

The meeting discussed and resolved as follows:

There was only a little of the report that affected Mid Sussex. The response date was 12 September. Did the three towns want to provide a combined response or each town respond individually? There was no connectivity between EG and HH leaving the district divided. There were items about improving the rail speed from London to Brighton. It would be important to pool our ideas and get MSDC to lobby on our behalf.

Anne Eves remarked that it was very vague and wondered whether we would be able to agree on anything. There also did not appear to be any money for anything. We could say that we were in agreement with the HH/BH cycleway and would advocate compulsory purchase.

EG felt left out as a tourist attraction. The Bluebell railway could be extended to HH and Brighton. We need to push for connectivity between the three towns.

It was suggested that each town come up with a response and that a representative from each town meet to consider a combined response. Cllrs Henwood, Pulfer and Woodgate were put forward to meet ahead of the deadline to discuss each town's thoughts and to see whether a combined response was possible. It was agreed that each town should work on a response with a deadline of the first week in August and then meet to consolidate the responses.

RESOLVED:

That each town compile a response and share it with the other towns and that Cllrs Henwood, Pulfer and Woodgate meet to consider a consolidated response.