

HIGHWAYS LOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT QUARTERLY UPDATE REPORT: JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2006

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This quarterly update report is to inform Members of Essex County Council (ECC) Highway and Transportation issues in the district in the period from July to September 2006. However, due to the timing, it also includes activities during October. This report is in accordance with the working arrangements outlined in the Highways Local Service Agreement.

2 BUDGETS FOR 2006/07

- 2.1 The allocated budgets were indicated in the last Quarterly Report of April to June 2006. Spend is going to profile and progress on particular issues are discussed below.

3 THE LOCALLY DETERMINED BUDGET (LDB) 2006/07

- 3.1 Schemes within this budget were approved by this Committee on 15 July 2006. Below is an update of approved schemes to date.

Scheme	Description	Comment
Minor items	Various	Small scale schemes on an ad-hoc basis
Main Road junction with Folly Lane	Junction improvement	Awaiting developer action before we can progress with scheme.
Hullbridge Road, Rayleigh	Fencing improvement	Scheme underway on site.
Lambourne Hall Road, Canewdon	Footway & associated works from Althorne Way to Village Hall.	Land negotiations underway.
Pram crossings	District wide - various locations	Mostly complete
B1013 Hockley	Continue with lighting upgrade from Great Eastern Road towards Hawkwell	Design underway to be followed by installation this financial year
Ferry Road, Hullbridge	Survey for proposed lighting upgrade	Survey underway.
Temporary Speed Indicator Message Signs	Various locations across district	Rolling programme underway
Traffic Regulation Orders	Various locations	List below now with legal team for formal advertising

4 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS FOR 2006/07

4.1	Graham Close Hockley	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Bramerton Road Hockley	Proposed disabled bays
	Spa Road Hockley	Proposed revocation of disabled bay, and replace with limited waiting
	Kestrel Grove, Heron Gardens, Falcon Close, Peregrine Gardens, Kingfisher Crescent, Falcon Close, Rayleigh	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Ferry Road Hullbridge	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Crouchmans Avenue Great Wakering	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Hill Lane Hawkwell	Proposed waiting restrictions
	High Street Rayleigh	Proposed variation of limited waiting restriction times
	Brook Road Rayleigh	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Clarence Road Rayleigh	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Spencer Gardens, Rochford	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Eastcheap, Cheapside East, Willow Drive, Willow Close Rayleigh	Proposed waiting restrictions

5 PLANNED PARISH VISITS

5.1 Rochford was this year allocated a budget for planned parish visits following on from previous successful years. However, requests from some parishes were not forthcoming so we have had to identify some of the work ourselves. Many schemes have already been undertaken with approximately two thirds of the budget spent to date. More schemes will follow as they are identified.

6 DRAINAGE WORK

6.1 As drainage is one of the most important issues for highway maintenance and safety, additional budget has been allocated for drainage investigations. Work to date has included camera work, cleaning and replacement of old pipes. We are working down an existing list of issues but, as winter approaches, we expect to be notified of new problems. We would be grateful

if Members could pass on any drainage matters if they become aware of them.

6.2 In addition to this work, we have been operating the gully cleaning contract from a separate budget. This contract is to clean out the pots and outlets of all highway gullies across the district. This operation has been very well received by residents and a second cleanse will begin shortly although we are aware some gullies have been omitted from the first cleanse for various reasons.

7 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (PROW)

7.1 Work has continued from last year on the ECC 5 year rolling programme whereby 20% of the ProW network is surveyed each year and any necessary work is undertaken.

7.2 The surveys for this year’s 20% in the areas of Canewdon, Ashingdon and Rayleigh are yet to commence.

8 FOOTWAY MAINTENANCE SCHEMES

8.1 Grove Road, Rayleigh, Plumberow Avenue, Hockley and Whitehall Road, Great Wakering footways have already been subject to significant maintenance schemes this year.

8.2 In addition, we are about to improve the footways in Lascelles Gardens, Albert Road, Stanley Road, Princess Gardens and York Road, all in Rochford. Advanced work has already started in preparation for a micro-asphalt surfacing similar to that in the High Road, Rayleigh just north of the Weir.

9 THE ECC MAINTENANCE INITIATIVE IN ROCHFORD DISTRICT 2006/07

9.1 Rochford District was allocated £900,000.00 for the delivery of the ECC Maintenance Initiative in 2006/07. Most of the identified schemes have been completed but there are some outstanding as they need special treatment.

Road Name	Location description	Comments
Carpenters Arms A129	west of petrol station dip - Resurfacing (1000m)	Programmed November / December 06
A1245	Carpenters Arms to Bedloes - Joints & overlay (300m)	Still to be programmed
Eastwood Road, Rayleigh	Poplar Road to Southend boundary - Resurfacing (1000m)	Complete
Eastwood Road, Rayleigh	Queens Road to Trinity Road - Resurfacing (400m)	Complete

Road Name	Location description	Comments
Spa Road, Hockley	Spa PH to Station Approach - Resurfacing (200m)	Complete
Shopland Road, Sutton	Sutton Road to Shopland Hall - Resurfacing (1600m)	Complete
Lower Road, Hockley	Lovedown Farm to Beckney Farm - Surface Dressing (1000m)	Complete
Lambourne Hall Road, Canewdon	Gardners Lane to Loftmans Corner - Surface Dressing (1000m)	Complete
Barling Road, Barling	Stonebridge to Barling Surface Dressing & Resurfacing	Complete
Barling Road, Barling	Silchester to Rebels Lane - Surface Dressing (1000m)	Complete
Anchor Lane, Canewdon	Larkhill Road to Gardners Lane - Surface Dressing (700m)	Complete
B1013 Stroud Green Roundabout, Rochford	Roundabout and approaches - Resurfacing	Complete
Rectory Road, Hawkwell	Under railway bridge	Late November
Rectory Road, Hawkwell	Junction with Main Road – Deep Recycling & resurface	Awaiting trial pit results to determine treatment
Folly Lane, Hullbridge	Aldermans Hill to Church Road – Thin surface	Proprietary treatment being determined
Stambridge Road, Rochford	Doggetts Road to Apton Hall Road - Surface Dressing & Resurfacing	Complete
Pagelsham Church End & East End, Paglesham	Surface Dressing	Complete
Wakering Road, Wakering	Cupids Corner to Boundary - Surface Dressing (800m)	Complete
Pre-patching for 07/08	District Wide	To be determined

10 ROCHFORD DISTRICT A130 POST BYPASS MEASURES

10.1 On 4th November 2005, Cllr Bass agreed to the southern section schemes of the A130 Post Bypass Measures. The majority of the work was undertaken last year but we continued this year with the schemes below.

Scheme	Comment
A129 Bus Stop facilities immediately east Hodgson Way Roundabout, Shotgate	The scheme is designed and currently being safety audited. The scheme will be completed this financial year.
Continuation of short cycle/bridleway section north of Moat Farm linking to Church Road at Bedloes Corner, Rawreth	Complete
A1245 continuation of last year's footway widening link north-east of Bedloes Corner, Rawreth	Complete
Beeches Road/Old Chelmsford Road, Battlesbridge footway and drainage improvements continuing northwards from last year's scheme	Complete

11 LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 1 (LTP1) CARRY OVER SCHEMES

11.1 We have received funding to continue this year with the schemes listed below that were unable to be completed within the LTP1 timescale.

Scheme	Comment
Ashingdon Road Cycleway at nos. 100/102 Ashingdon Rd	Awaiting completion of land negotiations
Bradley Way Cycleway – widening of existing footway	Design underway to complete this financial year
Hullbridge Road Cycleway	Design complete. Site start imminent
Greensward Lane/Plumberow Avenue Pedestrian crossing phase at signals	Design nearly complete – awaiting dedication of land from Network Rail

12 EXTERNALLY FUNDED SIGNIFICANT SCHEMES

12.1 These schemes are made possible by receiving funding mainly from private developers.

Scheme	Comment
Rawreth Lane junction with Downhall Park Way, Rayleigh – upgrade of existing signals to include Puffin crossing facility.	Currently with SA2000 designers. Unknown installation date.
Ashingdon Road junction with Brays Lane, Ashingdon – junction improvements to include removal of ‘Bennett’ style junction in favour of ‘T’ junction together with relocation of bus stops.	Initial consultation complete. Redesign underway due to received comments and cost of utility apparatus relocation.
Eastwood Rise and Rayleigh Avenue, Rayleigh – remedial works to achieve adoptable status – subject to residents’ approval.	Residents consultation / exhibition imminent. Site start anticipated early 2007.
Uplands Park Road, Rayleigh – Construction of carriageway build out to assist crossing of road for school children.	Paid for entirely by KeyMed. Work complete except for erection of new lamp column.

13 RECOMMENDATION

13.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That the Local Service Agreement update report July to September 2006 be noted.

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Background Papers:-

None

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