



Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the **Transport and Highways Committee** of the Leigh-on-Sea Town Council will take place on **Wednesday 15th February 2012** at Leigh-on-Sea Town Council, 67 Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea commencing at 8.00pm.

AGENDA

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS
4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 18th January 2012
5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION
 - a) Replacement of Panels in existing shelters – Report 2011/TH (Appendix 1)
 - b) Review of Bollards – update
 - c) Trees in Chapman's Walk (Appendix 2)
6. BUDGET 2011/12 – Report 2009/TH – 8th February 2012 (Appendix 3)

Paul Beckerson
Town Clerk
15th February 2012

Any member who is unable to attend the meeting should send their apologies before the meeting.



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Report 2011/TH

Report to T&H Meeting 15/01/12

Item:

5(a) Replacement Panel Price

1. Deep clean the roofs of the shelters (per unit).	£26.00
2. A labour price to replace a panel provided by others.	£76.00
3. A price to replace all of the panels in a shelter provided by others	
Large	£192.00
Small	£130.00
4. A supply and fix price to replace all the panels in a shelter	
Large	£556.00
Small	£404.00

Alternative Price:

To supply panels to Small Bus Shelter (Fibresports)
(These prices may be subject to a discount for quantity) £380.00

To fix only panels (Independent Contractor)

To replace one panel	£40.00
To replace all panels (small shelter)	£150.00

These prices are labour only, on the understanding you will be providing all the materials.

4 Chapmans Walk, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex SS9 2XA Tel. 07747 843285

Leigh Town Council
Leigh-on Sea

6th February 2012

Dear Sirs,

Re. Trees in Chapmans Walk

I am asking you to enquire at Southend Council about their procedures regarding tree cutting.

On Thursday 2nd February operators of "Tree Fellas" were interrupted as they were about to remove a tree outside no.1 Chapmans Walk, opposite my house. The workman stated that he was acting on instruction from the council and that the tree was suffering from a disease and that any trees cut down in the area would be replaced.

My stance is that the trees in Chapmans Walk are mature Sycamore and are a big contributor to the character of the road. This was one of my reasons to move into the road. However, several trees have been removed over the last few years and I am concerned that there is no consideration given to the residents in this respect and before long all the trees will be removed.

I am asking that a proper plan is made public in this respect.

I have today reported to the council (ref. 315361 Parks Dept) that I do object and have asked you to enquire and lobby on my / (the residents) behalf. Also I have requested a delay in tree cutting in this road until your representation has been heard.

My questions / objections to removing the trees are:

- 1) The mature Sycamore trees provide the main character to the road and the removal of individual trees undermines their integrity.
- 2) Residents are not given any advance notice regarding removal of trees.
- 3) There is no official substantiation of the reason to remove the trees. Who is responsible for determining their state of health and the need to remove them and are proper records maintained?
- 4) Why are the trees in this road not pruned as in the past?
- 5) There is no survey of the residents opinion in this matter to my knowledge, but even so, any minority opinion should not lead to removal of trees that usually outlive the residents occupation of the road. Surely if one does not like the trees then one should not move into the road.
- 6) Has anyone considered that removing the trees affects the moisture balance in the soil and may lead to contraction and subsidence when the roots die.

Thank you for your potential intervention.

Yours



Ms Janice Godden

Transport & Highway Budget Report 8th February 2012

Heading	B/F 2010/11	Income	Expenditure	Spend to Date	Balance	% Spent	Due
School Crossing Patrols		0	8,500	0.00	8,500	0.00	4300
Bus Shelter Cleaning/Maintenance		0	5,000	1,019.80	3,980	20.40	
New Bus shelters		0	0	3,910.00	-3,910		
Highways Improvements		0	1,000	0.00	1,000	0.00	
Bollards		0	250	0.00	250	0.00	
Seats and bins / P'Box	1000	0	750	300.00	1,450	40.00	
Total			15,500	5,229.80	11,270	33.74	