

PROGRESS ON DECISIONS

Item	Progress
<p>Caravan Site Licensing (Minute 420/01)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That progress on Crouch Caravan Park and Hockley Mobile Homes be further monitored with a progress report in 12 months.</p> <p>That the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care be given delegated authority to instigate legal proceedings against the licence holders of the Dome Caravan Park for breaches of licence condition 3.1 regarding porches, should significant progress not have been made by June 2002.</p> <p>That the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care be given delegated authority to instigate legal proceedings against the licence holders of the Dome Caravan Park for breaches of licence condition 4.1 regarding the condition of the roads and footpaths, if significant progress has not been made by 23 November 2001, or the works are not completed by 1 June 2002. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>A longstanding vacancy has been filled and the new officer is undergoing training which includes caravan site enforcement. A programme of inspections has started and will be rolled out over the summer/autumn.</p> <p>Prosecution proceedings were not taken following legal advice. Repair work is continuing slowly and is being monitored.</p>
<p>Community Services Committee – 2 April 2002</p> <p>CCTV Funding in Local Shopping Parades (Minute 132/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the funding be used to provide Closed Circuit Television in Hockley. (CE)</p>	<p>Implementation commenced with a target finish by 30 June.</p>

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<p>Community Services Committee – 2 July 2002</p> <p>Proposed Designation of Public Places in terms of the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and Local Authorities (Alcohol Consumption in designated public places) Regulations 2001 (Minute 285/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the area surrounding Clements Hall Leisure Centre and Car Park; Rochford Market Square, Rochford and Magnolia Park, Hawkwell be proposed as designated public places in which the consumption of alcohol is restricted.</p> <p>(2) That statutory and public consultation be undertaken in respect of Rochford Market Square, Magnolia Park, Hawkwell and the area surrounding Clements Hall Leisure Centre, Hawkwell under the terms of the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and Local Authorities (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Places) Regulations 2001. (CE)</p>	<p>First stage of statutory consultation complete. Public notification to follow week beginning 16 June.</p>
<p>Unfit House (Minute 294/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the making of a further Deferred Action Notice is the most satisfactory course of action in respect of Colwood, The Chase, Ashingdon.</p> <p>(2) That in the event of representations from the owner following service of the 'Minded To Take Action' notice a further report be made to this Committee.</p>	<p>Deferred Notice Action served</p>

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<p>(3) In the event of no representations, the Council serves a further Deferred Action Notice under the provisions of The Housing Grants, Construction & Regeneration Act 1996, section 81.</p> <p>(4) That the situation be monitored and a further report be made to this Committee in the event that satisfactory progress is not made with demolition of the property. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Property empty. Developer pursuing planning permission for site redevelopment.</p>
<p>Community Services Committee – 3 September 2002</p> <p>Playspace Rolling Programme 2002/2003 (Minute 392/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Hawkwell Common and Hockley Woods playspaces be identified as the first two priorities in the current year’s rolling programme. • That, following refurbishment, Officers seek Parish Council views on taking on the transfer of playspaces to the Parish Councils. (CD(F&ES)) 	<p>Work completed on Hawkwell Common. Work on Hockley Woods due to commence week beginning 16 June.</p> <p>Officers will seek Parish views once works completed.</p>
<p>Petition – Infant Facilities - Playspace, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge (Minute 393/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Parish be invited to consider purchasing two additional items of toddler equipment for the Pooles Lane, Hullbridge playspace, to be maintained by the District Council. (CD(F&ES))</p>	<p>Parish Council not proposing to extent playspace at the present time.</p>

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<p>Community Services Committee – 1 October 2002</p> <p>Leisure Contract – Holmes Place (Minute 425/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the option for a district wide leisure card scheme, with no addition to the unitary charge, be adopted as follows:-</p> <p>Residents would pay a lower initial joining fee than non-residents based on a 25% reduction. They would then pay on each visit the current members' rates which would be available to both resident and non-resident members. (CD(F&ES))</p>	<p>Leisure card scheme implemented.</p>
<p>Falls Collaborative (Minute 429/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the falls collaborative be supported and that a contribution of £2000 be made from the Housing Revenue Account. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Falls Collaborative Project Officer appointed by the Primary Care Trust. A number of falls prevention initiatives are being trialled in various settings, including an exercise scheme for residents in Spa Court. Other successful projects will be extended more widely over the coming months.</p>

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<p>Letting Policy (Minute 459/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the draft Letting Policy, together with the following recommendations be approved:-</p> <p>(1) Consideration be given to the implementation of a choice based letting system, following a detailed report on its costs and benefits to the Community Overview & Scrutiny Committee. (HRHM)</p>	<p>Outcome of Government Pilot Authorities awaited and further guidance on Choice Based Letting models. Work progressing on this initiative to coincide with first year review of the new policy.</p>
<p>Development Of Former Essex County Council Depot Site In Rayleigh Road, Thundersley (Minute 461/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the proposed voluntary partnership arrangements with Castle Point Borough Council and New Essex Housing Association to develop the former Essex County Council Depot site in Rayleigh Road, Thundersley be agreed. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Capital funding has been approved. Awaiting Office of the Deputy Prime Minister to announce whether the revenue funding for support services will be made available through the Supporting People stream.</p>
<p>Unfit House (Minute 462/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the Council serves a Repair Notice on the property identified in the exempt report under the provisions of the Housing Act 1985, Section 189.</p>	<p>Repair Notice served on owner. Check to be made on 16 June to determine if work will have to be carried out in default. Verbal update to be given at meeting.</p>

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<p>(2) That in the event of a representation from the owner following the serving of the "Minded to take Action" Notice, authority be delegated to the Head of Housing, Health & Community Care to determine the matter. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>No representations were received.</p>
<p>Community Services Committee – 5 November 2002</p> <p>Former Play Area at Tylney Avenue, Rochford (Minute 527/02)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the Tylney Avenue site be redesignated from the provision of elderly persons housing to the potential development of general needs housing for rent for key workers and people with disabilities, to include a mix of 1 and 2 bedroom bungalows and houses of an appropriate type.</p> <p>(2) That Estuary, Springboard and Swan Housing Associations be invited to submit outline proposals.</p> <p>(3) That, failing any expression of interest, or funding, in respect of the Housing Association's schemes, a report be brought back to this Committee for further consideration. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Outline proposals received and being evaluated.</p>

Item	Progress
<p>Community Services Committee – 7 January 2003</p> <p>Condition of Public Conveniences (Minute 2/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That, the possibilities for disposal of the Old Ship Lane toilet be further investigated on the basis that any resulting capital receipt would be used to help fund the improvement programme associated with other toilets. (CD(F&ES))</p>	<p>Report to July meeting of Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee being drafted.</p>
<p>CCTV Cameras – Rochford Town Centre (Minute 5/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the provision of a system of CCTV cameras in the Rochford Market Square be supported in principle.</p> <p>(2) That the Community Safety officer be requested to investigate and report back to the Committee on the provision of a detailed scheme up to the value of £10,000. (CE)</p>	<p>Part of scheme involving Hullbridge and Hockley. Aim to have installation finished by 30 June 2003.</p>

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<p>Community Services Committee – 4 March 2003</p> <p>Rodent Services (Minute 100/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That a Press Release be issued pointing out the harm that can be caused to other wildlife if these issues are not dealt with by professionals. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Press release issued.</p>
<p>Health and Safety Service Plan (Minute 101/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That a copy of the approved plan be sent to the Health & Safety Executive. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>The report is on this agenda.</p>
<p>British Telecom Review Number of Street Telephone Boxes (Minute 102/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the response to the consultation document from British Telecom on the number of street telephone boxes be as follows:-</p> <p>(1) That this Council requests an assurance from British Telecom that they will not remove any telephone box without ensuring that the site is made good, in particular the site at 141 Ferry Road, Hullbridge, which has been left in an unsafe condition.</p> <p>(2) That this Council will not agree to the removal of any telephone boxes until British Telecom can provide justification for doing so. (CE)</p>	<p>Letter sent to BT on 5 March 2003 detailing Members' concerns. Holding response received from BT on 20 March 2003. Further letter sent to BT on 11 May 2003.</p> <p>RDC's Engineering Section liaising with BT regarding site at 141 Ferry Road, Hullbridge.</p>

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<p>Business Crime Consultation (Minute 103/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the comments made by the business community to the Home Office consultation be endorsed.</p> <p>(2) That a copy of the comments be forwarded to the Rayleigh Police Division Community Safety Inspector. (CE)</p>	<p>Comments sent to Home Office, with a copy of Rayleigh Police Division.</p> <p>Implemented</p>
<p>Consultation by Essex County Council on the Qualifying Distance for the Transport to School of Children of Primary School (Minute 104/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That, whilst this Council appreciates the background of budgetary considerations, it wishes to express its concerns, based on the above comments, at the County Council's proposal to reduce the qualifying distances for the transport to school of children of primary school age. (CE)</p>	<p>Comments sent to Essex County Council.</p>
<p>Community Services Committee – 1 April 2003)</p> <p>Holmes Place Progress Report (Minute 165/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the Mill Hall be renamed "The Mill (Arts and Events Centre)".</p> <p>(2) That the Council's crest be relocated from the front of the Mill building to the side. (CD(F&ES)/Holmes Place)</p>	<p>Change of name to be fully incorporated in all aspects of the operation.</p> <p>Crest moved.</p>

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<p>Best Value Review – Emergency Planning (Minute 165/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Full Council be asked to establish an Emergency Planning Sub-Committee with appropriate executive powers. • That an insert to the existing leaflet on flood advice be prepared detailing the Council’s custom and practice with regard to sandbag provision for the elderly and vulnerable at minimum cost. • That upon reprinting the leaflet, the text should be expanded to include the Council’s practices with regard to helping the elderly and vulnerable in connection with sandbag provision. (CE) 	<p>Council agreed that an Emergency Planning Sub-Committee be established.</p> <p>The insert to the existing flood leaflet was prepared and is being inserted into leaflets.</p> <p>The Action Plan is being implemented, with action taken so far regarding discussions with Castle Point Borough Council, models of management, and increasing sandbag provision across the District.</p>
<p>Woodlands Strategy (Minute 165/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That the Woodlands Management Strategy and the associated Action Plan be adopted (2) That Officers report back with the finalised Woodlands Grant Scheme documents. (3) That progress reports on the Action Plan be brought back to the Community Overview & Scrutiny Committee on an annual basis. (4) That a Press Release be issued relating to the Woodlands Management Strategy. (CD(F&ES)) 	<p>Strategy and action plan adopted</p> <p>Final document still awaited.</p> <p>Will be reported annually.</p> <p>Press release issued.</p>

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<p>Water Meters in Council Property (Minute 167/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That tenants of all types of property other than sheltered housing be given permission to make application to the Essex & Suffolk Water Company for the installation of a water meter. (HRHM)</p>	<p>Now fully implemented</p>
<p>Outcome of the Heritage Lottery Bid – Rayleigh Windmill (Minute 168/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That Officers meet with the Heritage Lottery Fund Development Team at the earliest opportunity, to clarify the reasons for refusal and examine potential ways forward to progress this project.</p> <p>(2) That a Windmill Sub-Committee, comprising four Members, be established to consider the options available for the Council and to come forward with a recommended plan of action for securing the future of the Windmill and the adjoining area. (CD(F&ES))</p>	<p>Meeting held 15 May. Bid refused due to change in requirements since application made. HLF D gave a list of issues to be addressed in a future application.</p> <p>First meeting of Sub Committee held 29 May. Further meeting scheduled for 4 July.</p>
<p>Land – Kelvedon Close, Rayleigh (Minute 169/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That a valuation of the land at Market Value be obtained.</p> <p>(2) That the land be sold at Market Value. (HRHM)</p>	<p>Valuers instructed by HLS</p>

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<p>Land – Worcester Drive, Raleigh (Minute 170/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That an independent valuation of the land at current Market Value be obtained and reported back to the Committee. (HRHM)</p>	<p>Valuers instructed by HLS</p>