

25. **MATTERS ARISING**

None.

26. **WORK PLAN 2010/2011**

Arising from a discussion about the Work Plan 2010/11, Rosa Tanfield undertook to review the programme of works for the repair/maintenance of the old fashioned street lamps in Old Harlow and report back to Councillor Mike Garnett, in due course.

RESOLVED to note the Work Plan 2010/2011.

27. **PETITION**

A petition of 56 signatures was received objecting to the proposed closure of the pedestrian access between Gibb Croft and Sibneys Green.

The Panel noted that Harlow Council's Community Safety Team had contacted residents in January 2011 proposing that steps be taken to close the access as part of a number of measures being introduced to reduce anti-social behaviour in the area.

The lead petitioner confirmed that the successful introduction of other measures had now deemed the closure of the pedestrian unnecessary.

Arising from the discussion, the Panel also noted the comments regarding the lack of grounds maintenance along Fern Hill Lane, Joe McGill undertook to arrange for the works to be undertaken as a matter of urgency.

RESOLVED that no action would be taken regarding proposals to close the pedestrian access between Gibb Croft and Sibneys Green at the current time and that Joe McGill, in consultation with Officers from Harlow District Council's Community Safety Team, would review the situation in 6 months.

28. **HARLOW DISTRICT COUNCIL – 2010/11 PROGRAMME**

Rosa Tanfield, Highways Liaison Officer for Essex County Council, presented a report on the 2010/11 programme.

(a) **Safer Journeys to School Scheme**

Arising from a discussion about the Safer Journeys to School Scheme, Councillor John Strachan queried the need for further railings to be installed outside Kingsmoor School.

Rosa Tanfield undertook to review and report back to Councillor Strachan in due course.

(b) Quality Taxi Partnership

The Panel noted that the kerb and lining schemes proposed for Harlow Town Station and Playhouse Taxi Rank would not be completed in 2010/11 and that consideration would be given to them being added to the 2011/12 programme. Councillor Simon Carter requested that the Playhouse scheme be given priority over the Town Station scheme.

(c) Locally Determined Budget

The Panel noted that the £2.5k under-spend for 2010/11 had been allocated, taking into consideration the views of Harlow Councillors and the Chairman of the Panel, as follows:-

- (i) road markings at Katherine's Way, Southern Way and Water Lane;
- (ii) lining works at Katherine's Way, Southern Way and Water Lane;
- (iii) pedestrian survey at The Stow;
- (iv) pedestrian survey at Hamstel Way.

RESOLVED to note the report.

29. **HARLOW DISTRICT COUNCIL – 2011/12 PROGRAMME**

Rosa Tanfield presented a report on the proposed 2011/12 programme. The Panel noted that the budget allocation had not yet been confirmed.

(a) Maintenance & Traffic Improvement

The Panel noted that three responses had been received from Harlow District Council Members following the circulation of the proposed maintenance and traffic improvements programme for 2011/12.

Two of the responses were concerned with the poor state of repair of areas on Maddox Road. The Panel noted that the appropriate treatment for the defective areas would not be met by capital funding and that the maintenance team would endeavour to address isolated issues through revenue funding over the next 12months.

Councillor John Strachan identified an area on Commonsides Road in need of repair and undertook to discuss the matter with Rosa Tanfield after the meeting.

(b) Locally Determined Revenue Budget

The Panel received the list of proposed schemes and made the following comments:

- (1) Hamstel Road (pedestrian crossing) – high priority.
- (2) The Stow (pedestrian crossing) – Joe McGill, Rosa Tanfield and representatives from the Harlow Area Access Group to meet on site to review the issues and possible solutions.
- (3) Kings Moor Road (traffic calming measures) – Rosa Tanfield to seek support for the speeding issue to be addressed via enforcement.
- (4) Three Horseshoes Rd/Paycock Rd (mini roundabout) – low priority.
- (5) Abbotsweld (pedestrian crossing) – Rosa Tanfield to investigate installation of railings in place of the proposed pedestrian crossing.
- (6) Tendering Road (zebra crossing) – Rosa Tanfield to change proposal to pedestrian survey to be carried out once Passmores Secondary School has relocated). Low priority.
- (7) Moor Hall Road (VAS sign) – items 7 and 8 to be merged together. Speed Survey to be carried out to establish best solution.
- (8) Junction at Sheering Rd/Churchgate St (signage and traffic mirror) - items 7 and 8 to be merged together. Speed Survey to be carried out to establish best solution.
- (9) Church Langley Way/Kiln Lane (pedestrian crossing) – fencing to be installed, not a pedestrian crossing.
- (10) Harberts Road/Northbrooks junction (signage and markings) – unnecessary works. Remove from programme.
- (11) Fourth Ave junction with Hodling Rd/Helions Road (pedestrian crossing) – crossing not required. Remove from the programme.

RESOLVED to note the report.

30. **OLD HARLOW PARKING REVIEW**

The Panel received a verbal update on the parking issues in Old Harlow and noted that following the introduction of a number of Traffic Regulation Orders in the area, the issues would be reviewed in 6 months and reported back to the Panel, if appropriate.

RESOLVED to note the update.

31. **20MPH OUTSIDE SCHOOLS PILOT**

The Panel received a verbal report on the 20mph outside schools pilot scheme being introduced in various locations in Chelmsford.

RESOLVED to note the report.

32. **GUIDANCE NOTE – GRITTING PATHWAYS**

The Panel received the guidance note, for information.

33. **ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC**

(a) Localism Process

In response to a number of queries about the Highways Localism process, the Chairman outlined the process and advised the public to report any highways concerns to their local Councillor or directly to the Area Highways Office.

(b) Traffic Surveys

Rosa Tanfield undertook to provide advice to the representatives of Churchgate Street RA on how to undertake their own traffic survey.

(c) Fawbert & Barnard School

The Panel noted the request for railings to be installed outside the school.

(d) Tactile Guidance at Crossings

The Panel noted with concern the report from the Harlow Area Access Group that some of the tactile guidance at crossings in the Town was incorrect. Rosa Tanfield undertook to investigate and liaise with Peter Lainson from the Harlow Area Access Group.

(e) Old Harlow A Boards

Councillor Muriel Jolles raised an issue about A boards in Old Harlow High Street. Rosa Tanfield undertook to investigate and report back to Councillor Jolles in due course.

- (f) Mulberry Green Road
Councillor Muriel Jolles raised an issue regarding the lack of pavement along Mulberry Green Road, particularly near the bus stop. Rosa Tanfield undertook to investigate and report back to Councillor Jolles in due course.

34. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Panel would be held in June 2011 and that the details would be confirmed, by email, by Jane Smith in due course.

CHAIRMAN