

East Area Committee Update

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

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08/07 (Minute no 369) and 138(08)	Report regarding complaints about the speed of traffic down West Street and South Street, Rochford. The County Council be asked to explain the basis on which the speed checks (detailed opposite) had been carried out.	The results of speed checks along these two roads were as follows:- South Street: 31mph to 32 mph West Street: 29mph to 30mph As these figures were considered to be acceptable, no action will be taken. The speed checks were carried out over a 24-hour period.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
11/07 (Minute no 268)	Establish a definite time for clearing the obstruction of the public footpath through the boat yard, Paglesham East End.	The Enforcement Officer has met with the owner of the boatyard and agreed a timetable for carrying out work to reinstate the PROW on the definitive line or as near as possible. Delays beyond the agreed timetable will result in formal legal action being considered.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
20/07 (Minute no 300)	Reinstatement of the 'slow' sign on the Southend Road, Great Wakering on the approach the entrance Morley's Nursery.	Following notification that remedial measures had been completed, a site visit was made. However, the 'slow' markings plus other items have still not been completed. ECC is in contact with the developer. There is still a list of ongoing remedial	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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		works outstanding.	
22/07 (Minute no 369)	Establish the situation regarding the adoption of the access road to the Somerfield development in Rochford by Essex County Council.	<p>This road is to remain private. Only the bellmouth will be adopted.</p> <p>It would be of value for residents to have a clear understanding of the arrangements for keeping the two roads that access the development in a tidy state.</p>	<p>Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540</p> <p>Alan Lovett Rochford District Council 01702 546366</p>
26/07 (Minute no 367)	Whether the street lighting in Sutton Road, particularly from Warwick Drive to Purdeys Way, can be upgraded.	Lighting of this section of road would be included as part of the Sutton Ford bridge scheme, which is on the programme for 2008/9. It would be prudent to wait until completion of the scheme before considering other changes. There is a possible scheme start in 2009/10.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
32/07 (Minute no 368)	Resurfacing of Brays Lane to the Baltic Wharf.	<p>Temporary repairs to the road at the wharf had been made. It is hoped to undertake a more permanent repair during 2008/09.</p> <p>Capital funding has been requested but is yet to be confirmed.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
33/07 (Minute no 368)	Instances of activity and smells emanating from the Treatment Works, Stambridge to be investigated.	Complaints received in the past relating to potential odour from Stambridge Sewage Treatment plant have been investigated by the Environmental Protection officers. Anglian Water has recently completed a major upgrade of the works. Officers are continuing to work with Anglian Water, most recently by letter of 7 March 2008, to obtain	Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044

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		<p>improvements to their Odour Management Plan to minimise any potential for process odour emissions. A response is awaited. There is a well established protocol for Stambridge Parish Council to contact Anglian Water directly for information about activities on the site or when they receive complaints or enquiries from local residents. Since April this year odour issues seemed to have worsened, particularly late in the evenings and at weekends. There were issues that Anglian Water was not communicating with the Parish Council and had not attended a recent Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works liaison meeting.</p> <p>The District Council was asked to clarify why a District Council had not been present at the last Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works liaison meeting.</p> <p>An update would be provided at the meeting.</p>	
37/07 (Minute no 429)	Replacement of the plastic banding on the bollards outside the White Hart in Great Wakering High Street.	Fluorescent tape has been applied to the bollards.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
4/08 (Minute no 72)	County Council to reassess provision of a bus service from Stambridge earlier in the mornings and later at night.	Stambridge is currently served by Service 60, which provides links into Rochford and Southend, with 11 journeys running on Mondays to Fridays and 8 on Saturdays.	Nick Blackall Essex County Council 01245 437249

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		For the County Council to consider the request further it would need to be contacted directly by the Parish Council regarding what times residents would like any additional journeys and details of the potential usage. This would allow the County Council to speak to operators and to formulate a view as to whether the various factors would be met.	
8/08 (Minute no 23)	An outline design of the Country Park presented to the East Area Committee for consideration prior to its submission to Council.	As part of the consultation process, a presentation will be made to the East Area Committee for consideration (provisionally on 8/10/08) before it goes to the Executive on 26/11/08.	Patrick McKenna Rochford District Council 01702 318117
12/08 (Minute no 74)	Lighting in the Great Wakering Sports Centre car park and a date for completion of the works.	Lighting works were completed mid May and are now in operation.	Jeremy Bourne Rochford District Council 01702 318163
15/08 (Minute no 75 and 136/08)	<p>The need to replace a weight restriction sign at the Apton Hall Lane/Stambridge Road junction that had previously been removed.</p> <p>A second restriction sign along Apton Hall Lane was only partially visible due to an encroaching hedgerow.</p>	<p>The weight restriction sign has now been replaced.</p> <p>Further information on the location of the hedge is required.</p>	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
16/08 (Minute no 75)	Public Footpaths 1 and 3, Stambridge – proposed footpath diversions. An update to be	The draft order has been prepared and submitted to Essex County Council for approval. Statutory consultation and public notice has now commenced.	Albert Bugeja Rochford District Council 01702 318130

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	provided on progress of the public consultation in respect of the diversion of Footpath 3 and part extinguishment of Footpath 1.	Representations/objections must be made to RDC no later than 1 August 2008.	
17/08 Minute no 73)	<p>Bus service related issues</p> <p>Is it possible to:-</p> <p>(1) Restore timetable frames on the Harrogate Drive (Service 7) bus stops in both Southend and Rayleigh directions. –</p> <p>(2) Restore Service 10 timetables in frames at Ashingdon School's bus stops, both Rayleigh and Rochford/Canewdon directions.</p> <p>(3) Install a litterbin by the Rayleigh direction bus stop at Harrogate Drive.</p>	<p>Arrangements will be made for new timetable cases to be put up at the Harrogate Drive stops on the Service 7 route in Hockley. This will take up to 3 months to achieve.</p> <p>Arriva has confirmed that the Service 10 timetable was installed in the same week it was requested.</p> <p>The inspectors visited the area and have confirmed that a litterbin will be installed on a pole close to a bus stop on the opposite side of the road to no 139 Greensward Lane, Hockley within the next 2 weeks.</p>	<p>Nick Blackall Essex County Council 01245 437249</p> <p>Richard Evans Rochford District Council 01702 318044</p>
19/08 (Minute 134/08)	The possibility that a section of the green verge outside houses 1 – 6 Silchester Corner, Great Wakering be paved to provide additional car parking space.	A current Parish Council 'wish list' included the provision of off-road parking at this location; the matter was discussed at a site meeting with Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins and County Highways.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540

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21/08 (Minute 134/08)	With regard to the lowering of the kerb on the pathway at the entrance to Norman House, one side has been done but the other side needs to be done.	Work was in hand to remedy the situation.	Lyn Harvey Essex County Council 01268 297540
22/08 (Minute 134/08)	Was any consultation over the starting times for the bus pass carried out by the Council with interested parties?	The starting time of the new national bus pass was set by Government and accepted by the Council when considering the scheme at a meeting of the Executive Board on 7 November 2007.	Shaun Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318100
23/08 (Minute 135/08)	Stalls at Rochford Market Square were encroaching onto the footway.	This issue has been discussed on site with the market superintendent and an undertaking has been given that adequate space will always be provided to ensure pedestrians are not impeded or put in danger by the positioning of stalls on the pavements. The issue will be monitored.	Shaun Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318100
24/08 (Minute 135/08)	Position on the allocation of Section 106 monies associated with planning permission for a Sainsbury's Local store at Rochford in terms of its application to Rochford.	Planning consent was originally granted on 31 May 2007 for the development of a supermarket and flats – the consent included a requirement for a £50,000 contribution towards highway improvements in the vicinity of the site. However, as a result of technical difficulties, a revised application was recently considered by the Council on 22 May 2008. Whilst this application was refused, the applicants considered that as a result of the extra costs of the scheme, they were only able to make a financial contribution of £15,000 towards highway improvements. The Council is now waiting to see whether an appeal will be lodged against the refusal	Shaun Scrutton Rochford District Council 01702 318100

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		or whether a revised application is submitted.	