

# Community Transport in East Sussex

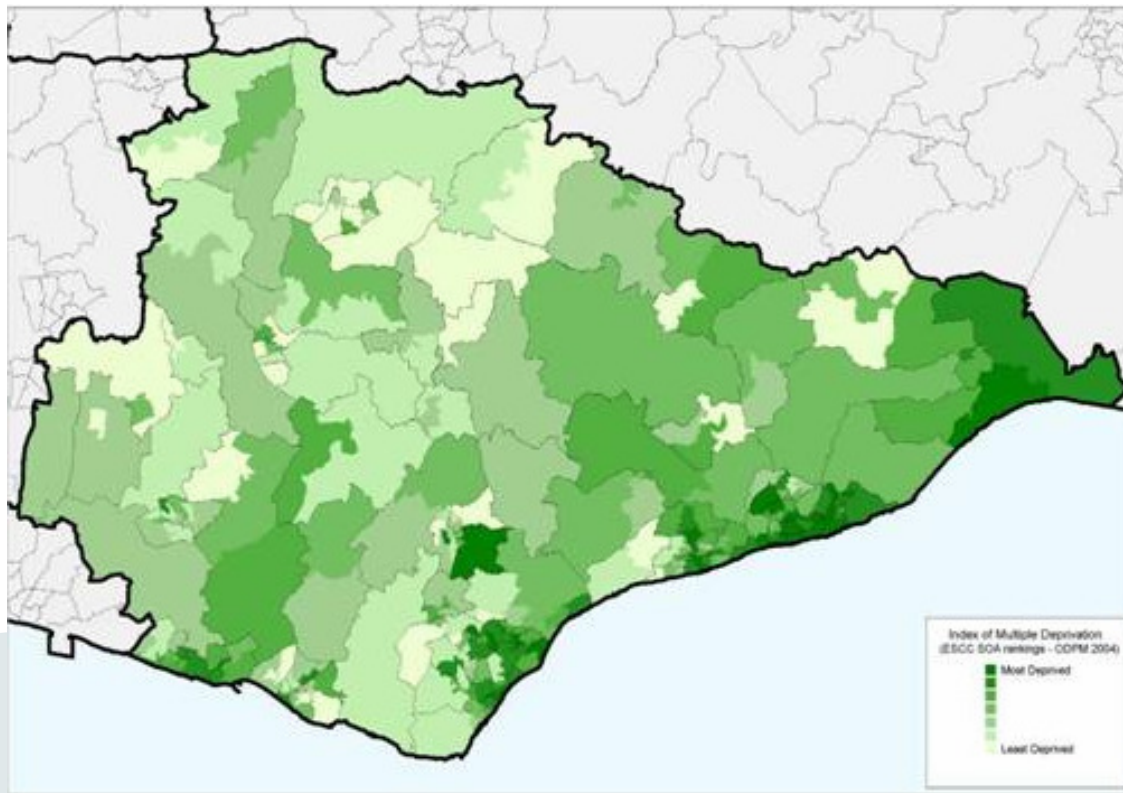
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# Introduction

- Political support - Manifesto
- Staff and Financial Resources
- Current CT
- Where & how to develop further...

# Index of Multiple Deprivation



# Context

- Zero Based Budget Review of Bus Services (Sept '08)
- Review of CT Services (Sept '08)
- Pride of Place: A Sustainable Community Strategy for East Sussex 2008 - 2026
- Uckfield event (March '09)
- Two funding streams – DfT (Down Your Way) and ESCC (Targeted Areas)

# Approach 1 Down Your Way

- £50k DfT funding; spent by 31<sup>st</sup> March '10
- Open to CT Operators
- Once off grants to expand or start up a new scheme based on identified needs
- 8 Operators received funding

# Down Your Way Funded Schemes

- Telescombe, Peacehaven & Newhaven DAR
- Age Concern Uckfield & District
- Eastbourne DAR
- North Wealden CT Partnership Ltd
- Heathfield Partnership Trust Ltd – Youth Service
- Heathfield Partnership Trust Ltd – Adhoc Service
- Rye & District CT evening expansion
- ESDACs website & online booking system development

# Approach 2

## Targeted Areas

- £200k ESCC funding for once off grants
- Identified need - new or expanding CT
- Specific parishes identified through:
  - Accession modelling
  - Rural Access to Services programme
  - Accessibility Audits
- Project ongoing at present



# Targeted Areas – How?

- Brief Cllrs, District and Parish Councils
- Steering Group – ESCC, AirS, PCT
- Community led – new approach for ESCC
- Contacts database – letters & emails
- Community Engagement Workshops
- Spare capacity of ESCC subsidised & owned vehicles
- ESCC to provide guidance & technical advice

# Targeted Areas

## Initial successes

- Plumpton Voluntary Driver Scheme
- Landport Travel Club excursions
- Uckfield DAR
- Greater Hollington Rover
- Rye & District CT expansion



Transport for villagers in Plumpton, Plumpton Green and East Chilmington,  
who find it difficult to use other forms of transport

For bookings and enquiries call 07855 213 947

# Other areas of CT work in East Sussex

- DVD about CT - Overcoming the myths
- CT Directory
- Interactive CT website
- Development of CT Strategy
- Ongoing engagement with Partners
- CT Operators Forum development

# Thank you

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