

Meeting with PCSO

A meeting was held with Julie Pearce-Martin, Police Community Support Officer, Prevention Team. Points arising:

Local Services - Hastings and Rother Community Policing has been restructured. There is to be redistribution of responsibility for the villages in the District to four Police Community Support Officers. (Contact information to follow). This represents a significant reduction in general PCSO coverage to the villages. At the same time a new Rural Police Team comprising a Rural Police Sergeant (Sergeant Tom Carter) and three Rural PCSOs (Local Officer for Burwash is Julie Pearce-Martin) has been created. The rural team will particularly be concerned with issues such as farm thefts, heritage, wildlife, hare coursing, fly tipping, poisoning of water sources and other agricultural crimes. The district contact is julie.pearcemartin@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Double yellow lines - The PCSO service is obliged to operate within the existing parking restriction framework. So, while the latest iteration of double yellow lines in the villages remains subject to consultation and revision it is the law as seen by the PCSOs. Furthermore, it is the view of PCSO Pearce-Martin that the highway comprises the area between the boundaries (hedges fences, walls etc.) of the carriageway and should there be double yellow lines within those boundaries then anything parked anywhere between the boundaries (on the side of the lines) will be parked illegally and subject to a parking ticket (Penalty £80).

Transport Strategy for the South East

Launched late October

Consultation open to Jan 10th2020

View at <https://transportforthesoutheast.org.uk/transport-strategy/>

Mission: “ By 2050 the South East will be the world’s leading region for sustainable economic growth. Our mission is to provide a clean, safe, seamless transport system to better connect our lives and our businesses while protecting the environment. That will mean more jobs, more opportunities to trade in the global marketplace and a better quality of life for everyone.”

Executive Summary - prepared by Transport for the South East, the Sub National Transport Body for the South East of England, with the support of its 16 Constituent Local Transport Authorities, 5 Local Enterprise Partnerships, 46 district and borough authorities and wider key stakeholders. Transport for the South East's mission is to grow the South East's economy by delivering a safe, sustainable, and integrated transport system that makes the South East more productive and competitive, improves the quality of life for all residents, and protects and enhances its natural and built environment. Its ambition is to transform the quality of transport and door-to-door journeys for the South East's residents, businesses and visitors. In economic terms, we have identified the potential to grow the number of jobs in the region from 3.3 million today to 4.2 million and increase productivity from £183 billion to between £450 and £500 billion Gross Value Added a year. This is almost 500,000 more jobs and at least £50 billion more per year than without investing in the opportunities identified within the Transport Strategy.

A hard copy of the Strategy is available to view in Parish Council Office.