REVIEW OF LOCALISM SCHEMES 2009/10 AND THE LIST OF SCHEMES FOR CONSIDERATION FOR 20010/11

1 SUMMARY

1.1 This report gives an opportunity for Members to review the progress of schemes selected for implementation during 2009/10, as shown in section 1 of appendix A, and to consider which schemes, as shown in section 2 of appendix A will be progressed during 2010/11.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Localism introduced at the beginning of this financial year has given local people, through their elected Members, an opportunity to influence improvements and changes to the highway within the Rochford District in line with policy and guidelines from Essex County Council. The reserve programme schemes that were previously suggested through the Locally Determined Programme and were not selected for implementation this year have been added to throughout the year with new suggestions and requests under Localism. The list made available in this report is for Members to decide on which schemes will be put forward for implementation this coming financial year and to identify the priority of those schemes within the West Area only.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Although budgets for 2010/11 have not yet been agreed by Essex County Council, Members should consider working to a sum similar to that allocated this financial year, which was in the region of £200,000.

4 RECOMMENDATION

4.1 It is proposed that the Committee recommends a list of schemes with priorities for delivery by Essex County Council during 2010/11.

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Background Papers:-

Localism 2009/10 and Locally Determined 2008/09

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Appendix A – Essex County Council - Maintenance Schemes

Area	Site	Description	Scheme Type	Comments	Indicative Cost	Priority
West	A1245 Chelmsford Road		Kerbing and resurfacing		£103,516	Some surfacing carried out further work between Jan- Mar
Central	Lower Rd Hockley/Hullbridge	Various locations as required	Resurfacing		£80,000	Complete
Central	Ashingdon Rd	Various locations as identified by survey	Resurfacing/patching		£105,000	Complete
East	Star Lane Gt Wakering	Ind Est to Southend B'dary	Kerb works	Surfacing of this section still req.	£21,000	Surfacing to be carried out Jan- Mar
East	Barling Rd Gt Wakering	Rebels Lane to Stonebridge	Resurfacing		£80,000	Complete
East	South Street, Rochford	Inc Bradley Way junction	Resurfacing/patching		£25,000	Bradley Way junction still to do. Jan-Mar
East	Creeksea Rd	Vicinity Lion Wharf	Reconstruction of c/w		£200,000	Programmed February
East	Scotts Hall Rd Canewdon	Lark Hill to Scotts Hall	Surface Dressing		£40,000	Complete
West	Castle Road Rayleigh		Footway and c/way resurfacing		£208,000	Jan 4 th start
West	Leslie Road Rayleigh	The Chase to Clarence Rd	Footway resurfacing		£70,000	Completed
West	Leslie Road Rayleigh		C/way resurfacing		£40,000	One section complete further works req
Central	Brays Lane	j/w Ashingdon Rd for 500m	Footway and c/w works	Includes some drainage	£105,000	F/w & drainage works complete.

Area	Site	Description	Scheme Type	Comments	Indicative Cost	Priority
				works		Surfacing Jan- Mar
Central	Holt Farm Way Hawkwell		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£20,500	March
East	Sutton Ct Drive R'ford		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£20,500	March
East	Boswell Rd/ Vaughan Close R'ford		Kerb works and some surfacing	Part complete	£20,500	March
Central	Gt Eastern Rd Hockley		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£25,500	March
West	Vernon Avenue Rayleigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£10,250	March
West	Pearsons Ave Rayleigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£10,250	March
West	Great Wheatley Road Rayleigh	Western Road to public footpath	Overlay carriage way	·	£20,000	Complete
West	Kenilworth Road Rayleigh		Footway re- surfacing & some carriageway works		£70,000	C/way March
West	Downhall Close Rayleigh		Patching of carriageway		£10,250	Complete
West	Philbrick Crescent East Rayleigh	Creswick Avenue to Glebe Drive	Resurfacing		£25,500	Complete
West	Derwent Avenue Rayleigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£15,250	March
West	Eastwood Road Rayleigh	Picton Gardens to Queens Road	Footway works		£30,300	Complete

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Area	Site	Description	Scheme Type	Comments	Indicative Cost	Priority
West	Eastwood Road Rayleigh		Footway works	Further work to be identified		Jan-Mar
West	Cotswold Avenue Rayleigh		Footway works		£100,000	Complete
Central	Parklands Ave Hawkwell		Footway works		£75,000	Jan start

1 LIST OF SCHEMES AGREED FOR IMPLEMENTATION. LOCALISM 2009-2010

1.1 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS, SIGNING AND LINING, SPEED LIMIT REQUESTS

Date inc.	Area Committee	Location	Request	Current situation
2009	West	Daws Heath Road Rayleigh	Extend 30mph speed restriction	Approved by Cllr Hume, informal consultation underway
2009	Central	Folly Lane Hockley	Waiting restrictions	Objection received from Hockley Tennis Club to be addressed
2009	Central	Willow Walk, Willow CI, Broad Parade, Broad CI, Seddons Walk, Broadlands Ave/Rd, Leamington Rd, Oak Walk, Hamilton Gdns, Cornhill Ave Hockley	Waiting restrictions (commuter parking)	Still out to formal consultation. Complaints received from residents who consider roads have been left out.
2009	Central	Ashingdon Rd (Service road opp Holt Farm School)	Waiting restrictions	On hold. ECC exploring possible enforcement through Trading Standards
2009	West	Danbury Rd/Langdon Rd Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	Formal consultation underway, some objections received from commuters
2009	East	Lambourne Hall Rd Canewdon	40mph speed restriction	Formal consultation underway
2009	East	Pollards Ct and Cl Rochford	Waiting restrictions	Formal consultation finished 25 th Decemeber - one objection received
2009	East	Heritage Way/Dalys Rd R'ford	Waiting restrictions	As above
2009	West	Jubilee Road Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	No objections to informals, formals commence 14 th Jan 2010
2009	West	The Chase/Copford Avenue Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	Out to informals 14 th Jan 2010
2009	West	Fairland Close/Eastview Drive Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	ECC officers are monitoring situation
2009	West	Tillingham Way/Willingale Avenue Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	ECC Officers consider unnecessary

Date inc.	Area Committee	Location	Request	Current situation
2009	East	Stambridge Rd/StewardsElm Farm Lane Stambridge	Junction protection/waiting restrictions	Formal consultation underway. Parish Cllrs support
2009	West	Trinity Rd/Warwick Rd Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	Formal consultation underway
2009	Central	Junction of Boswell Ave and Spencer Gdns Rochford	DYLto prevent parking that restricts entrance to school	
2009	West	Roach Avenue/Glasseys Lane Rayleigh	Possible 7.5 weight limit and junction protection	Weight limit dropped following survey - only 9 vehicles using road in a 16hour period of survey. Many objections received to junction protection
2009	East	Church Rd Canewdon	Part time traffic restriction	Awaiting Police views

1.2 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

1.2a PRAM CROSSINGS

During 2000 a survey was carried out in all Parishes to identify where pram crossings were required. These sites form the basis of the rolling programme to be looked at each year until all sites have been completed. The complete list is held at the South Area Office Endeavour Drive Basildon

Area Committee	Location
	Ash Green Canewdon
East	
East	Birch Close Canewdon
Central	Harrow Close Hawkwell
West	Leslie Gardens Rayleigh

1.2b PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

AREA	DATE	LOCATION	RANKING	POSITION	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS	CURRENT SITUATION
West		Outside the railway station Station Road, Rayleigh A129 route study work	1.866 X10 ⁸	1	Puffin Crossing Value of scheme £100k.	Notices advertising scheme will be posted after Christmas
Central		Vicinity Buckingham Road/ Main Road Hockley	0.45x10 ⁸	3	Pedestrian facility	Awaiting result of consultation
East		Between Hairdressers and Fish and Chip Shop North Street Rochford	0.40x10 ⁸	4	Pedestrian facility	Scheme with Safety Audit
Central		Vicinity of Kendal Close Ferry Rd Hullbridge	0.12 x10 ⁸	5	Pedestrian facility	Awaiting programme date for implementation from Contractor
Central	2009	Between Thorpe Rd and Poplars Ave, Main Road Hawkwell (HPC top priority)	0.12 x10 ⁸	6	Pedestrian facility	Waiting expiry of Notice advertising scheme. No objections to date

1.2c FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENTS / NEW FOOTWAYS

Area Committee	Date Assessed	Notes	Location	Ranking	Score	Latest Situation
East	2001		Barling Road from Clay Street to Southend Road, Gt Wakering	1	84	1st Phase to commence after Xmas

1.3 LAYOUT and GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS

Area Committee	Location	Description/Proposal	
Central	Church Road, Hockley	Gateway Feature requested	
Central	Rectory Rd Hawkwell	Relocate street furniture to edge or rear of footway to allow greater access to pedestrians. NOT PROGRESSSING	
Central	Plumberow/Spa/Greensward junction Hockley	Minor alterations have been made, monitor results	
West	Hambro Hill junction of Down Hall Road Rayleigh	Request for mini roundabout - Traffic count carried out, design options being considered	
East	Anchor Road and High St Canewdon	Traffic calming vicinity school	

1.4 STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS

Area Committee	Location	Description/Proposal
West	Downhall Road Rayleigh	Upgrade existing lighting

1.5 SPECIAL MAINTENANCE FOOTWAYS AND CARRIAGEWAYS

Initial programme full 2009-10

1.6 ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE

No programmed schemes 2009-10

1.7 MINOR ITEMS

Area Committee	Location	Request
Central	Church Rd Hockley	Gateway features – CIF funding
West	Beech Avenue/Elm Drive Rayleigh	Bollards to prevent verge over run

1.8 CYCLING FACILITIES - No programmed schemes 2009-10

1.9 VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGNS

Rolling programme for the erection of VAS at selected sites for minimum period of 2 weeks. Every attempt will be made to locate the signs where Parishes have requested. It may be that poles will be erected to take the signs at sites where no suitable fixing is available

Area Committee	Preferred Locations	Comment
Central	Ashingdon Hill s/b & n/b Fambridge Rd approaching the school Brays Lane approach to Ashingdon Rd	
East	In vicinity of Barling School Barling	
East	High Street – verge approaching Little WakeringRd Shoebury Road – Cupids Corner to New Road Gt Wakering	Move to monitor other direction Locate suitable site for erection of posts to support VAS
East	Vicinity Royal Oak Stambridge Rd Stambridge	
Central	Rectory Ave – vicinity Doulton Way Hawkwell Main Road – vicinity Mount Bovers and Tudor Way Hawkwell Rectory Rd vicinity Windsor Gdns Hawkwell	
Central	Lower Road – Long Lane to Hilltop Ave	
West	Rawreth Lane Rayleigh– eastbound approach vicinity of 30mph	
West	London Road Rayleigh- verge approaching Little Wheatleys Chase Hockley Road Rayleigh- Fitzwimarc School and at Nelson Road Trinity Road Rayleigh- vicinity of Broad Oak Way Downhall Road Rayleigh(make permanent)	
Central	Southend Rd – vicinity of Rochfort Drive and at The Ridings Rochford Hall Road – by church entrance Rochford Ashingdon Road – vicinity of Holt Farm School Rochford Stambridge Rd vicinity Lingfield Drive Rochford	

Schemes to be considered for future funding

	Scheme	Description	Area	Date Submitted	Estimated cost (includes design and supervision)	Comments	Order of preference 1-4 where 1 is highest priority
2	Traffic Management (TRO's, Signing and Lining, Speed limit requests)						
	The Drive Rochford	junction protection at Malting Villas Rd	East	2009 Cllr Lucas-Gill	£100 plus cost of advertising £1500	ECC to investigate problem	
	Worcester Drive Rayleigh	Junction protection at Leslie Road	West	Oct 2009 S Scrutton	£50 plus cost of advertising	May be some parking issues at night/weekends but not evident during day. Junction protection is suggested unless more info from local people forthcoming	
	Essex Close	Junction protection at Warwick Road	West	Oct 2009 S Scrutton	£50 plus cost of advertising	As above	
2.1	Pedestrian Facilities						
2.1a	Pram Crossings						
	Woodpond Ave, Hockley Rise, Sunny Rd, Belchamps Way, Wood End Hockley		Central	Sep 2009	£20K	Requested by mobility scooter user	
2.2b	Pedestrian Crossings						
	Main Road Hockley	Puffin Crossing	Central	pre 2000	£100k	Pedestrian refuge appears to satisfy need. and provides a facility to assist crossing the road	

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	Southend Rd Rochford	Pedestrian crossing	East	pre 2000	£15k	As above, pedestrian refuge at mini r'about	
	Hockley Road Rayleigh	Pedestrian crossing	West	pre 2000	£15k	Survey carried out ranks this as low useage	
	Hambro Hill Rayleigh	Pedestrian crossing	West	pre 2000	£15k	Ranked below Hockley Road. No suitable site to install to maximise use.	
	Ashingdon Rd Ash'don	Upgrade x/ing to Puffin	Central	2009	£100k	No reason for request, crossing at this point has not been mentioned as being problematic	
	Barling Rd Barling	Vicinity of the school	East	2009	£15k	Survey to be able rank scheme carried out	
	High Street Gt Wakering	Pedestrian crossing	East	2009	£15k	Siting facility may be unachievable within pedestrian desire line. School does have benefit of a crossing patrol person	
	Eastwood Road Rayleigh	Pedestrian crossing	West	2009 by Residents of sheltered accomm- odation	£15k		
	London Road Rayleigh	Pedestrian facility	West	2009 MoP		Difficult to site facility on this section of London Road due to number of accesses.	
2.2c	Footways New and improvements						
	Barling Road Gt Wakering	Provide footway, fronting properties	East	2001	£25k Phase II £35k Phse III	1st Phase complete. Ranked 1. Mixed response from residents	
	Brays Lane Ash'don	Provide footway	East	1999		May need Compulsory purchase. Ranked 2	
	Canewdon Road Ashingdon	Provide footway	Central	1999	?	Bid made through CIF Nov 2009 yet to be determined	
	Church Rd Hockley	Provide footway	Central	1999		Will need Compulsory purchase. Ranked 3	

	Daws Heath Road Rayleigh. White Hart Lane Hawkwell between British Legion Hall & shops Hall Road Hawkwell Bristol Close Rayleigh	Provide footway and kerbs, from end of 30mph to A127 Provide footway Provide footway between The Lawns and the Cemetery	West Central Central	1999	£20k	Non-bound path can be constructed in parts. Other sections no land available Alternative path across common is available. Ranked	
	Hawkwell between British Legion Hall & shops Hall Road Hawkwell Bristol Close	Provide footway between The Lawns and the					
	Bristol Close	The Lawns and the	Central				
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1999		Although ranked lower than White Hart Lane the Parish consider this more important	
	Naviciuii	Provide footway to link to open space	West	2009		Footway is available on other side of road.	
	Stambridge Rd Gt Stambridge	Widen existing footway from school towards Rochford	East	2009		Possible in places	
	High St Canewdon						
	Poynters Lane Gt Wakering	Provide footway	East	2009	CIF bid has been made	Offer to acquire land has been made by MoD.	
2.3	Tackling Congestion						
	London Road junction with London Hill		West	2009 Cllr Aves			
	Little Wakering Rd Barling	Provide parking at school	East	2009 Cllr Steptoe	£30k plus potential Compulsory Purchase Order and land costs	No land within the highway. Scope for other options within the village need to be explored	
2.4	Street Lighting Improvements						
	Bardfield Way/Langham Drive Rayleigh	Upgrade street lighting in alley	West	2009 Cllr Mockford	£2000		
2.5	Environmental Maintenance						

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2.6	Cycling Facilities				,		J 1
2.7	Temporary Vehicle Activated Signs						
2.8	Carriageway Resurfacing Proposals						
	Canewdon View Rd Ashingdon	Surface deteriorating	Central	2009 Cllr Mrs D Constable		No Cat1 defects evident will monitor	
	Church Road Rayleigh	Surface deteriorating	West	2009 Cllr Pat Aves			
	Beech Rd Hullbridge	Surface course wearing	Central	2009 S Scrutton		Cat 1's have been addressed, however resurfacing is required	
2.9	Footway Resurfacing Proposals					,	
	Newton Hall Gdns to Nansen Ave Ash'don	Footway defects	Central	2009 Mrs D Constable		No Cat 1' defects evident will monitor	

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Vehicle Activated Signs						
Clifton Rd Ashingdon		Central	Dec 2009	Rangers work	Supported by Ashingdon PC	
The Chase Rayleigh	Vicinity of Warwick Road	West	Dec 2009	Rangers work	Supported by Rayleigh Town Council	
Weir Gardens Rayleigh		West	Dec 2009	Rangers work	Numerous residents requests following consultation for waiting restrictions	

APPENDIX B: COUNTY HIGHWAYS UPDATE

At the last meeting of this Committee, a number of highways issues were raised that required further investigation.

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
H16/08 (Minute 131/08, 269/08 and 265/09)	Feasibility study for a pedestrian crossing at the top of Downhall Park Way, near Rawreth Lane (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the Highways Matters Spotlight item)	The Pegasus crossing design submitted to the Department for Transport has not been approved and therefore cannot be constructed. Essex County Council will advertise the Puffin Crossing early in the New Year. The scheme is subject to formal consultation; any objections received would delay any implementation.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
H08/09 (Minute 66/09)	The condition of Little Wheatley Chase roadway and footpaths – repairs to patch up the worst of the damage. (Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item)	Details and prices for specialist repairs have now been obtained and the scheme will need to be considered for 2010-2011.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H09/09 (Minute 66/09)	Problems with rubbish being deposited in and around an unused turning bay at the end of London Road, Rawreth – can the turning bay be removed? (Issue raised by residents during the Community Forum item)	Options are being considered by the Ward Councillors with a view to including in the Localism programme for decision making; they have not yet come back to County Highways.	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)	Details are with the supplier for implementation this financial year. Funding is through the Community Initiative Fund.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
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)	Tender documents were returned on 15 December and a meeting took place on 18 December to extract the tender prices. These will be included in the relevant sections of the Resolutions to be passed to Cllr Hume, the Portfolio Holder, for signature. It is difficult to assess when works are likely to be progressed because of various factors, including, for example, the fact that residents are expected to contribute towards the cost of the work. In the current financial climate, it may be that residents decide that they don't want the work to progress when the costs are apportioned; this would prevent the scheme from progressing.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H25/09 (Minute 157/09)	Need for junction improvements at the entrance to Fairland Close, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the County Highways Localism item)	Request is for junction protection and this scheme is already on the Localism list for the current financial year; this matter is under discussion by the District Councillor and the relevant County Highways officer. Discussions have led to ongoing monitoring. There is only a limited amount of parking in the location. Other schemes with more established problems have been given priority.	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)	The Major Projects team at County Hall are currently looking at the options and cost estimates for the proposal, including statutory undertakers costs.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
	(Issue raised by a resident during the Community Forum item)		
H30/09 (Minute 264/09)	Appropriate traffic orders for emergency access to Swallow Close from The Approach, Rayleigh	Since this last report it has been noted that "No waiting at any time " signs and associated lines are in situ in the close therefore additional signage is not required	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
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)	Order has been placed with the Contractor. Work should commence shortly.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H33/09 (Minute 265/09)	Possibility of upgrading the lighting at the footpath between Bardfield Way and Langham Drive, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the Spotlight highways localism item)	Indicative costing for the works is approximately £2,500. This has been added to the localism list for 2010/11 for consideration by Members.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
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
H36/09 (Minute 266/09)	Phasing of traffic lights in Websters Way, in light of pedestrian safety concerns (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the West Area Update item)	This facility has been checked and is operating as designed and without faults.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
H37/09 (Minute 266/09)	Phasing of traffic lights at the bottom of Hatfield Road and Victoria Avenue, Rayleigh and of the pedestrian lights further up London Road and Pearson Avenue, Rayleigh (Issue raised by a District Councillor during the West Area Update item)	This facility has been checked and is operating as designed and without faults. If Members consider that it is necessary to review the operation of this and the above facility, there will be cost implications. Any alterations to the signals beyond their current set-up will involve physical works and costs. Costs cannot be determined until we establish what is to be done, which requires further discussion. Both crossings are operating as per the design, but it is reported that one set is not allowing enough time whereas the other is taking too long on the pedestrian phase.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

Ref No.	Issue	Progress	Officer details
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)	Speed data is being collected, which will determine how the sensors are repaired. An update will be provided at the meeting.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561