

East 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
5/09 (Minute 74/09, 213/09 and 248/09)	Speeding motorcycles through Great Stambridge village. (Issue raised by Parish Councillor during the Crime and Disorder spotlight item)	Following a report of motorcycles speeding through Great Stambridge village, Police checks had been conducted over the course of 3 weekends, during which time no speeding had been recorded. The Police to contact County Highways to request that static road strips be laid, which would provide a breakdown of vehicular activity in the area. Due to the recent bad weather there has been a delay in installing the speed device detector (SDR). Installation of the SDR is planned for the beginning of March, which should coincide with the seasonal upturn in motorcycle use seen when the weather improves.	Glen Westley Essex Police 0300 333 4444
11/09 (Minute 212/09)	Anti-social behaviour in Rochford Town (Issue raised by a District Councillor under the Crime and Disorder Spotlight item)	Anti-social behaviour in Rochford by two distinct groups of young people: a group of teenagers and a group of junior-school aged children. Disturbance and damage was occurring every night of the week from 5pm until after 12pm. The children had been identified and their parents spoken to by the Police and some had been asked to sign an acceptable behaviour contract (ABC).	Glen Westley Essex Police 0300 333 4444

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		<p>However, it appeared that the problem was persisting.</p> <p>The Police have confirmed 11 reported incidents in the 4 weeks to 4/11/09. A core group of 6-7 youths has been identified. Multi-agency meetings have been arranged and 3 ABC's signed. Further work is on-going to deal effectively with other identified youths. Anti-social behaviour is currently a priority for Police in the Rochford District.</p>	
12/09 (Minute 212/09)	<p>Vandalism and Anti-social behaviour by youths around the old fire station in Great Wakering</p> <p>(Issue raised under the Community Forum item)</p>	<p>The matter was passed to the Neighbourhood Specialist Officer (NSO) for Great Wakering. As a result, the Police 'Wakering Patrol Plan' has included this location, and neighbourhood police shifts are also aware of the issues there. There have been little or no reports of ASB in the area over the last four months.</p> <p>Positive comments have been received during the past week from residents in this area of Great Wakering regarding the extremely low level of ASB in this location.</p>	Glen Westley Essex Police 0300 333 4444
25/09 (Minute 246/09)	<p>Cost of maintenance of public toilets</p> <p>(Issue raised by a resident under the Community Forum item)</p>	<p>How much money is spent on running the public toilets over 5 years and what has been the cost of the repairs for the same period?</p>	Alan Thomas Rochford District Council 01702 318110

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		<p>The cost of running the District's public toilets for the years 2004/05 to 2008/09 inclusive is £248,976.46 (this covers cleaning, electricity and water/sewage). The cost of works to the public toilets over the same period is £84,940.06.</p> <p>It would not be possible to provide a breakdown of costs for the toilets in Great Wakering specifically as the Council's accounting system does not show the information in this way.</p>	