

**MINUTES OF THE HARLOW LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL
HELD ON**

5 April 2018

2.00 - 2.58 pm

PRESENT

Committee Members

Councillor Eddie Johnson, Essex County Council (Chair)
Councillor Michael Garnett, Essex County Council
Councillor Michael E Hardware, Essex County Council
Councillor Clive Souter, Essex County Council
Councillor Danny Purton, Harlow District Council
Councillor Mike Danvers, Portfolio Holder for Resources

Officers

Rissa Long, Highways Liaison Officer, Essex County Council
Lisa Thornett, Corporate Governance Support Officer
Graeme Bloomer, Head of Place
Michael Kelly, Parking Services

Other Members

Councillor Tony Hall, Harlow District Council
Councillor Simon Carter, Harlow District Council

53. **INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES**

The Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting and invited Councillors and Officers to introduce themselves.

Apologies were received from Councillors Karen Clempner and Tony Durcan.

54. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

55. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING**

AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held 18 January 2018 are agreed as a correct record.

56. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Councillor Purton advised the panel that unfortunately, as the meeting last week had to be postponed, the residents who were attending to present the panel with the petition for Pennymead were unable to attend today's meeting.

Councillor Johnson, Chair of the panel advised that although they would happily accept the petition the correct process would be to present their

County Councillor with the petition to submit to the Cabinet Member at the County Council. It was agreed that Councillor Purton would forward all the information to Councillor Garnett to present to the Cabinet Member.

Councillor Carter asked the panel if it would be possible to place signage at the Pilkingtons junction in Church Langley, as it appears that motorists are ignoring that there is a cycle path there and therefore is a potential danger.

Councillor Johnson, advised the panel that many improvements had already been made to that junction, and would ask Officers to re-visit to assess.

Councillor Carter raised the issue of the entry and exit to Church Langley. He explained that should there be any issue at Hastingwoods or surrounding roads, this causes major traffic congestion in Church Langley to the point that the traffic comes to a standstill for hours.

Councillor Johnson advised that this was out of the scope of the Highways Panel, however he did advise that he had been invited to a meeting with David Sprunt and other Strategic Members. He is hoping that this meeting would be held over the next couple of week and he will report back to the panel.

57. **APPROVED WORKS PROGRAMME.**

LHAR162009 – Fourth Avenue junction with North Gate roundabout works.

Members had been sent options for the scheme and agreed that option two would be the best and would appreciate it if the scheme was given priority.

LHAR172004 –Pottersfield – Congestion Parking

Members agreed that this scheme would be pushed toward the latter part of the year to enable the works to be completed without demobilising on site. Members agreed that the balance of the works would be funded from the 2018-19 budget.

Councillor Garnett had requested a traffic survey for Churchgate Street and would like to know the results. Rissa Long advised Councillor Garnett that she would look into this and forward any results to him,

58. **POTENTIAL SCHEME LIST**

Rissa Long advised the panel that all money for the coming year had been allocated however should any money become available the panel could choose from the P2 schemes to prioritise.

LHAR172006 – Old Road Junction with Cambridge Road.

Councillor Garnett advised the panel that something needed to be done at this junction. He advised that there was some mention of cutting the Road in half to alleviate this problem and he would be chasing this with David Sprunt.

Rissa advised that she would also speak to the ITS team who deal with traffic signals to see if traffic lights with a left turn filter could be installed.

59. **HIGHWAYS RANGERS**

Rissa Long explained that the schemes shown on page 37 of the agenda were all completed by the rangers, however she is still awaiting for Officers from the Council to advise if there are any more that need to be included.

Councillor Garnett was pleased that the work had been completed in the High Street, however, he did ask if the bollards could be reinstated to prevent traffic entering the High Street. Rissa advised that she would look into this and assist where possible.

60. **SECTION 106 SCHEMES**

None

61. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

62. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting will be confirmed as soon as the Council Diary has been confirmed. Councillor Johnson will inform members by email of the dates.

CHAIR OF THE PANEL