

Terms of Reference: Transport and Infrastructure Committee - Agreed F/C 20.04.21

Aim: To enable wherever practicable the environment and transport infrastructure and services of the town meet the needs of the citizens.

Status: The Transport & Infrastructure Committee shall be a Standing Committee of Deal Town Council appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Council. It has the power to make decisions which support aims of the committee without the need to refer to Full Council unless a matter is specifically referred up. It is subject to the same general rules of conduct in relation to meetings as set out in the Council's Standing Orders.

Membership: The Committee shall consist of elected Members of Deal Town Council. Its quorum shall be 3.

Co-options: Co-opted members shall be representatives of organisations and individuals who in the opinion of the Committee shall enhance the effectiveness and representation of the Committee. The Committee will submit co-option recommendations to Full Council for decision. Co-opted members shall not have voting rights.

Meetings: Meetings of the Committee shall normally take place at least six times a year. The time, date and place of meetings shall be determined by the Council at the Annual Council Meeting, or otherwise by the Council.

Objectives:

To consider evidence and representations on highways and transport issues relating to the Deal Town Council area.

To make representations to the District and County Councils on Highways and Transportation related consultations and to encourage public participation in this process.

Facilitate to ensure that the relevant delivery bodies provide a good quality, affordable public transport service which takes into account the needs and expectations of its residents and the town's employees and businesses.

To promote any public consultation and exhibitions relating to major schemes across the Deal area.

To encourage public transport representatives to make regular representations to the Committee to update on the local position and proposed changes to service provision.

Be active in the preparation of transport plans by other authorities.

To make recommendations to the Highways and other Transport Agencies regarding the improvement and co-ordination of all forms of Transport systems serving the Town.

Regularly monitor the Transport infrastructure and services through public consultation and member observation. Pursue problems and suggestions with the District and County Councils, and any other authorities, until they are resolved.

Regularly monitor the environment issues through public consultation and member observation.

Pursue problems and suggestions with the District County Councils, any other authorities, until they are resolved.

Continue to develop safe walking and cycle and mobility scooter routes and to promote cycling, scooting and walking around the town, for health as well as the positive environmental benefits.

Promoting use of public transport in line with green transport initiatives.