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Monthly Bulletin

Have you heard about Essex Activities?

Essex Activities – www.essex-activities.org.uk - is a free-to-use site to promote local events and to help people find out what is happening in their neighbourhood. Uniquely, it's a website owned by local people – the content belongs to local residents and the events are run by local people as well. It's all about connecting people to fun, local, relevant things rather than providing lists of services or links to other websites. If we are able to tell more people about the good things that are happening locally, then we'll consider the site to have been a great success.

We promote the site and by extension the events themselves. What will make things work, though, is if local groups use the site to list their activities, whether free, paid for, or 'donations welcome' events. Registering to add an event takes moments and it costs nothing to add content or promote activities. If you know of a community group, a local business or indeed a parish council that is running a bake sale, a fete, a coffee morning, a choral group, a football tournament, or anything else besides please consider adding it to Essex Activities. We hope it can raise awareness of good things that happen and help create connexions and friendships.

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Change of Parish Clerk?

To ensure information is sent to the correct person/council, please let me know as soon as possible if there has been a change of parish clerk. I am responsible for updating the Essex County Council (ECC) central database of parish and town councils; I also send alerts to the various ECC departments of any changes.

You can contact me either by email: angela.balcombe@essex.gov.uk

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Highway Enquiries – contacting us

I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know that following the successful introduction of the improved Highways 'Tell Us' and 'Check a Query' web tools we will be closing the Highway.enquiries@essex.gov.uk email address from 19 April 2017.

Although, we will no longer be offering a dedicated email address for Highway Enquiries, we can continued to contacted online in one of the following ways:

- To report a new highway issue to us you should complete our online form to tell us: <http://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-roads.aspx>
- To review the status of a previously reported highway issues, by either a reference number or searching the location, use check a query: <http://www.essexhighways.org/transport-and-roads/tell-us/track-it.aspx>
- Highways have also produced a 'how to' video to help people who may not be too familiar using the web tools. You can see the film by clicking on the following link how to report a pothole and other highway issues in Essex: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hPT-Sta-3fl&t=1s>
- To tell us about a compliment, comment and complaint: <http://www.essex.gov.uk/customer-services/Pages/Complaints,-compliments-and-comments.aspx>
- For Freedom of Information requests: <https://forms.essex.gov.uk/default.aspx/RenderForm/?F.Name=WGRT5eGYzGj&HideAll=1>

If you currently use or sign post enquiries to highway.enquiries@essex.gov.uk please can I ask you to redirect these to one of the above options?

Anything sent after the 19 April 2017 will not be received or responded to.

Essex County Council

Trading Standards Update

March 2017

Welcome to the latest edition of the Trading Standards Update. Due to the local elections this edition is introduced by Steve Lynch, the Head of Trading Standards.

Trading Standards, like many services, are going through budget cuts and changes to its service delivery but the variety of issues and problems continue to keep our officers at full stretch.

The service operates within the parameters of an intelligence led approach which allows us to allocate cases to officers on a risk and resource basis. This approach enables us to carry out activities like the age restricted operations to ensure that young people cannot purchase knives, alcohol, cigarettes/tobacco and fireworks. Our continued focus on this area of our work has resulted in a fall in the number of retailers selling these products but it is still the case that sales are being made which put young people or the general public at risk.

Safety issues always appear high on our agenda as demonstrated in our articles in regard to meat, insect killer and pepper. The TS update is just a snapshot of the work carried out by Trading Standards to provide readers with a taster of the breadth and depth of the issues we deal with on a day to day basis but safety issues are dealt with as a priority due to the potential dangers they pose.

The work we carry out in partnership with the UK Border Force enables the service to seize or suspend imported goods that are unsafe. If the importer of these goods is based in Essex officers will follow up with the company to ensure that other unsafe products are not being imported, manufactured or supplied. If the business is outside of Essex a referral will be made to our colleagues in other Trading Standards services to deal with the company to ensure compliance.

The illicit and counterfeit tobacco work is still ongoing and achieving good results with the sniffer dogs a popular and critical part of the operations we undertake.

In the article regarding Business Continuity It is always an excellent reflection on the service when our officers' expertise is requested and recognised.

SAVE LIVES – DON'T SELL KNIVES TO CHILDREN

During March a number of test purchases for 'knives and bladed articles' were carried out by Trading Standards and Essex Police using a child volunteer. The majority of shops visited refused to sell, but 1 retailer sold a knife to our 15 year old volunteer. It is illegal to sell knives to anyone under 18.

Trading Standards officers carried out the test purchasing across Clacton and Colchester as part of the crime prevention element of 'Operation Sceptre'. This Police initiative is aimed at reducing knife crime and reducing the number families affected by knife crime. The retailer who sold the knife has received compliance advice and the shop will be re-tested.

The service works regularly with Essex Police on operations relating to the sales of knives to assist them in the reduction of knife crime.

SOAP IMPORTER COMES CLEAN



UK Border Force Officers at Stansted Airport recently contacted Essex Trading Standards regarding a consignment of Skin Lightening Soap which they'd stopped and detained at the airport. Essex TS *Border Sheriffs* attended to examine the products, aware that many imported skin lightening cosmetics have previously been found to contain prohibited ingredients such as hydroquinone or mercury which can cause long term adverse health issues for the user.

Thankfully an examination of the ingredients on the packaging of the "Kojie San" Skin Lightening Soap did not indicate that the soaps contained any harmful ingredients banned by European cosmetics legislation, although the products, imported from the Philippines, did not bear a required EU name and address of the "Responsible Person".

As the examination did not indicate that these cosmetics posed a serious risk to consumers, the consignment was released to the importer, who was notified of our intervention, along with the company's local Trading Standards Service. Subsequent contact from the importer revealed that, following our examination he was working with his local authority Trading Standards to ensure full compliance with the Regulations before placing these products on the market.

The service has dealt with many dangerous skin lightening products imported into the UK for sale which have posed a serious risk to consumers.

A MEATING WITH TRADING STANDARDS

Trading Standards were recently contacted by an Environmental Health Officer from the London Borough of Camden to notify us of a butcher / meat supplier within Essex who supplies caterers and hotels etc. with raw meat. When a hotel in the Camden area was inspected by Environmental Health Officers they came across large quantities of minced beef which had been supplied by the Essex trader with no food labelling whatsoever. To protect public health and ensure full traceability, meat products must display mandatory labelling required by the Food Information Regulations 2014 and the Beef and Veal Labelling Regulations 2010. A Trading Standards Officer visited the trader and discovered that beef being sold to the general public also did not have the required labelling. The Traders' non-compliances were discussed with him and he was provided with advice to ensure that he can correctly label all of the meat products. Trading Standards Officers will be carrying further visits to ensure the trader is brought to full compliance. This work is critical to ensure that meat traceability is achieved to ensure that the product is safe and that the meat is labelled correctly in relation to species.

LIVE WELL STAY SAFE EVENT

Officers from Trading Standards along with partners from Essex Police, Essex Fire and Rescue, Community Agents and Braintree District Council attended a Live Well Stay Safe Event at Braintree Museum on Wednesday 29th March. The event was run in a 'speed dating' format, where 15 minute presentations were given by each of the agencies to 50 elderly Braintree residents to raise awareness on staying safe and living independently in their own homes. The trading standards presentation focused mainly on how to avoid being scammed but also included advice on doorstep crime and the Buy With Confidence scheme. It was the first event of its kind in Braintree District and the feedback was extremely positive, with many attendees commenting that they now felt more able and confident to identify scams.

The service is moving into the main season for doorstep, rogue traders who carry out unnecessary and overpriced work relating to roofing, guttering, driveways, pressure washing, gardening, tree surgery and other household repairs and maintenance. We urge all residents to call the Trading Standards national helpline if they are concerned about a member of their family, friends or neighbours. Your action may prevent a resident from losing their life savings to these criminals. The helpline is run on our behalf by Citizens Advice via 03454 040506

NO SMOKING DAY 8TH MARCH

Wednesday 8th March marked national No Smoking Day and there were lots of activities taking place outside County Hall organised by Trading Standards and Public Health.



Trading Standards officers and the Illegal Tobacco unit were on hand to talk to ECC employees and members of the public about the dangers of illicit tobacco. Members of staff and local residents met the dogs from BWY Canine who have played a critical part in the success of the project. It's evident from the photograph that Phoebe took a liking to Cllr Anne Brown

Although the weather was at best intermittent...colleagues from Provide were also on hand to discuss advice and information on the support available for anyone wanting to give up smoking. The Ace Lifestyle mobile health unit was fully booked all day carrying out free health checks to residents and members of staff.



CARCINOGENIC CRUSHED PEPPER

In a joint operation with the Public Health Team of Epping Forest District Council, officers from Essex Trading Standards carried out a visit to a food storage warehouse in Stapleford Abbots. Trading Standards had received intelligence from the Food Standards Agency Incidents Team that a 'crushed pepper' product sold by the company, contained 'Ochratoxin A', which was above permitted levels.

Ochratoxin A is a genotoxic carcinogen produced by mould growth in certain foods which has the potential to affect human health. In order to determine whether a product recall of the entire batch was necessary, Trading Standards undertook formal statistical sampling from across the batch of crushed pepper. The supply of the affected batch was also put on hold pending the results of the laboratory analysis. The Environmental Health Officers from EFDC found that despite a pest control contract being in place the warehouse had a significant rodent problem and that some rice products contained active grain weevils. Significant amounts of food beyond the best before date were also found onsite. Officers also found a small spice and rice packing operation onsite despite there being no access to a water supply for hand washing on the site.

EFDC served three hygiene improvement notices to ensure adequate pest control arrangements, to provide hot water to a wash hand basin and to ensure procedures are in place to prevent contaminated and out of date food from getting into the market. They also took samples of both ground and whole Egusi (melon) seeds. The results of the laboratory analysis for the crushed pepper found the level of Ochratoxin A in the statistical sample was actually within the levels permitted by the Contaminants in Food Regulations, so the consignment was released. The results of the testing of the Egusi Seeds indicated the presence of Salmonella. EFDC are liaising with the FSA as to the most appropriate course of action, as the product is marked 'to be cooked before eating' and cooking would destroy the salmonella. Officers will be conducting follow up visits to ensure future compliance by the food business operator.

SPIKE IN SOFT DRINKS COMPLAINTS

Trading Standards have been receiving an unusually high number of complaints in recent months about a particular problem with Soft Drinks. The problem concerns the occurrence of a substance called 1,3 Pentadiene, a highly volatile organic compound which is produced in soft drinks, particularly non-carbonated fruit juice based drinks. This substance is readily detected in soft drinks due to strong petroleum like odour and taint that it produces even when it is present at very low concentrations (as low as 3 parts per billion). This noticeable petroleum type odour results in consumer complaints, often mistakenly believing the product has been subject of a malicious dangerous chemical contamination. In actual fact 1,3 Pentadiene occurs when certain particles of airborne fungi get into the drink and metabolise potassium sorbate preservative contained within the drink. There is no risk of harm to human health and the problem is regarded as a 'quality' rather than a 'safety' concern in the soft drinks industry. This issue is well known to Trading Standards, the Food Standards Agency and the Soft Drinks Industry but causes real concern to affected consumers who worry that they might have been poisoned. As a result of the spike in complaints, Trading Standards have been working with producers of Soft Drinks to minimise 1,3 Pentadiene occurrence rates through improvements in manufacturing processes and product formulations.

FLYING HOT SHOTS

We were recently contacted by the United Kingdom Border Force UKBF who during their routine examination of freight opened a package described as used geography books but which actually contained insect killing strips containing Dichlorvos, A chemical which has been banned for use in the UK.



The legislation The Biocidal Products and Chemicals (Appointment of Authorities and Enforcement) Regulations 2013 is enforced by both the Health and Safety Executive and Trading Standards and bans Dichlorvos in the EU. Customs lacked the power to deal with it and following a conversation between the Health and Safety executive and this service we considered that it was best placed that Trading Standards had the power to detain and prevent such a dangerous product from entering the market. The problem then remained of how to get rid of it? Unlike disposing of geography books there are very specific methods of destruction for such products in this case incineration at high temperature. Luckily UKBF stepped back in to the arena and agreed if we seized it and passed it back to them they could arrange for its incineration along with all the other chemicals they recover from the airport.

Working in partnership using a multi-agency approach we managed to ensure that insect killing is not conducted using dangerous non approved chemicals.

Please note that geography books can still be used to swat flies

NUT ALLERGY

We received a complaint from a consumer who had a three year old daughter who suffers from a severe nut allergy. They had visited a national chain restaurant for a family birthday and requested a meal which contained no nuts. The child was prepared a burger and chips meal which upon eating, brought on symptoms of an allergic reaction such as blisters on her mouth and swelling in her throat. The child was taken by ambulance to the local hospital and was treated. She is now home and recovering well. Two officers visited the restaurant to discuss this complaint, the company were very concerned and were aware of this issue, and they had already begun their own internal investigation. The company had a system upon ordering where people discuss their requirements and an allergy alert is flagged on the computer system, they have a folder containing a list of every meal they prepare and what allergens are contained in the dishes. The officers checked the store room in the kitchen to ensure the ingredients listed on the packaging matched up to the allergens detailed in the folder and fortunately, they did. It seemed that the restaurant had good controls and systems in place, clearly on this occasion something had gone wrong which could have been a cross contamination issue. Officers have advised the company and suggested some improvements which could be made. The company are looking to implement these improvements so that this kind of issue doesn't occur again.

TRADING STANDARDS AND THE BUSINESS CONTINUITY INSTITUTE



The serious business of business continuity should be the concern of all organisations, both in the private and public sector. Major IT failures, power cuts, epidemic outbreaks can decimate staff numbers in work, key supplier insolvency or takeover, and even *Brexit* can pose serious threats to the smooth and effective operation of a business or public service. You can add to that sample list of business continuity threats **the risk of product recall** that might arise for any seriously defective or dangerous products that a manufacturer or importer is responsible for.

It was in that connection of Product Recall that Essex Trading Standards' product safety specialist was recently invited to contribute to a St Patrick's Day event being held at Cressing Temple by the Business Continuity Institute's East of England Forum (BCI EoE Forum). The BCI describes itself as the world's leading institute for business continuity, and its EoE Forum regularly brings together members in the East from a wide variety of organisations that include M&G Group, JP Morgan, Arm Holdings, BT, Essex County Council, and a variety of 'BC' consultants.

The invite to Trading Standards came from ECC's own BC Manager, Richard Verrinder, who is a committee member of the BCI's EoE Forum. The opportunity to speak was to provide a regulatory and practical perspective on product recall as part of a themed day that included trouble shooters that specialise in protecting supply chains and in preparing for and implementing product recalls or withdrawals for client businesses.

The topics covered by Essex' product safety expert included –

- The UK regulatory environment
- Expectations of business when an unsafe product has been supplied to consumers
- The role of Trading Standards as critical friend and as enforcer when voluntary corrective actions are not forthcoming from the supplying business
- Two recent case studies handled by Trading Standards in Essex, involving a wooden toy for the under 3s with a detachable eye that presented a choking hazard, and the case of a dangerous telescopic ladder
- Key sources of information for businesses

In assessing feedback from delegates it was reassuring to learn that the approach of Trading Standards at Essex County Council chimed with the expectations of businesses as well as the approach of the crisis management consultants that also presented.

The BCI's Business Continuity Awareness Week is this year on the hot topic of cyber security and takes place from 15th to 19th May, and you can find out more at <http://www.thebci.org/>

TREE SURGEON VIDEO

Over the last few years the numbers of doorstep / rogue traders operating as tree surgeons in the county has exploded due to the large number of bogus leaflets being put through residents doors. The service has released a video (see link below) which raises awareness of this issue. We would appreciate you sharing the link, via your social media groups, family, friends and neighbours.

Bogus Tree Surgeons mainly target older residents who may not be able to prune or cut down trees or shrubs. These traders often quote reasonable prices to start a job but then state that the work is larger than expected and the price can escalate to thousands of pounds or an additional high price will be demanded to remove the tree or shrub waste.

Link to video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kV9noUtvFiU>

ESCAPED GOATS

Trading Standards recently received a complaint regarding some goats which were regularly escaping on to fields and nearby properties. This can be a nuisance to members of the public but also can result in an animal welfare issue if they come to harm. A Trading Standards Officer visited the property where the goats are kept and was able to speak to the owner. It transpired that the recent windy weather managed to pull down some of the fencing surrounding the field that the goats were being kept. After a full inspection it was clear that the animals were well cared for and the owner had repaired the fencing in such a way that hopefully they will not be able to escape in the future.

Officers responding to escaped animals often find that there are welfare problems with animals that have escaped and/or a risk of spreading animal diseases.



Safer Essex Roads Partnership (SERP), a partnership of Essex County Council, Essex Police and Essex County Fire and Rescue Service, is working to reduce injury crashes in Essex. One element of this work is the ‘no excuse’ campaign, which operates around towns in Essex where there are high numbers of crashes involving injury.

The key elements are:

- **Seat Belt ON – Mobile Phone OFF**
- **No excuse for Speeding**
- **No excuse for Drink/Drug Driving**



During **April 2017** SERP delivered a mini ‘No excuse’ Surround-a-Town event in, **Chelmsford, Braintree, Southend and Harlow:**

Chelmsford mini SAT day

During the Chelmsford SAT day the following offenders were dealt with by Police and spoken to by Road Safety staff

- 7 x No Insurance
- 4 x Using a Mobile Phone
- 49 x No Seatbelts
- 3 x Careless Driving
- 7 x Other Offences

The day also started off with a pursuit of a stolen vehicle. After the vehicle was successfully stop, the driver was detained for three offences-TOMV (Taking of a motor vehicle), FTS (failure to stop) and Dangerous driving.

An unqualified driver with a small child passenger with no child seat, was stopped and the driver has now been taken off the road.

Braintree mini SAT day

During the Braintree SAT day the following offenders were dealt with by Police and spoken to by Road Safety staff

- 2 x using a mobile phone
- 1 x No seatbelt
- 90 members of the public were spoken to in the local Tesco store, about the ‘Surround A Town’ event and the work SERP carries out.

Southend mini SAT day:

During the Southend SAT day the following offenders were dealt with by Police and spoken to by Road Safety staff

- 29 x No Seatbelts
- 4 x No Insurance
- 3 x Section 165's
- 16 x No MOT
- 3 x Using a mobile Phone
- 1 x Dangerous Condition
- 1 x Non-conforming Number plate
- 3 x Other Offences

Harlow mini SAT day:

During the Harlow SAT day the following offender were dealt with by Police and spoken to by Road Safety staff

- 2 x No Insurance
- 2 x Section 165
- 17 x Mobile Phone
- 17 x No Seatbelts
- 2 x Careless Driving
- 92 x Excess Speed
- 4 x Non-conforming Number Plates
- 12 x Overweight vehicles detected with fines totalling £3100
- 2 x PG9
- 4 x Other offences
- 1 x Child car seat adjustment/advice given

**June 2017
Transport Representative Meetings**

District	Date	Time	Venue
Tendring	05 June	10.00 - 12.00	Essex Hall, Clacton Town Hall, Station Rd, Clacton-on-Sea CO15 1SE
Castlepoint/Rayleigh /Rochford	06 June	14:00 - 16.00	Parish Council Rooms, Rochford Parish Council, 82 West Street, Rochford SS4 1AS
Uttlesford	08 June	10.00 - 12.00	The Courtroom, Saffron Walden Town Hall, Market Place, Saffron Walden CB10 1HL
Maldon	12 June	10.00 - 12.00	The Conference Room, Maldon Town Council, Market Hill, Maldon CM9 4RL
Braintree	14 June	10.00 - 12.00	The Council Chamber Braintree Town Hall, Market Square, Braintree , CM7 3YG
Chelmsford/Basildon	19 June	10.00 - 12.00	St Cedd's Hall, The Chapter House, Cathedral Walk, Chelmsford CM1 1NX
Brentwood	21 June	10.00 - 12.00	Meeting Room 4, Brentwood Town Hall, Brentwood Borough Council, Town Hall, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AY
Colchester	22 June	10.00 - 12.00	Hexagonal Meeting Room, Friends Meeting House, Church Street, Colchester , C01 1NF
Epping Forest & Harlow	26 June	10.00 - 12.00	Conference Room, Epping Town Council, Epping Hall, St John's Road, Epping CM16 5JU
Chelmsford (Evening Meeting)	27 June	18.30 - 20.30	The Restaurant, Essex County Council, Market Road, Chelmsford CM1 1QH

Planning News

Minerals and Waste Policy planning

Examination of the Essex and Southend-on-Sea **Replacement Waste Local Plan** has been underway since June 2016. The hearing sessions began on Tuesday 27 September and adjourned on 7 October. As part of the examination process, the Planning Inspector has requested that a number of modifications be made in order for the Plan to be found sound and consequently suitable for adoption.

Public consultation on the **Schedule of Modifications** closed on 16 February 2017 with more than 550 comments received from around 370 individuals and organisations. All comments have been processed and were passed to the Inspector on Monday 20 March 2017. If you wish to view the comments received these are available to view now on the website www.essex.gov.uk/wlp. The Inspector is currently considering the comments received as part of the preparation of her final report. This is anticipated to be finalised in the coming weeks, and, if deemed sound, the Plan will be considered for adoption by the Authorities later in the summer.

All enquiries relating to the examination should be made to the Programme Officer, Claire Jones-Hughes, at bankssolutionsuk@gmail.com or on 01273 381518 / 07737 786 425. The Programme Officer is an independent officer for the examination who reports directly to the Inspector to organise and manage the administrative and procedural matters of the examination process. If you wish to be kept informed of the timeframe for the Examination in Public, please contact Claire so that she can include you on her distribution list.

If you have any queries relating to the Replacement Waste Local Plan in general, please contact us on 03330 139 808 or via mineralsandwastepolicy@essex.gov.uk

Development Management news

At the Development and Regulation committee on Friday 21 April, Members resolved to approve application ref ESS/06/17/HLW for 'Continuation of use as a Waste Transfer Station without compliance with Condition 2 (compliance with submitted details) attached to planning permission reference ESS/26/16/HLW, to allow an additional use of the site for overnight parking of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and trailers' at **Waste Transfer Station, West Road, Harlow, CM20 2AL**. The resolution granted permission subject to conditions.

Decisions on two school applications were also made at the Development and Regulation committee:

Members resolved to approve application ref CC/UTT/04/17 for a 'Detached two storey school building, including nine new classrooms and ancillary facilities' at **Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport, CB11 3TR**. The resolution granted permission subject to conditions.

Members resolved to approve application ref CC/CHL/07/17 for the proposed development of the **Beaulieu Park Schools Campus, Chelmsford** consisting of a 1,200 place three-storey Secondary School, 420 place two-storey Primary School, 56 place single-storey Nursery, Sports Hall with associated community facilities, hard and soft play areas, means of enclosure, landscaping, car parking, bicycle and scooter parking and associated infrastructure on a site of approximately 11.8ha with vehicular access from Armistice Avenue and pedestrian access via Beaulieu Square, Chelmsford. The proposed development site is located on lands to the northeast of the junction of White Hart Lane (A130) and Essex Regiment Way, Chelmsford. The resolution granted permission subject to conditions.

We hope that this news has been useful and interesting to you all. We value your feedback and so if you have any comments or suggestions for future topics you would like to see covered in *Making the Links*, please let us know either via Angela Balcombe, the Parish Information and Co-ordination Officer, or direct to the address below:

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- For queries relating to flood and SuDs issues please email floods@essex.gov.uk
- To find out more about procedures for attending D&R Committee please visit: <http://www.essex.gov.uk/Environment%20Planning/Planning/Minerals-Waste-Planning-Team/Planning-Applications/Determining-planning-applications/Pages/Determining-planning-applications.aspx>

For full application details visit www.essex.gov.uk/viewplanning, click on 'Search for a Planning Application' then search for an application using the application reference, the application date, location or proposal

Pending Minerals and Waste Applications as of 15 April 2017

<u>Area description</u>	<u>Application number</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Application type</u>	<u>Validation date</u>	<u>Full development description</u>
Basildon	ESS/49/14/BAS	Pitsea Landfill, Pitsea Hall Lane, Pitsea, Basildon SS16 4UH	Full App with EIA ESS	27/11/14	Continuation of installation of waste pre-treatment facilities and recontouring of the landfill to facilitate restoration permitted by ESS/35/06/BAS without compliance with condition 4 (completion timescales), to allow waste to be deposited on site until 31 December 2025 and the site restored to nature conservation by 31 December 2027 and without compliance with condition 3 (waste geographical sources) to allow importation of waste from outside Essex and Southend and also without the development of the previously permitted waste pre-treatment facility.
Braintree	ESS/19/17/BTE	Land at Rayne Quarry, Broadfield Farm Dunmow Road Rayne, Braintree CM77 6SA	Full Planning Applications ESS	01/03/17	A new sand and gravel quarry at Broadfield Farm, to the west of Rayne, near Braintree, comprising the phased extraction of some 3.66m tonnes of sand and gravel; the installation of processing plant and ancillary buildings and infrastructure; the construction of a quarry access onto the B1256; the construction of a permanent screening landform; the construction of temporary screen mounds in defined

					locations around the perimeter of the quarry; the phased restoration of the extraction area using indigenous soils; overburden and clay from within the application site to a land use mixture of arable agriculture, lowland acid grassland, lowland meadow, woodland, lake and reedbeds; and public access via proposed public rights of way. (Revised wording).
Braintree	ESS/04/15/BTE	Halstead Anaerobic Digestion Facility Land North of Bluebridge Industrial Estate, Halstead	Removal/ Variation of Condition ESS	22/01/15	Continuation of development of an anaerobic digestion plant without compliance with Conditions 1 (compliance with submitted details), 4 (hours of operation) and 19 (external materials, finishes and colours) attached to permission ref ESS/28/13/BTE, to allow an extension of operating hours to between 12:00 hours and 16:30 hours on no more than 8 Saturdays following a bank/public holiday per annum and to remove external cladding on the Engine Building (part retrospective).
Braintree	ESS/20/17/BTE	Bradwell Quarry Church Road Bradwell Braintree CM77 8EP	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	24/02/17	Continuation of development permitted by ESS/07/16/BTE without compliance with condition 9d (operational hours for the dry silo plant mortar [DSM]) to allow extended week day hours for the DSM between 06:00 to 07:00 and 18:30 to 22:00 Monday to Friday. Planning permission ESS/07/16/BTE being for Continuation of development permitted by ESS/24/14/BTE without compliance with conditions 2 (application details), 7 (timescales), 38 (sequence of restoration) and 59

(no importation of mineral for processing) to allow amended restoration levels, revised phasing and additional time to complete extraction and restoration until 2021, utilisation of overburden in restoration and processing of mineral both arising from the Integrated Waste Management Facility. Planning permission ESS/24/14/BTE being for Extraction of an estimated reserve of 3 million tonnes of sand and gravel (from Sites A3 and A4 as identified Minerals Local Plan) and retention of existing access onto the A120, private haul road, sand and gravel processing plant, ready mixed concrete plant, bagging plant, dry silo mortar plant and water management system, internal haul roads and re-contouring of restoration levels of extraction areas (Sites R and A2) with restoration to a combination of agriculture, woodland, biodiversity, water lagoons and to levels appropriate to safeguard implementation of planning permission ESS/37/08/BTE (Integrated Waste Management Facility) at Bradwell Quarry, Church Road, Bradwell, Braintree, CM77 8EP.

Braintree	ESS/03/17/BTE	Waste Transfer Station, Cordons Farm, Long Green, Cressing CM77 8DL	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	17/02/17
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Continuation of use as a Waste Transfer Station without compliance with Condition 2 (compliance with submitted details) attached to planning permission reference ESS/28/16/BTE, to allow an additional use of the site for overnight parking of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and trailers.

Chelmsford	ESS/08/16/CHL	Sandon Quarry, Southend Road, Sandon, Howe Green, CM2 7TE	Full App with EIA ESS	12/02/16	Northern quarry void and plant site including the restoration of the Northern quarry void using inert materials to agriculture and nature conservation interest with new public rights of way, the installation and operation of an inert waste recycling facility in the plant site for the production of secondary aggregate followed by the restoration of the plant site to nature conservation interest and the creation of an area of biodiversity compensation habitat.
Chelmsford	ESS/05/15/CHL	Roxwell Quarry Complex, Boyton Cross, Roxwell, Chelmsford CM1 4LT	Full Planning Applications ESS	23/02/15	Modification to the restoration profile and the restoration scheme for the non-hazardous landfill arising from overtipping of approx. 85,250 cubic metres (part retrospective). Enhanced restoration of a former landfilling area by the importation of inert materials and biosolids to enable agricultural after-use and restoration scheme for the former mineral processing plant site to woodland, nature conservation and agricultural after-uses (including retention of hardstanding and workshop). All to be completed by 31 December 2015.
Chelmsford	ESS/32/16/CHL	Land at St Cleres Hall Pit, Main Road, Danbury, CM3 4AS	Full Planning Applications ESS	08/08/16	Importation of aggregate from Royal Oak until 31st October 2021.
Chelmsford	ESS/36/13/CHL	Hanson Aggregates, Bulls Lodge	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	09/07/13	Continuation of winning and working of sand and gravel, the erection of a processing plant and ready mixed concrete and mortar plants, workshop and

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weighbridge office (permitted by planning permission ref. CHL/1890/87) without compliance with condition 17 (hours of operation) to allow additional hours of operation for the processing plant from 0600 to 0700 and 1800 to 2200 hours Mondays to Fridays for a period of 5 years.

Chelmsford	ESS/37/15/CHL	Bulls Lodge Quarry (Boreham Airfield), Generals Lane, Boreham, Chelmsford CM3 3HR	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	11/08/15	Continuation of winning and working of sand and gravel as permitted by CHL/1019/87 without compliance with condition 1 (application details), Condition 4 (working and reclamation schemes) and condition 6 (restoration Master Plan) to allow amended restoration levels and amended restoration Masterplan.
Chelmsford	ESS/31/16/CHL	Land at St Cleres Hall Pit, Main Road, Danbury, CM3 4AS	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	08/08/16	VOC Retention of processing plant until 31st December 2021 with restoration by 31st March 2022 and proposed increase in HGV movements.
Chelmsford	ESS/05/17/CHL	Waste Transfer Station, Winsford Way, Boreham, Chelmsford CM2 5AA	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	17/02/17	Continuation of use as a Waste Transfer Station without compliance with Condition 2 (compliance with submitted details) attached to planning permission reference ESS/25/16/CHL, to allow an additional use of the site for overnight parking of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and trailers.
Chelmsford	ESS/17/17/CHL	Dunmow Waste Management, Essex Regiment	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	20/02/17	Retrospective application for the continued use and operational development associated with a waste transfer and recycling facility for Local Authority

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Harlow	ESS/06/17/HLW	Waste Transfer Station, West Road, Harlow, CM20 2AL	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	17/02/17	Continuation of use as a Waste Transfer Station without compliance with Condition 2 (compliance with submitted details) attached to planning permission reference ESS/26/16/HLW, to allow an additional use of the site for overnight parking of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and trailers.
Maldon	ESS/43/16/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon CM9 8BQ	Full Planning Applications ESS	05/10/16	Installation of a washing plant for processing of indigenous sand and gravel extracted during the construction of an agricultural reservoir, approved under planning permission refs ESS/35/14/MAL and ESS/34/14/MAL.
Maldon	ESS/23/17/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon CM9 8BQ	Full Planning Applications ESS	06/03/17	Retrospective application for an environmental screening bund to screen the washing plant proposed under application ref ESS/43/16/MAL.
Maldon	ESS/21/17/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon CM9 8BQ	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	06/03/17	Continuation of the construction of an agricultural reservoir by the extraction and removal from the site of sand, gravel and surplus soils without compliance with condition 3 (Cessation of development by 20th May 2017), 4 (Removal of infrastructure by 20th May 2017) and 39 (Restoration of Wash Lane crossing

					by 20th May 2017) attached to permission ref ESS/06/16/MAL to allow an extension of time for completion of extraction of sand and gravel and site restoration by 20th May 2019.
Maldon	ESS/22/17/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon CM9 8BQ	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	06/03/17	Continuation of the construction of an agricultural reservoir by the extraction and removal from the site of sand, gravel and surplus soils without compliance with condition 3 (Cessation of development by 20th May 2017), 4 (Removal of infrastructure by 20th May 2017) and 39 (Restoration of Wash Lane crossing by 20th May 2017) attached to permission ref ESS/05/16/MAL to allow an extension of time for completion of extraction of sand and gravel and site restoration by 20th May 2019.
Rocford	ESS/12/17/ROC	Wallasea Island Wild Coast Project Creeksea Ferry Road, Wallasea Island, SS4 2HD	Full Planning Applications ESS	14/02/17	The erection of buildings comprising one Reception Hide and one Viewing Hide for use by the general public; the development of a staff compound comprising one Office Building and one Meeting Room Building, Staff Parking Area and the erection of a Communications Aerial; the erection of one Workshop and development of a new Hardstanding; and associated works at Wallasea Island Wild Coast Project, Creeksea Ferry Road, Wallasea Island, SS4 2HD.
Rocford	ESS/38/16/ROC	Barling Marsh Quarry and Landfill, Mucking	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	21/12/16	Continuation of development permitted by planning permission ESS/47/10/ROC without compliance with condition 1 (approved details), condition 40

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(restoration date) and condition 41 (removal of haul road) to allow operations to continue until 2021 and to permit the haul road until 2022. ESS/47/10/ROC was for the following development 'Revise the pre-settlement contours of the existing landfill operation through the importation of non-hazardous waste, with associated extension in time requiring all operations to have ceased and the site to be restored by 31 December 2016 The application also provides for open windrow composting of green waste to take place at the site, with the product used for soil improvement at the site and revision of localised post settlement contours, including the infilling of a pond.

Rocford ESS/13/17/ROC Wallasea Island Removal/Variation 07/02/17
Wild Coast Project of Condition ESS
Creeksea Ferry
Road, Wallasea
Island, SS4 2HD

Continuation of the development of a coastal nature reserve without compliance with: Conditions 2 (Submitted details), 26 (Maintenance of Rights of Way and permissive routes), 38 (Completion by 31 December 2025), 39 (Removal of construction equipment by 31 December 2025) and 40 (Importation of waste via River Crouch only), AND without compliance with Conditions 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36 and 41 attached to planning permission ref ESS/44/14/ROC, TO ALLOW modifications to the landform design within Cells 2, 3 and 4 (negating the need to import waste material and no further breaching of sea walls) and to bring forward the proposed date for completion to 2022, together with

					the redesign and extension of the parking area, addition of access ramps to the northerly sea wall in Cell 5, the use of the material handling area for storage of dismantled infrastructure and associated works at Wallasea Island Wild Coast Project, Creeksea Ferry Road, Wallasea Island, SS4 2HD.
Tendring	ESS/07/17/TEN	Crown Quarry, Old Ipswich Road, Ardleigh, Colchester CO7 8QR	Full Planning Applications ESS	23/01/17	Retrospective application for a change of use to allow importation of inert materials for treatment to produce recycled construction materials.
Tendring	ESS/04/17/TEN	A120 Ardleigh Waste Transfer Station, Colchester Eastern Bypass, Ardleigh, CO7 7SL	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	17/02/17	Continuation of use as a Waste Transfer Station without compliance with Condition 2 (compliance with submitted details) attached to planning permission reference ESS/27/16/TEN, to allow an additional use of the site for overnight parking of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and trailers.
Uttlesford	ESS/09/17/UTT	Ugley Landfill Site, Cambridge Road, Ugley, CM22 6HT	Full Planning Applications ESS	01/02/17	Retention of Site Offices, Storage Container, Welfare Facilities and Car park until 31 December 2021.
Uttlesford	ESS/25/17/UTT	Crumps Farm, Stortford, Little Canfield, Nr Great Dunmow, Essex, CM16 1SR	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	30/03/17	Continuation of temporary window composting of green waste and waste wood including the importation and blending of soils and sands without compliance with Condition 5 (time limit) of planning permission ESS/12/15/UTT to allow operation until 31 March 2019.

Pending County Council Applications as of 15 April 2017

<u>Area description</u>	<u>Application number</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Application type</u>	<u>Validation date</u>	<u>Full development description</u>
Braintree	CC/BTE/54/16	Evegate & No 3 Thistley Green Road, Braintree CM7 9SE	Full App (Major) CC	16/11/16	The change of use of Evegate and 3 Thistley Green Road from Use Class C3 (Dwelling houses) to Use Class C2 (Residential Institutions) to provide 8no. 1 bedroom flats for adults with learning difficulties. The construction of single storey extensions to both Evegate and 3 Thistley Green Road to provide communal areas. The conversion of the garage to 3 Thistley Green Road to provide ancillary staff offices. The demolition of the existing coach house to Evegate and replacement new build to provide 2no. 1 bedroom bungalows for adults with learning difficulties. New access drive (with closure of existing drive to Evegate) and parking to serve development. New boundary fences at Evegate & 3 Thistley Green Road, Braintree, Essex CM7 9SE.
Castle Point	CC/CPT/05/17	Northwick Primary School, Third Avenue, Canvey Island	Full Planning Application CC	20/01/17	Proposed single storey extension (396m ²) to the western end of the existing primary school to accommodate 4 classrooms, demolition of existing resource room

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(68m²) and construction of a new all-weather artificial grass pitch and associated seating area on a 2.45ha site.

Chelmsford	CC/CHL/03/17	Writtle Library, 45 The Green, Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3DT	Full Planning Application CC	16/01/17	Replacement of existing front entrance door, frame and top and side windows. Replacement of existing side and rear windows. Retention and repair of front elevation windows.
Chelmsford	CC/CHL/07/17	Beaulieu Park Education Campus Site, Beaulieu, Chelmsford	Full Planning Application CC	25/01/17	Proposed development of the Beaulieu Park Schools Campus, consisting of a 1200 place three storey Secondary School, 420 place two storey Primary School, 56 place single storey Nursery, Sports Hall with associated community facilities, hard and soft play areas, means of enclosure, landscaping, car parking, bicycle and scooter parking and associated infrastructure on a site of aprox. 11.8ha on land to the northeast of the junction of White Hart Lane (A130) and Essex Regiment Way, with vehicular access from Armistice Avenue and pedestrian access via Beaulieu Square, Chelmsford.
Chelmsford	CC/CHL/17/17	Little Waltham C Of E Primary School, The Street, Little	Full Planning Application CC	16/03/17	The retention of a double modular classroom building on a permanent basis.

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CM3 3NY

Chelmsford	CC/CHL/16/17	Highwood Primary School, Chelmsford, CM1 3QH	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	14/03/17	Continued use of the two temporary class bases until 31 August 2022 without compliance with condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/CHL/80/11.
Colchester	CC/COL/13/17	Stanway Primary School Colchester CO3 0RH	Full Planning Application CC	07/03/17	The erection of a 2 storey building for education purposes, extensions to existing classbases, removal of temporary classbases and the construction of additional sports pitches and ancillary facilities.
Colchester	CC/COL/09/17	St. Georges Infant School, Barrington Road, Colchester CO2 7RW	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	02/03/17	The retention of 2 classbases for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with Condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/COL/05/12.
Epping Forest	CC/EPF/08/17	Gilden Way and Sheering Road, public highways and land between, Sheering Road	Full Planning Application CC	13/02/17	Construction of a new motorway junction (Junction 7a) on the M11 between existing junctions 7 and 8, to be located approximately 6km north of existing Junction 7, to the north of Moor Hall Road/Matching Road crossing and to the

and M11
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south of Sheering Village and the proposed construction of a new link road and roundabout to link the proposed Junction 7a to Gildea Way (B183) and Sheering Lower Road, to the north-east of Harlow Town in the district of Epping Forest. Proposed widening and road improvements to Sheering Road and Gildea Way (B183) from the proposed new Sheering Road roundabout to the London Road Roundabout, located within the district of Harlow.

Harlow	CC/HLW/18/17	Kingsmoor Academy, Ployters Road, Harlow CM18 7PS	Full Planning Application CC	29/03/17	For 2 new lightweight Canopies on the west elevation of the former Infant's School. 2 New Canopies over the existing school entrance, new ramped access between existing buildings, 6 new car parking to include 1 disabled , re-directed footpath, new hard surface play area and extension to hard surface to form secondary play area and replacement roof for the former infant's building.
Harlow	CC/HLW/14/17	Fawbert & Barnards (undl) Primary School, London Road, Harlow, CM170DA	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	14/03/17	The continued use of a classroom for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/HLW/75/11.

Harlow	CC/HLW/15/17	Fawbert & Barnards (undl) Primary School, London Road, Harlow, CM170DA	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	14/03/17	The continued use of two classrooms for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/HLW/78/11.
Maldon	CC/MAL/12/17	Woodham Walter Church of England Primary School, The Street, Woodham Walter CM9 6RF	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	02/03/17	Retention of 2 classbases for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with Condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/MAL/07/12.
Maldon	CC/MAL/11/17	Cold Norton County Primary School, St Stephens Road, Cold Norton CM3 6JE	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	02/03/17	The retention of a classbase for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with Condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/MAL/08/12.
Uttlesford	CC/UTT/04/17	1FE Expansion of the Joyce Frankland Aca, Joyce Frankland Acadamy, Essex, Newport, CB11 3TR	Full Planning Application CC	09/01/17	Construction of a detached two storey school building, including 9 new classrooms and ancillary facilities at the existing Joyce Frankland Academy, on land to the north of Bury Water Lane.

Uttlesford	CC/CHL/01/17	Springfield Highways Depot, Colchester Road, Springfield, Chelmsford, CM2 5PU	Full Planning Application CC	11/01/17	Retrospective application for a small extension in area to permission reference ESS/73/12/CHL for use as a highways depot.
Uttlesford	CC/UTT/10/17	Birchanger Primary School Birchwood, Birchanger, Bishop's Stortford, CM235QL	Removal/Variation of Condition CC	02/03/17	The retention of a classbase for a temporary period until 31 August 2022 without compliance with Condition 2 (time limit) attached to planning permission CC/UTT/81/11.

Decisions on Minerals, Waste and County Council Applications made between 15 March 2017 – 15 April 2017

<u>Area description</u>	<u>Application number</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Full development description</u>	<u>Decision date</u>	<u>Decision description</u>	<u>Decision level</u>
Chelmsford	ESS/10/17/CHL	Bulls Lodge Quarry, Generals Lane, Boreham, Chelmsford, CM3 3HR	Continuation of inert waste recycling facility which includes screening and crushing and a washing plant as permitted by ESS/15/15/CHL, with a change of use of part of the inert waste recycling site for the storage of road materials for a temporary period of 5 years.	28/03/17	Granted	Delegated
Chelmsford	CC/CHL/02/17	Springfield Highways Depot, Colchester Road, Springfield, Chelmsford, CM2 5PU	Continuation of development permitted by ESS/73/12/CHL without compliance with condition 2 (application details) to allow minor amendments to the car parking layout and landscape treatment required due to application CC/CHL/01/17.	03/04/17	Granted	Committee
Colchester	ESS/18/17/COL	Land at Greenacres, Packards Lane, Wormingford	Continuation of use of waste recycling facility (as amended by planning permission ESS/29/16/COL) without compliance with Condition 3 (Operating hours) to allow dust carts to operate from the site on Good Friday April 14th 2017 between the hours of 06:00 – 16:30 and Condition 4 (HGV movement times) to allow 24 movements on Good Friday 14th	07/04/17	Granted	Delegated

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Rocford	CC/ROC/06/17	The Sweyne Park School, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, SS6 9BZ	Construction of a flood alleviation scheme consisting of an attenuation bund of 230 metres in length and maximum height of 1.5m adjacent to the north and west boundary of the existing playing field.	17/03/17	Granted	Delegated
Tendring	ESS/30/16/TEN	Martells Quarry, Slough Lane, Ardleigh CO7 7RU	Application for the continued restoration of former quarry void by means of landfill.	17/03/17	Granted	Delegated
Uttlesford	ESS/11/17/UTT	B Lodge, Highwood Quarry, Stortford Road, Little Canfield, Nr Great Dunmow	Single storey office extension and link to existing offices.	23/03/17	Granted	Delegated
Uttlesford	CC/UTT/57/16	Former St Marys Primary School, St Johns Road, Stansted Mountfitchet, CM24 8JP	The development of the site to provide a new 1FE primary school with associated car, cycle and scooter parking, hard play areas, means of enclosure, landscaping and associated infrastructure.	30/03/17	Granted	Committee