

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
08/07 (Minute 263(2)/07 and 353(1)/07)	The possibility of extending the white lines (or introducing studs, beyond the white lines already introduced near Bullwood Hall to Fountain Lane).	A site meeting was held with Cllr M Maddocks on Wednesday, 17 September. It is not felt that additional lining will have a significant road safety benefit. An analysis of accident statistics for the area support this conclusion.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
11/07 (Minute 263(3)/07)	Replacement of the length of footpaths 8 and 9 adjacent to Brandy Hole on the River Crouch, which has suffered coastal erosion. Horse riding interests to be included in considerations.	A formal request has been submitted to the County Council for this to be given high priority status within the County's Rights of Way Improvement Plan. Essex County Council is currently prioritising the list of creations (through a point scoring system) and this scheme will be included in the process. The County Council is currently considering its stance on the draft Marine Bill and this issue may be one that is resolved through the creation of a 'coastal corridor' that rolls back with erosion if the provisions in the Bill become law. The Marine Bill was published on 3 April 2008 and a parliamentary select committee reported its findings on 25 September 2008 recommending stronger measures to deliver the network of marine conservation zones. The Bill was given its second reading on 15 th December and progressed to committee stage on 12 th	Tim Gardiner Essex County Council 01245 437649

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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.	Funding has been identified in the 2009/10 capital programme. Detailed costings and final design are now being prepared for approval.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130
13/08 (Minute 264(2)/08)	Changes to the phasing of the traffic to light facility at the junction of Greensward Lane with Plumberow Avenue.	Consultants have been asked to make alterations before the end of the financial year.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
14/08 (Minute 264(2)/08)	Hawkwell Parish Council petition on the installation of a crossing between Poplar Avenue and Mount Bovers Lane.	School to be contacted to discuss its Travel Plan. Will be included as one of the possible projects for the Localism (ex Locally Determined) programme 2009/10.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
15/08 (Minute 264(2)/08)	Whether three broken bollards on the Betts Farm Estate, Hockley, are to be repaired.	The matter is being pursued with the original estate developer, Wimpey Ltd, who has retained ownership of this area and the responsibility for the bollards. Repairs have been carried out.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130
17/08 (Minute 264(2)/08)	Review of traffic flow statistics for the B1013 Main Road which, despite perception, are indicating a 5% reduction in traffic movement per annum.	The County Council is collating available information that may be provided to interested parties. A site meeting has also been held with Councillor John Mason to discuss the issues on site. Information has been provided to interested parties.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540

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19/08 (Minute 292/08)	The introduction of double yellow lines at the 'T' junction of Boswell Avenue and Spencer Gardens, Rochford (to prevent people parking on the 'T' and causing the buses carrying pupils to school to mount the corners, where children are walking, as well as damaging the kerbside.	To be considered as part of the Localism (ex Locally Determined) programme for 2009/10.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
20/08 (Minute 292/08)	Approach to Arriva on the problems that will be experienced, particularly by elderly residents, in the change of the No. 7 bus between Southend and Rayleigh through Hockley to an hourly service. In addition, the suggestion that the residents of Greensward Lane were not consulted on this change.	<p>The revised timetable for the 7 and 8 services was introduced by Arriva in February.</p> <p>A meeting took place between Arriva, Rochford District Council, Essex County Council and representatives from Hockley and Hawkwell Parishes and residents associations on 9 February 2009. The agreed actions from the meeting were:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The County Council to send out numbers for the existing subsidised evening No.7 service. 2. The County Council to arrange a survey of the existing passengers travelling during the evenings between Golden Cross and Hockley to identify the numbers getting on and off on that part of the route. 3. Hockley and Ashingdon Parish Councils to be requested for their views on the possible switch of the subsidised evening No.7 	Shaun Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318100

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		service to provide an evening No. 8 service through Hawkwell. Hawkwell Parish Council has also been contacted.	
25/08 (Minute 323/08)	When will four missing highway signs be replaced.	Message left with complainant – no further information received and so unable to action.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
01/09 (Minute 03/09)	Review of the state of repair of Beech Road, Hullbridge.	An inspection has been undertaken and no safety defects were found.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540