

Essex County Council and Epping Forest District Local Highway Panel

21st November 2013

REPORT 5: RANGERS

For 2013/14 there is a £130,875 allocation for revenue.

From this Essex Highways will be operating the Ranger service at a cost of £80,000 leaving £50,875 for surveys etc.

Highway Rangers works

The type of works which can be undertaken the Rangers are as follows:

- Cleaning and minor repairs to non-electrical road signs
- Cleaning and minor repairs to street furniture
- Reinstatement of posts and bollards (minimal excavation)
- Trimming of vegetation and removal of arisings
- Adhoc grass cutting and strimming
- Localised cleaning and minor excavation of roadside grips
- Removal of weeds or vegetation from pavements
- Scavenging and removal of deposits and small fly tips from highway land
- Removal of illegal signs and fly posting
- Minor block/flag paving repairs
- Minor painting of street furniture

Requests for Rangers works should be directed to: highway.enquiries@essex.gov.uk with **HIGHWAY RANGERS EPPING** in the subject title.

General highway enquiries, including maintenance, should also be sent to highway.enquiries@essex.gov.uk - tel. 0845 603 7631, or should be reported via the on line tool here:

<https://secureweb1.essexcc.gov.uk/Highways/Report-a-highway-problem.aspx>

Essex County Councillors only can use member.enquiries@essex.gov.uk

Recent Ranger Work in Epping Forest District

The Rangers are 2 men in a small truck. They can respond to ad hoc requests sent via the contact details above. When not dealing with ad hoc requests, the Rangers' main routine work consists of addressing minor maintenance matters.

For example in September and October they have been to:

Kerbing repairs

Ongar
Nazeing
Theydon Bois
Epping

Vegetation – cut back on footways, around signs, overhanging, etc.

Epping
Chigwell
Loughton
Thornwood
Buckhurst Hill
Waltham Abbey
Roydon
Nazeing
Nazeing Common
Hastingwood
North Weald

Sign cleaning and repositioning

A414 Ongar
Epping
Nazeing
Loughton
Chigwell
Waltham Abbey

Gulley clearing

Waltham Abbey
Loughton
Epping
Moreton
Fyfield

Bollard and manhole repairs

Loughton
Theydon