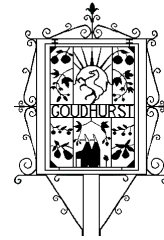


# **Goudhurst Parish Council**



## **Highways Committee 23rd Sept 25**

**MEETING**  
**23 September 2025 19:30 BST**

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# Goudhurst Parish Council



To: Cllrs Craig Broom , Antony Harris, Suzie Kember, Peter Rolington, Paul Wareham and Alison Webster. Phil Kirkby (Ex Officio)

I summon you to a Meeting of the Highways & Public Transport Committee on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.00pm to meet with members of the public, but the meeting will officially start at 7.30 pm, in The Church Rooms, Back Lane, where business detailed on this agenda will be discussed.

**Members of the Public and the Press are welcome to attend this meeting.** At the Chairman's discretion, 15 minutes will be set aside for questions from members of the public each one of whom may be invited to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes in total relating to items on the Agenda or about issues of local concern. Thereafter they have the right, and are welcome, to stay and observe the rest of the Meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1. For free discussion, please attend the 7pm – 7.30 open forum.

**Please inform the Clerk if you intend to film or record the Meeting.**

Kat Hoyle

Clerk to Goudhurst Parish Council

17<sup>th</sup> September 25

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A quorum for Highways Committee is 3 Members.

# Agenda

Location  
The Church Rooms, Back Lane, Goudhurst.

Date  
23 Sep 2025

Time  
19:30 BST

	Item	Page
	7pm - prior to the start of the meeting. Questions and comments from members of the press and public.	-
	This is an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions or raise issues of local interest. Thereafter they are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the Meeting (members of the public are not permitted to speak during the remainder of the meeting except by special invitation of the Chairman) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1. Please note, Council cannot lawfully decide on items of business not specified on the published agenda although the Chairman may decide to refer any issues raised for further discussion (LGA 1972 Sch 12 10 (2)(b)).	-
1	Apologies for absence as reported at the meeting.	-
2	To elect a Vice Chairman	-
3	Declarations of Interest.	-
4	To review updated Terms of Reference	-
5	To resolve to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 24th June 2025, and available to members via Board Intelligence prior to the meeting.	4
6	To receive an update from our Kent County Councillor on traffic issues	-
7	To receive an update from the Highways Improvement Plan Focus and decide on any further action needed.	-
8	To receive an update from the Transport Action Group A262.	-
9	To update on the Inceptor and make a decision on action taken	-
10	To discuss the recent petition on lorries through the village and decide any further action	-
11	To discuss next steps on the grant application content and submission for traffic flow improvements	-
12	To consider traffic issues raised by residents and to decide on any action needed.	-
13	Items for Information	-
13.1	Date of next meeting is to be agreed as scheduled for 16th January 26	-

# Goudhurst Parish Council



## HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE WITH PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Minutes of a Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 in Goudhurst Village Hall

During the 7pm an open public forum took place

### PARTICIPANTS

**Councillors Present:** Cllrs Craig Broom, Alison Webster, Antony Harris

**Officers Present:** Clerk. Kat Hoyle

**Others Present:** 2 members of the public and Cllr Claudine Russell

Numbers tbc

### TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN

195/25 Cllr Paul Wareham was unanimously elected as Chairman. Cllr Craig Broom was thanked for his work previously on the committee

196/25 It was agreed to add to elect a Vice at the next meeting

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

197/25 Cllr Paul Wareham due to medical appointment and Cllr Peter Rolington for being away. Cllr Suzie Kember due to work commitments.

### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

198/25 There were none.

### MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

199/25 It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the committee meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025 a copy of which was made available to members prior to the meeting via Board Intelligence.

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

200/25 It was **agreed** for an amendment to be made to the Terms of Reference which Cllr Antony Harris will draft.

### KENT COUNTY COUNCILLOR

201/25 Cllr Claudine Russell updated the Committee on the traffic light survey and the continuing feedback from the community. The feedback showed that the public were in favour, but the businesses expressed concern given the drop in footfall and trade. It was noted, the Parish Council requested to be consulted and to appreciate the opportunity to speak through the options, given their knowledge of the history .

### HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

202/25 An update from the HIP was received. It was agreed for the Clerk to reply to the questions and update the contact information and return to KCC.

### NORTH ROAD, SUMMER HILL AND WINCHET HILL PROPOSALS

203/25 It was agreed for the suggestions and proposed upgrades to signage be submitted, as shared in the meeting pack, to be submitted to KCC.

#### TAG A262 /25

204/25 A representative updated the Committee the group were conducting speed surveys along the A262, after the latest update from KCC. It was agreed for the Clerk to ask for the speed survey collection to be requested as part of the HIP and for the representative to submit preferred location spots.

#### THE A21.

205/25 There was none

#### TRAFFIC ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS

206/25 It was agreed for the SID to be relocated in Kilndown by the Village Hall. Action: Clerk to organise.

#### ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

207/25 It was noted the increase lack of hedge cutting on busy roads. It was encouraged to report all over grown hedges via the Kent County Council online portal.

208/25 It was noted a resident requested information about road adoption via social media, which was sent.

209/25 It was noted the Inceptor by the village pond had still not been cleaned, but was due to be done in the next few weeks. The Clerk will investigate the potential asset transfer from Kent County Council.

#### DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

210/25 The Date of next meeting is Tuesday 23rd September in the Church Rooms official start 7.30

The meeting closed at 21.04

Kat  
Kat Hoyle  
Clerk  
24<sup>th</sup>