LATEST REVIEW OF LOCALLY DETERMINED PROGRAMME 2001/2002 AND PRESENTATION OF LOCALLY DETERMINED PROGRAMME 2002/2003

1 SUMMARY

- To inform Members of progress on the locally determined programme 2001/2002
- To approve the locally determined programme for the financial year 2002/2003
- To consider the introduction of a three or five year Locally Determined Programme.

2 Latest Report on 2001/2002 Locally Determined Programme (LDP)

2.1 The table overleaf details the current situation with regard to schemes selected for implementation during 2001-2002

2001/2002 Locally Determined Programme

Scheme Title	Work Description	Allocation	Comment
Residential Zones		£'s	
Anne Boleyn Estate, Rochford Pooles Lane, Hullbridge Roach Ave/Glasseys Lane, Rayleigh Rectory Road Estate, Hawkwell		£5000	Surveys have been completed to enable assessment of all sites to commence
New/ Improved Footways			
Stambridge Road, near Post Office	Footway Construction	No expenditure this financial year	Compulsory Purchase Order required. ECC Legal Team have prepared the Order which will be advertised in April
Oldbury Cottages Southend Rd Gt Wakering	Rural footway only	£3000	Works complete to extent of budget available
Lower Road Coventry Hill Hullbridge	Feasibility study and possible design	£5000	Feasibility study to be available by end of March
Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO)		£25,000	
All schemes have progressed with the exception of Thorpe Rd/Roche Ave/Barbara Cl/Harewood Ave/Rectory Rd. Hawkwell			Site monitored - cars parked do not obstruct flow of traffic or reduce sight lines, a waiting restriction cannot be supported on the basis of this evidence
and			
Rochford Review			A review will take place as part of Decriminalisation
Lower Road Hockley/Hullbridge	Traffic Study	£5000	Data available by 31/3/02
Rayleigh Town Centre	Review of Traffic Regulation Orders	£2000	Complete

General and Layout Improvements			
Coronation Close Gt Wakering	Hardening of verges	£10000	Complete
Downhall Rd/Hambro Hill Rayleigh	feasibility study for mini roundabout	£1000	Data available by 31/3/02
Lower Rd/ Hullbridge Rd Hullbridge	Improvements to kerb line	£3000	Complete
Pram Crossings		£4000	Rolling programme complete to extent of budget available
Kill Your Speed Campaign		£7000	Complete to programme
Implementation of Canewdon/Stambridge Traffic Study	Improved signing and lining	£10000	To be complete by 31/3/02

2.2 The allocated budget of £74,372 is the target cost. As some schemes are still to be completed the final out-turn is not known.

3 LOCALLY DETERMINED PROGRAMME 2002/2003

- 3.1 Local views on the distribution of funding have been sought by consulting with County Councillors, District Councillors, Parish Councils, Rayleigh Town Council and the local Chambers of Trade
- 3.2 Members were invited to prioritise Locally Determined Schemes using the general headings listed below. In addition, Members and Parishes were asked to consult with each other regarding which local schemes they wished to support and to make those schemes known to Essex County Council through the Parish and Town Council replies.

Traffic Regulation Orders	Weight and waiting restriction, residents parking, prohibitions, etc.
Pedestrian Facilities	At signalled junctions, toucans, puffins, zebras, refuges, pram crossings
Residential Zones	Measures to address residents' concerns
General Improvements	Bollards on footways, hardening and protection of verges, etc.
Street Lighting Improvements	
New/Improved footways	
Layout Improvements	Junction improvements, major signing alterations
Special Maintenance	Town Centre enhancement and maintenance
Environmental Maintenance	Noise reduction, grass cutting, tree planting

- 3.3 The replies have been analysed in accordance with the method outlined in Item 15 of the Transportation and Environmental Services Committee Report of 28 November 2001. The resulting list of local priorities is:-
 - 1 Footway Improvements
 - 2 Residential Zones
 - 3 Traffic Regulations
 - 4 Layout Improvements
 - 5 General Improvements
 - 6 Pedestrian Facilities
 - 7 Street Lighting
 - 8 Environmental Maintenance
 - 9 Cycling
 - 10 Special Maintenance
- 3.4 As in previous years it is likely that the total value of the locally determined scheme list will exceed the allocation of funding.

- 3.5 A proposed programme has been drawn up to reflect these priorities.

 Categories in the lower half of the list are still regarded as important and schemes within those categories should still be progressed where possible with the finance available.
- 3.6 Schemes/Measures proposed through the consultation are shown on the attached lists forming Appendix A. The lists are formulated from the individual Parish requests
- 3.7 The level of funding for the Locally Determined Budget is not known at present but in previous years has been between £70,000 and £80,000. The combined programme shown in Item 4 has been estimated at £80,000. This may exceed the budget figure. However, schemes on the programme will be retained in case of contingencies.

Appendix A

RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Anne Boleyn Estate, Rochford	Action depending on ranking
Pooles Lane, Hullbridge	Action depending on ranking
Roach Ave/Glasseys, Hullbridge	Action depending on ranking
Rectory Rd Estate, Hawkwell	Action depending on ranking
Buckingham Road, Hockley	To be investigated and included in the ranking
Canewdon Village	To be investigated and included in the ranking

Details of the Assessment of the above schemes will be reported to Committee shortly.

PRAM CROSSINGS

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.

Northfield Cres Mayfield Ave j/w Cedar Drive

Hullbridge

Appleyard Ave j/w Buckingham Hockley Blenheim Cl j/w Plumberow Ave

Hockley

KILL YOUR SPEED POSTERS

Doubt has been raised about the effectiveness of Kill Your Speed Posters as the campaign has been running for some time and may have outlived its value. The Rochford Team is at present monitoring speeds before, during and after erection of the Posters. It is proposed to continue with the programme of erecting Kill Your Speed Posters for 6 months and then report back to Committee the results of this survey and to consider future funding. Funding for Kill Your Speed Posters for 2002/3 has been reduced accordingly. A suggestion that the sign face be redesigned is being investigated by specialist colleagues.

APPENDIX A cont: FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENTS / NEW FOOTWAYS

	Location	Note	Estimated Cost	Ranking	Score
	Lambourne Hall Road, between Althorne Way & Hall, Canewdon	1,3		1	82
	Brays Lane, Ashingdon	3		2	75
Α	Lower Road between Sports Club and Coventry Hill, Hullbridge	1,3	£20,000	3	73
В	Stambridge Road near P O. Gt Stambridge	1	£25,000	=4	69
	Canewdon Road, Ashingdon	1,3		=4	69
	Southend Road from Rose Inn to Rebels Lane, Great Wakering – new footway			=4	69
	Church Road, from Folly Lane to St Peters Church, Hockley	1,3		=5	68
	White Hart Lane between shops and British Legion, Hawkwell	3		=5	68
	Barling Road from Clay Street to Southend Road, Barling	3		6	67
	Barling Road, Great Wakering			=7	63
	Lower Road 100 yards from Ashingdon Road – new footway			=7	63
	Ashingdon Hill, Ashingdon – Widen existing footway	3		8	62
	Jubilee Cottages, Paglesham Road, Paglesham	3		9	61
С	Southend Road Gt. Wakering Oldbury Cot. to Star Lane		£6,500	10	55
	London Road Rawreth full length	1,3		11	54
D	Hall Road, between The Lawns and cemetery, Rochford	3		12	53
Е	Pooles Lane , Hullbridge – Recreation ground to Caravan Park	3		13	49
	Scotts Hall Road, Canewdon fronting the houses	2		14	
	Gt Wheatleys Rd –improve camber on existing footway	4		15	

- A Feasibility study carried out 2001/02. Would be appropriate to commence with some works this year
- B Please note that the cost of proceeding with a Compulsory Purchase Order has been estimated at between £1500 and £20,000. The higher figure being the worst case scenario if objections are received and legal representation in court is required. Cost of works will be an additional £25,000.
- C Work commenced 2001/02 to extent of finance available would be appropriate to continue this financial year
- D Although the ranking for this scheme is below White Hart Lane scheme it is noted that Hawkwell Parish Council consider this scheme to be more important.
- E Can be addressed as part of the Residential Zone list

NOTES

- 1 Land acquisition required
- 2 Limited usage envisaged
- 3 Land acquisition situation to be verified with records
- 4 Not possible to achieve due to width of footway

Items in bold denote the proposed scheme for 2002/3 Locally Determined Programme

LAYOUT and GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS

Location	Description/Proposal
(a) Ashingdon Road / Holt Farm Way Rochford	Mini Roundabout
Down Hall Road / Hambro Hill	Mini Roundabout
Junction of Fountain Lane and Hockley Road, Hockley	Investigate improvements to junction
(b) Old School Meadow, Great Wakering	Contribution to making up to an adoptable standard.
Ashingdon Rd layby vicinity York Road, Hawkwell	Extend kerbline at junction
Scotts Hall Rd, Canewdon	Hard standing for pedestrians at bus stop
Upway, Rayleigh	Refuge in Upway, junction Hockley Road
Stambridge Village	Enhance village gateway
Battlesbridge Bridge	Installation of traffic signals

Notes:

- (a) This site has now been identified as an Accident Reduction 2010 site; remedial measures will be carried out. A route study of Ashingdon Road has been undertaken and improvements may result from this.
- (b). Propose no further funds be allocated for this scheme until confirmation of owners intentions are to hand. County officers will progress.

Items in bold denote the proposed scheme for 2002/03 Locally Determined Programme.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS - ROCHFORD DISTRICT

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	RANKING	POSITION	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS
(a) Station Road, Rayleigh	Outside Rail Station	1.866 x 10 ⁸	1	Puffin crossing
(b)Ashingdon Road, Ashingdon	Ashingdon Road with Wedgewood Way	0.140 x10 ⁸	2	Zebra crossing
Southend Road Rochford	Vicinity of No 8	0.068 x 10 ⁸	3	Zebra crossing
Hockley Road, Rayleigh	Between Nelson Road and Hambro Hill	0.059 x 10 ⁸	4	Pedestrian refuge may be appropriate
Hambro Hill Rayleigh	Near junction of Hockley Road	0.055 x 10 ⁸	5	Zebra crossing
(c)Anchor Lane, Canewdon	Outside school	0.011 x 10 ⁸	8	Micro timer units

Notes:-

- (a) Although the Station Road site is top of the list, past history has shown that there may be difficulties with siting the crossing due to visibility problems. It is recommended that this site be pursued as part of changes to Passenger Transport Interchange Improvements for Rayleigh Station and in line with Local Transport Plans.
- (b) As "Pedestrian Facilities" have been ranked fifth on the prioritised list by Members and Parishes, recommendation is made to fund the design only of this particular scheme in preparation for implementation in the future.
- (c) Microtimer units (wig wags) have been installed outside the school utilising funds from Rochford District Council. Crossing is not considered appropriate in this location.

Items in bold denote the proposed scheme for 2002/03 Locally Determined Programme.

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS, SIGNING AND LINING

Location	Request
Hall Road Rochford	Rationalisation of signage (conservation area)
Victoria Ave/Cheapside West Rayleigh	No waiting at any time
Old Ship Lane Rochford	Limited waiting
East Street Rochford	Limited waiting
Cotswold Ave Rayleigh	Waiting restrictions
Leasway Rayleigh	Extension to limit of waiting restrictions
Stambridge Rd/Lingfield Drive Rochford	No waiting at any time
Hambro Parade Rayleigh	Proposed limited waiting
Downhall Stores Downhall Road Rayleigh	Limited waiting restrictions
White Hart Lane through to Magnolia	Action with regard to possible measures
Road	following consideration of survey
509-519 Ashingdon Rd Hawkwell	Limited waiting restrictions
124-130 High Street Rayleigh	Limited waiting restrictions
(a) Ferry Road/The Drive to Grasmere Road,Hullbridge	Proposed waiting restrictions
(b) Lambourne Hall Road, Canewdon	Extend 30mph to whole length of road
(c) Rawreth Lane Rawreth	Extend existing 30mph to include existing 40mph then 40 or 50 mph to the end
(d) Old Chelmsford Road to Battlesbridge	Either 30 or 40 mph
(e) Eastbound approach to Carpenters Arms R'about Rawreth	40mph
(f) Watery Lane / Beeches Road, Rawreth	40mph limit
(g) Review of Waiting restrictions in Rochford	It is expected that a review will be undertaken prior to Decriminalisation

Schemes highlighted in bold will be progressed to the value allocated and depending on results of consultations.

It may not be possible to finalise all the schemes during 2002/2003

- (a) Objections have been received to this proposal and will be put to the relevant committee as soon as possible
- (b) to (f) Will be investigated in line with the County Policy.
- (g) Not recommended for funding because of likely review as part of Decriminalisation

4 2002/2003 LOCALLY DETERMINED PROGRAMME

Scheme Title	Estimate
Residential Zones	
Anne Boleyn Estate, Rochford	£7,000
Pooles Lane, Hullbridge	to enable consultation to be carried
Roach Ave/Glasseys Lane, Rayleigh	out with the local residents of the
Rectory Road, Hawkwell	selected site
New and Improved Footway Facilities	
Stambridge Road vicinity of Post Office	£1,500 - £20,000 cost of
	Compulsory Purchase order
(see note below)	£25,000 cost of works
	Scheme to be progressed to a value
Oldbury Cotto Couth and Dd Ct Waltering	of £25,000 this financial year
Oldbury Cotts Southend Rd Gt Wakering	£3,500 to continue with rural footway
Lower Road Hullbridge construction of footway	£10,000- Scheme to progress to
	extent of budget available
Pram crossings	£4,000
Kill your Speed Campaign	£3,500
General/Layout Improvements	
Design for mini roundabout Downhall Rd/Hambro	£3,000
Hill, Rayleigh	
York Rd junction Ashingdon Rd Hawkwell	£2000
Upway, Rayleigh	£6250
Scotts Hall Road – hard standing at Bus Stop	£750
Traffic Regulation Orders	Schemes to be progressed from the
List as Appendix A	list to a value of £13,000
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Pedestrian Facilities	00.000
Design of zebra crossing Ashingdon Rd vicinity of	£2,000
Wedgewood Way, Hawkwell	

5 PROPOSAL FOR FUTURE LOCALLY DETERMINED PROGRAMMING

- 5.1 Members may have noted that many schemes proposed are unable to be implemented during the course of one financial year. This has been the case for Stambridge Road Post Office footway and in respect to some lengthy consultation processes relating to Traffic Regulation Orders.
- 5.2 Other schemes have involved feasibility studies followed by design before construction of the works on the ground. These processes are a necessary stage in the implemention of the schemes but often result in too many schemes ready for construction at the same time of the year.
- 5.3 Whilst it is not possible to guarantee funding for any given year, it is proposed that Members consider adopting a three or five year programme to facilitate a smooth delivery of recommended schemes. The benefits of this would be:-
 - Feasibility studies carried out and results considered before recommending a scheme fully into the programme. If an unfavourable report was received another scheme could be progressed without compromising the yearly budget.
 - Opportunity to accommodate changes to designs without disrupting timings of the work scheduling
 - Contractors would benefit from a definite yearly programme of works and plan resources accordingly
 - To avoid the build up of work at the end of the financial year and at a time when unfavourable weather conditions cause programming delays
 - Members would have a clear picture of where schemes were in the programme and the likely date of implementation.

6 RECOMMENDATION

- (1) That the proposed programme outlined in Item 4 above be adopted as the Locally Determined Programme for 2002/2003
- (2) That Members consider adopting a three or five year programme for future Locally Determined Programmes.

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