



**Rochford District
Council**

Central Area Committee

agenda

Date

15 October 2009

Time

7.30 pm

Place

Hawkwell Village Hall

Main Road, Hawkwell,
Essex SS5 4QE
(See map overleaf)

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The public are welcome to attend this meeting. There is an opportunity for the public to raise issues under item 3 'The Community Forum' (see overleaf for how to do this)

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Hawkwell Village Hall

Main Road, Hawkwell, Essex SS5 4QE



Directions

- Proceed into Hawkwell from the direction of Rochford, along Hall Road/Main Road (B1013).
- The Hawkwell Village Hall is on the right-hand side after Thorpe Road. Note: The turning is before the road starts to bend i.e. before the Shadhona Indian Restaurant.

Dates and Venues for Future Meetings

18 November 2009	King Edmund School Vaughan Close, Rochford, Essex SS4 1TL
19 January 2009	Greensward College Greensward Lane, Hockley, Essex SS5 5HG
11 March 2009	Hullbridge Community Centre Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, Hockley, Essex SS5 6PA

How to Participate in the 'Community Forum' Item

- Any issues you would like to raise at the Area Committee meeting need to be put forward during the Community Forum part of the agenda.
- To get your issue raised you must fill in a request form before the start of the Area Committee meeting. Forms can be found on the Council's website at www.rochford.gov.uk (under Council and Democracy/Area Committees) or obtained by email from committee@rochford.gov.uk or by telephone on 01702 318179. The website has an online form or a form for downloading and either emailing to committee@rochford.gov.uk or posting to the Committee Section, Council Offices, South Street, Rochford, Essex SS4 1BW. Alternatively, completed forms can be handed in to Council officers just prior to the start of the meeting (at which blank forms will also be available).
- In the Community Forum, dependent on the volume of questions, the lead officer will summarise the questions, and a sample will be asked at the meeting.
- Time permitting, we will try to answer as many questions as possible at the meeting, but we cannot guarantee to do so as we may not have all the information to hand.
- All issues raised will get a full response. Any issues raised up to seven working days before the date of a meeting will receive a written response at the meeting; others will either get a response at the meeting or at the subsequent meeting.

Members of the Central Area Committee

Chairman: Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn

Vice-Chairman: Cllr P A Capon

Cllr Mrs R Brown

Cllr Mrs L A Butcher

Cllr M R Carter

Cllr Mrs L M Cox

Cllr K H Hudson

Cllr M Maddocks

Cllr J R F Mason

Cllr P R Robinson

Cllr D G Stansby

Cllr M G B Starke

Cllr J Thomass

Cllr Mrs C A Weston

Parish Representatives: Cllr Mrs M A Weir, Hawkwell Parish Council
Cllr B Hazlewood, Hockley Parish Council
Cllr Miss A Marriott, Hullbridge Parish Council

Other Representatives: Essex Police
Essex County Council

Terms of Reference

- To identify the needs of the Community through consultation and to involve the community and other appropriate bodies and advise the Executive as appropriate on such issues.
- To meet the objectives associated with Highway Localism, including:-
 - Considering proposals for funding (including any joint funding) submitted by constituted bodies, including the District Council, Parish and Town Councils, or other elected bodies that represent the local community. These proposals will be set out in a schedule prepared by the Area Highway Manager and reported to each Area Committee.
 - Consulting the public on proposals and priorities through the Area Committee forum and other networks, as appropriate.
 - Proposing priorities to the District Council Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transportation for Localism funded projects and the work of the Highway Rangers, who will assess the proposals and make recommendations for project approval to the Essex County Council Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation.
 - Considering and monitoring progress on the processing and delivery of approved projects through reports received from the County Council's Area Highway Manager.
- To seek agreement from the Executive for changes to services to meet local needs that are outside the immediate responsibility and/or budget of the Area Committee in respect of, for example, refuse collection, street cleansing, Environmental maintenance, Grounds maintenance, Local parks and playing fields, Children's play areas, including seeking agreement for revenue and capital expenditure to

meet any changes.

- To monitor local service delivery and to consider the outcome of such monitoring, advising the Executive and the Review Committee as appropriate.
- To make arrangements for the provision of information about local services and other information to people in the area.
- To act as a Community Forum where the Area Committee and members of the community can discuss issues of concern to them, such issues to include matters that are the direct responsibility of the Council and other issues that are the responsibility of other organisations.
- To exercise delegated authority with regard to Council functions in respect of power to create, stop up and divert footpaths and bridleways, designate cycle tracks and any other Council functions as may be delegated to it by Full Council.
- To exercise delegated authority with regard to Local Choice functions as outlined in Part C to Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.
- To exercise any executive functions as may be delegated to it by the Executive.

AGENDA

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1 Chairman's Introduction

To include

- Welcome
- Emergency evacuation announcement
- Explanation of meeting procedure

2 Area Committee – Initial Business

- Apologies for Absence
- Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 September 2009
- Declarations of Interest

Adjournment of formal meeting to enable public participation.

3 Community Forum

To hear questions and issues raised by members of the public (approximately 20 minutes).

Reconvening of formal meeting.

4 Spotlight Issues

Update on Highways Localism by Andy Hilsdon, District Manager for Rochford and Castle Point, Essex County Highways.

The report is to follow.

5 Central Area Update

List of updates on matters raised at previous meetings of the Central Area Committee.

The update is to follow.

6 Matters Referred from the Executive/Issues to Refer to the Executive.



Paul Warren
Chief Executive