Date	Date of reply	Asker	Responder	Question	Reply
06/09/2022	13/09/2022	Cllr Dave Harris	Cllr Lee Scott	Request for a road to be included in an early year for resurface Could I repeat my call for Eldred Ave to be included in the programme for resurface The road is dire and needs urgent attention could this be added please	I can confirm that Essex Highways are aware of issues with Eldred Avenue, Colchester. Machine Surfacing work for this location is on the forward programme of works, however it is not included within the coming years programme. This is a local road so is inspected on an annual basis every March, the last inspection took place on 3rd March 2022, where no actionable defects were found by the inspector. Schemes such as these are prioritised for investment depending on the needs across the whole County. At present, we are not in a position to advise of a date for completion of the surfacing, however I can confirm that the road will continue to be monitored via our routine inspections in accordance with our published Maintenance Strategy. I will forward a copy of our
					Highway Maintenance and

			Inspection Strategy document in a separate email (the format of Written Questions does not allow me to attach files to this response) This identifies and describes the service levels relating to our risk-based approach to managing how we organise, inspect and maintain our main asset groups on the Highway network.
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24/09/2022	07/10/2022	Cllr Marshall	Cllr Lee Scott	Following the presentation by Helen	Unfortunately due to the
		Vance		Morris on the "bus back better" initiative,	complexity of undertaking
				the Place committee was informed that	assurance work on the around
				the Bus Shelter programme would be	1,400 individual shelters and
				completed by end of August and the	their sites, alongside other
				committee given an update.	pressures, we have not been
				Can the Cabinet member update us on	able to launch the procurement
				the progress of this initiative.	of the new shelters service as
					originally planned in
					September. Officers continue
					to work at pace to issue the
					tender as soon as practically
					possible.
					I am scheduled to be bringing a
					follow up to the Scrutiny
					Committee in December, where
					a more detailed update on the
					'Bus Back Better' scheme can be
					given.

04/10/2022	12/10/2022	Lee Scordis	Cllr Lee Scott	Haven Road in Colchester has suffered	The task force has been busy
- 1, -0, -022	,,			with flooding at high-tide for the last 60	with activity in relation to
				years. A Hythe Task Force has been set	Haven Road.
				up to try to resolve this issue but there	To date they have carried out
				seems to be no progress. As the flood	the following activities: Testing
				authority for the area what action has	of the flood water to ascertain if
				Essex Council Council taken to look at	the surface water is salt water
				resolving this long-running issue?	from the estuary, testing the
					Distillery Pond capacity and
					obtaining a better
					understanding of its influence
					on Haven Road, a drone survey,
					cleansing of the highway
					system, work on a potential
					£100k bid for Environment
					Agency funding that would be
					used to purchase a mobile
					pump to be deployed when
					Haven Road floods, and to
					replace the existing tide flap
					with a duck bill flap.
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					At the moment the task force
					are in conversation with Anglian
					Water regarding pricing for the
					duck bill valve installation,
					before further progress is then
					made to the funding
					application.
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04/10/2022	18/10/2022	Cllr Lee Scordis	Cllr Lee Scott	Can the cabinet member explain why, in	There are a number of factors
, ,	. ,			Everyone's Essex, that there is a huge	that can cause delays in a
				backlog in installing disabled parking bays	Disabled Parking Bay (DPB)
				and removing unused disabled parking	being installed, and often it is
				bays? In some cases the wait is over two	related to the individual
				years, when someone has met the	application, meaning I cannot
				relevant criteria.	give a specific answer to your
					question, however I will give
					some examples of the most
					common reasons that it can
					take some time for a DPB to be
					completed.
					There has been an increase in
					applications since the criteria
					for DPB changed, however the
					level of resource available to
					process the applications and
					undertake the necessary work
					has remained the same. Whilst
					the design of the bay is
					relatively straight forward, they
					do form part of our overall
					design programme and, like all
					schemes, are subject to
					resource becoming available to
					undertake the work.
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					The traffic regulation order
					(TRO) required for each bay is a
					lengthy process, which is made
					even longer when objections
					are received. These objections
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	are generally from neighbours	5
	who have concerns about a lo	
	of on street parking as the bay	
	are restricted. Removing thes	-
	objections can take a significa	
	amount of time or need to go	
	via the CMA route when	
	objections can't be resolved,	
	which again can be a lengthy	
	process. There is also a need t	
	go through this process when	
	an order is removed from an	
	existing bay, these don't	
	normally encounter objection	
	so it is more straight forward,	
	but there is still a requiremen	t
	to do this formally.	
	I appreciate that the above isr	n′t
	exhaustive, but other factors	
	tend to relate to individual	
	applications rather than an	
	overarching set of	
	circumstances. Should you wi	
	for me to investigate a specific	
	application, please provide me	e
	with the details of this, and I	
	can ask Officers to investigate	}
	this.	
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