REPORT FROM: AREA MANAGER SOUTH, ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHWAYS

SUBJECT: 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 sections 1 and 2 of Appendix A, and to consider which schemes as shown in section 3 will be progressed during 2010/11. Appendix B provides updates relating to Highways Issues raised at previous meetings of the Central Area Committee.

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 inprovements and changes to the highway within the Rochford District in line with policy and guidlines from Essex County Council. The reserve programme schemes which 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 Central 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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Essex County Council - Maintenance Schemes

Area	Site	Description	Scheme Type	Comments	Indicative Cost	Current Situation
West	A1245 Chelmsford Rd		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

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West	Leslie Rd Rayleigh	The Chase to Clarence Rd	Footway resurfacing		£70,000	Completed
West	Leslie Rd 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 works	£105,000	F/w & drainage works complete. 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 Ave R'leigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£10,250	March
West	Pearsons Ave R'leigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£10,250	March
West	Gt Wheatley Rd Rayleigh	Western Rd to public f'path	Overlay c/way		£20,000	Complete
West	Kenilworth Rd R'leigh		Footway resurfacing & some c/way works		£70,000	C/way March

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West	Downhall Close Rayleigh		Patching of c/way		£10,250	Complete
West	Philbrick Cres East Rayleigh	Creswick Ave to Glebe Drive	Resurfacing		£25,500	Complete
West	Derwent Ave Rayleigh		Microasphalt works	Prepatching complete	£15,250	March
West	Eastwood Rd Rayleigh	Picton Gdns to Queens Rd	Footway works		£30,300	Complete
West	Eastwood Rd Rayleigh		Footway works	Further work to be identified		Jan-Mar
West	Cotswold Ave Rayleigh		Footway works		£100,000	Complete
Central	Parklands Ave Hawkwell		Footway works		£75,000	Jan start

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

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

Date inc.	Area Committee	Location	Request	Current situation
2009	West	Daws Heath Rd 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 December - one objection received
2009	East	Heritage Way/Dalys Rd R'ford	Waiting restrictions	As above
2009	West	Jubilee Rd Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	No objections to informals, formals commence 14 th Jan 2010
2009	West	The Chase/Copford Ave Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	Out to informals 14 th Jan 2010
2009	West	Fairland Close/Eastview Dr Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	ECC officers are monitoring situation

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2009	West	Tillingham Way/Willingale Ave Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions	ECC Officers consider unnecessary
2009	East	Stambridge Rd/Stewards Elm 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	DYL to prevent parking that restricts entrance to school	
2009	West	Roach Ave/Glasses 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

2.2 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

2.2a PRAM CROSSING

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	Current situation	
East	Ash Green Canewdon	Completed	
East	Birch Close Canewdon	completed	
Central	Harrow Close Hawkwell	Completed	
West	Leslie Gdns Rayleigh	completed	

2.2b PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

AREA	DATE	LOCATION	SURVEY RESULT	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 Xmas
Central		Vicinity BuckinghamRd/ Main Rd Hockley	0.45x10 ⁸	3	Pedestrian facility	Awaiting result of Safety Audit, before commencing work
East		Between Hairdressers and Fish and Chip Shop North Street Rochford	0.40x10 ⁸	4	Pedestrian facility	Awaiting result of Safety Audit before commencing work
Central		Vicinity of Kendal Close Ferry Rd Hullbridge	0.12 x10 ⁸	5	Pedestrian facility	Awaiting programme date from Contractor for implementation of work
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

2.2c FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENTS/NEW FOOTWAYS

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

2.3 LAYOUT and GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS

Area Committee	Location	Description/Proposal	Current situation
Central	Rectory Rd Hawkwell	Relocate street furniture to edge or rear of footway to allow greater access to pedestrians.	This is not progressing until certainty over development is resolved
Central	Plumberow/Spa/Greensward junction Hockley	Adjust timings of signals	Minor alterations have been made, to improve delays
West	Hambro Hill junction of Down Hall Rd Rayleigh	Request for mini r'about	Traffic count carried out, just before Xmas to enable design options to be considered
East	Anchor Road and High St Canewdon	Traffic calming vicinity school and changes to bus stop	Scheme designed for Anchor Lane to include High Street bus stop improvements. Works to be completed before end of March 2010

2.4 STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS

Area Committee	Location	Description/Proposal	Current situation
West	Downhall Rd Rayleigh	Upgrade existing lighting	Works to commence after Xmas

2.5 ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE

No programmed schemes 2009-10.

2.6 MINOR ITEMS

Area Committee	Location	Request	Current Situation
Central	Church Rd Hockley		Scheme to be funded through CIF. Implementation before end of Mar 2010.

2.7 CYCLING FACILITIES - No programmed schemes 2009-10.

2.8 VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGNS

Rolling programme for the erection of VAS at selected sites for minimum period of 2 weeks has operating throughout the year. 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	Current situation
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 Wakering Rd Shoe bury Road – Cupids Corner to New Road Gt Wakering 	Suitable site for erection of posts required	
East	Vicinity Royal Oak Stambridge Rd Stambridge		
Central	Rectory Ave – vicinity Doulton Way Hawkwell		

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	 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 sign 		
West	 London Road Rayleigh- verge approaching Little Wheatleys Chase Hockley Road Rayleigh- Fitzwimark School and at Nelson Rd Downhall Road Rayleigh(make permanent) Trinity Road Rayleigh- vicinity of Broad Oak Way 		First three sites will have permanent signs erected under CIF
Central	 Southend Rd – vicinity of Rochford 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 		

3 Schemes to be considered for future funding 2010/2011

Area	Scheme	Description	Date Submitted	Estimated Cost (includes design and supervision)	Comments	Order of preference 1-4 where 1 is highest priority
3.1	Traffic Management (Traffic Regulation Orders), Signing and Lining, Speed limit requests)					
East	The Drive Rochford	junction protection at Malting Villas Rd	2009	£75 plus cost of advertising £1500	ECC has contacted Cllr who advises the problem has been resolved.	No Action now required item to be removed
West	Worcester Drive Rayleigh	Junction protection at Leslie Rd	Oct 2009	£75 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	
West	Essex Close	Junction protection at Warwick Rd	Oct 2009	£75 plus cost of advertising	As above	
West	Grange Parade (London Rd Service Rd) Rayleigh	Limited Waiting Restriction fronting shops	2009	£500 plus cost of advertising	Has merit by preventing all day parking in front of shops	

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West	Grove Rd junction with Grove Ct and on school side Rayleigh	NWAAT Limited waiting Mon-Fri 8am-4pm	2009	£750 plus cost of advertising	Reduce congestion around school	
West	Downhall Park Way Rayleigh	NWAAT at junct. with Salisbury Close and playground car park	2009	£500 plus cost of advertising		
West	London Rd Rayleigh	Extension to 30mph speed restriction	2009	£2500 plus cost of advertising		
West	Rawreth Ind Est	NWAAT across entrance to Westfield Close	2009	£500 plus cost of advertising		
3.2	Pedestrian Facilities					
3.2a	Pram Crossings					
Central	Woodpond Ave, Hockley Rise, Sunny Rd, Belchamps Way, Wood End Hockley		Sep 2009	£20K	Requested by mobility scooter user	
3.2b	Pedestrian Crossings					
East	Barling Rd Barling	Vicinity of the school	2009	£15k	Survey to be able rank scheme carried out	

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East	High Street Gt Wakering	Pedestrian crossing	2009	£15k	School does have the benefit of a crossing patrol person. Siting a formal crossing will result in losing parking places for residents who will have no other place to park outside their properties	
West	Eastwood Rd Rayleigh	Pedestrian crossing requested by residents of Francis Cottee Lodge (Sheltered Housing)	2009	£15k	Survey required to rank scheme which will be carried out after completion of E&S works.	
West	London Road Rayleigh	Pedestrian facility to be situated between EDF building and Little Wheatley Chase.	2009	£100k for Puffin	Zebra crossing cannot be constructed within 40mph speed limit. Assessment required to verify actual numbers of people crossing. before considering Puffin facility	
West	Hullbridge Rd Rayleigh	Vicinity of Lubbards Farm - request for pedestrian	2009	£100k	Assessment required to determine usage. Facility will have to be a Puffin due to 40mph speed of road as	

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		crossing			above	
3.2c	Footways New and improvements					
East	Barling Road Gt Wakering	Provide footway, fronting properties	2001	£25k Phase 2 £35k, Phase 3 not costed	1st Phase about to commence. Mixed response from residents, Phase 2 and 3 not to proceed. ECC to pursue clearance of obstructions from verge.	
Central	Canewdon Road Ashingdon	Provide footway	1999		Bid made through CIF Nov 2009 yet to be determined	
West	Daws Heath Road Rayleigh.	Provide footway and kerbs, from end of 30mph to A127. This section does not have any facilities for pedestrians.	2009	£20k	Non-bound path can be constructed in parts. Other sections no land available. Strong support from local resident. Surprisingly high usage	
Central	White Hart Lane Hawkwell between British Legion Hall & shops	Provide footway	1999 & 2009		Alternative path across common is available.	

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Central	Hall Road Hawkwell	Provide footway between The Lawns and the Cemetery	1999		Parish consider this scheme more important than White Hart Lane	
West	Bristol Cl Rayleigh	Provide footway to link to open space	2009		Un-necessary as there is a footway on other side of road.	
East	Stambridge Rd Gt Stambridge	Widen existing footway from school towards Rochford	2009	Not costed but would be over £50k	Un-achievable in many places. Resurfacing of existing will improve the surface	
East	High St Canewdon	Footway to link Village school and shop.	2009	£7,500 plus cost of land unknown at present	Involves Acquisition or Compulsory Purchase of land. At present villagers walk a 15metre stretch on the road	
East	Poynters Lane Gt Wakering	Provide footway Cupids Chase to Wakering Road	2009	CIF bid has been made, yet to be determined.	MoD has offered land	

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3.3	Tackling Congestion					
West	London Rd junction with London hill	Request for junction change	2009		ECC consider that any changes at this junction will have an unacceptable impact on the A129 by cause delays and congestion	
East	Little Wakering Rd Barling	Provide parking at school	2009		This is a private matter for the School and/or land owner to resolve. ECC Highways will assist with entry onto the highway if this progresses. There is no land within the highway for parking/pull in but there is scope for other options within the village that should be explored by interested parties.	
West	Rawreth Lane junction with Hullbridge Rd	Junction improvements	2006	£40k Section 106 monies from ASDA	No land available within the highway to effect improvments. ECC to consider design options	

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3.4	Street Lighting Improvements					
West	Bardfield Way/Langham Dr Rayleigh	Upgrade street lighting in alley	2009	£2000		
3.5	Environmental Maintenance					
East	Twyford Ave Gt Wakering	Protection of verge to prevent parking abuse	2009	£3k-£10k	Erect bollards or harden verge. Site not assessed yet	
Central	Pooles Lane Hullbridge	As above	2009	£3-£10k	As above	
Central	Rectory Terrace Rectory Rd Hawkwell	Protection of verge to prevent parking and obstruction of sight lines	2009	£500	Erect bollards	
3.6	Minor Items					
3.7	Cycling Facilities					
3.8	Temporary Vehicle Activated Signs					
Central	Clifton Road Ashingdon PC		2009	Rangers Work	Supported by Parish	

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West	The Chase Rayleigh	Vicinity of Warwick Rd	2009	Rangers Work	Supported by Rayleigh TC	
Central	White Hart Lane	Between White Hart PH and British Legion	2009	Rangers Work		
West	Weir Gardens Rayleigh		Dec 2009	Rangers work	Numerous residents requests following consultation for waiting restrictions	
3.9	Design and Survey work for new schemes			£20k	To enable schemes to be assessed during the year as they are proposed	
3.10	Equestrian Facilities					
West	Vicinity of ASDA Rawreth Lane Rayleigh	£100k Section 106 monies for the provision of facilities	2006	£100k	Design for Pegasus crossing Rawreth Lane/Downhall Park Way has not been accepted by DfT. ECC to discuss other options with local user groups	
3.11	Carriageway Resurfacing Proposals					

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Central	Canewdon View Rd Ashingdon	Surface deteriorating	2009		No Cat1 defects evident ECC to monitor	
West	Church Rd Rayleigh	Surface deteriorating	2009			
Central	Beech Rd Hullbridge	Surface course wearing	2009		Cat 1's have been addressed, however resurfacing is required	
3.12	Footway Resurfacing Proposals					
Central	Newton Hall Gdns to Nansen Ave Ash'don	Footway defects	2009		No Cat 1' defects evident ECC to monitor	

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
H9/09 (Minute 250/09)	Position with regard to a financial contribution from Hockley Parish Council for a vehicle activated speed warning sign. (Issue raised by a resident during the community forum)	The sign will be in place before the end of this financial year and form part of a package of vehicle activated warning signs throughout the District.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540
H14/09 (Minute 300/09)	Speeding traffic in White Hart Lane from the public open space to the Royal British Legion. (Issue raised by a resident during the community forum)	A site visit took place on Saturday 5 th December to review the problem. A PCSO was in attendance but there were no instances of speeding. It was accepted that traffic flows were lighter than usual and ECC will consider the installation of a temporary Vehicle Activated Sign as part of the rolling programme. A previous proposal to install a build out is being reviewed by residents and businesses but, if implemented, would significantly reduce available on-street parking.	Andy Hilsdon Essex County Council 01268 297540