Investigation over 'dangerous' crossing

A pedestrian crossing which has been described as dangerous is to be investigated.

County councillor Mike Hill is to talk to highways officers about the pelican crossing in Tenterden High Street, near West Cross.

Concerns about the safety of the crossing have been raised by town councillors and Tenterden & District Residents Association.

They say it is dangerous and people are reluctant to use it because it is close to traffic lights, which drivers are concentrating on.

Cllr Hill told a meeting of the town council's highways and amenities committee on Monday: "Moving it would be expensive."

Cllr Mike Carter said: "Drivers come steaming down the road and do not see the lights. "There are two sets of lights

too close together.
"It needs something to high-

light the crossing." Committee chairman Cllr

Roger Finniss said drivers looked at the traffic lights not the crossing. "It is very ineffective," he said.

Cllr Sue Ferguson suggested the road could be narrowed with markings near the crossing.

Cllr Hill said he would talk to highways officers to see if anything could be done.



The pedestrian crossing in Tenterden High Street