

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
37/07 (Minute 340/07)	The possibility of introducing a 20mph speed limit in Glasseys Lane and other roads nearby leading onto Eastwood Road, Rayleigh.	The policy review has been completed. Public consultation is currently taking place.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
14/08 (Minute 131/08)	Time restrictions for car parking in Little Wheatley Chase	Public consultation ended on 19 January 2009. Objections to the proposal have been received; therefore these will need to be considered before a final decision can be made.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
16/08 (Minute 131/08 and 269/08)	Feasibility study for a pedestrian crossing at the top of Downhall Park Way, near Rawreth Lane	The feasibility study has been completed highlighting a number of potential improvements using section 106 monies from Asda which will help cyclists, pedestrians and equestrian traffic. The scheme proposed is a complicated one that will involve traffic signals; it is a viable scheme that will need to go out to public consultation. Consultation will proceed in the new financial year.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
23/08 (Minute 268/08)	Extension of double yellow lines in Trinity Road, junction with Warwick Road, Rayleigh	The extension of yellow lines to the roads running from Grove Road up to Eastwood Road could be included as one of the schemes to be considered while prioritising works to be conducted under the 2009/10 localism budget.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561

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24/08 (Minute 269/08)	Lack of consultation with Rawreth Parish Council on the recent positioning of 2 Victorian street lights on the bridge at Battlesbridge on the south side of the Crouch (Rawreth Parish side)	It appears that the introduction of lighting columns was undertaken by Rettendon Parish Council with no consultation.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
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?	The Member advisory group has reported to the Executive and it has been agreed that officers will investigate the availability of funding from Essex County Council for a bridleway.	R Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044
01/09 (Minute 25/09)	When will the large number of bottles and tins deposited near the bus stop on the corner of Downhall Road / Preston Gardens be removed?	This area has been cleaned. The area will continue to be monitored by the Council's contract monitoring officers and appropriate action taken when necessary.	R Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044

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02/09 (Minute 25/09)	Could the section of Rawreth Lane in the vicinity of Trenders Avenue be inspected again in order that work is funded from the 2009/10 budget?	Rawreth Lane has already been identified as being in need of major re-surfacing. It will be identified as one of the schemes for consideration as part of the 2009/10 localism budget. Some additional budget has been made available to surface the carriageway between Lubbards Close and Down Hall Park Way in March. Advance notices will be erected closer to the date.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
03/09 (Minute 25/09)	Could the standing water problem in the gutters along Rawreth Lane be rectified at the same time as the road problem?	The new road surface on the above mentioned stretch of road should alleviate standing water. Other sections to be rectified during future surfacing work.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
04/09 (Minute 25/09)	Could the pavement along this stretch of Rawreth Lane be re-surfaced?	The footpath will be inspected during March and orders for remedial works placed, if necessary.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
05/09 (Minute 25/09)	Why are pavements never swept on major roads, such as Rawreth Lane?	The Council acknowledges that there has been a problem with regular sweeping of Rawreth Lane and other roads in the vicinity. These issues have been brought to the attention of the contractors and they have increased the level of supervision in respect of this key service area. Whilst officers have noticed an improvement in some roads we are continuing to work closely with the contractor to ensure a permanent solution to this problem. The kerb line along Rawreth Lane and the verge has now been swept.	R Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044

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06/09 (Minute 25/09)	With respect to plants encroaching on the pavement and road at Downhall Road/Hambro Avenue and the concrete starting to crumble there, could an article be included in <i>Rochford District Matters</i> asking garden owners adjoining footpaths to cut back their plants in order to minimise the potential for damage to the pavements?	The overhanging vegetation has been cut back but as there was snow on the ground at the time of the visit a further inspection is planned for March.	A Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297561
07/09 (Minute 28/09)	The possibility of an extension to Rawreth car park as an alternative to replacing District boundary signs.	The Council has budgeted for capital works at the Rawreth car park within its Medium Term Financial Strategy.	A Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130