

## MALDON DISTRICT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL MINUTES

**TUESDAY 29 MARCH 2022 at 09:15hrs**

### REMOTE MEETING

<b>Chairman:</b>	Councillor M F L Durham
<b>Panel Members:</b>	Essex County Council – Councillor J Fleming, Councillor W Stamp Maldon District Council – Councillor M R Edwards, A L Hull, R H Siddall Parish Council Representative – Mr J Anderson
<b>Officers:</b>	Charlotte O’Connell - Highway Liaison Officer Jon Simmons – Highways Liaison Manager Justin Styles – Design Manager
<b>Secretariat:</b>	Charlotte Elderton – Maldon District Council

Item		Owner
1.	<p><b>Welcome and Introductions:</b></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed all Members to the remote meeting of the Maldon District Local Highways Panel and advised on the protocol for today’ meeting. Individual introductions were given.</p> <p>Cllr Durham advised that the next panel meeting will be held in the Council Chamber at Maldon District Council Offices. Confirmation of date and time will be circulated.</p>	<b>Chairman</b>
2.	<p><b>Apologies for absence:</b></p> <p>There were no apologies for absence received for today’s meeting.</p>	<b>All</b>
3.	<p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2021 were received and confirmed.</p>	<b>All</b>
4.	<p><b>Matters Arising from Minutes of the previous meeting: 10 December 2021</b></p>	<b>All</b>

	<p><u>Fambridge Road, Maldon (Limebrook Way RAB to Royal Oak P/H) – Footpath</u> – Cllr Fleming will provide an update on today’s agenda following discussion with the landowner.</p> <p><u>Appleton’s Bridge</u> – Information had been forwarded to Cllr Durham but Charlotte O’Connell will share the information with all members. <b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell will forward the information relating to Appleton’s Bridge to all members of the LHP.</b></p> <p><u>Wood Road, Heybridge 20mph</u> – The speed survey has been completed. <b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell will share the outcome of the speed surveys with Cllr Edwards.</b></p>															
<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>Report on Funded Schemes – 2021/22:</b></p> <p>Charlotte O’Connell drew members attention to page 12 of the agenda pack which gives an overview of the budget summary for this year and what makes up the funding for 2022/23.</p> <p><b>LHP Funding 2022/23</b></p> <table data-bbox="292 996 1093 1272"> <tr> <td>LHP funding 2022/23</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reduction for Countywide Casualty Reduction Schemes</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£29,250</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Sub-Total</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>£170,750</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>LHP additional funding 2021/22</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Re-profiled funding from 2021/22</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£131,269</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LHP additional funding 2022/23</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£200,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>£602,019</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>It was noted that included in the budget is the funding to the casualty reduction schemes, it has been agreed that all Highways panels across the County would donate some money into a central fund to cover these schemes. The amount varies for each panel and any additional schemes under this umbrella would not come from our core funding but from the central pot.</p> <p>The Highways Liaison Officer drew Members attention to page 8 of the report.</p> <p><b>Budget Summary 2021/22</b></p> <p>Capital Budget - £200,000  Additional Capital Funding - £200,000  Safer Roads Schemes - £35,250  Estimated Value of other Commissioned Schemes - £179,500</p> <p>For ease of reference those schemes shaded green denoted that they are now complete.</p>	LHP funding 2022/23	£200,000	Reduction for Countywide Casualty Reduction Schemes	£29,250	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>£170,750</b>	LHP additional funding 2021/22	£100,000	Re-profiled funding from 2021/22	£131,269	LHP additional funding 2022/23	£200,000	<b>Total</b>	<b>£602,019</b>	
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<p><b>Traffic Management</b></p> <p>Members reviewed those schemes denoted green and agreed to proceed with funding the following:</p> <p><u>Item 8 – Little Totham Parish – Gateway Feature</u>  <u>Item 10 - Vicarage Road, Tillingham - Traffic Management Improvements</u>  <u>Item 16 - West Street, Tollesbury - Traffic Management Improvements</u>  <u>Item 27 - Southminster Road, Asheldham - Bend Improvements</u> – It was agreed to push for the design to be completed in a timely manner with the hope of getting this completed in the next financial year.</p> <p>The schemes shaded amber indicate those schemes that are awaiting the outcome of the speed management strategy.</p> <p>Members reviewed those schemes denoted red with the following comments:</p> <p><u>Item 2 - Fambridge Road, Maldon (Limebrook Way RAB to Royal Oak P/H) – Footpath</u> – Cllr Fleming has spoken to the landowner who sold the land to Taylor Wimpey. Within the new housing, the footway stops short of joining with Hazeleigh. The landowner agreed to a permissive path to connect to Hazeleigh but the Parish would now like to see this turned into a Public Right of Way which will require the purchase of land.  <b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell will investigate, change the status to amber and provide an update at the next meeting.</b></p> <p><u>Item 9 - Hackman's Lane, Cock Clarks – VAS</u> – Following the speed surveys, this scheme did not meet the criteria for funding for a VAS via the LHP. The Parish can apply for their own VAS in line with the new policy.  <b>Action: Item to be removed.</b></p> <p><u>Item 38 - Wick Road/ Ramblers Way – Parking</u> – This item has been referred to South Essex Parking Partnership.  <b>Action: Item to be removed.</b></p> <p><u>Item 40 - Basin Road, Maldon - Convex Mirrors</u> – ECC do not support applications for mirrors. Cllr Edwards has communicated this to the Parish Council.  <b>Action: Item to be removed.</b></p> <p>A review of the schemes in validation was held and comments noted:</p> <p><u>Item 42 &amp; 44 – Wood Road, Heybridge</u> – These are the same scheme.</p>	
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<p><b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell will update the records, removing the duplication.</b></p> <p><u>Item 4 – Limebrook Way, Maldon – Speed Reduction – MP John Whittingdale</u> organised a meeting with Cllr Scott and Cllr Fleming attended. A CMA is required which Cllr Scott supports. <b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell will progress the CMA.</b></p> <p><u>Item 6 - Mill Road, Maldon – Signage –</u> The design team will investigate the measures and provide an update. The speed survey results have now been returned.</p> <p><u>Item 22 – Tolleshunt Major Village – Speeding –</u> The speed data shows good compliance. <b>Action: Item to be shaded red, for review at the June meeting.</b></p> <p><u>Item 23 - Cold Norton Road, Latchingdon - Traffic Management Improvements -</u> The speed data shows good compliance. <b>Action: Item to be shaded red, for review at the June meeting</b></p> <p><u>Item 29 - Station Road/ Alexandra Junction – Signage –</u> Cllr Anderson raised concern on the parking within this junction. It was recommended that he contact South Essex Parking Partnership.</p> <p><u>Items 33 - Tiptree Road – Speeding and Item 34 - Asheldham Brook Bridge – Signage –</u> These items are not within the Maldon District. <b>Action: Charlotte O’Connell to update the data with the correct Division.</b></p> <p><b>Walking</b></p> <p>Members reviewed those schemes denoted green and agreed to proceed with funding the following:</p> <p><u>Item 2 – Blacksmiths Lane, Wickham Bishops - Footway Improvements</u> <u>Item 3 - Marsh Road and Larkswood Estate, Tillingham - Footway Improvements</u></p> <p>Members reviewed those schemes denoted red with the following comments:</p> <p><u>Item 1 - Wycke Hill, Maldon - Crossing Improvements –</u> Cllr Fleming raised concerns that there is a funding gap within the South Maldon Relief Road so concern that this will not be implemented as part of that work. It was noted that this would not be something that can be funded as part of the LHP and that if the scheme is removed, it does not mean that it can't be revisited in the future. Members voted, with 3</p>	
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	<p>members agreeing to remove the scheme and 3 wishing for it to remain. As chair of the LHP Cllr Durham had the deciding vote. <b>Action: This item to be removed.</b></p> <p><u>Item 5 - The Drive, Mayland - Zebra Crossing - PV2</u> and speed results indicate that the criteria for a Zebra crossing is not met, speeds and pedestrians crossing are very low. Results have been issued to the County Member. <b>Action: Item to be removed.</b></p> <p><b>Passenger Transport</b></p> <p>Members reviewed those schemes denoted green and agreed to proceed with funding the following:</p> <p><u>Item 2 - Maldon Road, Great Braxted - Public Transport Improvements</u></p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Bus stop applications are on hold subject to a County wide audit, whilst they are on hold this should not stop new applications from being submitted.</p> <p>Charlotte O’Connell confirmed that we had funded £109,000, which leaves nearly £400,000 still to allocate. The panel will need to commit to as much funding as possible at the June meeting.</p> <p>Discussion was held around the process of the panel, frustration from Parishes / members due to the length of the process and rejections from the Panel. Cllr Durham / Cllr Scott will be attending Wickham Bishop’s Parish Council meeting to explain the process. It should be noted that applications are only rejected for valid reasons, just because a scheme is rejected doesn’t mean that it can’t be revisited to see if an alternative option could assist and meet the desired outcome.</p> <p>Cllr Stamp queried if bollards would come under the remit of the panel and it was confirmed that it would. The schemes that have been submitted have now been added and are within the validation stage.</p> <p>Cllr Fleming queried Item 8 on the walking schemes Victoria Road, Maldon, Signage. This was not about signage but a one-way street.</p> <p>Cllr Hull asked the panel about the speed restrictions on Maldon Road. <b>Action: Cllr Hull to email the details to Charlotte O’Connell to review and respond.</b></p>	

	Charlotte O'Connell advised that she is happy to arrange site visits on current schemes / potential schemes and is always happy to try and assist with alternative options for schemes that may have been rejected.	
<b>9.</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b> Friday 10 June 2022 at 10:30 a.m.	

The meeting closed at 10:55 a.m.