

Help us create a safer lower speed environment for all  
Etchingham Residents



## **Etchingham Parish Council**

### **THE ETCHINGHAM SAFETY ACTION GROUP**

Survey of Residents (registered electors)

to decide

if their Parish Council should apply for a Public Works Loan  
Board Loan of £40,000, the maximum required to proceed

**Installation of a 20mph School Safety Zone along the A265 (spanning from just before the entrance to Borders Lane to the end of the current 30mph area, adjacent to the pond west of Parsonage Croft**

- Incorporates the installation of flashing warning signage, targeting vehicles at specified times, the Zone would be in operation between 8am and 9am and between 3pm and 4pm
- Installation of yellow backed School warning signs with supplementary plate and flashing wig-wags, one sign to be installed west of Parsonage Croft, and one to be installed east of Borders Lane

**Permanently reduce the speed limit on Church Lane to 20mph, due to the blind bend and undulating road surfaces, the lack of pavements for pedestrians and the lack of street lighting**

- New signage and road markings incorporating new speed roundels throughout

**Q: Why is a loan required?**

A percentage of the required funding will be made available from the Parish reserves and the Parish will submit an application to East Sussex County Council Community Match funding to seek 50% of the total estimated costs. If the application for match funding is granted it is estimated a further £40,000 will be needed by the Etchingam Parish to complete the works.

**Q: What are the total estimated costs to undertake the proposed works?**

Costs are estimated based on the original estimates and increases for inflation. The total estimated costs are circa £80,000. Total costs will only be confirmed after a new feasibility study has been carried out by East Sussex County Highways, to include complete costings to undertake the works.

**Q: Why we need your support?**

We need your support to engage East Sussex County Highways to undertake a new feasibility study focusing on these specific proposals before we can submit the application for match funding.

Survey Response Form – Return this entire page fully completed  
for your vote to be valid and included in the final count

**Question:**

Do you wish Etchingham Parish Council to apply for a Public Works Loan Board loan of £40,000 (maximum) to implement the proposed road safety measures as part of the TESAG project on the understanding that this equates to a repayment sum of £2,521.84 per annum or £6.12 per annum for each householder at the time of going to print.

**COMPLETE IN BALLPOINT PEN FOR BEST RESULTS**

YES	Please indicate your decision clearly with a cross beneath the appropriate answer	NO	OFFICE USE ONLY:	
			VERIFIED	N/A

All responses will be treated as strictly confidential but we have to ask you to furnish your name and address so we can be sure you have residential status in the Parish of Etchingham and that the rule of 'one vote per person' is upheld. Once verified the personal information will be securely and permanently destroyed.

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Signed</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

To be returned to the Parish Office, Parsonage Croft, Etchingham TN19 7BY  
(completed forms including signature sent by email are acceptable  
send to [paulette.etchinghampc@gmail.com](mailto:paulette.etchinghampc@gmail.com))  
by **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 latest.**

## **Frequently Asked Questions and Answers:**

### **Q: Why is this happening now?**

The Etchingham Safety Action Group (TESAG) is a sub-committee of the Etchingham Parish Council, it was officially formed on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2022. In 2019 the Parish Council commissioned a Road Safety Improvements Feasibility Study. TESAG has operated for the past 4 months reviewing the original feasibility study. Following that review recommendations have been made focusing on what TESAG believe are priorities based on the following:

- To improve the safety of residents, pedestrians and other road users throughout the core of the village
- To give particular attention to concerns regarding safe access to the School and Village Halls
- To improve roads where no footpath or pavements exist, and where blind bends and undulations are prevalent
- The overall value to the community based on spend required to deliver the works and improve the safety on our roads

### **Q: What are the recommendations?**

**Implementation of a new intermediate 40mph speed limit to separate the current national 60mph and 30mph limits in both directions (east and west)**

- The 40mph limit would be at least 400-500 meters in length prior to entering the current 30mph limit to further help reduce speed before entering the village

**Implementation of a Gateway treatment at 30mph terminals on approach to Etchingham village to slow the speed of vehicles entering Etchingham from both directions (east and west)**

- 4 independent gates, with a gateway on each side of the carriageway
- Red coloured road surface with white roundels making the speed reduction more visible, speed reductions of up to 5-6mph can occur within the first 20meters of the gateway treatment, lowering traffic speeds into the village