

East Area Committee Update

At the last meeting of this Committee, a number of highways issues were raised that required further investigation.

Ref No	Issue	Progress	Officer details
H32/08 (Minute 257/(2)/08, 31(2)/09, 213/09 and 296/10)	Funding for Sutton Ford bridge scheme (Issue raised by a District Councillor under the Highways Matters spotlight item)	Delays to the scheme were as a result of difficulties associated with the purchase of land from more than one landowner. County Highways advises that the CPO is being dealt with by the Department for Transport North East. However, due to Central Government reorganisation of its regional offices all CPO's, including the CPO land matters relating to Sutton Ford Bridge scheme, are on hold.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
H8/09 (Minute 145/09, 225/10 and 293/10)	Cagefield Road, Stambridge Request that the verge be hardened to allow car parking in light of the comment that refuse trucks were being prevented from getting past the cars parked on both sides of the road. Request for new trees to be planted at this location as an alternative to bollards. (Issue raised by a Parish Councillor	The kerb works have been completed and the surfacing is to take place by March 2011. It was noted that tree planting had been suggested for Cagefield Road, Stambridge by ECC Highways as an alternative to bollards. Clarification was sought as to precisely where these trees would be planted. An update will	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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	under the Highways Localism item)	be provided at the meeting.	
H21/09 (Minute 247/09 and 296/10)	<p>Footpath scheme at Poynters Lane, Great Wakering from Wakering Road to Cupids Corner.</p> <p>(Issue raised by a District Councillor under the Highways Localism spotlight item)</p>	<p>Funding has been secured for the scheme and Essex County Council is currently in the process of trying to acquire the land at the right price. Due to technical difficulties in constructing on the south side of the road, the footway will be constructed on the north side of the road, from the boundary of Crouchmans Farm towards Barnfleet Villas.</p> <p>Although there is insufficient funding to continue further, vegetation will be cleared from the remaining stretch in preparation for possible future works.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
H22/09 (Minute 247/09)	<p>Hole in the middle of the road in Brays Lane, past Hydewood Lane, in the vicinity of the Old Rectory.</p> <p>(Issue raised by a Parish Councillor under the Highways Matters spotlight item)</p>	<p>Surfacing of the carriageway was completed in October 2010. However, it was reported that the newly resurfaced area towards the kerb on the west bound side of the carriageway was breaking up as a result of use by heavy lorries.</p> <p>ECC has inspected the area and a deep haunch (edge of carriageway) repair is required. Work is expected in the New Year but may be delayed due to winter damage repairs.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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H24/09 (Minute 246/09 and 296/10)	<p>Car parking blocking access for refuse or emergency vehicles in Althorne Way, Canewdon.</p> <p>(Issue raised by a resident under the Community Forum item)</p>	<p>This was an issue of insufficient parking for residents at weekends due to parking by the users of the playing field. No inspections have been carried out by ECC as staff are not available at weekends. ECC will be happy to accept photographic evidence of regular problem parking to justify investigation through Localism. It must be borne in mind that any action taken would have an impact on residents' parking and will need to be policed by Rochford District Council.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
H25/09 (Minute 79/10)	<p>Whether a bus stop can be moved from opposite Pylon Cottages, Canewdon to outside the Village Hall, Canewdon for the benefit of pensioners living in Althorne Way.</p> <p>(Issue raised by residents under the Community Forum item)</p>	<p>The works to move the bus stop further along Lambourne Hall Road to outside the village hall have been completed apart from the top soiling. The existing bus stop pole has been removed as part of the works.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
H1/10 (Minute 153/10 and 296/10)	<p>A request was received to investigate instances of vehicles travelling the wrong way up West Street, Rochford, which is a one-way street. The 'No Entry' sign at the bottom of West Street was worn out and the signs on the</p>	<p>Following an inspection by County Highways, one of the signs at the bottom of West Street has been realigned. No action can currently be taken in respect of the road markings as works are still ongoing that need to be completed before any action can be taken.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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	buildings were not plain to see. (Issue raised by a resident under the Community Forum item)	When the works around the new Sainsbury's supermarket at the bottom of West Street has been completed, the Chairman will raise this issue again with County Highways.	
H2/10 (Minute 153/10, 226/10)	Enforcement of parking restrictions in Market Square, Rochford on Tuesdays before 5pm on a Tuesday as traders are packing up. (Issue raised by a resident under the Community Forum item)	Arrangements were made for the Council's Civil Enforcement Officers to patrol Market Square between 3pm-4pm on three Tuesdays in November to enforce the 5pm restriction.	Joanne Crawford Rochford District Council 01702 318166
H3/10 (Minute 225/10)	Concern relating to cars heading towards Southend cutting too close to cars waiting to turn into Poynters Lane, Great Wakering. A request as to whether a surface lining could be used as part of the Star Lane re-surfacing scheme that might alleviate this problem.	The surface lining has been replaced as previously. There is already a hatched area to define the division of the lanes, with no scope to change this. Accident data for this junction does not indicate that there is a problem. In response to a suggestion that the corner be widened and lighting at this junction be reinstated to avoid danger, ECC advises that the boundary is split between ECC and Southend Borough Council (SBC) and that the one lighting column present is maintained by SBC. Before even considering improvements at this site an investigation would have to be	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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		carried out, which will require resources and time, as agreed through Localism.	
H4/10 (Minute 225/10 and 296/10)	Blocked drains in Ashingdon Road along the stretch from Dalys Road to St Teresa's Primary School, which were causing flooding.	<p>It was reported that the drains directly outside the main gates at St Teresa's school were still overflowing after the heavy rain and strong winds. It was requested that County Highways provides dates that the area will be inspected.</p> <p>ECC advises that the cleansing unit is working in Rochford at present and the issue will be addressed very shortly.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540