Question

H Bloomfield, Rawreth Parish Council

What can be done about the parking and obstruction of the highway and footpath in Rawreth Lane over the weekend periods when the Rawreth Recreation Ground is being used by football clubs? The volume of cars parking on the verge is of great concern to the Parish Council and they wish to discuss what alternatives there are for catering with the number of cars needing to park.

H Dawson, Rayleigh

Has the Council any plans for improvement to the present recycling scheme? It is hardly practical to have queues of cars at the Castle Road depot for the collection of plastics and cardboard.

J Warner, Rayleigh

Is there a time limit on removal of graffiti and repairs to damage in children's play areas? I reported the disgusting state of the 2 play areas in Hartford Close at the beginning of the school summer holidays. We are now coming up to the autumn half-term and nothing has been done.

My Councillor followed this up for me, but apparently there is no record of her request or mine.

B Dawson, Rayleigh

There is dog mess on John Fisher Field, which is a children's playing field and a football pitch.

Response

A site visit has taken place between the Football Club Manager, Essex Police and Andy Dellar, County Highways. The problem is not straightforward to resolve as there is insufficient car parking space within the ground.

Suggest further discussion with all concerned with regard to extending facilities within the ground and the effects on the highway.

Rochford District Council is currently looking at a new contract for waste management, which will begin on 1 April 2008. The Council is investigating the possibility of expanding the range of items that can be recycled, as part of this contract procurement process.

This item will be logged for inclusion in the programme of works for graffiti removal and the issue will be further investigated. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

Rochford District Council has an obligation to keep areas clear of dog fouling and is currently conducting a public consultation on irresponsible dog ownership. This issue will be reported and an update provided at the next meeting.

Question Response L Hopkins, Rawreth The weeds and ragwort have been A written update will be provided at the removed from the central reservation next meeting. along the A1245. Will the verges be done too, as they also contain ragwort? P Plummer, Rawreth My home has been flooded twice and Basildon District Council should be have telephoned Basildon District keeping records of any problems Council asking them what they base their associated with flooding. A written calculations on when granting planning update will be provided at the next permission for new houses, with respect meeting. to the discharge of water into the river. Resident, Rayleigh Speeding and traffic-related problems in A traffic survey is being undertaken in Rawreth Lane – there have been recent Rawreth Lane. Further information will incidents involving children being be provided at the next meeting. knocked over in Rawreth Lane.

Although grateful for the provision of a footpath between Rayleigh Leisure Centre and Sweyne Park, believes that a dog bin is needed in this location.

A written update will be provided at the next meeting.