

HIGHWAYS LOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT QUARTERLY UPDATE REPORT: JANUARY TO MARCH 2007

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 January to March 2007.

2 BUDGETS FOR 2006/07

- 2.1 The allocated budgets were indicated in the quarterly report of April to June 2006. Year end figures are looking good with all budgets spent.

3 THE LOCALLY DETERMINED BUDGET (LDB) 2006/07

- 3.1 Schemes within this budget were approved by this Committee on 11 July 2006. Below is an update of approved schemes to date.

Scheme	Description	Comment
Minor items	Various	Complete.
Main Road junction with Folly Lane	Junction improvement	This scheme was dependent on land dedication from the adjacent site. Due to no site action, there was no land hence no scheme.
Hullbridge Road, Rayleigh	Fencing improvement	Complete.
Lambourne Hall Road, Canewdon	Footway & associated works from Althorne Way to Village Hall	Land negotiations completed February 2007. Scheme currently underway for completion by end of March.
Pram crossings	District wide - various locations	Complete
B1013 Hockley	Continue with lighting upgrade from Great Eastern Road towards Hawkwell	Complete.
Ferry Road, Hullbridge	Survey for proposed lighting upgrade	Survey undertaken. Findings will be discuss with Parish Council.
Temporary Speed Indicator Message Signs	Various locations across district	Rolling programme underway and has been successful. One sign was stolen and a further 2 signs have been procured.

Scheme	Description	Comment
Traffic Regulation Orders	Various locations	List below has been formally advertised. Some objections received and undergoing objection procedure with RDC as a consultee to outcome. Anticipated implementation early next financial year.

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, 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, Vaughan Close, Hilary Close Rochford	Proposed waiting restrictions
	Eastcheap, Cheapside East, Willow Drive, Willow Close Rayleigh	Proposed waiting restrictions

5 PLANNED PARISH VISITS (PPV) 2006/07

- 5.1 Rochford was this year allocated a specific budget for planned parish visits following on from previous successful years. Due to a fairly low interest from some parishes, the Area Office has identified various small scale schemes to spend the budget.
- 5.2 There is no specific allocation for PPVs in the 2007/08 budget.

6 DRAINAGE WORK

- 6.1 Additional budget was allocated for drainage investigations and remedials. Work to date has included camera work, cleaning and replacement of old pipes. We are working down an existing list of issues, together with new problems as they arise.
- 6.2 We have undertaken one complete cleanse of the district's gully pots and are currently nearing the end of a second cleanse.
- 6.3 It is intended to undertake 2 complete cleanses of gullies in 2007/08 with additional visits for known problem areas.
- 6.4 To assist in our gully cleanse operations, maintenance of the drainage system and overall public safety, it is requested that RDC agree to undertake additional street sweeping operations in known areas of high detritus or following high winds when leaves, etc are in the carriageway. Left unswept, this enters and blocks the drainage systems causing flooding and safety hazards.

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% were in the areas of Canewdon, Ashingdon and Rayleigh.
- 7.3 The areas for survey next year (2007/08) are Foulness, Great Stambridge and Hullbridge.

8 FOOTWAY MAINTENANCE SCHEMES 2006/07

- 8.1 We have undertaken numerous footway schemes this year across the district.
- 8.2 These have been: Grove Road and Hambro Parade in Rayleigh; Plumberow Avenue, Station Road and Great Eastern Road in Hockley; Whitehall Road and a section in High Sreet, Great Wakering; Alexandra Road, Lascelles Gardens, Albert Road, Stanley Road, Princess Gardens and York Road in Hawkwell; Johnston Close and a section in Southend Road, Rochford fronting the shops; and Church Road / Little Wakering Road, Barling.

9 THE ECC MAINTENANCE INITIATIVE IN ROCHFORD DISTRICT 2006/07

9.1 Rochford District was allocated just under £900,000.00 for the delivery of the ECC Highway Maintenance Initiative (HMI) in 2006/07. A summary of progress to date is listed below.

Road Name	Location description	Comments
A129 London Road & Carpenters Arms Roundabout	Roundabout resurface and carriageway dip west of petrol station	Complete
A1245	Carpenters Arms to Old Chelmsford Road - Joints & overlay	Complete
Eastwood Road, Rayleigh	Poplar Road to Southend boundary - Resurfacing (1000m)	Complete
Eastwood Road, Rayleigh	Queens Road to Trinity Road - Resurfacing (400m)	Complete
Spa Road, Hockley	Spa PH to Station Approach - Resurfacing (200m)	Complete
Shopland Road, Sutton	Sutton Road to Shopland Hall - Resurfacing (1600m)	Complete except for short section of surface dressing for summer 2007
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	Complete

Road Name	Location description	Comments
Rectory Road, Hawkwell	Junction with Main Road and 300m length – Deep Recycling & resurface	Kerbs complete. Carriageway scheme postponed to June 2007 as much planning
Folly Lane, Hockley	Aldermans Hill to Church Road – Thin surface	Complete
Stambridge Road, Rochford	Doggetts Road to Apton Hall Road - Surface Dressing & Resurfacing	Complete
Paglesham Church End & East End, Paglesham	Surface Dressing	Complete
Wakering Road, Wakering	Cupids Corner to Boundary - Surface Dressing (800m)	Complete

9.2 Additional Carriageway Surfacing Schemes Undertaken this year

Road Name	Location description	Comments
A1245, Rawreth	Surface and base course replacement due to severe dip in carriageway north of Bedloes Corner.	Complete
Old London Road Rawreth	Junction of Old London Road with A129 London Road - resurface	Complete
Plumberow Avenue	Entire length	Complete
London Hill, Rayleigh	Entire length	Complete
Chichester Loop junction, Rawreth	Junction	Complete
Golden Cross Road	Entire length	Complete

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	Complete
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 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 Road	Complete
Bradley Way Cycleway – widening of existing footway	Postponed to 2007/08 to coincide with RDC lighting scheme early next year.
Hullbridge Road Cycleway	Complete
Greensward Lane/Plumberow Avenue Pedestrian crossing phase at signals	On site end of March

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.	Design and installation estimate received last week and needs to be analysed. Unknown installation date.
Ashingdon Road junction with Brays Lane.	Planned utility apparatus relocation

Scheme	Comment
Removal of 'Bennett' style junction and replaced with 'T' junction. Relocation of bus stop and significant footway improvements.	work during Easter school holidays followed by main scheme during school summer holidays.

13 BUDGETS FOR 2007/08

13.1 These were indicated in the previous LSA Quarterly Update Report. These are again listed below as there have been some slight changes. We are still awaiting confirmation of all budgets.

13.2 Capital Allocations

Highways Maintenance Initiative

A Class Roads £69,000

B Class Roads £488,000

Unclassified Roads £110,000

TOTAL = £ 667,000 (down approx. £220,000)

Footway Maintenance

Confirmed budget £224,000

Additional bid of £66,000

TOTAL = £290,000 (up £90,000)

Patching, Potholes etc (Basic Capital or 'Targetted Maintenance')

County Roads £172,288

Local Roads £165,951

TOTAL = £338,239 (up £112,746)

13.3 Revenue Allocations

Patching, Potholes etc (Basic)

County Roads £136,356

Local Roads £131,341

TOTAL = £267,697 (up £87,221)

Drain Cleaning, Signs & Lines (Safety)

County Roads £58,363

Local Roads £56,217

TOTAL = £114,580 (up £5,592)

Trees & Weeds (Environmental)

County Roads £22,989

Local Roads £22,143

TOTAL = £45,132 (up £1,912)

14 SCHEMES FOR 2007/08

14.1 Initial schemes for 2007/08 have been identified as below although these may be subject to change throughout the year due to budget or feasibility restraints. We are currently discussing timescales with the contractors.

14.2 Locally Determined Budget (LDB) Schemes.

Consultation letters were sent to numerous stakeholders around the district with a return date of the end of February. The final LDB report will be reported to Members as soon as practicable.

14.3 Footway Schemes

Below is the current list of footway schemes for 2007/08:-

Road Name	Length
B1013, Hockley	Spa Road to Hawkwell Park Road
A129 London Road,	Old London Road to Carpenters Roundabout
A129 London Road	Railway bridge to Sir Walter Rayleigh Drive BOTH SIDES
A129 Crown Hill.	South side top to Leasway
Ashingdon Road.	Brays Lane to The Chase
Glebe Drive & Close Rayleigh	
Grove Road, Rayleigh.	
Love Lane, Rayleigh	
Main Road, Hockley	

14.4 Maintenance Initiative (Carriageway Schemes)

Below is the current list of carriageway schemes for 2007/08:-

Road Name	Length
A129 London Road	Chichester Loop to Carpenters Roundabout
A129 London Roa	500m west of railway bridge
A129 Crown Hill	Love lane to High Street up hill only.
Ashingdon Road	Dalys Road southwards (extent tbc)
Greensward Lane, Hockley	tbc
Rectory Rd / Hall Road, Rochford	Junction and into Rectory Road
High Road, Hockley	Wellington Road to Fountain Lane
High Street, Wakering	Little Wakering Road to Star Lane
Hockley Road, Rayleigh -	either side of Hambro Hill
Old Chelmsford Road	A1245 to Beeches Road
Rawreth Lane, Rayleigh	Around Hambro Parade
Shopland Road, Sutton	Sutton Road to Butlers Farm bend
Southend Road, Hockley	Spa to White Hart
Southend Road, Hockley	200m N Hill Lane
Star Lane, Great Wakering	
Orchard Avenue, Rayleigh	
Abbey Road, Hullbridge	
Alexander Road, Gt Wakering	Old section
Branksome Avenue, Hockley	
Broad Oak Way	
Burrows Way, Rayleigh	
Cheapside West, Rayleigh	
Hill Avenue, Hawkwell	
Kenilworth Gardens, Rayleigh	
Kings Road, Rayleigh	

15 RECOMMENDATION

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

That the Highways Local Service Agreement update report January to March 2007 be noted.

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Background Papers:-

None

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