Compton Stakeholder meeting - Minutes

Date & Time:	**Thursday 18th September 15:00 – 16:30**
Venue:	**Online – Teams**
Chair:	Surrey County Council, Placemaking officer – DM
Membership:	• Surrey County Council, Placemaking officer – DM • Surrey County Council, Placemaking officer -JB • Compton speed watch representative – WB • St Nicholas Church Representative – SB • Representative – NW • Village Hall representative – OT • Compton Parish Council representative – CS •
Apologies:	• Watts Gallery Representative – CG • Compton Village Association Representative – DH •
Guests:	
Note Taker:	Surrey County Council, Placemaking officer – JB

Introductions

Updates from previous meeting:
DM - New speed camera signs installed by Village Hall, following request from last meeting.
WB – Most appreciated, it would be good to have something similar outside Withies Junction & The Avenue.
DM – We can put in the request.

Updates from the designer
DM – Met with our designer and can confirm that we can have a crossing outside of the Church, however the layby outside of the Church will have to be removed.
SB – Not all the land is owned by SCC, Some is owned by the Church, and some by Eastbury Manor. Church land is up to the war memorial. But access is needed at Eastbury Manor.
DM – We can make sure that access remains via dropped curb, the bus stop will need to be relocated.
NW – There is a bus stop in Spiceall, may not need this stop.
DM – We can look at the data from passenger transport and ask if they will remove the stand entirely.
DM - Designer is confident that a crossing will be possible, however we may have to prioritise the crossing by the Church as opposed to the crossing near Village Hall.
NW- This will need to be a priority over Village Hall crossing, it is more important.
SM – We will need to ensure that we inform residents, especially those who park their car.
DM - How to large vehicles / hearses use the space outside the Church?
SB – Reversing into the space, there is often a car parked in the layby so not a lot of space.

DM - The painted surface on Down Lane, designer has suggested that instead of the yellow surface, we remove the surface and instead put white lines with pedestrian symbols. This way there will not be an ongoing maintenance issue.
SB – Who is responsible for highway maintenance?
DM – SCC Highway Maintenance team, however SCC are stepping away from coloured road surfaces as it is very expensive to maintain.
OT – I am happy with the pedestrian signs rather than the yellow path.

NW – The best way to solve that road, is to stop it being a bus route.
CS – The Watts Gallery does consider the bus route very important and would not like to see it go.
NW – People can get off at the bottom of Down Lane and walk up the new path.
CS – The distance from The Street to the Watts Gallery can be quite challenging for some.
OT – Can we make Down Lane Access Only?
DM – It was previously suggested to make this one way, however this was not a possibility
JB – I believe that Down Lane is a diversion route for the A3
WB – When can we see the new design?
DM – Our designer is working on the designs now, however we have just received the TOPO. Hopefully we can show something in around 6 weeks, if this is a possibility then we can bring the designer to this meeting to talk through the designs.
WB - We have not discussed the raised tables and the 12 week process for the legal consultation.
JB – Raised tables do require a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) which is a long process, working with our SCC designers will help with this as they know exactly what the TRO team needs in terms of designs, and is fully aware of the time TROs can take
DM- Our designer also included the TRO timeframe in the project programme.
OT – When will this all be? Will it be October this year?
DM – No, it wont be that quick, looking like next year.
JB – We will take it as an action to create a timeline to share at next meeting.
DM – We are looking at a mixture of raised tables (Full length raised platforms) and speed cushions (smaller square raised tables with the gap in the middle). This will help with the
OT – Can we then keep the white line in the middle of the road?
DM – Our designer is still looking into the remaining work.

Village Gateways next steps

DM – We have had a few discussions with various SCC officers about the legality behind the signs, what is allowed and what is not. It has been suggested that we have 3 different boundary signs if that is what Compton Residents would like to see.
WB – What is the process for these signs?
DM – We need to carry out our investigations as to what is possible to be placed on the High Way. We are trying to encourage creative design as opposed to standard signs. Once we get more insights we will post some questions on the Compton Website to get local insight.
OT – We have a brilliant designer in Compton who would be able to come up with some great designs for Compton. He could come up with three designs and ask the villagers to vote on the sign, cutting down the process.
CS – It would be nice to be able to change the standard fonts to something that is more appropriate to Compton.
DM – Please provide our email to the Compton Designer, and we can invite him to the next meeting. We will get the dimensions from the designer and share with the group.
CS – We have the information as we have the Surrey Hills directorate when we did the paint brush posts.
DM – It might be helpful to take designs to Highways to get their views on what is possible and what is not.

Questions/ any concerns from stakeholder group/other residents

WB – Some community members have approached me; we do put a summary on our Compton Newsletter & Parish Council website and share information as and when.

Actions/ Next steps/

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Next Meeting: Mid November - TBC