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Report:	8. Electric Vehicle Charging
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Summary

MSDC seek input from Town & Parish Councils on potential locations for e/v charging points.

Background

MSDC circulated the following earlier this month:

Dear Town and Parish Councils,

As you may be aware, and may have seen this week in the press, Mid Sussex District Council have partnered with West Sussex councils including the County Council to launch the 'West Sussex Chargepoint Network'. This will involve Connected Kerb supplying, installing and maintaining the electric vehicle chargepoints across the County.

We understand that many Town and Parish Councils are keen to get involved with this network. To ensure that chargepoints are located in the best places for residents, we will be undertaking network planning work over the coming months to determine the locations of the first stage of chargepoints. We will be in contact when we are able to provide more details on the network planning process, and will be reaching out to Town and Parish Councils to discuss local needs and expectations early next year as part of that work.

Many thanks,
West Sussex Chargepoint Network Partnership

In October, Cllrs Plass and Blunden had met with Cllr Garry Wall and advised:

- Following advice that MSDC was planning on street charging, Cllrs expressed concerns to GW that restricting the already limited High Street parking was inappropriate and feared any negative effect on trading. It was suggested that e/v chargers in Hickmans Lane Recreation Ground and the Tennis CP on the common were more appropriate locations

Current Position

There is nothing specific required at this time as Cllr Ash-Edwards has stated "Yes, we're keen to work with parishes and towns on potential locations. I'll be happy to feed in any suggestions from Lindfield Parish Council." and has been supplied with the above note from the meeting with Cllr Wall

Budget

n/a for LPC.

Way Forward

At this point P&TC is asked to note the details above and await the approach from the West Sussex Chargepoint Network Partnership.

Recommended Action

1. Await developments.

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Report:	10. Budget proposals for the next financial year
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Summary

Members to agree next year's budget requirements for P&TC.

Current Position

- For 2021/2 the P&TC budget is £10k (£2.5k Neighbourhood Plan, £3.5k Professional Fees [TRO] and £5k Traffic Improvements following Traffic Study).
- £125 (Unplanned Professional Fees – Lindfield Life Ad for TRO Consultation) has been spend to date and Project Centre's final bill now received.
- The NP is in abeyance until MSDC progress their plans

2022/3 Budget

The following budget is proposed to be put to F&GP at their next meeting on 9/12/21:-

No	Description	Amount
1	Speed Indicator Devices – £5k in 2021/2 budget. A further £15k should allow the provision of a fixed sign in two of the feeder roads (e.g. West Common, Lewes Road or High Beech Lane [northbound as the new Croudace site has installed a southbound one) subject to WSCC and SSE (power) agreement	£15k
2	TRO costs – the consultation report recommends a lorry monitoring camera opposite the junction for a week and summary report at ~£1.8k. Additional personnel likely to be required to supplement electronic recording.	£2.5k
4	Electronic Bus signs –cost ~£5-10k each depending on type and installation. Initially two in High Street but up to five (e.g. West Common, Lewes Road, Hickmans Lane). Possible S106 monies although none identified at present.	£20k
5	Cycleways – the Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Plan states " <i>The Parish Councils will support proposals that satisfactorily address pedestrian, cyclist and traffic safety issues ... They will also support proposals to establish a dedicated safe cycle route from Scaynes Hill through to the Lewes Road in Lindfield.</i> " The Scaynes Hill – Lindfield Active Travel group is actively pursuing a suitable cycle route and it seems appropriate to be able to contribute towards its work, alongside Lindfield Rural Parish Council in case of need.	£2k
6	Planning support – recent years have seen HHGC and Tavistock & Summerhill planning applications which were an anathema to many and the former required expenditure on a Planning Consultants report which had not been budgeted for. It would seem appropriate to build up a fighting fund for when something similar arises in the future	£2.5k
Total		£42k

At the present time it does not appear appropriate to include a potential Sustrans project in the budget although this may need to be considered in conjunction with the schools in the future. To assist a multi school project addressing problem parking at pick up and drop off times was previously quoted as ~ £30k over two years.

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Way Forward

1. Members are asked to agree the final P&TC budget proposals to be put forward to F&GP

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26th November 2021