

## **Wivelsfield Station finally has funding for long-overdue modifications**

On 24th May 2024, the Department for Transport announced that Network Rail would be receiving a total of £350 million from the abandoned HS2 northern leg funding reallocation, to be used to progress the 'Accessible for All' national project..

'Accessible for All' will provide new access lifts and overbridges to enable all platforms on a station to be accessible for those passengers with disabilities. One of those stations is Wivelsfield, which for the first time in its history (that's 138 years!) means that wheelchair users, for example, will no longer have to go to Burgess Hill to travel on a train to London and beyond.

The design for Wivelsfield has been completed and all the engineering issues have been resolved, so it is hoped that work can start within a reasonable timescale.. These computer-generated images have been obtained direct from Network Rail and show how the lifts and bridge have been integrated into the two platforms with disability access from Network Rail's Gordon Road car park.

*Below are some images of Wivelsfield railway station*

