

Central Area Committee Update

At the last meeting of this Committee, a number of issues were raised that required further investigation:-

Ref No	Issue	Progress	Officer Details
12/07 (Minute 307/07, 354/07 and 93/08)	The possibility of opening a route for horses on the western side of Clements Hall to come out at Hawkwell Park Drive and join the bridleway to Park Gardens. (Issue raised by Ashingdon Parish Council representative during the Community Forum item)	Contractor appointed. Work will commence as soon as weather permits.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130
1/10 (Minute 16(1)/10)	The timeframe associated with the introduction of a primary care centre within the Rochford District. (Issue raised by District Councillor during NHS Spotlight Item)	There have been considerable changes in the outlook for public finances since the original consultation on the NHS South East Essex Strategic Plan. The Plan has been revised to reflect these changes in the financial situation and the primary care centre for the Rochford District is now scheduled for after 2014.	Andrea Atherton NHS South East Essex 01702 224600
2/10 (Minute 16(1)/10)	Work that has been done on access to dentistry and comparisons between units of dental activity (UDA) within the Southend Borough and the Rochford District. (Issue raised by resident during NHS Spotlight Item)	The PCT has committed to an increase in dental activity commissioned to provide an additional 19,000 UDAs commissioned across the locality.	Andrea Atherton NHS South East Essex 01702 224600

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3/10 (Minute 16(1)/10)	The possibilities around an annual report card specifying progress made and delivered to the community raised at a previous meeting. (Issue raised by District Councillor during NHS Spotlight Item)	NHS South East Essex would be happy to support the proposal for an annual update on progress and new developments in local health services.	Andrea Atherton NHS South East Essex 01702 224600
4/10 (Minute 17/10)	The Head of Environmental Services, in consultation with the two local Ward Members, should determine the location of a bench seat in the Clements Hall grounds.	<p>A seat was removed from Clements Hall Open Space a few years ago following complaints by local residents that young people congregated around the seat and allegedly caused nuisance.</p> <p>The Council's Parks & Open Spaces Officer has spoken to the two Ward Councillors about replacing the seat with a bench. Both agreed that reinstalling a bench will be beneficial but it will need to be monitored to ensure that the issues that allegedly arose previously do not recur.</p> <p>It is planned to purchase a bench in the new financial year and it will be in place by mid May.</p>	Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044

At the last meeting of this Committee, a highway issue was raised that required further investigation:-

Ref No	Issue	Progress	Officer Details
H14/09 (Minute 300/09)	Speeding traffic in White Hart Lane from the public open space to the Royal British Legion. (Issue raised by a resident during the community forum)	A temporary Vehicle Activated Sign will be installed as part of the rolling programme commencing April 2010. A previous proposal to install a build out is being reviewed by residents and businesses but, if implemented, would significantly reduce available on-street parking.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540