

## Sussex Community Rail Partnership CIC

Policy number: 29

Policy Title: SCRP Stakeholder Advisory Board (SAB) terms of reference

The Sussex Community Rail Partnership aims to:

1. work in partnership to improve accessibility for communities,
2. assist in the process of improving public (including community) transport and other sustainable systems such that the increase in car usage can be contained without detriment to the way of life of communities, particularly the young, the old, those who are disadvantaged or excluded, and
3. assist Partners in the achievement of their own objectives.

The SCRP pays particular attention to:

- business regeneration,
- sustainable tourism,
- encouraging volunteering,
- environmental enhancement,
- encouraging sustainable travel and modal shift, and
- improving security and the perception of safety in and around stations and on trains

The SCRP covers the following lines:

- Uckfield and East Grinstead to Oxted
- Marshlink (Hastings-Ashford)
- Arun Valley (Gatwick to Chichester)
- Tonbridge to Redhill and Reigate
- Seaford to Brighton
- West Coastway (Hove to Littlehampton)
- North Downs Line (Gatwick to Reading)

There are line groups for each of the above, comprising in most cases rail and bus companies, local authorities, rail interest groups and local community, education and business representatives. The purpose of the meetings are to discuss current issues of interest, share best practice and information, collectively lobby the rail industry for improvements and undertake partnership working to achieve station environment and access and rail service improvements along these respective lines. Each line group has the services of a permanent line officer, usually for 17.5 hours per week. SCRP also works with local volunteers station adopters at over 50 stations across the franchise.

The SCRP is guided by the **Stakeholder Advisory Board**, and is currently constituted as follows:

- Southern Railway
- Great Western Railway

- Network Rail
- East Sussex County Council
- West Sussex County Council
- Surrey County Council
- Kent County Council
- Brighton and Hove City Council
- South Downs National Park  
Surrey Hills AONB
- 1066 Country Marketing
- Gatwick Airport Ltd.
- Independent (SCRP CIC)
- Chairmen of the seven line groups.

Observers on the SAB include Association of Community Rail Partnerships, Department for Transport and Passenger Focus.

The **Stakeholder Advisory Board** generally meets twice a year to consider current significant issues and to confirm or alter strategic direction. It receives regular reports from the line groups, other projects and the Board of SCRП CIC.

**SCRП CIC.** The day to day finance and overall management of the work of SCRП is organised by the not for profit limited liability company SCRП CIC. This provides statutory and good management governance and practices and employs the staff who manage the activities of the line groups and wider SCRП work. The board is constituted of directors, usually volunteers, and includes representatives of the CRP SAB.

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