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Dear Mr Hickling

ESCC Proposals for future arrangements, – Highways, Street Furniture and Materials of Historic Interest

You will perhaps know of a report on this topic, which was to have been presented to the Place Scrutiny Committee scheduled for the 18th March 2020 (cancelled). The report and proposals in it were intended to lead to a new conservation policy being drafted for submission to the Lead Member for Transport and Environment on 20th May 2020, this time table will now presumably slip.

The report and its appendix make several references to District Councils and their Conservation Offices who have been involved in discussions in 2018. We were not aware of this. The report suggests that the County Council will not engage directly with local interest groups (e.g. Friends of Lewes) and remarks that the Conservation Officers often liaise with these groups. They envisage that Conservation Officers will engage with such groups as they consider appropriate.

We are very keen to be involved in the process envisaged by the County Council and at such time as the County Council introduce the new collaborative process, we hope for consultation and liaison with the Conservation Officer.

Would you please acknowledge our request and build it in to your own procedures.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'David Beales'.

Consultant Planning Officer to Bexhill Heritage