

CHELMSFORD CITY LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL MINUTES

13 MARCH 2018

at 13:00 at the Civic Centre, Chelmsford

Chairman:	Councillor Bob Shepherd (Vice Chairman in the chair)
Panel Members:	Chelmsford City Council – Councillors Richard Ambor and Ray Ride Essex County Council – County Councillors Jenny Chandler, Mike Mackrory and Stephen Robinson
Officers:	Michael Adewole - Chelmsford City Council, Sonia Church - Essex Highways, Claire Harris – Chelmsford City Council, Laura Medhurst – Chelmsford City Council, Averil Price - Chelmsford City Council and Jon Simmons - Essex Highways
Also present:	County Councillor Jude Deakin
Secretariat:	Brian Mayfield - Chelmsford City Council

Item		Owner
1.	Welcome and Introductions The Chairman welcomed those present.	
2.	Apologies for Absence Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Michael Holoway and Dick Madden.	
3.	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the meeting on 20 December 2017 were agreed as a correct record.	

<p>4.</p>	<p>Matters Arising from Minutes of the Previous Meeting</p> <p><i>Pump Lane junction with Crocus Way, Springfield – Crossing/signage/surface improvements – LCHE171004</i></p> <p>Councillor Mackrory said that this scheme was not complete, despite what had been reported at the last meeting.</p> <p><i>O/s parade of shops 90-106 Kings Road</i></p> <p>Jon Simmons had met with Councillor Deakin and a scheme involving the narrowing of the carriageway width was now being designed.</p> <p><i>LCHE152016 – Park Avenue, Chelmsford</i></p> <p>This scheme had been costed and included on the potential schemes list.</p> <p><i>A132 St Mary's and Church End Lane, Runwell</i></p> <p>Councillor Ride thanked the officers for their work in connection with this scheme.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Approved Works Programme Update 2017/18</p> <p>The Panel was informed that the County Council had agreed a capital budget of £500,000 for the Chelmsford Local Highways Panel in 2018/19. The programme for that year was estimated to cost £554,500 if the 2017/18 schemes that had been re-profiled and the Safer Roads Schemes were included. However, as part of a reorganisation at Essex Highways a Direct Delivery Gang had been established for each LHP with responsibility for carrying out minor schemes that did not involve complex design or consultation, such as the provision of road signs and markings and the construction of dropped kerbs. It was hoped that significant savings in time and cost could be achieved this way and that as a result all of the schemes in the 2018/19 could be delivered within the £500,000 budget.</p> <p>The Panel discussed or was updated on the following schemes:</p> <p><i>LCHE172023 – High Street, Chelmsford – Consideration would be given to linking this scheme with planned public realm works in Tindall Street.</i></p> <p><i>LCHE142019 A1245/A32 RAB Rettendon – Councillor Ride to be informed how this scheme originated and what it comprised.</i></p>	<p>JS</p> <p>JS</p>

	<p><i>LCHE171004 Pump Lane j/w Crocus Way, Springfield</i> – A check be made on whether this scheme was also in the Chelmsford Growth Package and which budget would meet the cost.</p>	JS
	<p><i>LCHE181002 A1016 Westway j/w Robjohns Road</i> – The designer to be consulted on the possibility of including in this scheme the provision of a yellow hatched box on the south side of the junction.</p>	JS
	<p><i>LCHE181003 A1099 High Bridge Road/Springfield Road/Bond Street</i> – A check to be made on whether any S106 funding for this scheme was available from the Bond Street development.</p>	SC
	<p><i>LCHE152091 Chalk Street/Warren Road/Hoe Lane, Rettendon</i> – The scheme was currently being programmed and Councillor Ride would be told when it was due to be carried out.</p>	JS
	<p><i>LCHE162060 Springfield Green, Springfield</i> – Whilst the design would be carried out in 2018/19 the time involved in advertising and consulting on the pedestrian crossing was likely to mean that this scheme would not be implemented until 2019/20. The Panel AGREED, however, that every effort should be made to implement it in 2018/19.</p>	
	<p><i>LCHE172026 – Writtle Road j/w Westway</i> – It was confirmed that this scheme would be included in the 2018/19 programme.</p>	
	<p><i>LCHE158006 Great Leighs Footpath 41</i> – Councillor Mackrory was of the view that this scheme benefited very few people. He suggested that one of the criteria that should be applied when assessing a scheme was the number of people who would benefit from it.</p>	
	<p><i>LCHE152066 Tyrells School, etc</i> – Referring to the technical note that accompanied the report, Councillor Mackrory said that the original problem giving rise to this scheme was the speed of vehicles in Bodmin Road, not in the other roads. However, he accepted that it may be necessary to include surrounding roads in the 20mph zone and hoped that the scheme would be carried out as a matter of urgency. The Panel was informed that the Cabinet Member would shortly be making a decision on whether to proceed to public consultation on the scheme.</p>	JS
	<p>The Panel was informed that the uncosted Potential Schemes for delivery in 2018/19 had had an estimated total cost of £74,500. Without the achievement of savings from elsewhere they could not be funded in 2018/19. The Panel AGREED that the scheme for <i>Church Lane j/w Lawn Lane (LCHE174002)</i> was not a high priority among local residents or councillors and that it would be preferable to remove it from the 2018/19 programme to enable the unfunded schemes to be delivered in that year.</p>	

8.	Section 106 Update The Panel received an update on Section 106 highway schemes. AGREED that the Section 106 Update report be noted.	
9.	Dates of Meetings for 2018/19 AGREED that the Panel meet on the following dates in 2018/19: 20 June 2018 13 September 2018 12 December 2018 [this was subsequently changed to 13 December] March 2019 on a day to be agreed	

The meeting closed at 14:34

Chairman