

## CASTLE POINT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL – MINUTES AND ACTIONS

	<b>PRESENT:</b>	
<b>Date:</b> 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	<b>Panel Members:</b> ECC Councillors Ray Howard (Chairman); Dave Blackwell, Alan Bayley and Jill Reeves; CPBC Councillors Bill Dick, Tom Skipp, Allan Taylor, Alan Acott and Councillor Riley (Leader of CPBC).	
<b>Venue:</b> Committee Room 1, Castle Point Council Offices, Benfleet		
<b>Apologies:</b>  ECC Councillor Huntman, CPBC Councillor Hart, CPRP Mark Evershed, CPBC Stuart Jarvis	<b>Other Attendees:</b> ECC: Rissa Long – Highways Liaison Officer, Sonia Church, Highway Liaison Manager. CPBC: Trudie Bragg – Head of Environment, Cheryl Salmon – Minute Taker.	
<b>Item:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Action Owner:</b>
1.	<b>Welcome and Introductions:</b> Councillor Howard welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> There were none.	
3.	<b>Minutes of meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016</b> Agreed.	
4.	<p><b>Update on Capital and Revenue Schemes Approved</b></p> <p>The Panel noted the approved schemes updated. During discussion the following points/issues were raised.</p> <p><b>High Road, Benfleet – Zebra Crossing</b></p> <p>Rissa Long reported that it was planned to update the current arrangements at the zebra crossing with more visible beacons and street lighting which would improve the illumination at the crossing. It was planned to deliver the scheme by the end of the financial year.</p>	

<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>Potential Capital Schemes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted the report and that the budget for this financial year had been spent.</p> <p>During discussion the following points were raised:</p> <p><b>Speeding on Canvey Island Seafront</b></p> <p>The Chairman reported that he had authorised a speed survey from Thorney Bay Road at the junction with Leigh Road to Western Esplanade. It was requested that Cleveland Road also be included in the speed survey as it had experienced problems with vehicles speeding and was used as a cut through to the seafront. It was explained that a speed trap could not be installed on a private road but could be on a private street. It was agreed to get clarification on whether or not Cleveland Road was a private road.</p> <p><b>Essex Way junction with Vicarage Hill – Road Safety Improvements</b></p> <p>During consideration of this item it was reported that when turning right into Vicarage Hill the current position of the bollard on Essex Way blocked the view of vehicles coming up the hill. RL to check if safety audit has been carried out.</p> <p><b>Somnes Avenue, Canvey Island – Bus Stop by Waterside Roundabout</b></p> <p>It was suggested that a layby could be installed on land at Waterside Farm to allow buses to pull off the main highway, preventing congestion on the approach to the roundabout or vehicles overtaking buses on the wrong side of the road. It was recognised that land at Waterside would need to be dedicated to ECC Highways and it was agreed to investigate this suggestion further.</p> <p><b>Somnes Avenue junction with Elsinor Avenue, Canvey Island – Roundabout</b></p> <p>Councillor Taylor reported that there was still problems with visibility at this roundabout. RL to check if it had undergone a Stage 3 Safety Audit.</p>	<p><b>RL/SC</b></p> <p><b>RL</b></p> <p><b>RL/SC</b></p> <p><b>RL</b></p>
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	<p><b>Canvey Way, Canvey Island – Speeding and Motorbikes</b></p> <p>It was suggested that small islands be placed in the centre of Canvey Way to prevent motorcyclists driving down the middle of the highway. The Chairman reported that it was planned to add another lane to Canvey Way to ease congestion and that works to the highway may address the problem.</p> <p>The Chairman also stated that cyclists used Canvey Way which he felt was too dangerous and would be raising the matter at ECC.</p> <p><b>A130 Canvey Way/B1014 Canvey Road Waterside Roundabout</b></p> <p>A scheme was currently being designed to improve road safety. It was agreed that the design for the scheme would be circulated to the Panel.</p> <p><b>Haven Road, Canvey Island – Overnight Parking</b></p> <p>Trudie Bragg reported that a request had been put to the South Essex Parking Partnership (SEPP) for parking restrictions in Haven Road to prevent lorries parking in the road overnight. SEPP were unable to provide any restrictions in the road as this fell outside of its criteria and it was suggested that alternative solutions be considered.</p>	<p><b>Chairman</b></p> <p><b>RL</b></p>
<p><b>7.</b></p>	<p><b>Ranger Update</b></p> <p>Stuart Jarvis reported that the Rangers had been working hard in the borough. The Chairman stated that the Rangers had recently helped to remove rubble from a blocked drain which had caused flooding in Keir Avenue. They had also repaired the broken lock at the cycle shed at Benfleet Station following a break in and he thanked them for their assistance in these matters.</p> <p>Councillor Blackwell requested that the Rangers look at the overgrown shrubbery in St Michael’s Road, Benfleet as this was forcing vehicles on to the other side of the road. It was suggested to wait until after the autumn when the leaves had fallen.</p>	
<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>There was no further business.</p>	
<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p> <p>To be confirmed.</p>	