

### 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)	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)	Completed.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130
12/10 (Minute 63/10)	The Committee lends its support to Hawkwell Parish Council in suggesting to Network Rail that, whilst undertaking shrub clearance works at the railway embankment adjacent to Magnolia Road between Lincoln Road and Rochford Rugby Club, it would be beneficial if there was also clearance of the ditch at the front of the embankment. The poor state of the chain link fence on the White Hart Lane railway bridge to also be raised with Network Rail.  (Issue raised by Members during the Community Forum)	Hawkwell Parish Council has taken the matter up with Mark Francois, MP – who has written to the Chief Executive of Network Rail. The Chief Executive has assured the MP that the Network Rail works have been completed and the remaining issues relate to private ditches on the opposite side of the road.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130

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13/10 (Minute 166(1)/10)	Information on different types of detector in use (such as ionisation/optical) and their application. (Issue raised by a Member during Spotlight Issues.)	There are two types of smoke alarm:-  Ionisation alarms - These are the cheapest and most readily available and are very sensitive to flaming fires (ones that burn fiercely such as chip-pan fires). Ionisation alarms will detect flaming fires before the smoke gets too thick.  Optical alarms - These are more expensive and more effective at detecting slow-burning fires (such as smouldering foam-filled furniture or overheated wiring). Optical alarms are less likely to go off accidentally and so are best for ground-floor hallways and for homes on one level.  To request a Home fire safety visit contact 01702 614433.	Peter Bennett Essex Fire and Rescue Service 01702 614433
14/10 (Minute 167/10)	NHS South East Essex Plans for Capital investment within the Rochford District over the next ten years. (Issue raised by a resident during the Central Area Update.)	Following the publication of the recent white paper 'Liberating the NHS', the future commissioning responsibility for primary care services will be devolved to GP Consortia by April 2013. Until then, the PCT will continue with its estates development programme as set out in the PCT's strategic plan (ref section 5.8.3) that outlines our planned developments until October 2012 in Westcliff and Shoebury. Any future capital investments will need to be developed with GP consortia over the next two years.	Ian Stidston NHS South East Essex 01702 224 600

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15/10 (Minute 165/10)	Who is responsible for the clearance of litter in the car park of the shops at Main road, Hawkwell. Could whoever it is please make arrangements to clear it on a regular basis.	<p>This is a private car park in front and to the rear of the shops, it is the responsibility of the shop owners to keep the area clean. The only area cleaned by the Council's contractor is the footpath directly adjacent to the road, this is swept on a daily basis.</p> <p>Consideration has been given to possibility of enforcement action in respect of litter, but this is not considered to be justified at this time.</p>	Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044

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

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H5/10 (Minute 63/10)	<p>Rear of Print Shop in Hawkwell Park Drive – large shrubs blocking grass verge and large wooden shelving deposits. Covered building material on grass verge outside adjacent property and high levels of rubbish under a large shrub further along. Also, concern at size of free growing buddleia at front of Print Shop.</p> <p>(Issue raised by a resident during the community forum).</p>	<p>There is no danger to the highway although the site is particularly untidy. A letter has not yet been sent to the owners but this will be the next course of action from Essex County Council in discussion with Rochford District Council.</p>	<p>Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540</p>
H6/10 (Minute 63/10)	<p>Problems of vehicles parking on Hawkwell Park Drive at junction of Main Road – meaning it is difficult to see vehicles entering the drive from the Main Road. There have been accidents at this location. Could there be lines on the road? Could the Indian Restaurant be approached about allowing some of the Doctor’s patients to use some of their spaces?</p> <p>(Issue raised by a resident during the community forum).</p>	<p>Although there have been accidents at the junction with Main Road they are not attributable to parked vehicles in Hawkwell Park Drive.</p> <p>Private arrangements for parking is a matter for the individual businesses concerned not Essex County Council.</p>	<p>Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540</p>

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H7/10 (Minute 63/10)	Litter around edges of car parking area for shops at bottom of White Hart Hill.  (Issue raised by a resident during the community forum).	See item15/10 above.	Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044
H9/10 (Minute 63/10)	Poor state of Hawkwell Parade and associated public safety issues.  (Issue raised by a resident during the community forum).	There are no powers available to Rochford District Council to deal with this private land and highways funding, when available, can only be applied in respect of roads that are adopted.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540  Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044