

# LINDFIELD VILLAGE PLAN JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## Progress Report No 2 on Implementing the Lindfield Village Plan

### Background

The Lindfield Village Plan Joint Advisory Committee (LVPJAC) was jointly established by Lindfield Rural Parish Council and Lindfield Parish Council to oversee the implementation of the Lindfield Village Plan. The role of the LVPJAC is to seek the co-operation of the appropriate organisations so that the Action Points in the Village Plan are implemented; it is not responsible for carrying out the actual implementation. This is the LVPJAC's second annual progress report.

Attached is a list of all the Village Plan Actions and the relevant supporting bullet points. The respective Actions and their supporting bullet points are shown in bold; the present position regarding their implementation is in italics.

The Village Plan contains twenty nine actions supported by eighty six bullet points; the report below shows progress in respect of fifty-three bullet points. Inevitably it has not been possible to make progress with some of the items. This is due to a variety of reasons including: insufficient funds being available (i.e. the lack of progress on extending the King Edward Hall), the responsible authority not being prepared to accept the need (i.e. failure to introduce a 40mph speed limit on the B2028 northern approach to Lindfield), or a lack of residents' interest (i.e. in making greater use of Bluebird Transport).

Where after a bullet point "No further action to be taken" appears it means that the **LVPJAC considers** that at least one of the following applies:

- a) The Action point has been implemented
- b) As much of the Action point as the appropriate authority is likely to respond to has been
- c) The appropriate authority has declined to accept the Action point
- d) The appropriate bodies and/or local community has shown no interest in the Action point
- e) The appropriate authority has agreed to the Action point
- f) Circumstances have changed and it is accepted that the Action point is unlikely to be implemented

and consequently will be taking no further action regarding its implementation. It does not necessarily mean that the responsible authority will cease to take any further action.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **ACTION 1: TO INCREASE PROMOTION OF EVENTS & ACTIVITIES IN THE VILLAGE**

*The Communications Forum for Lindfield continues to meet under the Chairmanship of Michael Davies, to co-ordinate the implementation of the communication actions.*

- **Review the provision and use of notice boards**

*The landlord with rights regarding Leaf's (formerly Joan Russell's) side wall in Denmans Lane has agreed to have additional notice board space erected at this location. It is proposed to expand the area occupied by the existing "Silver Jubilee Notice Board" (mainly used at present by the Preservation Society) and make this available to all local community organisations for displaying their notices. This should enable there to be one site where all the up-to-date notices about the life of the Village can be read. Alan Gomme has kindly volunteered to "manage" the notice board on behalf of the Village.*

*MSDC requires detailed plans for the board and site before planning permission will be granted. Preparation of these is in hand.*

*The Lindfield Preservation Society has agreed to make a grant towards the cost. Subject to sufficient funding being forthcoming a planning application will be submitted.*

- **Encourage clubs and societies to make use of village publication such as Lindfield Times, Parish Council Newsletters, Lindfield Preservation Society circulars and church publications to promote events and recruit members**

*The publication of the Lindfield Times experienced a hiccup towards the end of 2007 but now seems to be back on track again.*

*The two Parish Council newsletters continue to be published as part of the Lindfield Times.*

*Distribution of the Lindfield Times has increased to cover areas not previously covered.*

*There is now a Lindfield Times photographer and Jeremy Crooks is developing a repository of photographs of village events on the Lindfield*

*Times website.*

*Other organisations continue to produce their own newsletters solely for the benefit of their membership.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Encourage greater use of the Parish Office as a source of information**

*PC Geoff Bennett, the Neighbourhood Specialist Constable for Haywards Heath, continues to hold regular surgeries in the Parish Office.*

*As mentioned in the bullet point below the Parish Council's web site is being updated which will give an opportunity to promote use of the Parish Office.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Keep websites up to date**

*A voluntary editor for Lindfield Online was appointed to co-ordinate the flow of information from local clubs and organisations and, where the latter have their own websites, to establish links between them. Subsequently however the owners and web masters of the site decided to close the site as they are no longer resident in Lindfield. As result it has been decided that the Lindfield Parish Council website should be updated and act as the main source of local website information. This is currently being investigated.*

*The Lindfield Times also now has a website.*

**Who:**

- Societies & organisers of events
- Parish Councils
- Webmasters & publishers of newsletters

**FACILITIES AND AMENITIES**

**ACTION 1: TO PRESERVE A WIDE RANGE OF SHOPS**

- **Identify further adequate free parking.**

*No progress*

- **Encourage residents to use village shops.**

*No progress*

- **Publicise services and facilities available from existing businesses in village publications.**

*No progress*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council and Mid Sussex District Council
- Local business organisations.

**ACTION 2: TO PROVIDE BETTER PUBLIC TOILET FACILITIES**

- **Retain and improve facilities in Denmans Lane**

*The transfer of the toilets to Lindfield Parish Council has now taken place. Final quotes for their refurbishment are expected shortly and work should start “in the foreseeable future”. They will be re-designed and configured internally to provide a modern facility for the Village and our visitors.*

- **Reinstate toilet facilities in the area of the common**

*This is only likely to happen if included in the improvements to the Cricket Club pavilion. However the planned improvements to the latter do not include this facility.*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council and Mid Sussex District Council

**ACTION 3: TO INCREASE PROVISION OF SUITABLE SPACE FOR MEETINGS ETC. TO KEEP PACE WITH THE GROWTH IN VILLAGE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.**

- **Extend King Edward Hall facilities**

*The King Edward Hall Management Committee has advised that:*

*“Whist we still have the requirement our funding planning is disrupted because the Lindfield Club have withdrawn their support for the scheme and therefore we are left to consider a single storey extension. The initial thoughts are to fundraise coinciding with the Centenary of the Hall in 2011.”*

- **Seek additional accommodation**

*See above*

#### **ACTION 4: TO ENCOURAGE VISITORS TO EXPLORE THE WHOLE VILLAGE**

- **Display in the High Street area a village map showing pictorially places of interest**

*Discussions continue to take place concerning the design for the Village Map and its possible location.*

- **Continually updating the Lindfield Online website**

*See Communications fourth bullet point above*

#### **Who:**

- Parish Councils

#### **ACTION 5: TO RETAIN AND INCREASE POST OFFICE FACILITIES IN THE VILLAGE**

- **Publicise services currently available**

*An article approved by the Postmaster entitled "More than Postage Stamps" was published in the Lindfield Times. The article set out the range of services available at the Lindfield Post Office and reminded residents of the need to "Use it or lose it". This article was also the basis of a display by the LVPJAC on Village Day 2007.*

*Unfortunately due the ram raid on the Village Post Office in December 2007 it had to close and did not reopen until May 2008. Regrettably during the period of closure the Post Office could not be prevailed upon to provide alternative facilities.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Liaise with Post Office for re-establishment of Post Office facilities away from village centre**

*With the closure of the Post Offices in Franklins Village and America Lane there would appear to be no hope of establishing facilities elsewhere in the village.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- The Post Office
- Post Office Rescue Campaign
- Lindfield Parish Council and Mid Sussex District Council

**ACTION 6: TO ENCOURAGE THE EXPANSION OF MEDICAL FACILITIES IN THE CENTRE OF VILLAGE**

- **Support the present Practice**

*Improvements to existing medical centre facilities are currently being completed.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Regularly monitor the situation**

*See above*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- NHS Primary Care Trust
- Lindfield Parish Council and all relevant political bodies including our local MP

**HOUSING & ENVIRONMENT**

**ACTION 1: TO PRESERVE HIGH STANDARDS IN ALL VILLAGE BUILDINGS**

- **Communicate to responsible authorities the importance of protecting our very special historic and architectural heritage.**

*See below*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Identify, in consultation with their owners, further buildings and structures for Listing.**

*See below*

No further action to be taken

- **Carry out village-wide consultations on major planning proposals affecting the village as a whole.**

*The Lindfield Action Group (LAG) has been revived, under the umbrella of the Lindfield Preservation Society (LPS), to meet the threat of major developments near Newton Road, and at other sites around the Village, arising from the Small Scale Housing Allocations for the District. There has been a considerable amount of work undertaken by the LPS and LAG in making representations to support MSDC in the latter's efforts to prevent this happening, or if it does, to mitigate its impact.*

*Both of Lindfield's Parish Councils have been active in consulting with residents and making representations.*

No further action to be taken

- **Assist the owners and tenants of public buildings in the village to improve access opportunities for the elderly and less able.**

*All of the above have been the subject of a considerable amount of regular activity by led by the LPS.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, Lindfield Preservation Society.
- Those entrusted with the care and maintenance of public buildings.
- English Heritage and the Department of Culture, Media & Sport.  
Mid Sussex District Council Environment Department.

**ACTION 2: TO PREPARE AND ISSUE A VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT**

- **Draw up the village design statement in accordance with the comprehensive guidelines set out by the Countryside Commission and with the agreement of the Local Planning Authority to inform Local Planning Policies**

*The public exhibition of the first draft of the Village Design Statement (VDS) took place at the King Edward Hall as planned on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007. Numerous constructive comments were received and have been*

*considered by the team responsible. Where appropriate the comments have been included in the final draft which is nearly ready to be submitted with a Sustainability Appraisal to MSDC for the formal consultation process needed prior to approval. All involved appreciate the importance of the completed and approved VDS as an aid to protecting the Village in the face of pressures on MSDC to identify sites for more housing in the district.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council, Lindfield Preservation Society, Mid Sussex District Council and West Sussex County Council

**ACTION 3: TO ENSURE APPROPRIATE HOUSING FOR THE VILLAGE**

- **Press Mid Sussex District Council for high standards of design and construction in sympathy with existing buildings**

*See below*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Oppose new housing schemes without the provision of sufficient additional medical facilities and, where appropriate, schools**

*See below*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Oppose inappropriate large-scale housing developments**

*See below*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Resist proposals to build low-rise apartments by demolishing existing houses**

*The Parish Council and the Preservation Society continue to pursue this action and it's supporting bullet points as individual planning applications come forward. Representations have been made to MSDC about their Core Strategy Pre-submission Document as a part of the actions to sustain housing standards and limit inappropriate development.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Support initiatives to build affordable housing under conditions that ensure long-term affordable prices and rents.**

*This is considered by the Parish Council and Preservation Society on a scheme by scheme basis.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Support initiatives to build more sheltered and very sheltered housing within easy reach of the village centre on suitable brown-field sites.**

*This is considered by the Parish Council and Preservation Society on a scheme by scheme basis.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, Lindfield Preservation Society and others concerned

**ACTION 4: TO RAISE STANDARDS IN THE LOCAL PLANNING PROCESS**

- **Inform Mid Sussex District Council of village opinions about the planning process as seen by applicants and others for both housing developments and trees.**

*See below*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Make constructive suggestions to the Parish and District Councils about improving the planning process.**

*The two Parish Councils and the Preservation Society continue to have a regular dialogue with each other and MSDC in order to improve the planning process.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, Lindfield Preservation Society and others concerned.

#### **ACTION 5: TO MAINTAIN LINDFIELD AS A “BEST KEPT VILLAGE”**

- **Seek Volunteers to address issues raised by the Village Plan Questionnaire in a timely way, including young people interested in forming a band of “Lindfield Conservation Volunteers” similar to the Tree and Pond Wardens.**

*No progress*

- **Re-enter national and regional competitions to increase local interest and awareness.**

*The Lindfield Parish Council has raised this issue with various Village organisations but there has been no support.*

No further action to be taken

- **Support village initiatives to reduce air and noise pollution from traffic and other sources such as bonfires and garden machinery.**

*No progress*

- **Press responsible authorities for improved services to deal with overgrown roadside hedges, collection of dog waste, litter removal and green waste collection.**

*MSDC has successfully introduced the wheelie bin service for green waste, although it is recognised that this gives rise to other issues as a result of the proliferation of wheelie bins. The responsible authorities do respond to the other matters when they are drawn to their attention.*

No further action to be taken

- **Provide assistance to the elderly who need help with green waste removal.**

*MSDC do offer some assistance.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, West Sussex County Council, Mid Sussex District Council as appropriate.

#### **ACTION 6: TO MAINTAIN ATTRACTIVE TREES & FLOWERS IN THE VILLAGE**

- **Schedule prominent village trees under the guidance of the Tree Wardens and press for Tree Preservation Orders on trees identified as having public amenity value and at risk**

*See below*

- **Press for pollarding kerbside trees in High Street**

*Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) have now been placed on the lime trees in Compton Road and the lower group were pollarded by WSCC Highways in December 2006. The response of the limes to this treatment will be monitored. The Parish Council has agreed a policy to restore pollards to highway trees throughout the Conservation Area although this has yet to be accepted by WSCC Highways. The important schedule of immediate and on-going work and its periodic review, in order to effectively implement the policy, has also yet to be agreed.*

*MSDC has refused permission to fell the lime trees in the High Street and has placed TPOs on them. It is understood that WSCC will be submitting a revised planning application based on pollarding but the details are still awaited.*

*A TPO has also been placed on two trees in Pondcroft Road which form part of the backdrop to the pond. A campaign is in hand to persuade the Tree Wardens to submit short written reports to the Parish Council's Planning and Traffic Committee about trees under threat, particularly in the Conservation Area. MSDC has been reminded to act more quickly to enforce objections to Tree in Conservation Area notices.*

- **Give publicity to Parish Council policy for flowers in public spaces**

*No progress*

**Who:**

- Parish Councils
- Parish Tree Wardens aided by additional Volunteers

**ACTION 7: TO MAINTAIN THE POND AS A HEALTHY AND ATTRACTIVE PUBLIC AMENITY**

- **Work with the Pond Warden to develop and publicise guidelines to improve the health of the pond, including the installation of public notices about feeding wild-fowl and consider a scheme to make suitable bird-feed available.**

*No progress*

- **Action appropriate issues raised in the Village Plan Questionnaire.**

*No progress*

- **Develop and implement a better pond aeration system.**

*No progress*

- **Collaborate with the responsible authorities to protect the long-term physical integrity of the pond, and to ensure periodic pond cleaning and maintenance.**

*No progress*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council.
- Parish Pond Wardens aided by additional volunteers.

**SAFETY & SECURITY**

**ACTION 1: TO REDUCE ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

- **Enhance communication with the police and other relevant authorities**

*The Lindfield Local Action Team seeks to ensure that the appropriate communication takes place although improvements are still needed.*

- **Encourage residents to report all incidents, as Police records only take account of reported incidents**

*Geoff Bennett, the Neighbourhood Specialist Constable for Haywards Heath now holds regular surgeries in the Parish Office.*

*Streetmate continues to have a regular presence in the Village and respond to incidents of anti-social behaviour involving young people.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, Neighbourhood Watch and the Local Action Team
- Voluntary and youth organisations (such as Streetmate)

**ACTION 2: TO RESTORE AND EXPAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE**

- **Recruit Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators with the aim of achieving total street coverage**

*See below*

- **Improve communication between the Police and all levels of Neighbourhood Watch Volunteers**

*It continues to be difficult to obtain accurate information about the level of active Neighbourhood Watch coverage in the Village. The person who coordinated the flow of information from the Sussex Police to the local community left and the responsibility has been reallocated to other officers*

*who have competing priorities. In addition all the records are being computerised and this has meant that those Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators who are active have not been receiving any information whilst this process is completed. Also information is no longer made available to Coordinators by telephone, so if the latter do not have access to a computer they will not be kept fully up to date.*

**Who:**

- Neighbourhood Watch Organisation (Regional & Local) in co-operation with the Police

**ACTION 3: TO ACHIEVE A UNIFORM STANDARD OF LIGHTING THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE**

- **Institute an inspection procedure for all existing public-owned lighting**

*The public lighting which is the responsibility of the Parish Council is inspected fortnightly for “outages” and cleaned annually. The remainder of the public lighting is the responsibility of WSCC and this is inspected fortnightly for “outages” in the winter and monthly during the summer; it is cleaned every two years. In addition last year a representative of WSCC together with two parish councillors and the Parish Clerk undertook a survey of all WSCC’s lighting in the Village.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Ensure contractors are systematically advised of malfunctions or when lights are obscured by trees or hedges.**

*See first bullet point above and fifth bullet point of Action 4.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Upgrade lighting where and when appropriate**

*This takes place as appropriate*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Install additional lighting where considered necessary and when finance is available**

*The Lighting Working Group considers requests for extra lighting.*

No further action to be taken

- **Encourage Neighbourhood Watch Street Co-ordinators and residents to report problems, especially where street lighting is obscured.**

*Re Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators there has been a lack of progress generally, see Action 2 second bullet point above. The Parish Office encourages residents to either report issues directly to the appropriate authority or does so on their behalf.*

**Who:**

- West Sussex County Council and Parish Councils
- Police and the Lindfield Local Action Team
- Residents Associations for unadopted roads

**ACTION 4: SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE OF FOOTPATHS AND PAVEMENTS**

- **Make regular inspections to identify obstructions on pavements.**

*See below*

No further action to be taken

- **Regularly trim back public and private hedging that impedes access to footpaths and pavements.**

*See below*

No further action to be taken

- **Ensure hedges and trees do not obstruct street lighting and road signage and driver and pedestrian sight lines.**

*See below*

No further action to be taken

- **Report damage and unevenness of pavements and tactile paving that might cause accidents.**

*See below*

No further action to be taken

- **Minimise random car parking on pavements and verges.**

*Lindfield Parish Council introduced a system of sector patrols last year which has improved the flow of information about the issues listed above. These are then drawn to the attention of the responsible authority.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Parish Councils, West Sussex County Council and Mid Sussex District Council and Police as appropriate

**SPORT & LEISURE**

**ACTION 1: TO PROVIDE BETTER FACILITIES FOR THE YOUNGER AGE GROUPS**

- **Provide more meeting places for young people**

*Achieved - since the drafting the Village Plan the Albermarle Centre at Oathall Community College has been revamped and provides a lively meeting place for young people.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Give increased support to Streetmate**

*LVPJAC has been actively involved in assisting Streetmate with its drive to secure its funding. A member of the LVPJAC has joined Streetmate's Management Committee and has been given the lead on applying for grants. Contributions have been secured from Lindfield Preservation Society, Lindfield Parish Council, Cuckfield and Lindfield Rotary, Mid Sussex Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership and West Sussex County Council. An appeal has been launched in order to attain financial security in the medium term.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Approach local clubs to step-up their profiles, particularly to the younger age groups**

*Last year it was anticipated that this would form an important part of the role of the local community editor for Lindfield Online. The aim being for the potholder to become the hub of a flow of up-to-date information from local*

*clubs and organisations about opportunities and events, and to promote the linking of all local websites to Lindfield Online. Letters were sent to all local organisations promoting this initiative. With the imminent demise of Lindfield Online referred to in the Communications section above, this role will have to await the launching of the Parish Council web site post “makeover”.*

**Who:**

- Parish Councils
- Local clubs and societies
- Local Action Team
- Village youth organisations

**ACTION 2: TO GIVE LOCAL YOUTH A VOICE THROUGH A LINDFIELD YOUTH COUNCIL**

- **Establish a Youth Council with the support of the Lindfield Parish and the involvement of all relevant local youth bodies**

*A Local Youth Forum covering Haywards Heath and the surrounding area has been established.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Churches
- Schools
- Sporting organisations
- Other bodies engaged in organising youth activities

**ACTION 3: TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO SPORT AND LEISURE FACILITIES**

- **Consider the options for making it easier for people with disabilities to be brought to King Edward Hall by vehicle.**

*No progress has been made on this issue and it seems doubtful that it will be.*

- **Promote car-sharing and “lift offer” schemes.**

*This is a matter for the individual organisations using the hall.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Promote greater use of Bluebird Transport.**

*This was piloted by the Lindfield Preservation Society but was found to be uneconomic due to the low and unreliable level of use.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- King Edward Hall Management Committee.
- Parish Councils, Mid Sussex District Council and West Sussex County Council.
- Local clubs and societies.

**TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT**

**ACTION 1: TO IMPROVE THE LEWES ROAD/HIGH STREET JUNCTION**

- **Install a mini-roundabout**

*Mini roundabout scheduled for implementation in 2008.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- West Sussex County Council in conjunction with Lindfield Parish Council

**ACTION 2: TO IMPLEMENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT & CALMING MEASURES**

- **Introduce measures to reduce speed and to discourage through traffic in Hickmans Lane & Sunte Avenue, with complementary measures in Finches Park Road & By Sunte if necessary**

*Lindfield Parish Council has placed this issued on the Lindfield Traffic Study Joint Working Party (LTSJWP) agenda for consideration and it is scheduled for further discussion at the next meeting.*

- **Initiate actions to reduce through traffic in Eastern Road, Luxford Road, Newton Road, Dukes Road and Brushes Lane**

*Lindfield Parish Council placed this issue on the LTSJWP agenda for consideration. Following discussions it has been agreed that the problems*

*will be re-evaluated once the impact of the High Street/Lewes Road mini-roundabout is known.*

- **Implement enhanced measures to increase driver awareness of the West Common/Appledore Gardens mini roundabout and investigate speed reduction measures for West Common**

*The Route Speed Management scheme with implementation scheduled for 2008 addresses this Action Point. However the LVPJAC remain of the view that vehicle activated warning signs would be a beneficial addition as per the original Project Centre proposals.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Introduce a 40mph speed limit on the B2028 northern approach from Hollyrood on Buxshalls Hill to the Lindfield gateway**

*This issue is again being pursued by Lindfield Rural Parish Council following revised Department of Transport guidelines on speed limits issued in 2007. This traffic calming measure has been discussed and is supported by LTSJWP.*

- **Implement effective calming measures at or inside key gateways into Lindfield**
  - **B2111**
  - **B2028 West Common**
  - **C10 High Beeches / Summerhill Lane**
  - **B2028 northern gateway**
  - **Gravelye Lane**

*Calming measures on the B2111 at Scamps Hill and Lewes Road and the B2028 West Common form part of the agreed Route Speed Management scheme due for implementation in 2008. This broadly addresses the Village Plan concerns, although LVPJAC remain of the view that Vehicle Activated Signs would be a beneficial addition, particularly on West Common, as originally proposed.*

*No further action to be taken*

*Having regard to discussions and previous consideration given by WSCC, a decision has been made that additional calming measure on the C10 are not warranted and/or technically feasible. The LVPJAC currently accepts the decision and this item is closed. It will be pursued further should conditions change.*

No further action to be taken

*Calming measures inside the northern gateway on the B2028 remain under discussion within the LTSJWP. It has been indicated by WSCC that roundels supporting the 30mph signs could be provided and this would be considered if raised by the Parish Council.*

*Gravelye Lane has yet to be considered.*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council
- Lindfield Rural Parish Council
- West Sussex County Council

**ACTION 3: TO REDUCE PEDESTRIAN – VEHICLE CONFLICT**

- **Build up kerb and pavement at entrance to Lewes Road to discourage vehicle overrun**

*It was proposed that there could be scope for this improvement to be included with the High Street/Lewes Road mini roundabout work. Project Centre and WSCC were considering this issue but the outcome of their deliberations is unknown. A request has been made to Lindfield Parish Council that the current position is ascertained.*

- **Provide surface treatment and associated measures to protect pedestrian space at eastern end of Hickmans Lane to High Street**

*This issue is scheduled for further discussed at the next LTSJWP meeting.*

- **Provide appropriate pedestrian crossing points, e.g. 'build-outs' in:**
  - **central High Street [below Alma Road]**

*There have been no further discussions since November 2006 LTSJWP when this action point was left in abeyance pending resolution of High Street parking proposals.*

- **lower High Street [near Pondcroft Road]**

*Agreed as part of the Route Speed Management scheme by WSCC and Lindfield Parish Council with implementation scheduled for 2008.*

No further action to be taken

- **Lewes Road [east of Old School Court and/or near Noahs Ark Lane]**

*Crossing point east of old School Court agreed as part of the Route Speed Management scheme by WSCC and Lindfield Parish Council with implementation scheduled for 2008.*

No further action to be taken

- **Summerhill Lane [near school]**

*Discussed at November 2006 LTSJWP and in light of previous consideration given to this stretch of road by WSCC it was agreed a crossing point could not be justified at the present time. [Also see Action 2]*

No further action to be taken

- **Provide pedestrian island refuge in Westlands Road at junction with Gravelye Lane**

*Discussed at November 2006 LTSJWP and in absence of any indication of support this item is not being pursued. As there are insufficient grounds to justify the enhancement this Action Point is closed.*

No further action to be taken

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council
- Lindfield Rural Parish Council
- West Sussex County Council

**ACTION 4: TO MONITOR THE PERFORMANCE AND EFFECT OF PARKING ENFORCEMENT**

- **Assess and pursue effective local authority parking enforcement**

*Village Plan involvement completed. Parking enforcement has been satisfactorily implemented.*

No further action to be taken

- **Review impact and assess further parking measures and provision required**

*Village Plan Action Point completed following CPZ consultation with residents.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council in conjunction with Mid Sussex District Council

**ACTION 5: TO INVESTIGATE FEASIBILITY OF INTRODUCING A 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT AND HEAVY GOODS VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS IN LINDFIELD**

- **Investigate the feasibility of introducing a 20 mph zone within the five entry points to Lindfield village, or at least in the vicinity of schools**
- **Investigate HGV ‘access only’ restrictions for Hickmans Lane & Sunte Avenue, Lewes Road and High Street**

*Measures within Actions 1 – 3 contribute towards managing vehicle speeds and volumes within Lindfield. However no specific work has been undertaken on this Action. This long term aim is not currently considered a priority issue.*

*No further action to be taken*

**Who:**

- Lindfield Parish Council in conjunction with West Sussex County Council
- West Sussex County Council

**ACTION 6: TO REDUCE SCHOOL RUN TRAFFIC THROUGH THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION AND PROMOTION OF SCHOOL TRAVEL PLANS**

- **Encourage active parent participation in the delivery of the Lindfield Primary, Blackthorns and Oathall school travel plans together with support for the ‘Safer Routes to School’ initiative**

*This action has yet to be considered.*

## **ACTION 7: TO LOBBY BUS OPERATORS TO PROVIDE ENHANCED SERVICES**

- **Provide route information and timetables at bus stops**

*Some improvements have occurred and the present position will be further reviewed in the coming year.*

- **Seek improved routes and service hours**

*This action has yet to be considered.*

- **Investigate innovative solutions to increase bus usage**

*Having regard to the current level of service provision this action is not being pursued.*

*No further action to be taken*

### **Who:**

- Parish Councils and West Sussex County Council in conjunction with bus operators

## **ACTION 8: TO ENCOURAGE CYCLING FOR SHORT JOURNEYS**

- **Provide lockable cycle parking facilities in central Lindfield and on the common**

*The validity and scope of this Action does not justifying attention at the present time.*

*No further action to be taken*

- **Actively support West Sussex and Central Mid Sussex Area transport plans for safe cycle routes and promote the inclusion of the Lindfield area in any network**

*No further action to be taken*

### **Who:**

- Parish Councils in conjunction with Mid Sussex District Council and West Sussex County Council