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PART A - FORWARD DIARY

Key to abbreviations:

| | | | |
|------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| CC | Council Chamber | Cab Off | Cabinet Office |
| CR1 | Committee Room 1 | CONF | Conference Room (1st floor) |
| CR2 | Committee Room 2 | CH OFF | Chairman of Council's Office |
| MR | Members' Room | TR RM | Training Room |
| TBD | To be decided | HEM | Hemnal Street Offices. |
| TBN | To be noted | HH | Homefield House |
| TBC | To be confirmed | ESC | Epping Sports Centre |

Other venues are shown in full.

Week One: 8 April 2019 – 14 April 2019

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|-----------------------|------------------|--|--|-----------|
| Monday 8 April | | Joint Consultative Committee - Cancelled | | |
| Tuesday 9 April | 7.00pm | Youth Council | | CC |
| Wednesday 10 April | 6.30pm 7.30pm | Briefing – Area Plans Sub-Committee West Area Planning Sub-Committee West | | CR1 CC |
| Thursday 11 April | 7.00pm | Cabinet | | CC |
| Friday 12 April | | | | |
| Saturday 13 April | | | | |
| Sunday 14 April | | | | |

Week Two: 15 April 2019 – 21 April 2019

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| Monday 15 April | 6.00pm | Candidate and Agent Information Evening | | CC |
| Tuesday 16 April | 7.30pm | Overview and Scrutiny Committee | | CC |
| Wednesday 17 April | 6.30pm 7.30pm | Briefing – Area Plans Sub-Committee South Area Planning Sub-Committee South | | CR1 CC |
| Thursday 18 April | 7.00pm | Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee | | CC |
| Friday 19 April | | | | |
| Saturday 20 April | | | | |
| Sunday 21 April | | | | |

Week Three: 22 April 2019 – 28 April 2019

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|-----------------------|--------|---------------------|--|----|
| Monday 22 April | | | | |
| Tuesday 23 April | | | | |
| Wednesday 24 April | 2.30pm | Licensing Committee | | CC |
| Thursday 25 April | 7.30pm | Council | | CC |
| Friday 26 April | | | | |
| Saturday 27 April | | | | |
| Sunday 28 April | | | | |

Week Four: 29 April 2019 – 5 May 2019

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| Monday 29 April | | | | |
| Tuesday 30 April | | | | |
| Wednesday 1 May | | | | |
| Thursday 2 May | | Elections | | |
| Friday 3 May | | | | |
| Saturday 4 May | | | | |
| Sunday 5 May | | | | |

PART B - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Committee Management System

The members' extranet facility for the Modern.Gov system is available at:

<https://eppingforestextranet.moderngov.co.uk/extranet>

Members may wish to save this link on their computer or mobile devices. Queries concerning login and password details for the extranet should be addressed to the Democratic Services Manager.

Constitution

The Council's Constitution is available at:

<https://rds.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=638&Info=1>

Queries concerning the Constitution should be addressed to the Democratic Services Manager

PART C - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. TFL CENTRAL LINE INFORMATION PUBLISHED TO EFDC WEBSITE

Members approached for information regarding the TfL Central Line track maintenance project between Chigwell and Grange Hill may wish to know that scheme details and enquiry contact points have been published on the Epping Forest District Council website here <https://www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/parking-and-travel/central-line-maintenance/>

The publication follows agreement by the Council to facilitate communications between TfL and residents and is not intended to represent the views or policies of the Council. The following disclaimer has been included to explain the Council's independent role.

Disclaimer - The following information has been reproduced by Epping Forest District Council to facilitate communication and understanding between Transport for London and residents during the programme of construction works to the Central Line between Grange Hill and Chigwell. The information, views and opinions on this webpage are those of Transport for London, and do not necessarily reflect the position or policies of Epping Forest District Council or any other organisation. As such the District Council is not responsible for this content including any discrepancies, errors or omissions.

(Further information: Tom Carne ext 4039)

2. ESSEX POLICE, FIRE & CRIME COMMISSIONER (PFCC) PRESENTATION

The Deputy PFCC, Jane Gardner, will be giving a presentation to all Members on Thursday 11th April 2019 starting at 5.30pm in the Council Chamber, just before the Cabinet meeting at 7pm. The presentation is due to last about an hour from 5.30 to 6.30pm.

The presentation will be about the PFCC's priorities and Crime Plan, which will likely include the Violence and Vulnerability Framework.

All Members are welcome to attend. If you have any questions you would specifically like answered, you can send them to Adrian Hendry (ahendry@eppingforestdc.gov.uk) and he will pass them on to the PFCC so that they can prepare an answer.

(Further Information: Adrian Hendry ext 4246 or Julie Chandler ext 4214)

3. HIGHWAYS HIGHLIGHTS BULLETIN (Pages 13 - 16)

The monthly bulletin issued by Essex County Council's Cabinet Member for Infrastructure is attached for the information of members.

(Further information: Steve Tautz ext 4180)

4. CHAIRMAN'S DIARY (Pages 17 - 18)

Please see attached.

LICENSING ACT 2003

Please be advised that the Licensing Unit has received the following applications for New Premises Licence made under the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises below:

Applicant name: Sam Cottrell Address of Premises: Church Field, High Ongar Road, High Ongar, Essex CM5 9LZ

Brief details of the natures of the application:

One day event on Saturday 31st August 2019

The Sale by Retail of Alcohol Saturday 12.00 – 23.00

The Provision of Recorded Music Saturday 12.00 – 23.00

Opening Times of the Premises Saturday 12.00 – 23.00

Consultation Period From: 2nd April 2019

Officer in charge: Debbie Houghton

Please ensure that any comments/objections are received by the Licensing team on or before the consultation end date.

Manager
Licensing Officer

Kim Tuckey 01992 564034
Debbie Houghton 01992 564336

PLANNING

1. Appeals Lodged

None this week

2. Forthcoming Planning Inquiries/Hearings -

None this week

3. Enforcement Appeals

ENF/0233/18 – 10 Woodside Buckhurst Hill Essex IG9 5DR - Unauthorised construction of a flat roof extension with parapet wall

4. Appeal Decisions

EPF/0181/18 – Maltings Farm, Maltings Hill Church Road Moreton CM5 0JY - Outline planning application for removal of outbuildings and existing dwelling. Erection of three detached dwellings. Formation of new highway access and ancillary works – Allowed with conditions

EPF/1348/18 – 54 Kendal Avenue Epping Essex CM16 4PN - Demolition of existing 4 bed house. Construction of 3 storey block of flats consisting of 5, 2 bedrooms flats, with allocated parking, cycle store and bin store – Dismissed

EPF/1543/18 – 12 Farm Way Buckhurst Hill Essex IG9 5AH - Retrospective application for rear dormer – Dismissed

5. Tree Preservation Orders

None this week

6. S106 Agreements

None this week

7. Changes to Planning Systems

None this week

PROPOSED PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ACTION

None this week

It is important to note, that when enforcement action has been authorised, this includes any subsequent action under Part VII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, including a prosecution or an injunction.

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| Principal Planning Enforcement Officer | Jerry Godden | 01992 564498 |
| Senior Enforcement Officer | Clare Munday | 01992 564114 |
| Planning Enforcement Officers | Sharon Hart | 01992 564113 |
| | Jim Gordon | 01992 564530 |
| | Zara Seelig | 01992 564379 |
| | Mick Mooney | 01992 564713 |
| Compliance Officer | Shannon Murphy | 01992 564217 |

PART C - PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISIONS

The notification of decisions taken by individual Portfolio Holders is no longer included in the Council Bulletin.

All members of the Council receive automatic email notification of the publication of each individual Portfolio Holder decision and the call-in period for each decision commences immediately. Members wishing to call-in a decision should complete the attached call-in form and return it to Democratic Services before the expiry of five working days following the publication date of the decision. Members should refer to the Constitution (Article 6 - Overview and Scrutiny) for the rules of call-in.

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HIGHWAYS HIGHLIGHTS

Part of our work is to manage traffic on the public road network. Every Monday to Friday, from 6am until 8pm our Essex Traffic Control Centre uses a combination of traffic cameras, road sensors, police reports and other information to build up a picture of how well our roads are flowing.

Of course this is particularly valuable at rush hour - it only takes one accident to occur in a critical spot to quickly cause wider bottlenecks and delays.

Our County Hall-based team provides a valuable twitter-based service allowing users to get information in real-time; they also update the roadside information displays, provide information to broadcasters and, in some cases can make changes to traffic light timings and so on.

Since February, additional investment has allowed us to extend coverage to include Saturdays from 9am until 5.30pm, ensuring people shopping, visiting friends or family or simple crossing the county can get speedy incident information.

If you are a road-user, but aren't yet one of the 52,000 twitter followers @Essex_Travel has, why not consider joining those in the know?

LIVE ESSEX TRAFFIC UPDATES NOW EXTENDED TO SATURDAYS




Click to watch Cllr Bentley at the ETCC

COMMENT COUNCILLOR KEVIN BENTLEY

Deputy Leader,
Essex County Council
and Cabinet Member for
Infrastructure



We are now coming to the end of our Winter Service and although it has been a mild winter our crews have nonetheless been out during the night on a number of occasions.

I am sure you would join me in sending them our heartfelt thanks for a job well done especially as the gritters are out when most of us are tucked up in bed.

I have already written to County Members about the additional pavement scheme work, more details on how to record the information will come soon. I am anticipating it to be similar to the pothole scheme.

POTHOLES, PAVEMENTS AND DRAINS FIXED IN THE MONTH...

| DISTRICT | COUNTY ROUTES | LOCAL ROADS | PAVEMENT DEFECTS FIXED | DRAINS CLEARED |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| BASILDON | 17 | 50 | 18 | 1066 |
| BRAINTREE | 19 | 86 | 4 | 3833 |
| BRENTWOOD | 9 | 46 | 2 | Starts 1 April |
| CASTLE POINT | 11 | 102 | 5 | Cleanse complete |
| CHELMSFORD | 20 | 44 | 4 | 3409 |
| COLCHESTER | 28 | 55 | 19 | Completed previously |
| EPPING FOREST | 46 | 120 | 26 | 36 |
| HARLOW | 16 | 101 | 6 | 6163 |
| MALDON | 18 | 13 | 1 | Completed previously |
| ROCHFORD | 12 | 4 | 3 | Completed previously |
| TENDRING | 23 | 16 | 4 | Starts 1 April |
| UTTLESFORD | 16 | 56 | 1 | 2948 |
| TOTALS | 235 | 693 | 93 | 17455 |

POTHOLE REPAIRS CONTINUE AT PACE

The Member-led local pothole programme continues, alongside our routine asset-led repairs. Associated with the County Council Member-led programme we have now repaired over 5000 defects county-wide, and are in the process of repairing and arranging for over 800 defects specifically requested by Members. This programme will continue through to the end of May.

Beyond the programme, the main repair data for March is as above. It's worth understanding that we are now in a relatively good position pothole-wise across the county, not least because the winter weather has been milder this year. However, as we have a relatively low number of potholes now, it is likely that the trend for pothole numbers will increase over the next 12 months as our focus moves to more footway repairs and fewer carriageway pothole repairs.





HELP YOUNGER RIDERS IMPROVE THEIR SAFETY AND WIN A MOTORBIKE!

Do you or your residents know a motorbike rider up to age 25? If you do, why not let them know that they can win one of 2 great bikes, in a Safer Essex Roads Partnership competition to improve safety amongst this vulnerable road user group. Please pass on the web address at www.street-spirit.co.uk/ - you can find the competition, and its terms and conditions, there.



2018/19 DISTRICT HIGHWAYS BRIEFINGS SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED

Every year we offer information briefings to County Council Members to help develop understanding and awareness of how we deliver many of our highways services. For instance in early October we offer a Winter Service Briefing, covering how, why and where we grit; how we forecast and so on.

About two years ago we started to offer a further multi-topic highway briefing not only for County Council Members, but available to every local councillor at all Essex District, Borough and City councils. We worked with the EALC to deliver a similar briefing to more than 70 parish clerks and councillors.

In late February we completed our second round of briefings – we'd like to thank the host councils (Basildon, Chelmsford, Colchester and Harlow) for allowing us to use their facilities, and thank the councillors who attended, listened and asked questions. You can review the slide deck we used, online.

We are now reviewing attendance numbers, considering whether we resource a third round of briefings, and which further helpful topics we could cover.

HELP US HELP YOUR AREA - GREEN CLAIMS

Claims that the council makes against a third party who has damaged council equipment or assets are called 'Green Claims'.

Every year Essex Highways writes off more than half a million pounds because of damage, caused by members of the public, to things like bollards, streetlights and guardrails.

Help us to claim back money to pay for repairs, by reporting details of collisions or other damage to us. If someone reports the details we need, our Green Claims team at green.claims@essex.gov.uk can chase the driver's insurance company. We will treat all details confidentially.

THE KEY DATA THAT WE NEED IS:

- Location (as precise as possible)
- Description of item(s) damaged
- Date and time of incident
- Registration plate of vehicle Description of vehicle
- Photos of incident – best if a photo is included that shows vehicle at location of the damage



Bridge damage caused by collision, West Essex Road closed until repairs can be arranged

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Agenda Item 4

| Date | Event | Venue | Attending |
|-----------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Monday 8 April | Declaration Ceremony of the new High Sheriff | Country Hall, Chelmsford | Chairman of Council |
| Wednesday 24 April | Jack Petchey 'Speak Out' Challenge | Roding Valley High School | Chairman of Council |
| Sunday 28 April | National Scout Service & Parade | Windsor Castle | Chairman of Council |

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EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Notification of Call-In of Portfolio Holder Decision under Paragraphs 45-52 of Article 6 (Overview & Scrutiny) of the Constitution

This form must be signed and completed and the original returned to the Proper Officer in person no later than the fifth working day following the publication of the decision to be called-in

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| Decision to be called-in: |
| Decision reference: |
| Portfolio: |
| Description of decision: |
| Reason for call-in |

Members requesting call-in
(3 members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or 5 other members)

| Members Name: | Signed: |
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| Lead member: | |
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| Office Use Only: Date Received: | |

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