WEST 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
28/08 (Minute 334/08)	Has any further consideration been given by the Council regarding bridle way access to the west of the proposed country park where it joins the New England Woods? (Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item)	The Council agreed a budget at its meeting in February that provided for a three-year programme of works This includes a permissive route for horses through New England and Grove Woods, linking Rayleigh to Rochford. The Council is seeking funding opportunities to help fund the proposed bridle route and is currently assessing the most appropriate access routes through both Grove and New England Woods. Officers are liaising with the horse riding community seeking their views on the proposal.	R Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044
07/09 (Minute 28/09)	The possibility of an extension to Rawreth car park as an alternative to replacing District boundary signs. (Issue raised by a Parish Council representative during the Items to be Referred to the Executive item)	Work has started on the ground works, but is progressing slowly due to the weather. It is, however, still on schedule for completion in this current financial year.	A Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130

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38/09 (Minute 307/09)	The parking of advertising trailers on the A1245 and on land adjacent to the Fairglen interchange (Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item)	The trailers on the A1245 have been removed by County Highways. The unauthorised advertisement on land adjacent to Fairglen interchange has been removed, and the situation is being monitored.	S Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318
39/09 (Minute 307/09)	Removal of an oak tree and erection of a fence in Disraeli Road, Rayleigh	Disraeli Road is a non maintainable public highway – the encroachment issue has been passed to Essex County Council's Legal Department and a response is awaited. Concerns from residents regarding the parking of HGVs in Disraeli Road are being investigated. A Planning Contraventions Notice has been issued to seek information about the parked vehicles and a decision will then be taken about proceeding with enforcement action.	S Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318

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Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
H37/07 (Minute 340/07)	The possibility of introducing a 20mph speed limit in Glasseys Lane and other roads nearby leading onto Eastwood Road, Rayleigh. (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the Highways Matters Spotlight item)	Glasseys Lane will be reviewed when the County Highways revised draft speed strategy is published, which is expected in the new calendar year. Recent revised guidance issued just before Christmas from Department for Transport, specifically surrounding 20mph zones, has meant that the draft is now being revised further. Sign off is expected by end of March.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H15/09 (Minute 67/09)	The possibility of introducing a speed indicator sign in Down Hall Road, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the crime and disorder Spotlight item)	One sign and post have been installed; one post needs to be relocated prior to the erection of the sign in March.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

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H24/09 (Minute 157/09)	Scheme to bring the unmade roads of Eastwood Rise, Rayleigh Avenue and Sandhill Road, Rayleigh up to adoptable standard. (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the County Highways Localism item)	Notices posted on site on 18 February 2010 with appropriate notice in local press as well. Letters to be delivered to affected properties in the week commencing 22 February. Works will be programmed, subject to the resolution of any objections to the notices.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H28/09 (Minute 206/09)	Possibility of creating a dedicated slip road at the Fairglen interchange from the southbound A1245 to the eastbound A127 (Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item) (Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item) the Community Forum item)		

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H31/09 (Minute 265/09)	Status of the upgrade to the existing lighting at Downhall Road, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the Spotlight highways localism item)	Works complete except EDF connections. An order has been placed but timescales from EDF are not reliable as street lighting is a "low" priority compared with supplies to residential and commercial premises.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H34/09 (Minute 265/09)	Minor Repairs to the road surface in Church Road, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the Spotlight highways localism item)	Small repairs will be made in line with County Policy. However, it is recognised that more major works will be required for which there is no funding at present. This will be considered for 2010/11.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H41/09 (Minute 309/09)	Problem with traffic light sensors at the Downhall Park Way / Rawreth Lane junction (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the West Area Update item)	New equipment will be installed and commissioned mid March to alleviate the problem.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561