

**1. A27 Arundel bypass**

- 1.1 Highways England has decided to carry out a further non-statutory consultation for the A27 Arundel Bypass scheme, planned for spring 2019. It will give local people a fresh look at all the viable options for upgrading the A27 using the latest available information.
- 1.2 An earlier consultation led to a preferred route, known as Option 5a, being announced in May. Since then, as part of Highways England's work to develop the scheme for submission of a planning application, important new evidence is available which merits putting the plans to the public again. This new information includes a redesign of the western end of the scheme where it re-joins the existing A27, updated traffic modelling results and updated data on and enhancements of the alternative Options 1 and 3.
- 1.3 This further round of consultation will give people an opportunity to comment on all matters presented at the previous consultation in 2017 and the new information available. It will allow consultees to comment on all three route options previously consulted upon: Option 1, Option 3 and Option 5a.

**2. Downs Link resurfacing - Copsale**

- 2.1 Surfacing works to the Downs Link between Copsale (Bar Lane car park) to FP1815 (the first footpath heading south towards West Grinstead) have been completed. WSCC asks horse riders to please walk their horse on this new section to enable the surface to bed down.

**3. Centurion Way**

- 3.1 The South Downs National Park Authority has been undertaking feasibility studies and design work to develop a planning application for the next section of the Centurion Way. The proposed 6km route will start from north of West Dean Tunnel, by-pass Singleton Tunnel and leave the former track bed south of Cocking Tunnel and connect with the South Downs Way. Extensive habitat surveys have been undertaken along the corridor to ensure important wildlife habitats are not negatively impacted. The path design and alignment has been developed with the landowners and tenants to accommodate their views and farming operations.

**4. Joint Mineral Local Plan for West Sussex**

- 4.1 West Sussex County Council and the South Downs National Park Authority have adopted the new Joint Minerals Local Plan for West Sussex.

**5. WSCC Rights of Way (ROW) Committee and Definitive Map Changes**

- 5.1 The meeting of the Rights of Way Committee scheduled for 30 October 2018 has been cancelled due to insufficient business. All papers can be found on the [Rights of Way Committee web pages](#). Future meetings are scheduled for:
  - 5 March 2019
- 5.2 Since the last WSLAF meeting the following map changes have been made to all or part of the following paths:
  - **Ashurst/Wiston FP 2511** - Diversion, S119 Highways Act (HA) 1980

- **North Horsham 1566\_3** – Extinguishment, S118 HA 1980. Reason – to enable the school to erect fencing to reduce unsocial behaviour. The path had not been available to use for a number of years.
- **Felpham 154** –Diversion, S257 Town and Country Planning Act 1990

## **6. Neighbouring LAFs**

### **6.1 [South Downs Local Access Forum \(SDLAF\)](#)**

The last meeting of the SDLAF was on 17 July 2018. The meeting on 23 October has been postponed and will be rescheduled.

### **6.2 [Brighton & Hove Local Access Forum](#)**

The previous meeting was held on 18 October 2018. The next meeting is scheduled for:

- Thursday 17 January 2019

### **6.3 [East Sussex Local Access Forum](#)**

The previous meeting was on 20 June 2018. The next meeting is scheduled for:

- 7 November 2018

### **6.4 [Hampshire Countryside Access Forum](#)**

The previous meeting was on 11 September 2018. The next meeting is scheduled for:

- 11 December 2018

### **6.5 [Surrey Countryside Access Forum \(SLAF\)](#)**

The previous meeting was held on 15 October 2018. Further dates are not published.

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