

Wingham Parish Council Highway Improvement Plan Summary for the Parish Council website February 2022

| HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN | | | ACTION PLAN |
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| Priority | Location | Problem and <u>suggested</u> remedy by WPC | Comments and actions taken so far |
| 1 | A257 Gobery Hill, junction with Wildlife Park & Roman Road | Problem: Speeding; overtaking; hazardous pedestrian access to Wildlife Park & bus stops; overgrown vegetation on footway. Remedy: Buffer zone; widen road at park for central reservation & possible slip road; central double white lines; improve signs to indicate exits; more regular vegetation clearance. | KCC Officer investigated: potential s106 improvements; potential bus stop improvements; hedge maintenance. A257 Traffic Group met with Kent Police to discuss speed enforcement on the Roman Road. Speed checks carried out by Kent Police. Meeting organised end February 2022 to discuss and agree way forward. |
| 2 | Preston Hill junction with A257 High Street | Problem: Peak time congestion; speeding; Large vehicles mount island + pavements; hazardous for pedestrians Remedy: Re-model junction: reduce island size; increase width of footway o/s 113-114 High St; install triangular pinch to slow down/guide vehicles entering Preston Hill. | KCC working with WPC on design for junction to potentially include parking restrictions. Further work and consultation required. |
| 3 | A257 Canterbury Rd between Willow Cottage & bus stop at Mill Rd | Problem: Footpath on one side only; hazardous for pedestrians; overgrown vegetation. Remedy: Install new footpath; regular vegetation clearance. | Previous requests made for footpath 2014 & 2015. KCC drew up designs 2016 & consulted but funding not secured. Resident petition supported by WPC submitted to KCC Feb 2020, but rejected by KCC. KCC estimate costs to install footpath £24,000 based on KCC 2016 design. KCC to investigate utility services. |
| 4 | Watercress Lane | Problem: Diverted traffic from works elsewhere (B2046, etc) use this lane in error; Speeding; hazardous for residents; no footway. Remedy: Ensure Watercress Lane is not used during traffic diversions; traffic calming and/or signs to state no footway and protect residents. | KCC officer to raise this with the Streetworks Team to ensure appropriate signage used so that Watercress Lane should not be used when a diversion is in place. KCC have agreed to fund (in new financial year) edge of carriageway markings along the extent of houses fronting the carriageway. |

Previous HIP Priorities removed at 25.1.22 meeting

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| Wingham High Street | Speeding/high volume of traffic; HGVs causing vibrations; unsafe for pedestrians. | 20mph zone due to be completed February 2022 |
| C'bury Rd j/w Wingham High St; B2046 to Seath's Corner. | Speeding traffic entering village from the South along B2046; property damage; large vehicles unable to pass; hazardous for pedestrians. | 20mph zone due to be completed February 2022 |
| A257 Canterbury Rd Wingham Bridge | Inadequate fencing; subsiding bridge; damage to footway & carriageway | KCC have identified a scheme to make the bridge and carriageway safe. Work to commence soon. |
| Preston Hill: Wenderton Lane junction to just after Ashen Tree Cottages | Speeding traffic in both directions; hazardous for pedestrians & residents. | Reduce a section of NSL to 40mph to create a buffer zone when entering the existing 30mph. Work due to be completed February 2022 |

NB. HIP updated annually with KCC Highways. Last update: 25.01.2022