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To all Committee Members: You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee at the Town Hall on **Wednesday 17th September 2025** at 7.15pm to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Any member of the public may submit a written statement of no more than 500 words relating to any item on this agenda. These must be received by 10am on Tuesday 16th September 2025 by email to deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk or post to the above address. These statements will be circulated to all present at the meeting and become part of the public record of the meeting, names will be redacted.

Laura Marney – Committee Clerk

Date: 10th September 2025

AGENDA

1	Chairperson's opening remarks:	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence:	Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.	Attach 1
4	Public Participation and Statements received: For councillor information: Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at the meeting in respect of the business on the agenda. This shall not exceed 15 minutes.	
5	The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Tuesday 15th July 2025 for approval and signing: Decision required.	Attach 2
6	Town Signage – Damaged fingerarm: Decision required.	Attach 3
7	Co-opted Member request: Decision required.	Attach 4
8	KCC Response – Bollards 84 St Richards Road. Decision required.	Attach 5
9	DTC 3rd HIP Update: Decision required.	Attach 6
10	Committee Clerk Report: Information to note.	Attach 7
	Date of next meeting: 19th November 2025.	

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Committee members: Cllr M Walters, Cllr B Bano, Cllr M Eddy, Cllr T Bond. Cllr D Cronk, Cllr M Cronk, Cllr D Parks, Cllr P Jull, Ms C Dubber and Ms L Sills.

Declaration of Interest

ATTACHMENT 1

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.

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The Minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 15th July 2025 at Deal Town Hall.

Present: Cllr M Walters (Chairperson) Cllr B Bano (Vice Chairperson)
 Cllr M Eddy Cllr D Cronk
 Cllr P Jull Cllr D Parks
 Mrs C Dubber (Co-opted member)

Officers: Mrs L Marney (Committee Clerk) Other: 1
 Ms J Harper (Asst to the Town Clerk)

1	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation procedures.	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence: Cllr M Cronk due to work commitments. Cllr T Bond and Ms L Sills (Co-opted member) were absent.	Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: Cllr B Bano declared a VAOI for item 6 as he rides an E-bike.	
4	Public Participation and Statements received: A member of the public spoke about E-bikes.	Committee Clerk
5	The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 14 th May 2025. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Cronk. 5 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried.	Chairperson
6	Cycle Friendly Deal 2/E-bikes: Following discussion Members RESOLVED: That based upon the age of the E-bikes and the fact that other outlets in the Town are hiring out much newer E-bikes, this committee recommends to Full Council that the E-bikes are sold. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr D Parks. 4 For, 2 Abstentions. Motion carried.	Committee Clerk
7	Review – T&I Committee Terms of Reference: Members RESOLVED: To agree the recommended updates and replace the current format of the Transport and Infrastructure terms of reference in line with the other Deal Town Council committees and refer to Full Council for approval. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
8	DDC Survey – Taxis in the district: Following discussion Members RESOLVED: The Committee Clerk to send the stakeholder survey link to all Deal Town Councillors and Communications Officer to place the public survey on the Deal Town Council website. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	Committee Clerk/ Comms Officer
9	Correspondence received – Southeastern: Following discussion Members RESOLVED: Chairperson in liaison with Committee Clerk to write to Southeastern to accept the offer of meeting with the Area Manager to discuss the toilet facilities at Deal and Walmer Stations. Cllr M Walters, Cllr M Eddy, Ms C Dubber (Co-opted Member) and the Committee Clerk to attend the meeting. Chairperson in liaison with the Committee Clerk to also send a copy of the correspondence to the Minister for Transport. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Parks. All agreed.	Chairperson/ Committee Clerk
10	3rd HIP Application Update: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	

11	A258 London Road - Gas Repair Works: Following lengthy discussion Members RESOLVED: To note the report and for the Chairperson in liaison with the Committee Clerk to write to SGN to request that the gas repair works are completed as quickly as possible and to seek clarification on the diversion routes and also to write to Stagecoach to ask what the bus arrangements will be so that the information can be shared on the Deal Town Council website. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr P Jull. All agreed,	Chairperson/ Committee Clerk
12	Committee Clerk Report: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Parks. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.16pm.	

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Walters, Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee; All Committee Members
From: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk
Date: 1st September 2025
Subject: Town Signage – Damaged fingerarm located at Middle Street Car Park

The 4 signage fingerposts in the town are located at Union Road, Beach Street, Middle Street Car Park and South Street and these were refurbished back in August 2023. Some fingerarms were updated with the Tourist Information symbol being added to the Town Hall fingerarms, also a new fingerarm was added to the Beach Street post indicating Sandown Castle Garden.

It has come to light that one of the fingerarms for “Sandown Castle Garden” in the Middle Street Car Park has been damaged (see photo below).



The Committee Clerk has contacted the original manufacturer of the town signage posts who also produced the replacement fingerarms, they have advised that to have another "Sandown Castle Garden" fingerarm manufactured and delivered to the Town Hall will cost £447.60 including VAT.

The manufacturer has confirmed that the fingerarm will come with grub screw fixings, the Deal Town Council Facilities Manager has advised that he will be able to replace this fingerarm onto the town signage located at the Middle Street Car Park.

Recommendations:

- 1) Members to agree to the cost of the damaged "Sandown Castle Garden" fingerarm and for this to be produced by the original supplier.
- 2) Members to agree to refer this item to Full Council for the budget to be approved.

Decision required: Committee members to consider the above recommendations.

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Walters, Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee, Committee members
From: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk
Date: 5th September 2025
Subject: **Co-opted Member request**

The Committee Clerk has received a request from the Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee to have Toby Taylor as a co-opted member on this Committee.

Toby Taylor is an owner of Bike shops in Deal and the surrounding areas and is an advocate of cycling in the district. The Chairperson of this Committee takes the view that having his specialist knowledge regarding bikes & cycling will be beneficial for future committee decision making items.

Recommendation:

Members to consider that Toby Taylor becomes a co-opted member on the Transport & Infrastructure Committee, and to submit this request to the next available Full Council meeting for agreement.

Decision required:

Members to consider this recommendation.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Walters, Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee; All Committee Members

From: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk

Date: 29th August 2025

Subject: KCC response – Bollards 84 St Richards Road

Following the March Transport & Infrastructure Committee, Members RESOLVED: that the Chairperson in liaison with the Committee Clerk contact KCC to advise on the issue that has been raised and to ask KCC that as soon as is practicably possible KCC replace the double yellow lines and to look into bollards on this part of the road.

The following response has been received from KCC and they have advised:

“To have the existing double yellow lines assessed and refreshed, this needs to be logged on the KCC website to report/track a problem on the road. I can confirm I have reported on the KCC website for the yellow lines to be investigated and refreshed.

The double yellow lines in place at this location still means vehicles are actually allowed to park and load on these for 20 minutes and so technically they aren’t doing anything wrong if it is within 20 minutes.

But! As you may be aware the Road Traffic Act 1988 section 22 states that you must not leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road. In addition to this the Highway Code clause 243 states that one does not stop or park opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space.

If this is the case and it is within 10 metres of the junction then enforcement of the current restrictions is the responsibility of Parking Enforcement at Dover District Council and the resident should contact DDC to report vehicles illegally parking here.

We are unable to install bollards at this location, as they need to be installed 450mm back from the kerb face and doing this would not allow the minimum required footway width for pedestrians, mobility vehicles and pushchairs etc. The opposite side of St Richards Road has a grass verge which already has bollards installed without impacting the footway.”

Decision required: Committee members to consider how they wish to respond.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Walters, Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee; All Committee Members

From: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk

Date: 1st September 2025

Subject: 3rd HIP Update

The Committee Clerk submitted DTC's 3rd HIP application to the KCC East Highways Improvement Team on the 27th May 2025.

The Deputy Town Clerk and Committee Clerk had a meeting with the KCC Highways Community Engagement Officer (Dover & Thanet) on the 9th June 2025 where our HIP submission were discussed. Following this meeting we have received the following update from KCC:

*"I have some HIP updates for you regarding **Victoria Road** and **West Street** priorities, I will explain fully below but I have also placed notes on the DTC HIP.*

Victoria Road – *it is unlikely that the location between Deal Castle and Captains Gardens will meet the required criteria for a formal crossing point, ie. a zebra crossing. To install a zebra crossing, a pedestrian survey will need to be carried out along with an ATC survey (vehicle), once the results are in a calculation called PV2, this is carried out which calculates the number of pedestrians crossing the road and the amount of vehicles travelling. Surveys are not carried out during school holidays as this wouldn't give a true representative of the majority of the year and although I know this stretch of road does get busy during peak times, I am confident that it wouldn't meet the criteria on a standard day/weekend. Even if it was felt that the criteria would be met, the pedestrian surveys costs need to be estimated on a case by case basis but are usually around £850.00 each (it may need two or more) and the crossing itself could cost anything from £40,000 and with no evidenced safety issue here, it wouldn't be something KCC could fund.*

A controlled crossing point would not be suitable here as there is one located further up on The Strand but also, we would still need to meet sufficient criteria, and they are more expensive than a zebra crossing.

To install a pedestrian refuge island, a minimum of 10m carriage way width is required and unfortunately this isn't the case on Victoria Road.

A dropped kerb pedestrian crossing with tactile paving could be further investigated but with a traffic management and lane closures required which are subject to lane rental, this could prove very costly in comparison to the dropped kerbs we have already discussed.

West Street – Unfortunately, it has not been deemed feasible to reduce the speed limit here. Although the average speeds are supportive of a 20mph speed limit, as I mentioned in our meeting, the length of West Street does not meet the minimum required length of 600m. In addition to this, a few points have been made by my team, with the speeds at already an average of 22.7mph, it is not felt that reducing the speed limit will act as an effective deterrent as there is unlikely to be much change to the speeds already travelling.

West Street offers a fair north to south route choice linking to the east and southeast of Deal. Multiple route choices help to relieve pressure on any one route. The alternative routes of the High Street and Western Road/Albion Road, by their nature are similar to West Street and not particularly any more suitable. West Street links multiple seafront bound streets, the High Street, two supermarkets, the train station and the A258 and so therefore it is not agreed that we should be deterring traffic from this route.”

Recommendation: The Victoria Road and West Street items be removed from DTC’s 3rd HIP following the information received from KCC.

Decision required: Members to consider the above recommendation.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Walters – Chairperson of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee, All Committee members

From: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk

Date: 9th September 2025

Subject: Committee Clerk Report

Please see below updates for information only.

Update: SGN London Road Gas Upgrade

The Committee Clerk has been in regular contact with SGN regarding the gas upgrades on London Road, the following correspondence was received from SGN on the 25th August:

“We’re on track to have London Road open again before the school holidays are finished. Once the schools return, we’ll be continuing as planned along London Road from outside number 339, using temporary traffic lights towards the end point of this work at the junction with Sholden New Road. We expect this part of our project to be completed by mid-October.

Due to some engineering difficulties, we still have some upgrades left to do on the section of London Road that has been closed. To prevent future disruption, we’ve agreed with Kent Council to continue work to get this finished. For everyone’s safety we’ll need to install a second set of two-way traffic lights on London Road near the entrance to Church Path from Monday 1st September for approximately two weeks.

We’ll have operatives on site to adjust the timings on both sets of traffic lights to help keep the traffic moving. We know this will be frustrating for residents and road users and we apologise for the inconvenience caused.

Our project management team will be on site from 10:30 am for two hours on Wednesday 27 August, and will be available to meet with representatives of the community to explain the work and answer any questions. If you would like to attend, please confirm with me via email so we can ensure safe arrangements are made to accommodate numbers within the worksite.”

The Committee Clerk attended the meeting on site with the Project Manager and was informed that the works would be completed on time and London Road would be open on 31st August 2025. I can confirm that the road is now open, however, because of the extensive upgrade needed, there will still be two sets of lights in place, one located by Church Path near Yummys Chinese Take away until approximately 15th September and the other set will be located just along London Road by no.339 until the 29th September 2025 to carry on the continued upgrade in the area.

TfSE (Transport for the South East) Annual Report

The Committee Clerk has received the following information from TfSE relating to their annual report:

"Last month, our Partnership Board reflected on the past year following the presentation of the [Annual Report](#), highlighting the scope of our work for 2024/25 and the progress made towards shaping a transport system fit for the future.

Key achievements included:

- *Developing a new draft Transport Strategy, shaped around five core missions, with over 850 responses received during public consultation.*
- *Launching our Regional Centre of Excellence, strengthening the skills and capabilities of local transport officers through the provision of a range of resources including case studies, webinars, and training opportunities.*
- *Funding to support our local transport authorities in progressing schemes from our Strategic Investment Plan, including eight feasibility studies and Strategic Outline Business Cases.*
- *Working with Sub-national Transport Body partners, including Transport East and England's Economic Heartland, to create the Carbon Assessment Playbook and advance the Wider South East Rail Partnership.*

Looking ahead, TfSE will continue to build on this momentum - advancing our Transport Strategy, supporting local transport authorities through a period of change, and championing investment to deliver a transport system that drives growth across the South East."