</b>	<b>Accompanying health messages for the general population</b>
Low	1-3	<b>Enjoy</b> your usual outdoor activities.	<b>Enjoy</b> your usual outdoor activities.
Moderate	4-6	Adults and children with lung problems, and adults with heart problems, <b>who experience symptoms</b> , should <b>consider reducing</b> strenuous physical activity, particularly outdoors.	<b>Enjoy</b> your usual outdoor activities.
High	7-9	Adults and children with lung problems, and adults with heart problems, should <b>reduce</b> strenuous	Anyone experiencing discomfort such as sore eyes, cough or sore throat

		physical exertion, particularly outdoors, and particularly if they experience symptoms. People with asthma may find they need to use their reliever inhaler more often. Older people should also <b>reduce</b> physical exertion.	should <b>consider reducing</b> activity, particularly outdoors.
Very High	10	Adults and children with lung problems, adults with heart problems, and older people, should <b>avoid</b> strenuous physical activity. People with asthma may find they need to use their reliever inhaler more often.	<b>Reduce</b> physical exertion, particularly outdoors, especially if you experience symptoms such as cough or sore throat.

\*Adults and children with heart or lung problems are at greater risk of symptoms. Follow your doctor's usual advice about exercising and managing your condition. It is possible that very sensitive individuals may experience health effects even on Low air pollution days. Anyone experiencing symptoms should follow the guidance provided below.

Further information about health and air quality can be found here: <https://kentair.org.uk/faq>

*Further details about current air quality and the forecast are available - [here](#)*



**NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024**  
**REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES**

**Parish Highway Improvement Plan**

- Date to survey/lobby the High Street traders and residents re: High Street Parking changes needs to be confirmed.
- The graffiti on the 'No Entry' Signs to Church Approach have been reported to KCC under reference: 788772.
- Double yellow line refresh for Church Approach reported to KCC under reference: 788780
- No entry for HVG signage for Spitalfield Lane update from KCC - The unsuitable for HGV signs are still with the designer to complete and I have asked for an update. Due to the time of the year, we have been having to prioritise the schemes that need to be installed this financial year so we don't miss the deadlines, but this will continue to be worked on.

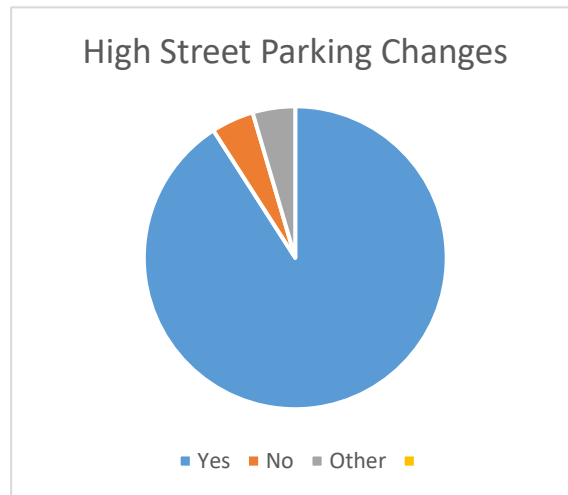
## **Results from Public Engagement Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**

### **High Street Parking Changes:**

Yes: 20

No: 1

Other: 1

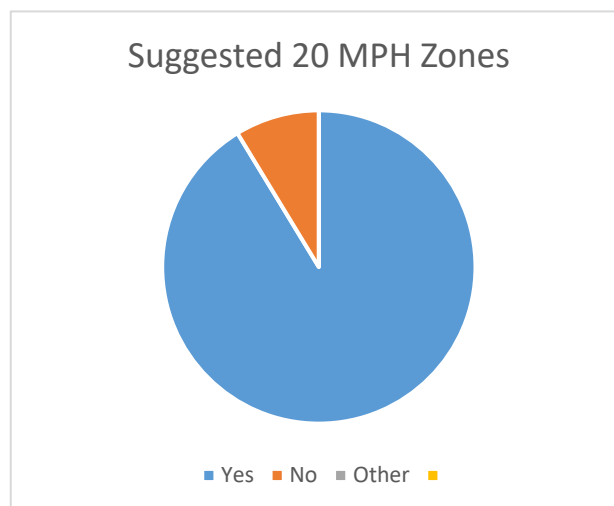


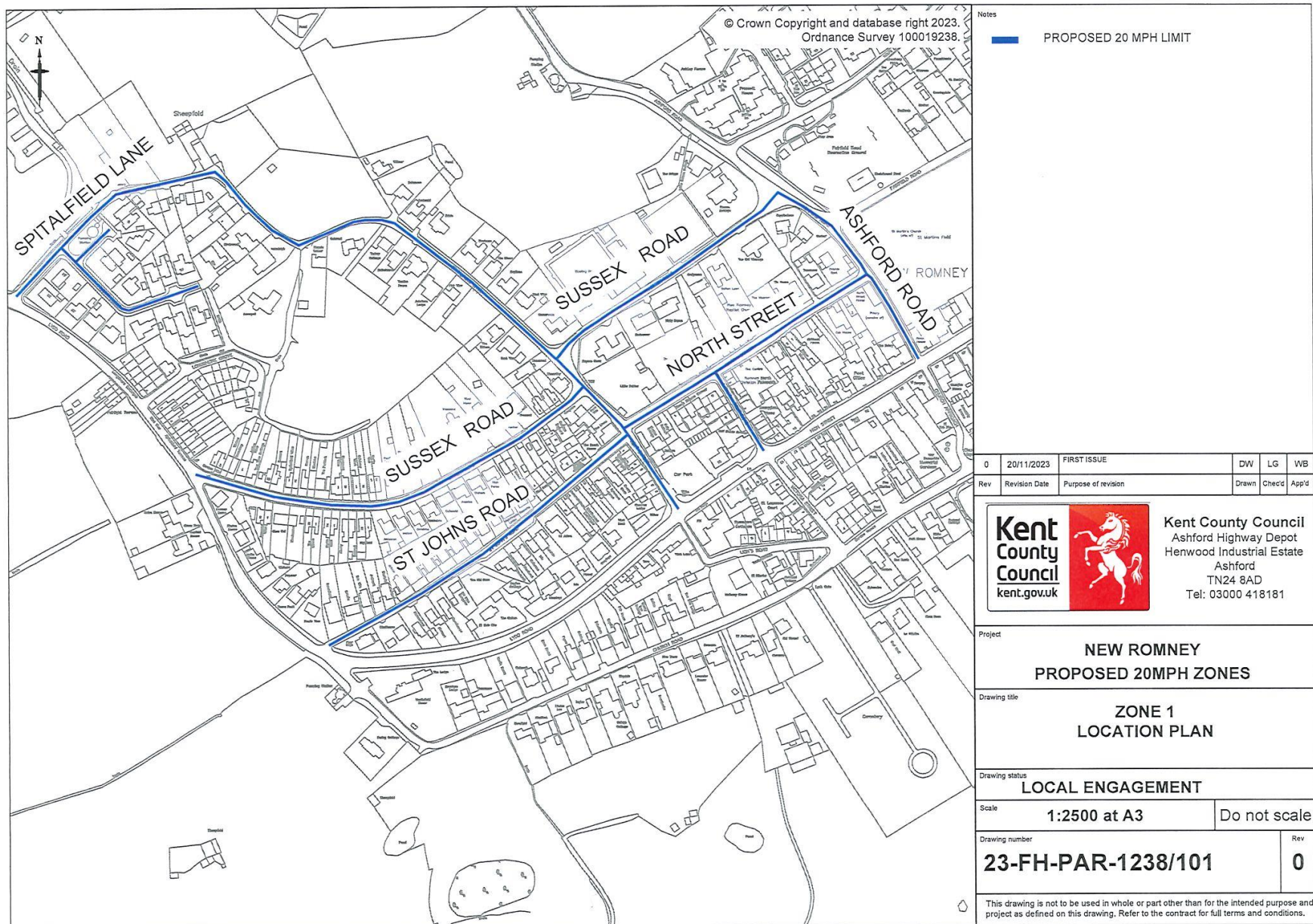
### **Suggested 20 MPH Zones:**

Yes: 21

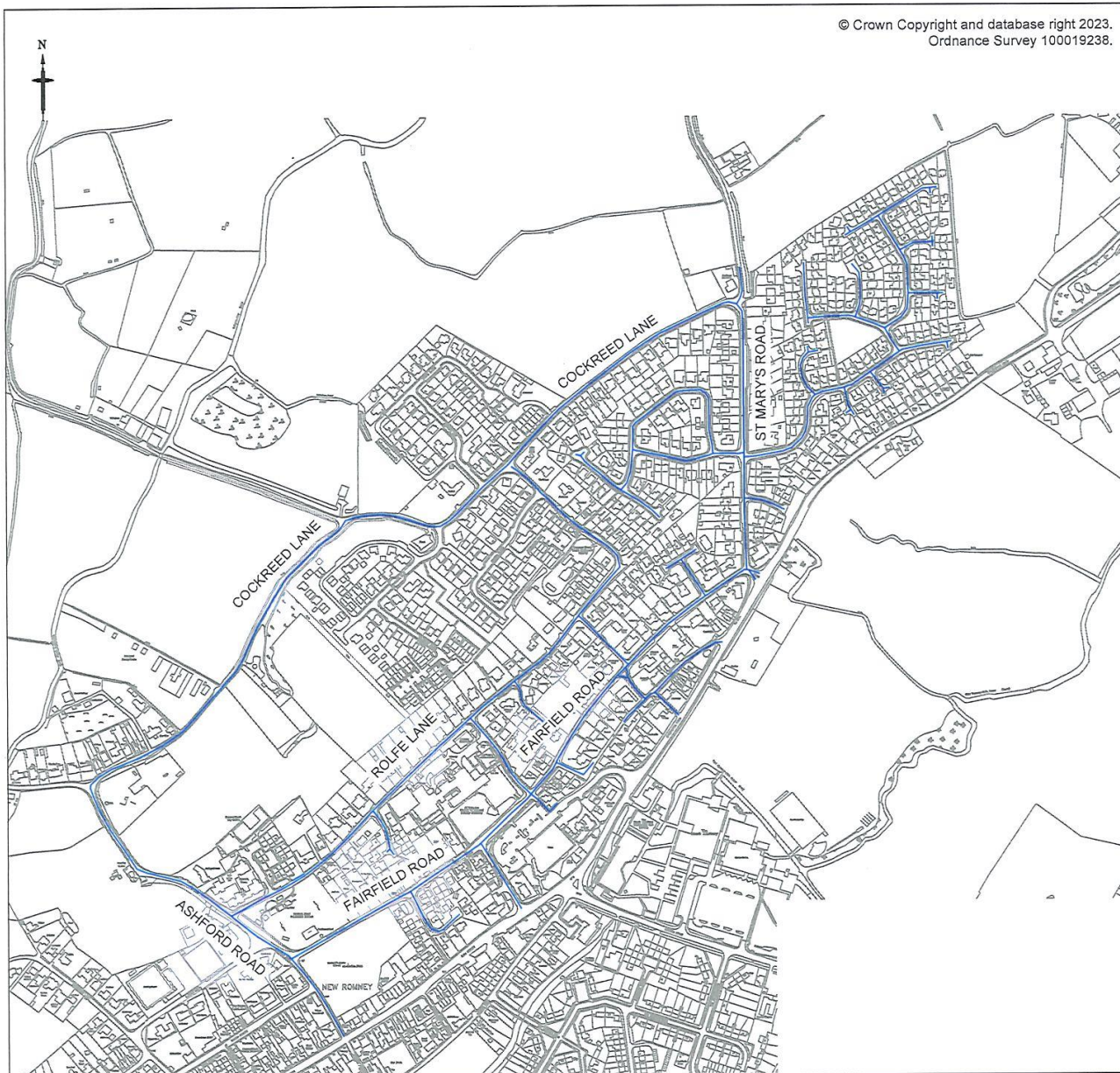
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Notes

■ 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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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

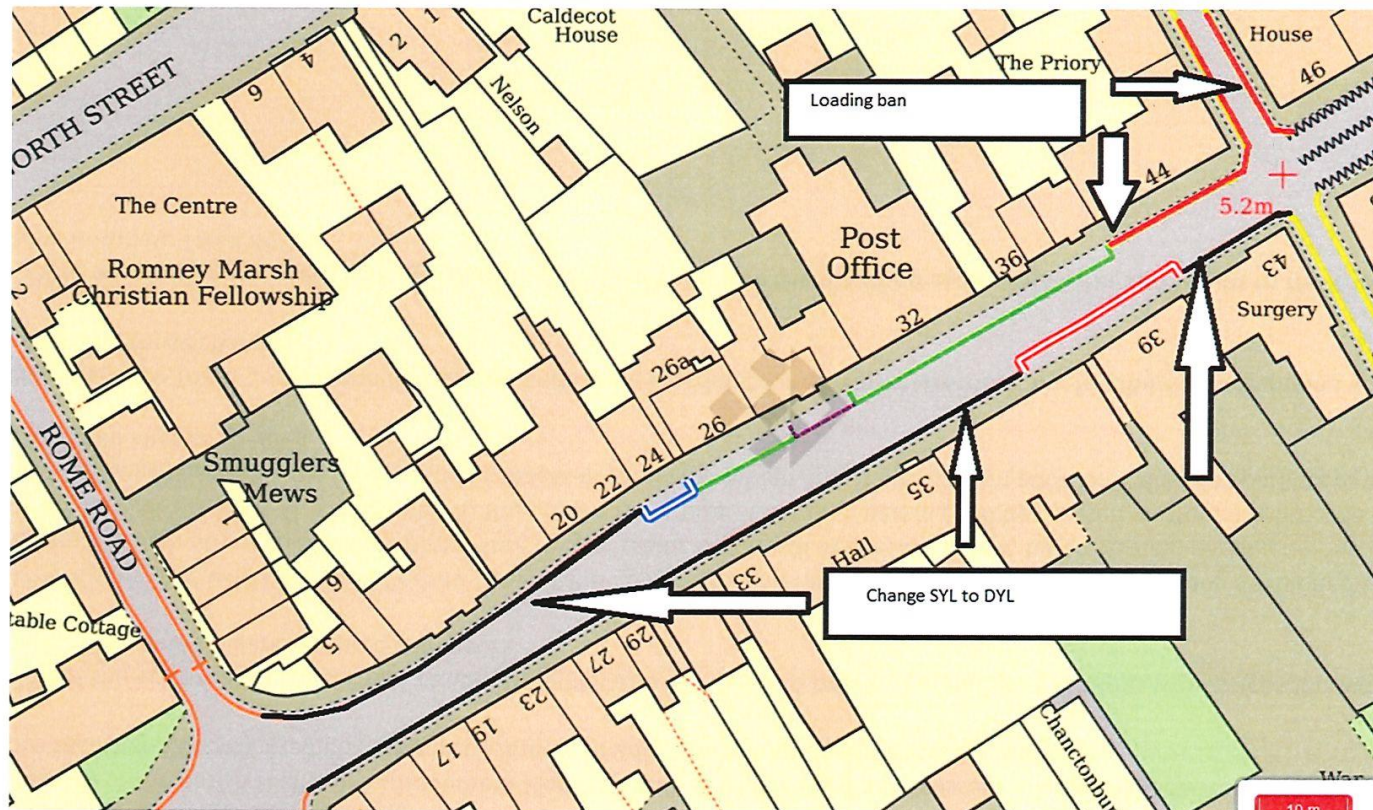
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This drawing is not to be used in whole or part other than for the intended purpose and project as defined on this drawing. Refer to the contract for full terms and conditions.





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.

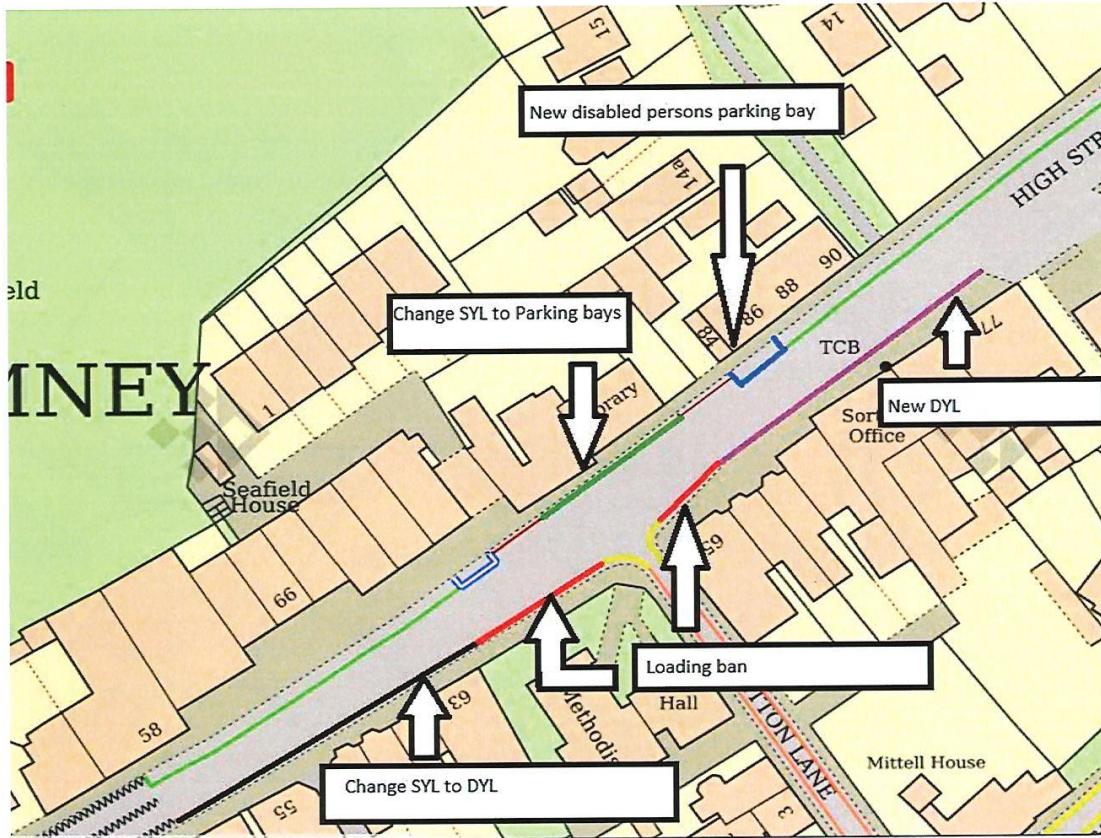
Single yellow lines to be upgraded to double yellow lines from 22 High Street to the corner of Rome Road.

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





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 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.

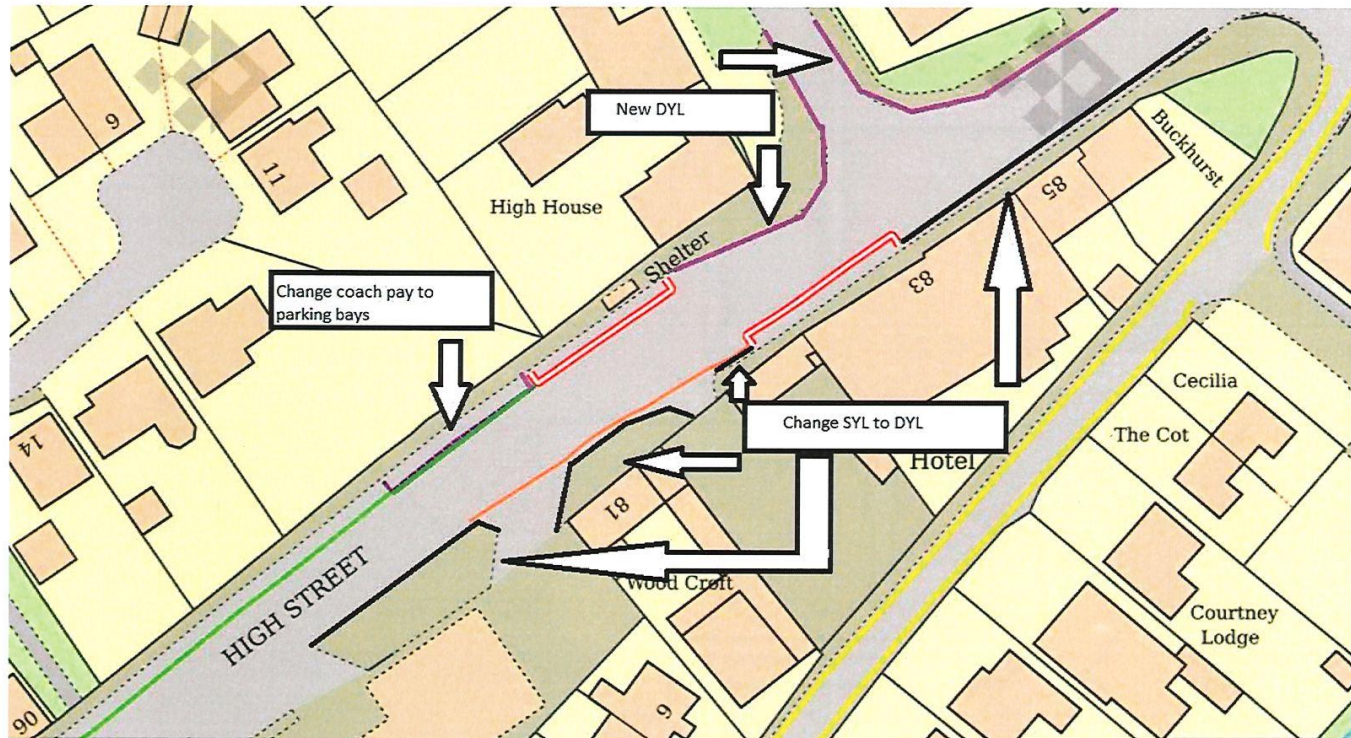
New disabled bay added after That Pet Shop outside Romney Spice.

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	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	Email Address	<a href="mailto:east.highwayimprovements@kent.gov.uk">east.highwayimprovements@kent.gov.uk</a>

- 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.**





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### 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 &amp; 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 &amp; 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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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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### Historical Priorities Record

No	Location	USRN	Problem/Concern	What do you feel are the potential solutions?	KCC Comments
	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 <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem">https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem</a>  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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>ii) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines near Church Lane Surgery/The Old School House.</p> <p>iii) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines, blocking driveways, creating bottlenecks, and causing congestion especially near The Old School.</p> <p>iv) Vehicles parking on double yellow lines near junction opposite Oak Hall Surgery causing bottlenecks and congestion.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>v) Bollards on grass verges needed.</p>	<p>02/02/2023-</p> <p>PC to liaise with F&amp;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&amp;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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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 <a href="mailto:DevelopmentAgreements@kent.gov.uk">DevelopmentAgreements@kent.gov.uk</a></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>

**NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2024**  
**CHANGES TO VARIOUS PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS -**  
**CONSULTATION**

**Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities**

Topic of this consultation:

This consultation contains proposed changes to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, as amended. It covers the following areas:

- Changes to certain permitted development rights which enable householders to improve and enlarge their homes.
- Changes to the building upwards permitted development rights which enable the upward extension of a range of existing buildings.
- Changes to the permitted development right which allows for the demolition of certain buildings and rebuild as homes.
- Changes to the permitted development rights which enable the installation of electrical outlets and upstands for recharging electric vehicles.
- Changes to the permitted development right for the installation of air source heat pumps.

**All information regarding this consultation can be found here (click link below).**

[Changes to various permitted development rights: consultation - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/consult/changes-to-various-permitted-development-rights)

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