

Updated 19 February 2024

## **Details of e-mails received from County Councillor Peter Schwier, since the January PC meeting**

Regular e-mails have been received from County Councillor Peter Schwier since the last meeting. Please find below a list of each e-mail with brief details. If you have an interest in any particular e-mail listed please let me know and I will forward the full document to you.

1. **Storm Isha** – Helpful information and advice. Received 21 January.
2. **Storm Isha** – ECC Highways received 70 reports for weather-related incidents, including reports of flooding and fallen trees on Sunday. Working with partners Essex Police and UK Power Networks, 20 serious issues were dealt with quickly by crews overnight to help get the roads across Essex moving again. Received 22 January.
3. **Hate Crime survey for Essex** – ECC want to know how people in Essex perceive hate crime, any barriers they feel there are to reporting it and what changes need to be made to support victims. The survey is open until 18 February 2024 and can be completed [online](#). Received 23 January.
4. **ECC repaired 90% more potholes in 2023** – Nearly double the number of potholes were repaired across Essex in 2023 (11,949 compared to 6280 in 2022) following significant investment from ECC. Additional funds totalling £17.4 million were made available by ECC and 11 extra crews were recruited to carry out the work. Received 2 February.
5. **Highways Highlights** – January 2024 edition. Received 6 February.
6. **1221 pothole repairs completed in Essex in January 2024** – 691 on priority roads and 530 on local roads. Received 7 February.
7. **4 roadshows being held to provide free support for parents/carers of young people with SEND** – Nearest to us is at Colchester JobServe Community Stadium on 13 March. Received 12 February.
8. **Road closure at Stoke by Clare bridge (Ashen Road)** – Full road closure 19-23 February for the completion of trial hole investigations. Received 12 February.
9. **£12 million additional funding awarded to Highways in 2024-25 ECC Budget** – Extra funding to be allocated across different areas including over £8million for additional crews for each District who will prioritise repairs raised by local councillors. Received 13 February.