

Highways Report January 2021

South Woodham Ferrers road changes

With regard to the Focus article on changes to the road in South Woodham Ferrers we have been in touch with the Woodham Infrastructure Group since August so the article was slightly misleading.

The Chelmsford City Council consultation closed on January 14th and I wrote to the Councillor leading the project as follows.....

Burnham on Crouch Town Council is concerned that the proposals for the Burnham Road in South Woodham Ferrers, as set out in the Masterplan will cause major disruption to traffic leaving the Dengie. In the absence of evidence to the contrary we would ask you to rethink the proposals.

This wording was agreed with the Woodham Infrastructure Group and I understand that all the Parish Councils on the Dengie wrote expressing similar concerns.

Station Road standing water by Cedar Grove

This is still a problem and no progress has been made since December. The ECC website has a facility to sign up for updates and I have done so. I know Councillor Pratt has reported this issue to the ECC portfolio holder.

Burnham Southminster cycle path

A resident wrote regarding a potential path. I wrote back with details of previous discussions and correspondence. I also informed them that they could attend virtual meetings and ask questions.

Horses on the David Wilson estate

A resident has complained that horses are accessing the estate via the unfinished part of the cycle path leading on to Creeksea Lane. As well horse droppings being a nuisance, the horses are churning up communal grassy areas. I have visited the site and seen the problem first hand.

There is nothing we can do directly but, I suggest the Town Clerk write to the developers and suggest that barriers of some form be erected to stop the access by horses. I would also suggest that the issue is referred to Maldon District Councillor Anne Hull who is the Ward Councillor by the Town Clerk. Councillor Hull has extensive contacts in the local equestrian community and maybe able to advise riders that the cycle path is not to be used by horses.

I have copied the resident on this report.