BRAINTREE DISTRICT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL



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AGENDA

Date: Thursday 9th October 2014

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Committee Room 1, Causeway House, Braintree, CM7 9HB

Membership:-

Essex County Council	Braintree District Council	Braintree Assoc of Local Councils
Councillor D Louis	Councillor J Abbott	Councillor J Bendall
Councillor Lady Newton	Councillor M Banthorpe	Councillor J Clark
Councillor J Pike	Councillor M Lager	Councillor M Fincken
Councillor R Walters	Councillor R Mitchell	Councillor A Hayward

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. **Declarations of Interests**. To declare the existence of any interests relating to items on the Agenda having regard to the Code of Conduct for Members and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.
- 3. **Minutes**. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Braintree District Local Highways Panel held on 3rd April 2014 (copy previously circulated).
- 4. **Matters Arising**. To consider matters arising from the Minutes which are not covered on the Agenda.
- 5. **Question Time**. (See paragraph on Page (ii) of the Agenda)
- 6. **Braintree District Local Highways Panel Budget**. (Summary of the 2014/15 capital budget) (Page)
- 7. **New Scheme Requests Update**. (Page)
 - A: Scheme requests survey results received. (Page)
 - B: Scheme requests awaiting validation. (Page)
- 8. **Scheme Update** Village Green, White Colne (Page)
- 9. Schemes Approved to Design Stage in 2013/14 or 2014/15 Requiring a Top up in 2014/15. To determine which schemes approved for design and feasibility should be funded and programmed for delivery in 2015/16. (Page)

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- Schemes for Consideration by the Panel. To consider a schedule of schemes and to determine those which should be approved for delivery during the 2015/16 financial year (Green and Amber Rating – Page)
- 11. Schemes Already Recommended for Approval and Delivered.

Schemes recommended for approval which have been programmed for delivery, or delivered (Report attached) (Page)

- 13. To consider any other items which the Chairman has decided are urgent.
- 14. **Dates for Meetings of the Panel**. To note the following dates of forthcoming meetings of Braintree District Local Highways Panel:-

22nd January 2015 19th March 2015

QUESTION TIME

Immediately after the Minutes of the previous meeting have been approved there will be a period of up to 30 minutes when members of the public can speak for up to three minutes each on items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to speak should contact both matt.valentine@essex.gov.uk and alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk at least two working days prior to the meeting. Members of the public can remain to observe the whole of the public part of the meeting.

Councillors who are not Members of the Panel are reminded that if they wish to speak at the meeting they should contact Matt Valentine and Alison Webb as indicated above and below.

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If you require any further information relating to this Agenda, or wish to forward your apologies for absence, please contact either Matt Valentine on 01245 435335 email matt.valentine@essex.gov.uk or Alison Webb on 01376 552525 email alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk

A PEACE Member Services Manager

ECC/Braintree LHP - Capital Budget Summary 2014/15 (9.10.14)

The 2014-15 capital budget for Braintree is £815,578.

The following table details the schemes which the Braintree LHP has allocated funding to thus far for the 2014/15 financial year.

2014/15	Scheme type	Sub- total	Total approved funding	Number of schemes
	Minor schemes	£624,072		40
	Bus stop improvements	£67,000		16
In progress	PROW schemes	£47,480	£886,052	6
	Casualty reduction schemes	£97,500		4
	Cycling schemes	£50,000		1

Un-allocated budget

ECC/Braintree LHP – Schemes approved for Design during 2013/14 & 2014/15 for top-ups 2014/15 (9.10.14)

The below table are schemes which the Braintree Local Highways Panel have allocated funding to during the 2013/14 and 2014/15 financial year for **design only or delivery**. The design and feasibilities have been complete and if you wish to recommend the top up fee, the schemes will be programme for delivery. Scheme 1 will be delivered within the 2015/16 financial year and schemes 2 & 3 can be delivered this financial year.

	ID	Location	Scheme	Requested By	Design Cost (£)	Top up cost	RAG
1	LBRA142083	Castle Headingham	Install signage and TRO's for 7.5T Weight Limit.	Cllr Finch	£5,000	£31,800	Green
2	2 LBRA142084 Church Road, Rivenhall		Construct official layby along Church Road to aid those parking for church and to pick children up from school.	Cllr Abbott	£1,500	£20,000	Green
3	LBRA142045	Marlborough Road	Install a chevron at the Marlborough Road j/w Beaufort Gardens; install slow marker just after the cushion; and install 'Advance Bend warning sign'.	Cllr Helm	£3,000	£1,500	Green

Total: £53,300

Minutes

Braintree District Local Highways Panel

19th June 2014

(Comprising representatives of:-

Essex County Council
Braintree District Council
Braintree Association of Local Councils)

Present:-

Councillor R Walters (Chairman)
Councillor J Abbott
Councillor M Banthorpe
Councillor J Bendall
Councillor M Fincken
Councillor A Hayward
Councillor M Lager
Councillor J Pike

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Councillor G Helm (Essex County Council) was also in attendance.

Officers

Alan Lindsay - Essex County Council Matt Valentine - Essex Highways Simon Walker - Essex Highways Peter Wright - Essex Highways Paul Partridge – Braintree District Council Alison Webb – Braintree District Council

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Clark (Braintree Association of Local Councils), Councillor D Louis (Essex County Council), Councillor R Mitchell (Braintree District Council) and Councillor Lady Newton (Essex County Council).

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:-

Councillor J Abbott declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 11 - Schemes Already Recommended for Approval and Delivered and specifically scheme 'LBRA132126 Oak Road, Rivenhall – Route unsuitable for HGVs weight restriction (design only)', as Chairman of Rivenhall Parish Council which had agreed to contribute towards the cost of this scheme.

Councillor M Banthorpe declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 9 - Schemes for Consideration by the Panel and specifically scheme 'LBRA145008 The Welsh Princess (opp.) Stop ID RAY5, Rayne – New bus shelter and hardstand', as he had requested this scheme. Councillor Banthorpe did not vote on this matter.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, Councillors Abbott and Banthorpe remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion when the Items were considered unless stated otherwise.

2 MINUTES

DECISION: That the Minutes of the meeting of Braintree District Local Highways Panel held on 3rd April 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3 MATTERS ARISING

INFORMATION:

Minute 3 – Matters Arising (Minute 9 – Schemes for Consideration by the Panel (Gateway Signs))

At a previous meeting, two schemes for improved decorative gateways on the approaches to Witham had been deferred pending the publication of a practice note by Essex County Council. However, as agreement had now been reached between Essex County Council and Witham Town Council regarding the provision of these gateways a practice note would no longer be required. The Chairman stated that it remained the Panel's view that decorative gateways should not be supported. It was agreed that Matt Valentine, Essex Highways, Highways Liaison Officer, should circulate a note to the Members of the Panel to clarify this issue.

Minute 5 – Braintree District Local Highways Panel Budget

At the last meeting, it had been reported that Councillor R Bass, Essex County Council's Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation, had agreed to allocate a further £50,000 to the Braintree District specifically for flood relief, overgrown vegetation, grass cutting and ditch management work on the basis that Braintree District Council provided match funding.

Members of the Panel were advised that discussions were on-going regarding this issue and that Braintree District Council had not yet determined whether match funding should be provided.

Minute 9 – Programme of Schemes - Already Recommended for Approval/Delivered

Reference was made to scheme DC1826 Oak Road Railway Bridge, Rivenhall - footpath widening. A drawing was circulated at the meeting showing that the length of footway under the bridge could not be widened by more than 400mm due to the need to maintain a carriageway width of 4.3m to accommodate large agricultural machinery. The Panel agreed that this was acceptable, but requested that further consideration be given to the need for a marker post and the location of gullies.

4 **QUESTION TIME**

INFORMATION: There was one statement made. Details of the person who spoke at the meeting are contained in the Appendix to these Minutes.

Principally, these Minutes are a record of decisions made by the Panel and, where appropriate, the reasons for those decisions.

5 BRAINTREE DISTRICT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL BUDGET

INFORMATION: Consideration was given to a summary of Braintree District Local Highways Panel's capital budget and expenditure for 2014/15 as at 19th June 2014. It was noted that the budget amounted to £815,578, that £497,402 had been allocated and that £318,176 remained unallocated.

DECISION: That the report be noted.

6 **NEW SCHEME REQUESTS UPDATE**

INFORMATION:

A. New Scheme Requests - Survey Results Received

The Panel considered a schedule of new scheme requests which had been assessed.

It was noted that scheme LBRA132098 Marlborough Road, Braintree – speed survey, and part of scheme LBRA132130 Sloe Hill/Chapel Hill/Beridge Road, Halstead - speed surveys had been recommended for approval and had been included within the schemes for consideration by the Panel (Minute 8 – schemes LBRA142045 and LBRA142056 below refers).

DECISION: That the status of scheme LBRA132121 Guithavon Valley and Mill Lane, Witham - Traffic calming be reported to the next meeting of the Panel as it appears to have been missed off the schedule.

B. New Scheme Requests – Awaiting Validation

The Panel was made aware of new scheme requests which had yet to be validated and assessed.

In discussing scheme LBRA142005 The Grove, Witham – Installation of signs warning of mini-roundabout and crossing points, it was reported that

the existing road markings were badly worn and unclear. There had also been a serious incident recently at the location. Matt Valentine, Essex Highways, Highways Liaison Officer, agreed to investigate this matter.

DECISION: That the schedule of schemes be noted.

7 SCHEMES APPROVED TO DESIGN STAGE IN 2013/14 and 2014/15 REQUIRING FUNDING IN 2014/15

INFORMATION: Consideration was given to a schedule of schemes which had been approved in 2013/14 and 2014/15, following recommendations from Braintree District Local Highways Panel, for the purpose of design and an assessment of feasibility. Members of the Panel were requested to consider which of these schemes should be recommended for approval to be installed and funded from the 2014/15 budget.

In discussing this item, reference was made to the importance of road side vegetation being cut back and maintained in order to ensure that road signs were clearly visible. Members of the Panel were requested to report such issues to Matt Valentine, Essex Highways, Highways Liaison Officer, for action to be taken.

DECISION:

(1) That the following schemes be recommended for approval for funding and delivery in 2014/15:-

LBRA142048 - SID sign to be converted to solar power and relocated, Church End, Panfield 'Top-up' - £7,700

LBRA142049 - Installation of additional 30mph repeater signs, 30mph roundels and SLOW markings, Pebmarsh 'Top-up' - £5,000

LBRA142050 – Installation of a sign and single post reading 'Bulmer St Andrew's School', St Andrew's Church of England Primary School, Church Road, Bulmer

'Top-up' - £1,500

LBRA142051 – Installation of four reflector marker posts, A1124 Stonebridge Hill, Earls Colne 'Top-up' - £1,500

LBRA142052 – Installation of two 'narrow road' signs with 'oncoming vehicles in the middle of the road' plate on single posts, Gage's Road, Knowl Green, Belchamp St. Paul

'Top-up' - £2,000

LBRA142053 - Carriageway markings to identify entrances to the playing field, playing field entrances, Oak Road, Little Maplestead 'Top-up' - £1,500

LBRA142057 - Installation of two 'bend ahead' signs and one singular chevron sign, Coggeshall Road j/w Colne Road, Earls Colne 'Top-up' - £4,000

LBRA141001 - Casualty Reduction Scheme, Deanery Hill/Church Lane, Bocking

'Top-up' - £14,000

LBRA141002 - Casualty Reduction Scheme, Buck Hill/Bakers Lane/Church Road, Black Notley 'Top-up' - £6,500

LBRA141003 - Casualty Reduction Scheme, Witham Road, Faulkbourne/White Notley 'Top-up' - £62,000

LBRA142055 - Installation of a toucan crossing and street lighting upgrade, Spa Road, Witham 'Top-up' - £120,000

(It was reported that this scheme had been upgraded from amber to green priority status).

(2) That it be recommended that the following scheme be removed from the schedule:-

LBRA142059 - Re-profile of gradient pedestrian crossing with tactile paving, The Grove/Newland Street, Witham 'Top-up' - £17,000

(It was reported that this scheme could be re-submitted for consideration if appropriate).

8 SCHEMES FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE PANEL

INFORMATION: Consideration was given to a schedule of possible schemes.

DECISION:

(1) That the following schemes be recommended for approval, subject to the specific comments denoted:-

Improvement Schemes

LBRA142004 - Installation of one '20s Plenty' sign by St John the Baptist Primary School, The Street, Pebmarsh Estimated Cost - £1,500

LBRA142040 - Erection of two 'soft verge' signs, The Street, Belchamp Otten
Estimated Cost - £1,000

LBRA142045 - Addition of one 'SLOW' marking and one chevron sign, or four reflector marker posts, Marlborough Road, Braintree Estimated Cost - £3,000

LBRA142046 - Highway signage and visibility review, Halstead Road, Earls Colne

Estimated Cost - £8,000 (signage review with costed options)

LBRA142056 - Installation of a Speed Indicator Device, Sloe Hill, Halstead
Estimated Cost - £8,500

LBRA142013 – Provision of footpath connecting Bridleway to existing footpath on Maldon Road, Blue Mills Hill Road and Maldon Road, Witham

Estimated Cost - £7,000

LBRA142058 – New signage to reduce incidents of weight limit breaches and oversized HGVs, Church Road and Oak Road, Rivenhall

Estimated Cost - £4,500

(Details of the design to be forwarded to Councilor J Abbott)

LBRA142023 - Installation of give way triangle marking, give way sign in verge and possible advance give way warning sign, Terling Hall Road, Hatfield Peverel

Estimated Cost - £2,150

LBRA142060 – Construction of estimated 30m length path leading up Deanery Hill towards the bus stop, Deanery Hill, Braintree Estimated Cost - £7,300

(It was reported that BT fibre optic covers and street lighting were located in the vicinity of the proposed work which could increase the cost of the scheme substantially. It was agreed, therefore, that a further report should be submitted to the Panel on the viability of this scheme)

LBRA142061 - Installation of two additional, height restriction warning signs, Coggeshall Road, Feering Estimated Cost - £2,000

LBRA132092 - Installation of railings at Primary School, Church Road, Rivenhall Estimated Cost - £3,000 LBRA002027 - Installation of full height kerbs, Great Maplestead Estimated Cost - £5,000

(It was reported that £5,000 had been spent on this scheme already, but that a further £5,000 was required)

Small Works

LBRA142041 – One speed survey, Great Saling village Estimated Cost - £210

LBRA142042 – One speed volume survey, Ashes Road and Church Lane, Cressing
Estimated Cost - £210

LBRA142043 – Two speed/volume surveys, Mill Lane/Guithavon Valley, Witham Estimated Cost - £420

LBRA142047 - One speed survey, Church Road, Rivenhall Estimated Cost - £210

(It was agreed that the description of this scheme should be amended to read:-

To assess the speed within the 30mph limit outside the church and primary school and to investigate the possible introduction of a 40mph buffer)

LBRA142054 – One speed survey, Church Street, Great Maplestead Estimated Cost - £210

Bus Stop Improvements

LBRA145007 - Bus Stop Clearway sign, John Ray School, Notley Road, Braintree Estimated Cost - £2,500

LBRA145008 - New shelter and hardstand, The Welsh Princess (opp.) Stop ID RAY5, The Street, Rayne Estimated Cost - £9,000 (It was agreed that the location of this bus stop should be checked)

LBRA145009 - New bus stop with shelter, St Mary's Close, (near Church End) Stop ID 24005015, Panfield

Estimated Cost - £9,500

(Subsequent to the meeting, Panfield Parish Council and Essex County Council's Passenger Transport Officer were consulted and this scheme was supported by them).

LBRA145011 – Installation of a new wooden shelter, Bell Lane adj. Stop ID IM767, Kynaston Road, Panfield Estimated Cost - £9,000

(Subsequent to the meeting, Panfield Parish Council and Essex County Council's Passenger Transport Officer were consulted and this scheme was supported by them).

Cycling

LBRA144002 - Funding towards cycling schemes once strategic review is complete, Braintree (to be confirmed)
Estimated Cost - £50,000

Safety Schemes

LBRA141004 – Advance design work for possible casualty reduction schemes, Braintree District Estimated Cost - £15,000

(2) That it be recommended that the following schemes be removed from the schedule:-

Improvement Schemes

LBRA142044 - Design feasibility study with costed options, Panfield Lane, between junction with Aetheric Road and Rayne Road, Braintree

Estimated Cost - £5,000 (feasibility study with costed options)

LBRA142038 - Zebra Crossing, Boars Tye Road, Silver End Estimated Cost - £65,000 (Design £6,000)

9 TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS – APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY GROUP

INFORMATION: Consideration was given to a report on the appointment of Members to the Traffic Regulation Orders Advisory Group to comment on requests for new Traffic Regulation Orders within the Braintree District prior to these being determined by the North Essex Parking Partnership Joint Sub-Committee.

DECISION: That Councillors Abbott, Banthorpe, Clark and Lady Newton be appointed to the Traffic Regulation Orders Advisory Group for the Civic Year 2014/15.

10 PROGRAMME OF SCHEMES - ALREADY RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL/DELIVERED

INFORMATION: Consideration was given to a programme of schemes which the Panel had recommended for approval including those schemes for which a programme of work had subsequently been agreed, or had been cancelled or completed. Members of the Panel were requested to refer any

queries/issues regarding the schedule to the Chairman, or to Matt Valentine, Essex Highways, Highways Liaison Officer.

In discussing this item, it was agreed that the programme of schemes should be reviewed to ensure that those schemes which should ideally be carried out during the Summer months were brought forward. It was agreed also that the schemes which had been completed should be removed from the schedule.

DECISION: That the Programme of Schemes recommended for approval at previous meetings of the Panel be noted and that schemes which have been completed and cancelled during 2012/13 and 2013/14 be removed from the schedule.

11 DATES FOR MEETINGS OF THE PANEL

DECISION: It was noted that future meetings of Braintree District Local Highways Panel would take place on the following dates:-

9th October 2014 22nd January 2015 26th March 2015 (possibly change to early April 2015)

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm and closed at 7.05pm.

Councillor R G Walters (Chairman)

APPENDIX

BRAINTREE DISTRICT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL

19TH JUNE 2014

Details of Questions Asked / Statements Made During Public Question Time

1 <u>Statement Relating to Agenda Item 9 - Schemes for Consideration by the Panel</u> (Scheme LBRA142045 - Marlborough Road, Braintree) (SLOW marking and chevron sign, or four reflector marker posts)

Statement by Councillor Gordon Helm, Essex County Councillor for Bocking Division, 268 Broad Road, Bocking.

Essex County Council and Braintree LHP – 9th October 2014

New Scheme Request

Scheme requests supported by LHP Members and/or Town/Parish Councillors should be submitted to the Highways Liaison Officer (HLO), ideally on a scheme request template.

Scheme requests are submitted by the HLO for validation to an Essex Highways technical expert.

The Validation is an initial, brief assessment of the scheme, options for next steps and provisional cost estimates for the Braintree Local Highways Panel to consider for funding.

The validation will also assess whether the scheme request meets current implementation guidelines and satisfies ECC policy requirements. For some requests, a prevalidation survey is required.

The report is divided into:

A: Scheme requests - survey results received

B: New Scheme requests awaiting validation result

A: Scheme requests - survey results received

ID	ID Location Sch		Scheme Other issues / comments		Outcome of survey	
LBRA142054	Church Street, Gt Maplestead	Speed survey	To assess for a 20mph zone in the vicinity of St Giles Primary School, Church Street.	Cllr Finch	The current speed limit at Church Street is 30mph and to be viable for a 20mph limit the 7 day Mean average the vehicles needs to be travelling 20mph or below. The speed survey mean average along Church Street was 18mph. (Scheme has been added to the list for consideration by the panel) Note: with speeds as indicated there is no significant speeding issues being record outside the school and these are unlikely to be affected by the installation of the 20mph.	
LBRA142041	3 speed surveys were carried out along Bardfield Road and The Street. There was good compliance here, however Network Management may consider a 40mph at the Bardfield Road locations, but before any decisions are may they would like to assess the speed of vehicles through the 30mph section of the village.		Network Management Officers	In February 2014, three surveys were carried out. 2 surveys along Bardfield Road and 1 along The Street. The current speed at these locations is 60mph and the speed survey 7day mean average along Bardfield Road was 34.9mph and the mean average for The Street was 46.6mph. These speeds indicated that there is excellent compliance by vehicles adhering to the current limits. These roads are Priority 2 routes, there have been no personal injury collisions in the last 5 years and a lack of development on both sides of the road. The speed survey carried out within the 30mph section of the village had a 7day mean average of 35.2mph northbound as they enter the 60mph and 31.9mph southbound as they enter the village. Note: These speeds indicate that vehicles are adhering to the current limits and Officers in their professional opinion do not believe that a 40mph along Bardfield Road will achieve driver compliance and if signs were installed would be deemed street clutter.		
LBRA142047	Church Road, Rivenhall	Speed survey	To assess the speed within the 30mph limit outside the church and primary school and if a 40mph buffer can be implemented.	Cllr Abbott	The current speed limit along this section of Church Road is 30mph. The 7day mean average speed along Church Road Northbound was 36.8mph and Southbound 32.2mph. The increase in the speed of vehicles leaving the 30mph limit is to be expected as they are looking at open countryside and entering a 60mph. It is clear that the majority of drivers are trying to comply with the 30mph and there are a series of measures to reinforce the 30mph. Note: These speeds indicate that vehicles are adhering to the current limits and Officers in their professional opinion do not believe that a 40mph buffer will achieve driver compliance.	

LBRA142043	Mill Lane/Guithavon Valley, Witham	2 Speed/volume survey	Residents of Guithavon Valley have difficulty manoeuvring to and from their drives as they are on a blind bend. The surveys will assess the junction movements.	Cllr Lager / Witham Town Council	The current speed limit along the sections of Mill Lane and Guithavon Valley is 30mph. The 7day mean average speed along Mill Lane was 28.9mph southbound and 19.8mph northbound. Guithavon Valley was 31.1mph southbound and 32.1mph northbound. Note: These speeds indicate that vehicles are complying with the current limits.
LBRA142042	Cressing Village - Ashes Road	Speed survey	Cressing village can no longer cope with the current traffic volumes of HGVs and a survey will assess the traffic volume.	Cllr Liebscher / Cressing Parish Council	The current speed limit along this section of Ashes Road is 50mph. The 7day mean average speed along Ashes Road Northbound was 46.9mph and Southbound 48.8mph. The average HGVs volume over 7 days within a 24hr period was 4 HGV's Southbound and 5 Northbound. Note: These speeds and volume indicate that vehicles are adhering to the current limits and there is not enough HGV's movement to justify a weight restriction improvement measures.

B: New Scheme requests awaiting validation result

ID	Requestor	Location	Concern	Proposed solution
LBRA142074	Cllr Tunde Biyi	Lawrence Ave /Howbridge Rd, Witham	There is a blind corner at the point where Lawrence Avenue meets Howbridge Road a natural crossing point. School children and pedestrians cross here to access the local primary schools and shops, yet it is very difficult to see oncoming traffic.	Install 2 "Slow – Children crossing" signs and SLOW road markings
LBRA142077	Cllr Newton	Colne Road, Coggeshall	Pedestrians walking into road	install footpath
LBRA142066	Cllr Darkins	Collins road, Little Maplestead	Heavy vehicles have been diverted along this road and the verges and gullies have been destroyed.	Install white carriage way lines.

Improvement Schemes - For Consideration

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	ID	Originating date	Location	Scheme	Problem	Justification / Comments	Requested By	Estimated Cost (£)	RAG
1	LBRA142024	Apr-14	Bakers Lane, Black Notley	Install a new yellow backed advanced give way sign on Buck Hill with distance sub-plate prior to the junction with Bakers Lane. Install a new 'SLOW' marking adjacent to this sign. Replace the existing give way signs on both sides of Bakers Lane with yellow backed give way signs. Install a new junction on bend ahead warning sign for eastbound traffic on Bakers Lane (providing there is sufficient highway land to site a sign).	There has been many accidents along Bakers Lane where cars are not slowing at the junction and numerous accidents have happened	Clear signage would help drivers to be aware of the surroundings and speed limits.	Cllr Walters	£5,000	Green
2	LBRA142044	Feb-13	Panfield Lane, between junction with Aetheric Road and Rayne Road	Feasibility Study with costed options	The survey results clearly shows that vehicles are rat running along this stretch and is very dangerous for pedestrians.	An Engineering solution is required between Bunyan Road and Rayne Road; One possible solution is to consider a One Way TRO together with narrowing the carriageway to approx 3m, provision of 0.5 margin with kerb (NE side of road) and provision of footway.	Cllr Baugh	£5,000	Green
3	LBRA142054	May-14	Church street, Great Maplestead	Install a 20mph limit in the vicinity of St Giles Primary School, Church Street. Signage and TRO (including lit terminal signs)	Vehicles are travelling as high speeds around by the school	The signage will highlight that speed by the school should be 20mph.	Cllr Finch	£7,000	Green
4	LBRA142065	Jul-14	Spa Road, Witham	Install 2 two 'Slow – Children Crossing' signs.	There have been numerous near misses with vehicles travelling at high speed along this road.	The signs will help assist drivers of children crossing.	Witham Town Council	2,500	Green
5	LBRA142068	Jul-14	Oak Road, Rivenhall	Install a small area of grasscrete outside house nos. 51 – 53.	Vehicles on the verge has resulted in the loss of the grass in these areas and problems with mud on the road and footway.	To provide a firm and safe area for short duration parking.	Cllr Abbott	£1,500	Green

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Capital Highway Improvements Programme

Improvement Schemes - For Consideration

Braintree

	ID .	Originating date	Location	Scheme	Problem	Justification / Comments	Requested By	Estimated Cost (£)	RAG
6	LBRA142005	Mar-14	The Grove j/w Maldon Road	Install 2 warning signs of mini roundabout ahead.	Vehicles are travelling very fast when approaching the roundabout and crossing point.	To improve the visability of the mini roundabout	Cllr Abbott	£3,000	Green
7	LBRA142022	Apr-14	Sudbury Road, Little Maplestead	Install 15 x Verge Marker posts	The highway boundary passes extremely close to the entrance to the property and is situated on a fast bend. With no lighting the bend is an issue during the hours of darkness.	The marker posts will make drivers aware of the properties when travelling along Sudbury Road.	Little Maplestead Parish Council / Cllr Darkins		Green
8	LBRA142069	Jul-14	Ashton's Corner, Braintree Road	Feasibility study be carried out to determine the best course of action.	Concern about vehicle safety after numerous 'near misses' involving vehicles travelling from Shalford, turning right at the nearest part of the triangle, then having to turn right on a completely blind bend onto Church End.	The study will provide options of what improvement measures we can do at the junction.		£4,000	Green
9	LBRA142078	Aug-14	Trinity Street, Halstead	Install 1 or 2 warning signs of Wildfowl Crossing along Trinity Street	Mother ducks regualr take to nesting in local resident's garden and then cross Trinity Street to visit the pond in the Public Gardens.	These signs will make drivers aware of wild animals and to be cautious.	Halstead Parish Council	£2,000	Green

Total cost: £37,500

KEY

Green	A high priority scheme
Amber	A medium priority scheme
Red	A scheme which is against Essex Policy, no appropriate engineering solution and against Officer reccommendations.

Capital Highway Improvements Programme

Small Works

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	ID	Originating date	Location	Scheme	Other issues / comments	Requested By	Estimated Cost	RAG
1	LBRA142067	Jul-14	Broadway, Silver End	Speed survey	To assess the speed along Broadway j/w Silver Street as residents have reported speeding and near misses.	Cllr Abbott	£230	Green
2	LBRA142071	Jul-14	Yeldham Road, Castle Hedingham	Speed survey	To assess if a SID is viable, a speed survey is needed at this location.	Castle Hedingham Parish Council	£230	Green
3	LBRA142076	Jul-14	Colne Engaine School	Safety assessment	There have been numerous issues raised regarding the crossing point outside Colne Engaine School and the scheme appears to have never had a safety assessment.	Safety Engineer	£500	Green
4	LBRA142082	Sep-14	Dunnmow Road, Great Bardfield	Speed surveys	In order to assess if a SID is viable, a speed survey is needed at this location.	Cllr Walters/Finchingfield Parish Council	£230	Green
5	LBRA142079	Sep-14	London Road j/w Inworth Road, Ferring	2 day Junction surveys.	The survey will assess the traffic movements and queue lengths on the north and south arms. Traffic current backs up some distance on Inworth Road as it is very difficult to exit right with the volume of traffic.	Cllr Bass	£2,010	Green
6	LBRA142080	Sep-14	Colchester road, Bures	PV2 survey	PV2 survey to assess if a crossing point from the Millennium footpath gate entrance at Colchester Road across road to No. 44 is viable.	Bures Hamlet Parish Council	£900	Green
7	LBRA142087	Apr-14	Bakers Lane, Black Notley	Speed survey	To assess if a 30mph limit can be install from the development of cottages (sign going Northbound saying max speed 30mph) to the Bucks Hill junction	Cllr Walters	£230	Green
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Total Cost

£4,330

Key

Green	A high priority scheme	
Amber	A medium priority scheme	
Red	A scheme which is against Essex Policy or there is no appropriate engineering solution.	

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Bus Stop Improvements

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	Code	Originating date	Location	Details of Scheme	Issues / Comments / Reason for Scheme	Requested By	Estimated Cost	(RAG)
	LBRA145012	Jun-14	Kynaston Road, Panfield The Bell opp - Stop ID 24005014	Replacing old Parish Shelter with a new wooden shelter the shelter will remain the property of the Parish.	The old shelter has fallen into disrepair and the Parish have asked for help to replace it. This stop is very well used within the Parish.	Officer recommendation supported by the Parish	£8,500	Green
2	2 LBRA145013	Jun-14	London Road, Kelvedon (NE bound)	Replacement shelter	Heavily used stop by pedestrians	Kelvedon Parish Council	£8,500	Green
(B LBRA145014	Jun-14	London Road, Kelvedon (SW bound)	Replacement shelter	Heavily used stop by pedestrians	Kelvedon Parish Council	£8,500	Green
4	LBRA145016	Sep-14	Gore Pit Corner, Feering - NE Bound	Replacement current shelter	The Parish have request a replacement of this old shelter to match the others in the village.	Parish Council request	£8,500	Green
ţ	5 LBRA145017	Sep-14	Gore Pit Corner, Feering - SW Bound	Replacement current shelter	The Parish have request a replacement of this old shelter to match the others in the village.	Parish Council request	£8,500	Green

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	ID	Originating date	Location	Details of Scheme	Justification / Comments	Requested By	Estimated Cost (£)	RAG
1	LBRA148001	Mar-14	Byway 9, Black Notley, also known as Snakey Lane	Improving drainage and restoring the unbound surface with road planings to improve the condition of the paths, provide a level and all-weather surface, and thus enable the route to be used by all user groups.	The byway currently has a winter seasonal closure to cars/4X4s but not motorbikes, which is from 1 st November until 31 st March. Planings and other works have been done in the past but these have now largely disappeared and the surface is rutted and difficult to use, especially when wet.	PROW Officer	£70,000	amber
2	LBRA148002	Mar-14	Byway 10, Black Notley	"	"	PROW Officer	£26,000	amber
3	LBRA148003	Mar-14	Byway 13, Gestingthorpe	"	"	PROW Officer	£41,000	amber

Total Cost

£137,000

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	ID	originating date	Location	Problem	Proposed Solution	Cost (£)	RAG
1	LBRA141005	Sep-14	A131 jw Church Road, Bulmer Tye	Details in report	Details in report - this schemes will be funded from the 2015/16 budget and delivered within the 2015/16 financial year.	£10,000	Green
2	LBRA141006	Sep-14	Courtauld Road north bound approach to Julien Court Road	Details in report	Details in report - this schemes will be funded from the 2015/16 budget and delivered within the 2015/16 financial year.	£12,000	Green
3	LBRA141007	Sep-14	B1024 jw A1124, Earls Colne	Details in report	Details in report - this schemes will be funded from the 2015/16 budget and delivered within the 2015/16 financial year.	£5,000	Green

Total design cost: £27,000

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REPORT - Village Green, White Colne

The detailed designs for two improvement schemes at the Village Green, White Colne - LBRA142020 and LBRA142021 have been completed.

The schemes were to install kerbing at two sections of the Green due to continual damage by vehicles over running. We have now been made aware that we cannot carryout work on the Green as the owner is unknown.

Having spoken to the legal team in Essex County Council, to move the scheme forward it would require ECC to Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) the small area of land required and then carryout the work.

The legal fees of around £20,000 is required if there are no objections. Consideration should also be given as land may need to be given in exchange and acquired.