Paul Gadd County Councillor Update

Wendens Ambo Parish Council 4/7/22

1. Locality Fund:
	1. Let me know if you have any schemes
2. Highways matters affecting the parish:
	1. Not a helpful update on the proposed 40mph extension west of Wendens Ambo I’m afriad. Essex Highways have been losing people, and have been extremely slow to validate the schemes proposed to the LHP. We had the LHP meeting on 27/6, and the Wendens Ambo scheme hadn’t been validated (along with many other schemes) so couldn’t be considered for funding. It’s now too late in the financial year for any new schemes to be approved so the Wendens Ambo scheme will now have to wait for next year. I will keep chasing it so that it can be put forward for funding as early as possible next year, but apologies that it won’t happen earlier;
	2. *[I’ve forwarded Kathryn Butterworth’s request concerning Drayton Hill to the LHP officer but haven’t yet heard back. She’s going to check also on previous proposals and why they didn’t go ahead.] –* same as last month; I’ve chased again. It appears that there are no records of the previous proposals, and the LHP officer is leaving later in July. Once her replacement arrives I’ll raise the proposal again;
	3. The Royston Rd manhole covers have been replaced!
	4. I’m waiting to hear back from ECC concerning the bus shelter.
3. Drainage issues:
	1. The jetting along the B1383 north of Wendens Ambo has been done;
	2. I’ve raised with my drainage contact the issues around the Station Road junction and whether the pipes south are blocked and I’m waiting for him to come back to me.
4. Ukraine:
	1. ECC have apparently now starting making the £350 payments to hosts so residents should be receiving them but let me know if anyone is having problems.