

Committee Meeting: Meeting of Full Council

Report of: Town Clerk
Date: 20th July 2020
Subject: 20mph Zone - Butlers Green Road Roundabout to Birch Hotel Roundabout.

Purpose of Report:

1. The purpose of this report is for Members to consider a funding application.

Summary:

2. It has been brought to the Town Clerk's attention that there is a wish to progress a 20mph Zone from Butlers Green Road Roundabout to the Birch Hotel Roundabout (through South Road). To progress such in an expedient manner, there is a second tranche of the Covid19 Safer Places funding pending. This funding will be administered by West Sussex County Council under the leadership of the Cabinet Member for Highways with a Task and Finish Group. The following report seeks authority for the Town Council, under delegated authority given to the Town Clerk, to make an application and/or representation on the matter to West Sussex County directly from Haywards Heath Town Council.

Recommendation(s):

Members resolve that the Town Council makes a direct application for funding and the implementation of a 20mph Zone from Butlers Green Road Roundabout to Birch Hotel Roundabout to West Sussex County Council from the second tranche of 'Covid 19 Safer Places' funding.

Background:

3. The Town Clerk has been asked to bring this matter to Full Council so to seek authority for an application to be made to West Sussex County Council.
4. It must be noted that where an application could be made to access the funding in the second tranche of 'Covid 19 Safer Places' there is already a strategic document adopted, namely the WSCC Atkins Report, in place and there is the emerging MSDC Town Centre Masterplan that will incorporate suggested changes to the dynamics and layout of South Road. A successful application to 'Covid 19 Safer Places' would affect, if successful, both the report and masterplan. However, it is deemed sensible to make the application to bring the 20mph zone forward, but if this application is not successful get the project onto WSCC/MSDC radar as a fundamental part of the aforementioned report and masterplan.

Financial Implications

5. None as the project will be funded by the monies received if the application is successful.

Legal Implications

6. Town Council can make a decision under the General Power of Competence, which the Town Council meets the criteria of as exercised and resolved at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council dated 13th May 2019 under minute 17.
7. The 20mph zone is in line with the Town Council's adopted 'Destination Haywards Heath' document.

Town Clerk