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# **COUNCIL**

# ***BULLETIN***

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## PART A - FORWARD DIARY

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### Key to abbreviations:

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

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Other venues are shown in full.

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**Week One: 23 December 2019 – 29 December 2019**

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Monday 23 December			
Tuesday 24 December		Civic Offices Close at Midday	
Wednesday 25 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Thursday 26 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Friday 27 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Saturday 28 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Sunday 29 December		Civic Offices Closed	

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**Week Two: 30 December 2019 – 5 January 2020**

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Monday 30 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Tuesday 31 December		Civic Offices Closed	
Wednesday 1 January		Civic Offices Closed	
Thursday 2 January			
Friday 3 January			
Saturday 4 January			
Sunday 5 January			

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### Week Three: 6 January 2019 – 12 January 2020

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Monday 6 January	7.00pm	Cabinet	CC
Tuesday 7 January	10.00am 7.00pm	Licensing Sub Committee Epping Forest Youth Council	CC CC
Wednesday 8 January		<del>Area Planning Sub Committee East</del> - Cancelled	
Thursday 9 January		<del>Treasury Management</del> - Cancelled	
Friday 10 January			
Saturday 11 January			
Sunday 12 January			

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### Week Four: 13 January 2019 – 19 January 2020

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Monday 13 January			
Tuesday 14 January	7.00pm	Stronger Council Select Committee	CC
Wednesday 15 January	5.00pm 6.30pm 7.30pm	Epping Forest Local Highway Panel Briefing - Area Planning Sub Committee West Area Planning Sub Committee West	CR2 CR1 CC
Thursday 16 January	7.00pm	Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee	CC
Friday 17 January			
Saturday 18 January			
Sunday 19 January			

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## PART B - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

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### **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?CIId=638&Info=1>

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

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## **PART C - GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**1. FINAL BULLETIN OF 2019**

Please note that this is the final Bulletin of 2019.

The next edition will be published week commencing 6 January 2020.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**2. POLICING PRECEPT SURVEY 2019 (Pages 11 - 12)**

Please see attached.

**3. ECC HIGHWAYS HIGHLIGHTS (Pages 13 - 16)**

Please see attached.

**4. ECC TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVE MEETINGS MARCH 2020 (Pages 17 - 20)**

Please see attached.

**5. AREA PLANS EAST 8 JANUARY 2020 - MEETING CANCELLED**

Please be advised that this meeting has been cancelled owing to lack of business.

(Further information: Vivienne Messenger ext 4265)

**6. WASTE MANAGEMENT TASK & FINISH PANEL - EXTRA MEETING 13 FEBRUARY 2020**

Following the meeting held on 16 December 2019, members asked for an extra meeting to allow officers' time to collate data and complete additional work. This has been scheduled for Thursday 13 February 2020 at 19.00.

(Further information: Vivienne Messenger ext 4265)

**7. CHAIRMAN'S DIARY (Pages 21 - 22)**

Please see attached.

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## LICENSING ACT 2003

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None this week

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## PLANNING

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### 1. Appeals Lodged

EPF/1242/19 – 36 Luxford Place Sheering Essex CM21 9JB - Proposed two storey side extension with associated internal and external works – Frances Saayeng ext. 4161 – Householder appeal

EPF/1574/19 – 38 Woolhampton Way Chigwell Essex IG7 4QH - Proposed single and part double storey rear extension with part demolition of the existing garage – Muhammed Rahman ext. 4415 – Householder appeal

### 2. Forthcoming Planning Inquiries/Hearings -

Hearing – 28 January 2020 – EPF/1649/17 - White Rose Curtis Mill Lane Stapleford Abbots Essex RM4 1HS - Material change in use of land to provide for stationing of caravans for residential occupation by Gypsy family with associated hardstanding, fencing/gate, septic tank, gas tank (retrospective) – Sukhdeep Jhooti ext. 4298

### 3. Enforcement Appeals

None this week

### 4. Appeal Decisions

ENF/0233/19 – 10 Woodside Buckhurst Hill IG9 5DR - Unauthorised construction of a flat roof extension with parapet wall – Enforcement appeal dismissed but Varied

EPF/1067/18 – The Fencing Centre Pecks Hill Nazeing EN9 2NY - Outline application for residential development for 33 dwellings all matters reserved except closure of existing access and creation of a new access point onto Pecks Hill – Dismissed

EPF/2483/18 – 48 Russell Road Buckhurst Hill IG9 5QE - Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 5 flats – Dismissed

EPF/2797/19 – Land adj. 33 Maypole Drive Chigwell IG7 6DE - Construction of new four bedroomed detached dwelling house – Dismissed

### 5. Tree Preservation Orders

TPO/EPF/17/19 - 2 Hill Road, Theydon Bois – Effective from 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

### 6. S106 Agreements

None this week

### 7. Changes to Planning Systems

None this week



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## **PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISIONS**

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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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**From:** Police Fire and Crime Commissioner Essex <[PFCC@essex.police.uk](mailto:PFCC@essex.police.uk)>

**Sent:** 13 December 2019 14:18

**Subject:** Policing Precept Survey 2019

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Dear Colleagues,

## **Paying for Policing #MakeADifference**

Thanks to your strong support, we have rebuilt the resources of Essex Police with 150 extra officers being recruited, trained and deployed in 2018-2019, and a further 218 currently being recruited. This extra strength is going predominately into local policing with the introduction of new town centre teams, a business crime team, growing the Rural Engagement Team and towards the end of the year, the introduction of 21 extra Children and Young People Officers.

Combined with the 135 officers being funded by the Government as part of the first wave of the 20,000 extra officers, it means we will be recruiting 503 extra officers by April 2021. Taking into account recent investments in technology and improved efficiency this will make Essex Police as strong as it has ever been.

In the most recent HMICFRS inspection, Essex Police has been found to be 'good' and we expect to see further improvements in this rating. This has been achieved while still being the second lowest funded force in the country. Essex Police is efficient and effective and continues to focus on identifying better ways to protect the public and use the resources we have wisely.

Over the last two years I carried out surveys asking whether or not residents would pay more to increase investment in policing in Essex. Last year 4187 people completed the survey and 71 per cent of the people who responded said they would be prepared to invest more in policing to help improve the service provided.

Prior to the setting of the policing precept for 2020-2021, I am again asking for residents' views to help inform my approach. The survey will be launched on Monday, December 16 and I would ask you to encourage as many people as possible to complete it. People can fill in the survey online via this link: <https://www.essex.pfcc.police.uk/policing-precept-survey-2019/>

Hard copies are also available. People can contact my office on 01245 291600 or email [pfcc@essex.police.uk](mailto:pfcc@essex.police.uk) to request a copy. People can also write to PFCC for Essex, Kelvedon Park, London Road, Rivenhall, Witham, Essex, CM8 3HB.

The survey will close at midnight on Sunday, January 12.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Roger Hirst  
Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex

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# HIGHWAYS HIGHLIGHTS



As 2019 nears the end of the road, the sheer variety and scope of highways activity this year has been exceptional.

It's amazing when you stand back and consider everything that goes on in this service, which everyone depends on. Since January, Highways Highlights has covered topics focussing on critical service areas.

Whether it has been Member-led opportunities to request additional repairs to potholes or pavements, the introduction of devolution to parish and town councils, the extension of Essex Traffic Control Centre opening hours or one of the many technical innovations or process efficiencies we have trialled and introduced, each will improve services for road users in Essex.

We have also used video and social media more than ever this year to bring news and updates to you – so in that same vein, we have a video message from the Cabinet Infrastructure Team led by Cllr Kevin Bentley.



## 2019: A VERY BUSY YEAR





## COMMENT COUNCILLOR KEVIN BENTLEY

DEPUTY LEADER,  
ESSEX COUNTY  
COUNCIL  
AND CABINET  
MEMBER FOR  
INFRASTRUCTURE

**What a year it has been!**  
The video enclosed in this magazine highlights some of the work Essex Highways has undertaken during the past months to bring real improvements and embrace new and emerging technologies in this sector.

I'd like to thank all Councillors at every level of local government in Essex as well as members of the public for reporting defects. We do get to them as fast as humanly possible and we do prioritise the most important defects first.

May I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



## STREETLIGHT DUPLICATION PROJECT

**Essex Highways is now taking action to switch off some street lights where they perform no useful function and waste energy. For many years we have been over-lighting some areas.**

These are simply duplicated lights in the same small area where, for example, a road was built and lit many years ago and then, at a later date, a separate footway or cycleway has been added nearby with further lighting independently designed. This means that we have ended up with two or more lights illuminating almost identical areas.

We now plan to switch off the small proportion of duplicates we identify.

Cllr Bentley said: "Our move will not greatly reduce light or affect safety.

It means that we will not be burning lights that are unnecessary and ensures we are doing all we can to reduce carbon emissions, helping with our climate change work.

"Each county councillor will be notified of lights to be switched off before we do so, in case there are any particular circumstances they are aware of. Safety will not be compromised."



**With the Member-led footway repair programme now well under way, the highways engineers co-ordinating the works have been busy crunching the numbers as well as fixing the problems.**

The good news is that by working efficiently, some additional capacity for further repairs has emerged. This means that County Members have been invited to add two further footway repair requests to their list for repairs to be considered, so long as their extra requests are submitted by the end of December.

Although we are now in the season of worst weather and holidays, work will continue right through to March.

## TAKE TWO





## POTHoles, PAVEMENTS AND DRAINS FIXED IN THE MONTH...

Potholes fixed per district/city/borough in October are as listed below: When considering these numbers, remember that there are many more miles of road in Uttlesford than in Harlow, for example, and the balance of types of road (main, secondary, local) are different too, so a direct comparison is misleading.

All drains in Maldon District were finished last month. In November we have continued to clean drains on local roads in urban areas of Chelmsford. In Uttlesford, Braintree and Brentwood we are carrying out “risk based cleaning” – working on drains where we know from experience there is a higher risk of them being blocked with debris and flooding resulting. Total cleanse this month (October) across the County 17,272.

DISTRICT	COUNTY ROUTES	LOCAL ROADS	PAVEMENT DEFECTS FIXED	DRAINS CLEARED
BASILDON	8	10	127	
BRAINTREE	13	22	20	12559
BRENTWOOD	3	10	26	
CASTLE POINT	2	6	10	
CHELMSFORD	8	40	32	1666
COLCHESTER	12	25	34	
EPPING FOREST	20	35	14	3047
HARLOW	6	34	2	
MALDON	22	16	22	
ROCHFORD	9	10	74	
TENDRING	7	13	13	
UTTLESFORD	16	34	11	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>17272</b>

# NEW WINTER WEAPONS

Re-furbished salt barns, hyper-local “route-based forecasting” and a trial of Sat-Nav-linked automatic spreading make us even better prepared for freezing weather this year.

The automatic salting makes it more accurate, better adapted to different parts of the route, saves some salt and above all makes the work safer for the driver and other road users, as he can concentrate on driving without pressing any buttons and checking the spreading.



## SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM ESSEX HIGHWAYS

We'll be preparing the way for Santa's sleigh...



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**From:** Passenger Transport [<mailto:Passenger.Transport@essex.gov.uk>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 11, 2019 4:32 PM

**Subject:** FW: Transport Representative Meetings March 2020

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Dear Stakeholder

## **Essex County Council Transport Meetings March 2020**

I am pleased to advise we have organised the next round of Transport Meetings for March 2020 and representatives from Essex County Council's Integrated Passenger Transport Unit (IPTU) invite you to attend. Please see the list of meetings together with the agenda (attached).

You may attend any meeting location, however it is important that you confirm which meeting you wish to attend. For venues where we do not receive sufficient interest, we will be unable to dedicate resource and any venues with less than 6 attending are likely to be cancelled. Please respond to confirm your attendance and we appreciate notification of non-attendance if applicable at a later date. Responses must be received by **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** to: [passenger.transport@essex.gov.uk](mailto:passenger.transport@essex.gov.uk)

We fully appreciate the feedback we received from the previous meetings. It is clear there is a lack of interest in receiving updates about the IPTU wider transport projects and that placing emphasis on matters relating to the Local Bus Network is of most interest. We will therefore no longer provide a presentation on wider projects but will include updates with the meeting action points for your information.

As always, bus operators will be invited to the meetings in order to provide an update - we know that this part of the meeting is welcomed by attendees. However, we must emphasise that there will be no opportunity at the meetings to raise day to day operational issues that should have been reported directly to the Operator at the time.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and appreciate your understanding that we do need a response in order to plan for the meetings to go ahead.

Wishing you "Seasons Greetings" and a healthy and happy New Year.

## **Agenda March 2020 Transport Meetings**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Outcome of Evening & Sunday Services Consultation  
December 2018
3. Operator updates
4. Update on Local Essex County Council Services
5. Date of next meeting and close

**March 2020**

**Note: Transport Meetings 10.00 – 12.00**

<b>District</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Maldon	Tuesday 03 March	Council Chamber Maldon District Council Offices Council Offices, Princes Road, <b>Maldon</b> CM9 5DL
Castlepoint/Rochford/Rayleigh	Wednesday 04 March	Rayleigh Town Council The Pavilion King George V Playing Field Bull Lane <b>Rayleigh</b> SS6 8JD
Colchester and Tendring	Friday 06 March	The Grand Jury Room Colchester Town Hall High Street <b>Colchester</b> CO1 1PJ
Braintree	Monday 09 March	The Courtauld Gallery Braintree Town Hall, Market Square, <b>Braintree</b> CM7 3YG
Epping Forest & Harlow	Tuesday 10 March	Epping Town Council Large Conference Room, St John's Road, <b>Epping</b> CM16 5JU
Chelmsford/Basildon	Wednesday 11 March	Room E2A Essex County Council County Hall <b>Chelmsford</b> CM1 1QH
Brentwood	Monday 16 March	The Council Chamber Town Hall Ingrave Road <b>Brentwood</b> CM15 8AY
Uttlesford	Thursday 19 March	The Committee Room, Saffron Walden Town Council, Market Place, Saffron Walden CB10 1HL

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# Agenda Item 7

## Chairman's Events December

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Attending</b>
Sunday 22 December	LB Havering Civic Carol Service	St Edward the Confessor Church, Romford	Chairman
Tuesday 24 December	Chigwell Menorah Lighting	Brook Parade, Chigwell	Chairman
Wednesday 25 December	Churches together in Epping - Christmas Dinner	Church of the Immaculate Conception, Epping	Chairman

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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*

<b>Decision to be called-in:</b>
<b>Decision reference:</b>
<b>Portfolio:</b>
<b>Description of decision:</b>
<b>Reason for call-in</b>

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

Members Name:	Signed:
<b>Lead member:</b>	
Office Use Only: Date Received:	

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