

HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE – ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

Note: The Chairman has admitted this item of urgent business as Essex County Highways are seeking agreement to the proposals by the end of this week.

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report seeks Members' approval to allocate the additional funds allocated by Essex County Council to repair Scotts Hall Road, Canewdon.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Essex County Council advised in their letter of 2 December that £123,810 had been allocated to the Rochford District area for general maintenance. The money is to be spent in this financial year. The letter further advised that the Area Highways Manager South would provide a list of schemes to be prioritised.
- 2.2 At a meeting between the Head of Planning Services and the Area Highways Manager South on 9 December, we were advised that by far the highest priority in Highway terms was the repair of Scotts Hall Road, Canewdon.
- 2.3 With the amount of extra money available, the only other use would be minor patching and repair works across the District.
- 2.4 We are advised that, to be sure of being able to carry out the work within the prescribed timescale, decisions would need to be made by 12 December.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This is additional Essex County Council funding. There are no resource implications for the District.

4 RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 In formulating his recommendation, the Area Highways Manager South would have carried out full risk assessment before recommending Scotts Hall Road as the highest priority.

5 RECOMMENDATION

5.1 It is proposed that the Committee RESOLVES

That the recommendation of the Area Highways Manager South that the additional funds be used to repair Scotts Hall Road be accepted.

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Background Papers:

Letter from Essex County Council dated 2 December 2003.

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