

HARLOW LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL MINUTES – 12 JANUARY 2021 AT 10AM

ZOOM ONLINE

 Chairman:
 Councillor Eddie Johnson, ECC

 Panel Members:
 Councillor Mike Garnett, ECC
Councillor Michael Hardware, ECC
Councillor Clive Souter, ECC
Councillor Tony Edwards, Harlow Council

 Officers:
 Sonia Church – Highways Liaison Manager, Essex Highways
Ian Henderson, Essex Highways
Matt Lane, ECC
Rissa Long – Highways Liaison Officer, Essex Highways

 Secretariat:
 Adam Rees – Governance Support Officer, Harlow Council

Item		Owner
1.	Welcome and Introductions: The Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting and invited Councillors and Officers to introduce themselves.	
2.	Declarations of interest: None.	
3.	Minutes of meeting held on 8 September 2020 to be agreed as correct record:	
4.	Matters Arising from Minutes of the previous meeting: In response to a question by Councillor Edwards about Northgate Roundabout, the Chair said that it was Harlow Council's responsibility to maintain the roundabout. The scheme which the panel funded to restore the roundabout was a like for like replacement so should not have impacted the ability to maintain it. He would report the broken lamppost on Councillors Edward's behalf.	
	In reply to a question by Councillor Edwards about the Momples Road junction with First Avenue, Rissa Long, Highways Liaison Officer, said that options were being explored and these included banning right turns.	
5.	Presentations from Essex Highways and Essex County Council: Ian Henderson set out some of the requirements before casualty reduction schemes were considered. He then said that there had been a number of slight collisions at the Hamburger Roundabout caused by traffic not slowing sufficiently. To help rectify this, both	



	enhanced traffic lights and signs advising of queues were being explored as options.	
	There had also been a number of collisions on Mowbray Road, which were often caused by parked vehicles creating poor visibility. They were looking to implement a no waiting at any time restriction on this junction.	
	Matt Lane explained that his role was to respond to planning applications on behalf of Essex Highways. He said that Section 106 funding needed to be directly related to the impact of a scheme and be specific.	
	Sonia Church, Highways Liaison Manager, said that Councillors could assist by identifying potential schemes in advance of applications being received. This meant that when applications were received, potential schemes could already be identified which would strengthen any request for Section 106 funding.	
6.	Report on Funded Rissa Long said that due to savings on other schemes, the Muskham Road scheme was now able to progress.	
7.	Report on Schemes Awaiting Funding Rissa Long explained that the allocation of funding would take place at the March meeting. She added that due to the current Covid-19 restrictions surveys couldn't be carried out.	
8.	AOB None.	
9.	Date of next meeting: 24 March 2021.	