

**ROCHFORD LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL MINUTES
27 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 2.00 PM**

**COMMITTEE ROOM 4, CIVIC SUITE, RAYLEIGH
Civic Suite, 2 Hockley Road, Rayleigh, SS6 8EB**

Chairman for the meeting:	Cllr Mrs J R Lumley (ECC)
Panel Members:	Cllrs B T Hazlewood (RDC), G J Ioannou (RDC), Mrs C E Roe (RDC), M J Steptoe (ECC) and Mrs C A Weston (ECC)
Officers:	S Church – ECC Highways Liaison Manager (ECC) (SC), D Maclean – ECC Highways Liaison Officer (ECC) (DM)
Secretariat:	M Power – RDC Democratic Services Officer

Item		Owner
1.	The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs M Maddocks (ECC) and I H Ward (RDC).	
3.	Declarations of interest: Cllrs Mrs J R Lumley declared a non-pecuniary interest in the items on the agenda by virtue of being a Member of Rochford District Council and of Rayleigh Town Council. Cllrs Mrs C E Roe, M J Steptoe and G J Ioannou each declared a non-pecuniary interest in the items on the agenda by virtue of membership of Rayleigh Town Council, Barling Magna Parish Council and Stambridge Parish Council respectively.	
4.	The Minutes of meeting held on 21 June 2018 were agreed as correct record.	
5.	MATTERS ARISING Station Crescent, Rayleigh – Speeding The Neighbourhood Policing Team had approved Station Crescent as a Speed Watch testing centre. A speed survey would be carried out in this location. Barrow Hall Road, Barling Cllr Steptoe had visited the site. DM advised that the Highways Rangers had cut back the vegetation to improve visibility. DM to discuss with Cllr Steptoe the issue of vehicles coming off the road.	 DM DM



	<p>Central Hockley Railings had been badly damaged – this had been passed to Maintenance for repairs to be undertaken.</p> <p>High Street Zebra Crossing, Great Wakering Passenger Transport had confirmed that it is legal for a bus to park on the zig zags. However, this particular case may not fall within this definition – to be confirmed. DM to update Cllr Steptoe.</p> <p>Request for another crossing in Great Wakering. Concern about the safety of elderly people in sheltered schemes along this busy road had been made to Cllr Mrs Lumley. Exact location to be provided to DM from the Community Policy team with comments from local police.</p>	<p>DM</p> <p>DM</p>
6.	<p>Approved Works Programme Update 2018/19:</p> <p>Hullbridge Road, Rawreth - Zebra lighting upgrade The scheme to be put on hold to see if works can be achieved as part of development in this area.</p> <p>Spa Road, Hockley/Southend Road, opposite White Hart, Hockley/Southend Road, Hawkwell – Zebra Lighting upgrades Design complete.</p> <p>Shopland Road, Sutton – SLOW Marking The SLOW marking has been completed. Carriageway markings are a maintenance issue and not included.</p> <p>Barrow Hall Road j/w Little Wakering Road – Give Way Sign Completed.</p> <p>Rawreth Lane and Laburnum Way – Culvert Works Once complete, the finished design will be passed to the Flood Team to undertake the works.</p> <p>A129 London Road, Rawreth – Traffic Island Completed. DM to confirm exact location with Cllr Mrs Lumley.</p>	<p>DM</p>
	<p>Potential Schemes List for Consideration:</p> <p>Rochford Town Centre, Market Square – feasibility study to look into possible improvements suggested in the Rochford Town Centre Area Action Plan. Cllr Steptoe to meet with S Scrutton (RDC) and G Speller (ECC) on 12 October in respect of a developer contribution.</p>	



	<p>The Direct Delivery Team is now operational, so the Panel can put forward one of the following from the potential schemes list, at no additional cost. Both these schemes fall within the Direct Delivery remit. (There may be the opportunity to do both schemes.)</p> <p>Ferndale Road, Rayleigh – Junction Visibility or Ashingdon Road – Road Roundel (Any deterioration would not be addressed by the LHP, but by the maintenance team.)</p> <p><u>Agreed</u> that the Ashingdon Road scheme be put forward as there was less design work attached and it was therefore likely to be more quickly achievable.</p> <p>Victoria Avenue, Cheapside West, Rayleigh – Traffic Management Improvement A letter drop had been done (to the junction with Cheapside West on both sides) to obtain feedback from residents on the option of installing speed cushions. Responses would be collated by the end of September and circulated to the Panel.</p> <p>Lark Hill Road, Canewdon – speed limit reduction Following a discussion with Cllr Bentley, the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, the policy objection previously in place would be lifted, meaning that the 40mph speed limit could potentially go ahead and is currently in validation.</p> <p>Lark Hill Road, Canewdon – horse warning signs and carriageway markings. This scheme was put forward to improve road safety – but only in the event that the speed limit reduction (above) was disallowed. In response to a query from Cllr Mrs Weston, DM advised that the option of a flashing horse warning sign had not been a part of the proposals. The matter could be raised with the County Member for this Division (Cllr Ioannou to be copied in).</p> <p>Priory Chase, Rayleigh – bollards on footway The Cabinet Member for Infrastructure had announced that some time in the future certain aspects, including bollards, will be devolved to Parish/Town Councils. Currently, the NALC had been asked to put forward Parish Councils who would be willing to undertake a trial.</p> <p>London Road, Rayleigh – Pedestrian crossing. The works may be included in an adjacent development – scheme to be put on hold until confirmation is received.</p>	<p>DM</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>Section 106 Update</p> <p>Sutton Road/Purdey’s Way – Passenger Transport</p>	

	It was noted that the parish is Sutton, not Ashingdon	
	<p>Speed Surveys The results of speed surveys completed would be provided to Members. A number of requests received during the summer holidays had been left until term time to be undertaken. A column showing details of speed surveys undertaken would be included in future reports.</p> <p>Lark Hill Road, Canewdon District and County Members have been informed.</p> <p>Survey points at Warner’s Bridge. These surveys were not being done by the LHP and, therefore, the LHP would not automatically have access to the data from them. S Church to find out whether Essex Highways has to give permission for private companies to undertake surveys on the highway.</p>	SC
9.	<p>Highway Rangers Update A full list of works is on the LHP webpage.</p> <p>Stambridge Road – Opposite Coombes Farm – overgrown vegetation (Page 1) Cllr Ioannou advised that this had been done, so could be removed from the list.</p> <p>Barrow Hall Road (Page 2) As this is 60mph it is outside the remit of the Rangers. Nothing getting done. The Rangers can clean the signs.</p> <p>Landwick before the entrance to Foulness An overgrown hedge has been reported but had not been trimmed. This should be raised with Member Enquiries as they will investigate and contact the resident.</p> <p>Footpath 22, Heron Gardens The PROW team was arranging for the contractor to undertake works.</p>	
10.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>The wigwag sign outside Barling school. The LHP revenue budget could be used to replace the school wigwag sign. A new location for the replacement sign may be appropriate and a solar panel unit would be put in if there is no electricity supply. To be discussed further after the meeting.</p>	

	<p>Reduction to 30 mph along Stambridge Road. A report had been submitted with supporting evidence from the Speedwatch team for a nine month period.</p> <p>Stambridge School Following a request from the headmaster for a crossing outside the school, an application to be submitted.</p> <p>Hall Road - speed survey. This is in the programme and an update from engineers will be provided. A Members' guide showing the criteria for speed limit reduction requests is on the LHP webpage.</p> <p>Buckingham Road – road markings. This would be forwarded to the maintenance team. Lights on the bollards flashing constantly is a maintenance issue.</p> <p>Pedestrian crossing, High Road, Hockley. This is in the programme - update to be provided.</p> <p>Church Road Cutting back the vegetation on the camera was not a Highways Rangers job. The issue of graffiti on the camera should be raised as a maintenance issue.</p>	
11.	<p>Dates of Next Meetings – 10 December 2018 and 18 March 2019.</p> <p>The meeting started at 2.00 pm and closed at 3.22 pm.</p>	