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Monthly Bulletin

Community Initiatives Fund 2016/17

We are pleased to announce that the Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) is now open for applications for 2016/17.

The CIF is a small grants scheme funded by Essex County Council (excluding Southend and Thurrock) which is designed to fund community projects that:

- create, procure or develop new community assets;
- enhance existing community assets; or
- enhance or develop initiatives that strengthen a community.

There are two strands to the Community Initiatives Fund: CIF (maximum that can be applied for £20,000) and CIF Response (maximum that can be applied for £15,000).

Timescales:

CIF

Receipt of completed expressions of interest:

26 August 2016

Receipt of completed application forms:

23 September 2016

Judging panels decisions:

throughout November 2016

CIF Response

Final receipt of completed expressions of interest:

27 January 2017

Final receipt of completed application forms:

24 February 2017

Full details can be found on our website:

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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.

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Trading Standards Update

March 2016



Welcome to the March edition of the Trading Standards Update.

This month, the team has been busy responding to a range of issues from reports of illegally imported animals through to assisting the Food Standards Agency by sampling food stuffs for carcinogenic toxins.

The update features a couple of items on the work that the team does in relation to petroleum safety; including night-time checks on petrol stations to ensure that the lighting levels are adequate for motorists and fuel tanker deliveries. They have also been overseeing (as the Petroleum Enforcement Authority) proposals to develop a brand new site that, when operational, will be controlled remotely by operators that will be using security cameras and tannoy systems to monitor and communicate with motorists.

The use of nicotine inhaling products (e-cigarettes) is steadily on the rise and the team has been testing retailers after the introduction of legislation that restricts the age of sale to over 18s, in much the same way as conventional tobacco products. Unfortunately, 60% of those tested sold to a 17 year old volunteer without asking for proof of age. The team has issued a warning and advice to all those that sold and will be undertaking further test purchases to check compliance with the law. It is vitally important that e-cigarettes aren't seen by children as a gateway to smoking tobacco in later life.

Cllr Anne Brown
Cabinet Member for Corporate, Communities and Customers

I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

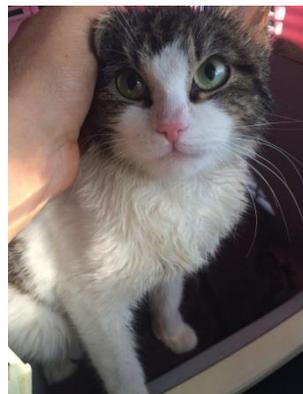


We've recently completed the latest project to check the conformity of the lighting on petrol station forecourts and, at the same time, carry out a competency check of the console operating staff. The areas covered this year included Epping Forest, Chelmsford and Tendring all of which are due to renew their 3 yearly licence later this year.

There is a legal requirement to have a standard of lighting of at least 100 Lux at the dispensers (for the safety of the customers) and at the tank fill points (for the safety of the tanker delivery driver). Also, the petrol station operators should ensure that their staff, who are often working alone at night, are suitably trained to acceptable standard. The team operate in pairs, not only for their personal safety, but so that whilst one is checking the forecourt lights with a light meter the other is quizzing the console operator to assess their competency. This project has been taking place for many years and its success can be measured in the number of non-compliance notices issued each year. We were issuing in the region of 25-30 notices each year when we first started doing these checks – a percentage of about 40% incorrect. This failure rate has gradually reduced year on year with only 6 notices being issued during this year's project – a percentage of 10.5% incorrect. The consequences of this are that petrol stations in Essex are operating to an ever improving standard.

SHIP'S CAT SAVED

The crew of a merchant ship on route from the Baltics discovered a stowaway cat on board the vessel. Having secured it below deck the captain radioed ahead to Harwich Port Security to report the incident. UK Border Force officers based at the port contacted us for advice on how to deal with the stowaway and what options were permitted to get the cat off once the ship



docked at Harwich. Unfortunately, in the absence of an owner the law only allowed the cat to be either re-exported or to be destroyed. The shipping company enquired whether an alternative option of placing the cat into quarantine could be permitted. It was stressed that this would be an option but that the costs associated with the quarantine would have to be met by somebody other than the Council (these costs are usually met by the owner of an illegally imported animal however in this case there was no owner). Luckily the shipping company offered to pick up the bill and arrangements were made for an authorised carrying agent to go on board when the ship docked to collect the cat and transport it to an approved quarantine facility. Little Eliza has now been released from quarantine and is convalescing in her new home - a happy ending for all concerned!

CADETS ASSIST CRACK-DOWN ON UNDER-AGE DRINKING

Police have been working alongside Essex Trading Standards officers to carry out test purchase operations in the Chelmsford, Maldon and Tendring areas - cracking down on crime and problems associated with underage drinking.

The test purchasing operation, part of Essex Police's Operation Benison, involved two 16 year-old police cadet volunteers attempting to buy alcohol from licensed premises.

A total of four premises were checked in Maldon and Chelmsford, with all passing by asking for ID and refusing the sale. Six premises were checked in Tendring where four passed and two failed. Of the two failures, one sale was made by a shop assistant and was dealt with by a fixed penalty notice. The other sale was made by the designated premises supervisor and further action is currently being considered.

Cllr Anne Brown, Essex County Council's Cabinet Member for Corporate, Communities and Customers said: "Test purchases are not intended to 'catch out' licensees. Their aim is to curb local crime and anti-social behaviour problems associated with underage drinking.

"A key focus of the initiative is to remind traders they require 'proof of age' before making a sale, rather than simply asking how old someone is or judging their age by appearance alone."

The test operations were carried out in February and targeted premises where intelligence indicated the trader had either sold age-restricted products to a minor before or were in a hotspot area.

PUPPY CONFUSION

We received a call via the animal health on-call phone to report a problem with a Lithuanian puppy that had been taken to a vet in Chelmsford. The puppy had been admitted for routine checks and the vet had found that the Passport for the puppy did not match the microchip. This is a serious issue as illegally imported dogs that haven't received the correct treatments and vaccinations can carry harmful diseases such as rabies.

Whilst the officer was discussing the need for the puppy to go into quarantine, the owner received a text from the seller saying that he thought her dog may have the incorrect passport. The brother of the puppy was also at a vet in Southampton with a passport which did not match his microchip.

After discussing this with the vets involved and copies of the passports being sent to each other, it was clear that the passports had gone with the wrong pups. As a result of our enquiries it was decided that providing the pups were kept indoors and away from other animals they wouldn't need to be quarantined. This was fortunate for both owners as the only quarantine kennels that had a vacancy was in Derbyshire!

NO COLD CALLING ZONES



A recent review of No Cold Calling Zones has proved that they are still as popular as ever with residents that live within them, confirming that they feel safer knowing that they are within a Zone.

The reviews are carried out once the Zone has been in place for 3 years. Residents are provided with a questionnaire asking, amongst other things, for their comments and thoughts, checking that they still have stickers for their doors or whether replacements are required. We also make sure that the No Cold Calling Zone signs are still in place at the entry to the Zoned road.

The Zones are still proving to be of benefit to the residents as we are being told that they are no longer being bothered by cold callers.

BACK TO THE FUTURE

An application was received to redevelop a petrol station and to introduce a new (to Essex) 'virtually attended' method of operating. The current site, in a back street of a mid-Essex town, has a predominately workshop service/repair/MOT trade with a small turnover in fuel sales. The site has very old tanks and drainage systems in place that wouldn't be considered acceptable by today's modern standards. The proposal is to demolish all buildings and to install new double skin below ground tanks, modern non-corrosive pipework and a new single chamber Class1 interceptor designed to capture any spilt fuel thus preventing any risk of fire or pollution.



The big difference is in the new style of operation which would be completely unattended but with the operation being controlled remotely by a company in Peterborough. The site would have several fixed and pan-tilt zoom CCTV cameras which would be operated by trained staff who would approve and authorise the pumps to dispense fuel for each customer transaction (just as a console operator would do on a usual forecourt). If necessary, the customer and the operator could communicate with each other through an audio unit on the pump or through a visual/audio unit on the customer emergency cabinet. This would be a step further than the current unattended sites run by some supermarkets which, although controlled by the same company in Peterborough, don't have the same interaction with the customer, only reacting to emergencies as there are competent persons employed at the main supermarket building. There have been two sites already converted to this mode of operation in Swindon and Aylesbury. Both have been operating without any issues for about a year.

THERE IS SMOKE WITHOUT FIRE

A recent test purchasing operation conducted by Essex Trading Standards showed that 6 out of 10 retailers sold nicotine inhaling products, including e-cigarettes, refills and e-liquids containing nicotine to an underage test purchase volunteer.

Nicotine Inhaling Products (NIP's) include a wide range of nicotine inhaling devices and substances, most commonly used by people to reduce the health risks of smoking tobacco, although the World Health Organisation (WHO) recommends caution regarding the use of these products, as their safety has yet to be proved. Regulations came into force in October 2015 to restrict the age of sale of nicotine inhaling products to over 18s. A retailer who sells a nicotine inhaling product to someone under the age of 18 now commits an offence.



In view of this, we carried out a project in partnership with the Department of Health to conduct a rapid review of compliance with the new Regulations. Assisted by a 17 year old volunteer, attempts were made to purchase nicotine inhaling products at a cross section of 10 Essex retailers, with illegal sales being made at 60% of those premises visited, including specialist e-cigarette outlets, High Street newsagents and petrol stations.

No proof of age identification was requested by any of the sellers who sold to the volunteer. Each one has now received a warning letter and will receive a further test purchase visit in the near future, with the likelihood of formal enforcement action being considered if underage sales persist.

TRADING STANDARDS – LOCAL IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SAFETY

This is the title of a short presentation delivered to an audience of Parish Councillors as part of a Police & Crime Commissioner's Conference held in Dunmow. The Local Council Police Partnership event majored heavily on the Essex Police vision for the future and interaction between the police and the community. Trading standards were allocated the notoriously tricky "after lunch" spot however this turned out not to be a problem as the audience had been kept on their toes by the four candidates for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex job (following the end of Nick Alston's tenure) who had hosted a lunchbreak Q&A session at the last minute.

Our presentation focussed on underage sales, scams and doorstep crime with some discussion around new psychotic substances legislation & Buy with Confidence. The subject area that seemed to create most interest was No Cold Calling Zones. This interest has led to a number of Parish Councillors wanting to discuss NCCZs in their Parishes.

VOLUNTEERS CLEAR DANGER DITCH



The Essex County Fire and Rescue Service has recently joined forces with Essex County Council's Flood and Water Management Team to create 'The Essex Flood and Water Management Alliance'. The Alliance investigates the causes of flooding to help prevent future incidents.

On Friday 11th March 2016 a number of Trading Standards Officers volunteered to assist with a ditch clearance event organised by the Alliance along a Public Right of Way on Mill Road, Mile End, Colchester CO4 5JE.

The work was varied and included digging out silt from the channel, chopping down vegetation and assisting with the removal of material. By the end of the day the team had cleared all of the overgrown plants, weeds and rubbish from the ditch restoring it to a fully functional condition. The homes adjacent to the ditch are now far safer from the risk of flooding.

All the volunteers found it surprisingly rewarding and would recommend giving it a go – there are usually around two events per month for which the Flood and Water Management Team are always looking for volunteers. Those who want to help with the scheme can find out more by emailing: Floods@essex.gov.uk

Before:



After:



YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE NUTS TO WORK HERE BUT.....

Trading Standards Officers recently spent the best part of a 10 hour day sorting and sampling from a 14 tonne shipment of dried walnuts imported by an Essex based business. Officers were carrying out official control sampling (directed and funded by the Food Standards Agency) to test for aflatoxins levels, a type of mould which can carry carcinogenic toxins. Aflatoxin levels, are strictly controlled in some food products and there is legislation which have to be followed when sampling for these contaminants. On this occasion it resulted in officers moving over 1000 boxes from pallets and restacking them, each box weighing nearly 14kg each to obtain a 20kg sample. An exhausting job and not for the fainthearted! The samples have been sent off for analysis and we are awaiting the results...



ESSEX: CENTRE OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE?

In a county with two airports, a multitude of supporting industries and infrastructure, it comes as no surprise to learn that the Essex Trading Standards' laboratory gets asked to undertake some unusual calibration jobs. When bits of aircraft from near and far are repaired, maintained or simply repainted in Essex, then someone has to re-determine their weight, using accurate and traceable equipment.

Our task is to inspect, test, calibrate and certify such specialist weighing equipment which has typically been modified to suit various aircraft components. Most commonly, wing tip or rudder sections get struck by lightning and engine cowlings suffer from F.O.D. – foreign object damage – or bird-strike. Confidence in weighing is a key component in aviation safety and that is what we help to deliver.

IN ISOLATION

Early on a Saturday morning, we received a phone call from Stansted Airport saying they had an Assistance dog with a lady who had mental health issues, which had travelled from the USA via France, but the dog had not had its medication for tape worm. This is a requirement which should be given between 24 hours and 5 days before travel into the UK. On this occasion, the dog was given the medication and put into quarantine for 24 hours before being able to continue with its journey.

EVEN TRADING STANDARDS ISN'T IMMUNE FROM SCAMMERS...

We received a call on our emergency contact phone expecting the usual doorstep crime referral from Citizens Advice to be greeted by a gentleman claiming to be calling from Microsoft and wanting to speak to the head of the household. After confirming we were indeed the head of the household we were told that we had a problem with our computer and this gentleman was going to sort out the problem! We were then relishing a lengthy bit of fun with this scammer! Unfortunately, just as things were getting interesting, the call got cut off!

ALLERGENS GALORE! / WHAT'S YOUR POISON?

At a recent targeted inspection of a high risk food manufacturing business a sharp eyed trading standards officer spotted that the specifications, supplied by the niche energy bar brand holder, listed 3 allergens in a compound ingredient that were not declared on the snack bar label. As the trader was adamant that the product did not contain these allergens – ‘the mistake was in the new specifications not his label’ - it was decided to send a sample to the Public Analysts to test for the undeclared allergen; milk. Due to public safety concerns the Public Analyst was requested to fast track the sample.

The results confirmed the presence of a significant amount of undeclared milk triggering a notification to the Food Standards Agency Incident Unit who issued an Allergen Alert. Milk allergy can lead to hives and worse.

Lactose Intolerance & Milk Allergy Comparison		
	Lactose Intolerance	Milk Allergy
Cause	not enough enzymes to breakdown the sugars consumed in foods	immune system thinks certain proteins in foods are of those of harmful bacteria
Age	starts later in childhood but most common in adults, may be temporarily present in the form of colic in babies.	starts usually from early infancy and more common in children who overgrow it, triggered in later adult life in some who never had it in childhood.
Symptoms	affects the digestive system only, mainly: abdominal bloating gas and wind flatulence stomach cramps diarrhoea	usually immediate and affecting more than one part of the body- digestion: nausea, vomiting, stomach cramps and diarrhoea skin: swelling eczema, hives airways: wheezing, coughing, congestion and a runny nose anaphylaxis: most known to happen in peanuts allergy but can be triggered by all sorts of food ingestion.

Working with the business we oversaw a withdrawal of the product from the business's customers who also displayed a recall notice to inform their customers of the risk and to return the product.

An investigation found that the contract manufacturer used by the brand holder had received one batch of a compound ingredient which differed from their normal specification but they had gone ahead and used it, issuing the new specifications to the brand holder who failed to act /notice the changes. Both businesses were provided with due diligence guidance and as the brand holder had suffered financial and reputational damage no further enforcement action was taken on this occasion.

Planning News

Minerals and Waste Policy planning

The Replacement Waste Local Plan – Pre Submission Draft document was made available for public engagement on Thursday 3 March 2016 and we have received around 140 responses to date. You can still submit your responses until 5pm on Thursday 14 April.

The Plan is a planning policy document, containing site allocations, covering the administrative areas of Essex County Council and Southend-on-Sea Borough Council. Once adopted, all waste-related planning applications will be determined in accordance with this new Local Plan. It will replace the existing Essex and Southend Waste Local Plan (adopted September 2001) and enable both Councils to assess waste management-related planning applications using an up to date, locally derived, document providing certainty to local communities

The engagement period provides the opportunity to consider the soundness of the Plan ahead of submission for independent examination by a Planning Inspector later in 2016. The focus of this engagement is different to past consultations; at this stage the responses received will be forwarded to the Planning Inspector upon submission of the Plan. The Planning Inspector is only able by law to consider responses on matters of soundness and legal compliance.

The Plan, Sustainability Appraisal and supporting documents are available to download from www.essex.gov.uk/wlp. In line with e-government policy we would encourage you to respond to the engagement online via <http://consult.essexcc.gov.uk> by 17:00 on 14 April 2016. Responding online is the fastest and most effective method of response; it also allows responses to be processed quickly so to be ready for viewing on the engagement homepage. The Plan aims to deliver a possible 18 sites in Essex for future waste development and identifies 32 existing industrial estate areas as potentially suitable for small scale waste development. The Plan will divert waste away from landfill where possible and more efficiently manage commercial waste, generated by businesses, produced in Essex and Southend.

The sites included in the Plan were previously made available for consultation in 2015 and comments received have been used to inform the Plan at this stage.

Flood and Water Management

Essex County Council's Capital Programme is now well under way and this month has seen the completion of the first set of flood alleviation schemes.

Old Mead Lane – Complete

Culvert upgrades and ditching improvements have been used to improve flow and increase capacity within the existing ordinary watercourse. We have also installed a series of flood gates and fencing that provide individual property protection against surface water flooding.

Danbury - Complete

The scheme involved upgrading a part of the existing highway drainage system by enlarging two gullies and upgrading the culvert that connects them. The highway gullies are then connected by a 150mm pipe to a new underground storage area that has been design to improve capacity within the system.

Runwell phase 1 – Complete

Phase 1 of the scheme consisted of creating a downstream storage area which will increase capacity and control the rate in which water enters the main river. An existing field access was upgraded to improve flow within the water course and the first sections of the 1200mm pipe, x1 new headwall and a new manhole were installed.

You can keep up to date with the progress of ECC's Capital Programme by visiting <https://twitter.com/PreparedInEssex>.

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, contact the Committee Administrator on 03330 134 583 or go to www.essex.gov.uk/planning then follow *Minerals and Waste Planning Team>Planning Applications>The Planning Process>Decision Making*.

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 March 2016

<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 Borough	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 District	ESS/39/14/BTE	Land at Colemans Farm, Little Braxted Lane, Rivenhall, Witham, CM8 3EX	Full App with EIA ESS	25/07/14	Extraction of an estimated 2.5 million tonnes of sand and gravel together with the provision of a new access from Little Braxted Lane; and the installation/construction and operation of primary processing and ancillary facilities comprising washing and bagging plant, silt lagoons, weighbridge, site management office, mess room and maintenance workshop; with restoration to agriculture and water based nature conservation habitats.

Braintree District	ESS/01/16/BTE	Notley Road Pumping Station, St Johns Avenue, Braintree, CM7 1HJ	Full Planning Applications ESS	04/01/16	Erection of a GRP cover over the existing open sewer.
Braintree District	ESS/07/16/BTE	Bradwell Quarry, Church Road, Bradwell, CM77 8EP	Full Planning Applications ESS	26/01/16	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 (if implemented). 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).

Braintree District	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).
Chelmsford City	ESS/16/15/CHL	Blackley Quarry, Land to the north east and north west, A131, Great Leighs, CM3 1QP	Full App with EIA ESS	14/04/15	Extraction of an estimated reserve of 2.8 million tonnes of sand and gravel (from sites A38 and A39 as identified in the Minerals Local Plan 2014) and retention of existing access onto the A131, retention of existing sand and gravel processing plant (to be relocated within site A38), progressive restoration to agriculture using inert fill, installation of inert recycling facility, including screening and crushing to recover secondary aggregate. In addition revised restoration scheme for the existing quarry area.
Chelmsford City	ESS/08/16/CHL	Sandon Quarry, Southend Road, Sandon, Howe Green, CM2 7TE	Full Planning Applications 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 City	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 City	ESS/36/13/CHL	Hanson Aggregates, Bulls Lodge Quarry, Generals Lane, Boreham, Chelmsford, CM3 3HR	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 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 City	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.

Colchester Borough	ESS/06/15/COL	Colchester Quarry (Bellhouse), Warren Lane, Colchester	Full Planning Applications ESS	11/06/15	Retrospective application for continuation of use of the restored Abbotstone North Landfill Site without compliance with Conditions 2 (Development Details), 3 (Reinstatement Details), 12 (Landscaping Scheme Design), 19 (AoD Levels), and 22 (Aftercare Scheme) attached to planning permission ESS/07/01/COL/REV to allow the retention of amended contours within the Abbotstone North landfill site, along the boundary with the ECC closed landfill and with Public Footpath 15.
Maldon District	ESS/57/15/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon, CM9 8BQ	Full Planning Applications ESS	30/11/15	Proposed washing plant for use during the construction of an agricultural reservoir previously approved under Planning Ref. ESS/35/14/MAL.
Maldon District	ESS/05/16/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon, CM9 8BQ	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	20/01/16	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 No. 2 and No. 27 attached to planning reference ESS/34/14/MAL to allow an amended restoration layout incorporating an island and amended eastern boundary of the reservoir.
Maldon District	ESS/06/16/MAL	Cobbs Farm, Maldon Road, Goldhanger, Maldon, CM9 8BQ	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	20/01/16	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 No. 2 and No. 27 attached to planning reference ESS/35/14/MAL to allow an amended restoration layout incorporating an island and amended eastern boundary of the reservoir.

Tendring District	ESS/60/15/TEN	Auto Spares Station Yard, Great Bentley Road, Thorrington, CO7 8HT	Full Planning Applications ESS	23/12/15	Change of use of land to form minor extension of vehicles breakers yard including alterations to crossover, erection of building and construction of new internal road and turning area (resubmission of ESS/30/15/TEN).
Tendring District	ESS/24/15/TEN	Elmstead Hall, Elmstead, Colchester	Full App with EIA ESS	02/06/15	Construction of an irrigation reservoir involving the excavation, processing and removal of sand, gravel and soils, engineering works and ancillary buildings.
Tendring District	ESS/45/15/TEN	Wivenhoe Quarry, Alresford Road, Wivenhoe, CO7 9JU	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	29/09/15	Continuation of extraction of sand & gravel, reinstatement with inert fill and restoration to part agriculture, part nature conservation and part open water without compliance with conditions 50 (Operations completion date) and 51 (Removal of all associated infrastructure) attached to planning permission ref: ESS/42/12/TEN to allow an extension in time to the life of the permitted operations and deadline for removal of all associated infrastructure for an additional 3 years until 31 December 2018.
Tendring District	ESS/48/15/TEN	Wivenhoe Quarry, Alresford Road, Wivenhoe, CO7 9JU	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	12/10/15	Continuation of use for the recycling of glass, coated roadstone chippings and scalplings, concrete and brick waste to produce secondary aggregates involving associated plant on land at Wivenhoe Quarry without compliance with condition 2 (operations completion date) attached to planning permission ref: ESS/41/12/COL to allow an extension in time to the life of the permitted recycling operations for an additional 3 years until 31 December 2018.

Tendring District	ESS/40/15/TEN	Lufkins Farm, Frating and Brook Farm, Great Bentley, Colchester	Full Planning Applications ESS	02/09/15	Construction of a temporary access onto Great Bentley road (Lufkins Lane), internal road and ancillary works to enable the removal of surplus material arising from the construction of an agricultural reservoir.
Tendring District	ESS/41/15/TEN	Lufkins Farm, Frating and Brook Farm, Great Bentley, Colchester	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	21/08/15	s.73 application of alteration of conditions 2,13,16,19,20,21,23 AND 48 of ESS/10/13/TEN
Uttlesford District	ESS/09/16/UTT	Widdington Pit, Hollow Road, Widdington, CB11 3SL	Full Planning Applications ESS	11/02/16	Proposed extension to existing office building and proposed construction of a replacement storage bay to an increased height of 2.1 metres, all ancillary to the existing minerals and waste operations.
Uttlesford District	ESS/10/16/UTT	Sewage Works, Jenkins Lane, Great Hallingbury, CM22 7QL	Full Planning Applications ESS	22/02/16	Construction of a new welfare building (17.2m x 10.4m x 5.35m LxWxH)

Uttlesford District	ESS/04/16/UTT	Widdington Pit, Hollow Road, Widdington, CB11 3SL	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	11/01/16	Continuation of use of land for skip hire, waste recycling, waste transfer and green waste composting operations, involving the importation, deposit, sorting, recycling, processing of waste materials (including construction and demolition waste, soil, wood, metal, plastics, green waste, road planings) the storage of skips, waste and recovered materials and use of processing machinery (including soil screeners, concrete crushers, mechanical concrete splitter, trommel shredder, loading shovels, 360 degree excavators and picking conveyors) and vehicles. The sale, storage and exportation of recovered materials. The importation, storage and sale of aggregate materials, including sand, gravel and ballast all permitted by planning permission ref ESS/35/13/UTT without compliance with condition No. 34 (vehicular access), to remove the condition requiring construction of kerbing to restrict vehicles turning right at main access. (NB The timescales have been revised by condition. Cessation required by 30 April 2022 with restoration by 30 September 2023).
Uttlesford District	ESS/03/16/UTT	Widdington Pit, Hollow Road, Widdington, CB11 3SL	Removal/Variation of Condition ESS	11/01/16	Continuation of excavation of sand and restoration of land to agricultural use, including deposit of inert waste permitted by planning permission ESS/34/13/UTT without compliance with condition No. 35 (vehicular access), to remove the condition requiring construction of kerbing to restrict vehicles turning right at main access. (NB The timescales have been revised by condition. Cessation required by 30 April 2022 with restoration by 30 September 2023).

Pending County Council Applications as at 15 March 2016

<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 Borough	CC/BAS/04/16	Phoenix Primary School, Leinster Road, Basildon, SS155NQ	Full Planning Application CC	29/02/16	Proposed single storey extension and internal alterations to provide a new reception area for the school.
Braintree District	CC/BTE/17/14	Braintree Road, Shalford, CM7 5HQ	Full App (Major) CC	10/03/14	Restoration of the former Shalford Recycling Centre for Household Waste to amenity parkland. Proposed development includes the demolition of the existing hardstanding area; the formation of a pond; the re-contouring of land levels; modifications to the existing access; and the creation of a car parking area.
Braintree District	CC/BTE/59/15	John Bunyan Junior School, Lancaster Way, Braintree, CM7 5UL	Full Planning Application CC	21/10/15	Erection of a single storey extension to provide a new studio, staff room and library space together with external works to increase car parking provision within the school site.
Chelmsford City	CC/CHL/03/16	Perryfields Primary School, Chelmsford, CM1 7PP	Full Planning Application CC	03/02/16	Provision of a temporary single modular classroom building until February 2020.

Harlow Council CC/HLW/01/16	Longwood Primary School & Nursery, Paringdon Road, Harlow, CM187RQ	Full Planning Application CC	04/01/16	Construction of a single storey extension to provide a new classroom, nursery, library and group room. The provision of an additional 8 car parking spaces within the school site and the provision of an additional 12 cycle spaces and 12 scooter spaces.
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Decision on Minerals, Waste and County Council Applications made between 15 February 2016 - 15 March 2016

<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>
Braintree District	ESS/34/15/BTE	Land at Rivenhall Airfield, Coggeshall Road (A120), Braintree CO5 9DF	Variation of condition 2 (application drawings) of planning permission ESS/55/14/BTE to allow amended layout of the Integrated Waste Management Facility. The Integrated Waste Management Facility comprising: Anaerobic Digestion Plant treating mixed organic waste, producing biogas converted to electricity through biogas generators; Materials Recovery Facility for mixed dry recyclable waste to recover materials e.g. paper, plastic, metals; Mechanical Biological Treatment facility for the treatment of residual municipal and residual commercial and industrial wastes to produce a solid recovered fuel; De-inking and Pulping Paper Recycling Facility to reclaim paper; Combined Heat and Power Plant (CHP) utilising solid recovered fuel to produce electricity, heat and steam; extraction of minerals to enable buildings to be partially sunken below	26/02/16	Granted	Committee

ground level within the resulting void;
visitor/education centre; extension to existing
access road; provision of offices and vehicle
parking; and associated engineering works and
storage tanks. And approval of details required by
condition (the details taking account of the
proposed amended drawings), the conditions
sought to be discharged are as follows: 6 (access
road, cross over points), 13 (Signage,
Telecommunications & Lighting at Woodhouse
Farm complex), 14 (Stack design and finishes),
15 (design details and construction materials), 17
(management plan for the CHP), 18 (green roof),
20 (construction compounds, parking of vehicles),
22 (foul water management), 23 (surface water
drainage and ground water management), 24,
(groundwater monitoring), 37 (signs on access
road at footpath crossings), 43 (lighting scheme
during construction), 45 (phasing scheme for
access road, retaining wall and mineral
extraction), 50 (fencing – temporary and
permanent), 53 (ecological survey update), 54
(Habitat Management Plan update), 57
(landscaping – bunding & planting), 59 (trees,
shrubs and hedgerows – retention and
protection), 60 (tree management and watering
adjacent to retaining wall), 61 (Woodhouse Farm
parking and landscaping), 62 (traffic calming
measures at River Blackwater for otters and
voles) and 63 (access road crossing points –
lining and signing).

Castle Point Borough	CC/CPT/64/15	Land adjacent to Glenwood Special School, Rushbottom Lane, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 4LW	Demolition of the former Montgomerie Infants School building and the erection of a new Special Needs School with associated car and cycling parking, landscaping and infrastructure.	07/03/16	Granted	Committee
Chelmsford City	CC/CHL/02/16	Runwell Cp School, Canewdon Gardens, Wickford, SS117BJ	Proposed two new additional classrooms and a new staff room with associated toilets and circulation together with the provision of additional car parking at the rear of the school site and access from Runwell Gardens.	15/02/16	Granted	Delegated
Tendring District	CC/TEN/76/15	Ravens Academy, Nayland Drive, Clacton on Sea, CO16 8TZ	The erection of a single storey 6 classbase extension with associated ancillary facilities.	26/02/16	Granted	Delegated
Uttlesford District	CC/UTT/78/15	R A Butler School, South Road, Saffron Walden, CB113DG	Erection of single storey extension to provide new classbase and external works to increase parking provision within the school site.	26/02/16	Granted	Delegated