Date: Thursday 6th July 2023 Time: 10:07 – 11:37am

Venue: Video Conference Call

Chairman: CC Member Ray Gooding

Panel Members: CC Member Susan Barker, CC Member Martin Foley, CC

Member Paul Gadd

Officers: Essex Highways – Daniel Maclean, Highway Liaison Team Leader (DM), Essex Highways – Sarah Tomlin, Highway Liaison Officer (ST)

Public Speakers - Cllr Robert Woods - Elmdon Parish Council

1. Welcome & Introductions

The Chair welcomed the Panel.

2. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2023 were approved as a correct record.

4. Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting

The panel asked for the Carriageway and Footway Improvement Schemes to be added as an agenda item for the next meeting. Several panel members were unhappy with the lists provided by the Asset Team. Cllr Gadd been advised by Cllr Scott in another meeting that sites could be swapped out for other sites where members felt were more worthy of repair work.

DM provided clarity on the 3 highway maintenance scheme lists and explained what the repair work would consist of. Cllr Gooding requested further clarity on the lists. Cllr Barker queried the work on the A1060 as she believed the section in question was in Hertfordshire not Essex – section near Jenkins Lane, Great Hallingbury. Cllr Gadd said he had received a different set of lists from the Asset Team detailing difference schemes and was unclear on what these were. DM said he thought these may be the Capital Maintenance Schemes and therefore separate to the ones funded by the LHP budget.

5. Opportunity for public questions

Cllr Robert Edwards

Cllr Edwards attended the meeting to speak about the Quicksett Road, Elmdon (LUTT212011) scheme 14, in the wake of several recent vehicle collisions. The scheme was funded last year but unfortunately the junction improvements were not carried out as the work was programmed after the end if the financial year and all

LHP jobs were frozen at the end of March. ST advised this scheme and another 3 schemes on the list were ready to mobilise on as they had been programmed after the end of the financial year, the other schemes were as follows:

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LUTT202004 – Walden Road, Hadstock – junction improvements
LUTT202011 – Wicken Bonhunt – speed awareness measures
LUTT192015 – Roding Drive / Dunmow Road, Takeley – Roundabout
improvements
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These 4 schemes added up to a total of £40,500 if they were to be commissioned in the panel meeting.

6. Report on Funded Schemes

DM gave an overview as to the budget situation, with the 2 schemes which had been commissioned outside of the panel meeting (Hall Road, Henham & Gallows Green Road, Great Easton) there was a total of £370,742 still to commission.

The panel discussed the schemes that had slipped from last year, Cllr Gadd advised there was only one scheme which he did not want from last year which was LUTT203003 Thaxted Road – footway link - implementation.

DM advised that the panel have the option, if the Thaxted Road scheme is removed to fund all the slipped schemes from last year and all the schemes awaiting funding which are marked green (ready to fund). The panel agreed to take this option and fund all the slipped schemes except for Thaxted Road and all the schemes marked in green from the awaiting funding list.

7. Report on Schemes Awaiting Funding

ST went through the schemes which had not been considered feasible and were therefore marked in red and the panel agreed to remove these schemes from the schemes awaiting funding.

8. Any other business

The panel agreed to fund all the speed survey requests using the LHP revenue budget, there were 15 sites on the list. ST reminded the panel to be mindful when requested speed surveys that there should be requests with a scheme proposal and not just requesting surveys to appease residents although it is accepted that this sometimes may be the only way to prove to residents that the speeding problem is perceived rather than actual.

9. Date of next meeting:

• 28th September 2023 @ 10:00am

The meeting closed 11:37