

Jevington Road Junction Working Group

Minutes of a meeting held on 10th June 2026

Present:

Cllrs Bustard, Gaffney, Harvey and Morris. Clerk Phil Burgess

Background

The junction had been a cause for concern for some time, and the problems were likely to be exacerbated by the Exceat Bridge Works and the increased speeds and traffic flows once the bridge had been completed.

An approach to County Councillor Shing had revealed that the best course of action would be for EDPFC to approach ESCC councillors (rather than Highways) with a petition for safety improvements to the junction.

Further concerns had also been raised regarding the diversions to be put in place for buses and general traffic whilst the bridge works were proceeding. These concerns were not alleviated by recent stakeholder meetings.

Matters discussed

Speed limits Some approaches were set at the national speed limit. All approaches to the junction should be reduced to 30 mph. The speed limit sign on Old Willingdon Rd should be moved further back. The limit on entering the village from Eastbourne should be changed to 30.

Correspondence with Wilbar Associates (Highways Consultants) This company would charge £300 for an on-site visit and advice how to proceed. A professional report would strengthen the PC case. Wilbar suggested we initially approach ESCC for current vehicle speed and flow data as this would be vital in formulating potential schemes. *Action: Clerk to contact the email following for any data gathered within the last 5 years on this and queuing traffic. If this is either unreliable or unavailable we should compile our own data.*

transport.monitoring@eastsussex.gov.uk

Refuge A refuge should be considered if the road width allows so that pedestrians don't have to negotiate two carriageways at once.

Roundabout It was agreed that this would be the best solution to the issue of multiple approach roads, subject to sufficient space being available. This would remove the confusion over which route to take. *Action: Clerk to check surrounding freeholds to see if further space is available.*

Briefing Paper from Cllr Gaffney Detailed report to be considered prior to next meeting. *Action: Clerk will distribute electronic copies in advance of next meeting*

Diversions Diversion signage needs to be placed well away from the village, preferably at the Victoria Drive traffic lights in Eastbourne. *Action: Clerk to check with Brighton Buses for the turning point for Westbound buses and arrangements which would be in place for the closure.*

Jevington Rd Width Signage is required to indicate width limit for this narrow road. *Post meeting note re measurements:* Green Lane / Old Post Office pinch point at the end of the village is 2.25m, 8 Bells Pub (near the bus stop) road width is 2.04m. Near church Lane parked car reduced width to 1.5m

Footpaths Safe pedestrian access would be preferable both on the western side of the green (is it within our freehold?) and the eastern side towards Windmill lane from Old Willingdon Rd.

Signage Cllr Morris would photograph the signage at the junction and forward to Clerk for mapping onto a junction diagram. *Action Cllr Morris and Clerk.*

Next steps Further meeting to be called once the traffic movement data has been received from ESCC