# TURNERS HILL PARISH COUNCIL

## WALK & DRIVE IN SAFETY

## OUR AIM IS TO PROVIDE SAFETY FOR THE RESIDENTS OF TURNERS HILL





The Parish Council originally published this document in 1996 as an overall plan for the Village to the year 2011. It was hoped that the majority of the works would be completed before that date.

The document was updated in January 2003 and April 2010 to record work completed, outstanding and new initiatives.

The document includes all works that the Council feels are required to enhance the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and drivers using the Village roads. It is the intention that this document should form the basis for future discussion with all relevant agencies. Focus and priority has been given to those plans that the Parish Council, after consultation with the Highways Authority, believes are achievable.

For details on issues that have been considered in the past, the previous Walk and Drive in Safety and Village Enhancement Scheme documents should be consulted (and will be retained).

### PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

LOCATION	ISSUE	REQUIREMENT/PLAN
Village centre	Speeding vehicles and danger for children and families walking to/from school.	A 20mph zone application was refused in early 2024 due to the need for additional engineering works to reduce speeds to an acceptable level. WSCC Highways are to consider the engineering options available and then the Parish Council may be able to reapply. This would encourage a safer and more sustainable environment for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers.
		Replace dilapidated village gates and add new gates where possible on Selsfield Road, Turners Hill Road (from Tulleys Farm) and Turners Hill Road (from Crawley Down) – this will raise awareness to drivers that they are entering a built-up area with a reduced speed limit.
		Renew the flashing signs warning motorists of children crossing, adding signs on the roads that don't have one. This will remind drivers that there may be children crossing the road.
Junction of Paddockhurst/Church Road	Slip road is dangerous with high speed of vehicles and limited visibility.	Roundabout – this is dependant on funding being made available as part of the Vicarage Field housing development. NOTE: plans for this development are not yet available.
Lion Lane	Pedestrians accessing Lion Lane from the Twitten come straight out onto the road as there is no pavement or crossing point.	Raised pillow and 'Children crossing' signs. The raised pillow will stop vehicles parking in the way and reducing visibility, allowing pedestrians to cross the road safely.  This is a popular route for children to walk to school.
		NOTE: previous plans for a pinch point were rejected.
Speed Indicator Devices/Vehicle Activated Signs	Speed limits need highlighting.	Four static speed signs on all main entry roads into the village, reminding motorists of their speeds. Ideally these machines will collect data that can be used by the Parish in the future.
Church Road	Unsafe for pedestrians (mostly children walking to school) to cross the road.	Request an additional crossing patrol to aid children crossing the road outside the Fire Station.

### **MAINTENANCE ISSUES**

The Parish Council is committed to keeping those areas of the Village within its responsibility in a well-maintained and safe state. Other Authorities, and occasionally private landowners, will be responsible for land within the Village. The Parish Council will retain good relationships with third parties to encourage swift action when necessary. The community can help by reporting any issues immediately to West Sussex County Council/the Parish Council. Issues may include:

- Overgrown hedges and trees
- Broken streetlights
- Dirty or damaged signs
- Potholes/damage to roads and pavements
- Litter
- Flooding (including damaged or missing drains/gullies)

