

Young people have said that poorly lit areas make them feel unsafe, and that having better street lighting would help them feel safer.

Specific locations young people think new lighting should be installed in each area are as follows-

Uttlesford:

Parks and Recreation Areas – x81

- Bridge End Gardens (21)
- The Common (x21)
- Jubilee Gardens (21)
- Thaxted Rec (8)
- Dunmow Rec (4)
- The Common (x6)

Dark Lanes – x22

- Abbey Lane (x21)
- School Lane (x1)

Bus Stops – x22

- Bus stops (general) (x22)

Sports Fields / Tennis Courts – x13

- Area around tennis courts (x4)
- Anglo American Playing Fields (x6)
- Thaxted Football Field (x3)

Skate Park – x11

- Skate park, Dunmow (x11)

Area Around the Youth Centre – x 11

- Stansted Youth Centre (x6)
- Road to Youth Centre, Thaxted (5)

Other Specific Locations

- Bridge next to Stony Common – Stansted (x4)
- Up behind the church – Thaxted (x3)
- Alley from the town to the school – Thaxted (x2)
- Down the side of Humphry Lodge – Thaxted (x2)

Harlow:

Underpasses – 32

- Underpasses including x2 “near Sainsbury’s (Burnt Mill Road)”
- x4 “near Playhouse, Hayden’s Road”

Outside Schools and School Routes – x31

- x10 “Outside all schools”
- x21 “School routes”

Harlow Town Centre – x22

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Harlow Town Station – x21

- Harlow Town Station (21)

Cycle Paths / Tracks – x16

- x1 “Near Katherines Way”
- x1 “Cycle track from Potter St to Nichols Field”
- x1 “Latton Bush Common”
- x1 “Old Harlow to Town, Sumners Strip”
- x1 “Stow cycle path”
- x1 “Old Harlow to Newhall”

Alleyways – x14

- Alleyways (x14)

Fields and Common Areas – Church Langley Field - x10

- x3 “Field”
- x1 “Newhall field”
- x3 “The common”

Bus Stops – x8

- Bus stops (x8)

Parks and Entrances

- Parks and entrances (x7)

Potter Street – x3

- x2 “Garages area on Potter St”
- **Bush Fair – x2**
- Bush Fair (x2)
- **Spring Hills – x1**
- Spring Hills (near Co-op) (x1)
- **Stow – x1**
- Stow (x1)

Epping Forest:

Parks / Playing Fields – x16

- Jessen Green (Loughton) (x6)
- Sheering Village Hall Field (x10)

Bus Stops in Rural Areas – x14

- Bus stops in general rural areas, especially between Epping and North Weald (x14)

Schools and School Journeys – x12

- A414 between High Ongar and Ongar — lots of schoolchildren from Ongar Academy walk there
- Outside schools – Woodford County (x5)
- Area around Epping St John’s Secondary School, Buckingham Road / Upshire Road (x5)
- Especially around Upshire Primary School

Suburban Areas – x11

- Broadmead Bridge (x2)
- Waterworks Corner (x2)
- Chingford Mount (x1)
- Palmerstone Road, Buckhurst Hill (x1)
- Knighton Lane (x1)
- Torrington Drive (x1)

Around Train Stations – x11

- Underpass behind Loughton Station
- Debden Station underpass

Church Lane – x10

- Church Lane (x10)

Alleyways – x9

- Alleyways (x9)

The Broadway (Loughton) – x6

- The Broadway (Loughton) (x6) — described as “very sketchy” and somewhat lit but not very bright

Epping Forest – Main Footpaths – x5

- Main footpaths (including x2 saying “forest”)

Streetlight Timing Concerns – x11

- “Streetlights turn off at 2am in Epping and Loughton — want them on all night” (x11)

Brightness Concerns – x11

- “They all agreed that the street lighting isn’t as bright since the bulbs were changed to energy-efficient lighting.” (x11)

Colchester:

Parks – x58

- Castle Park (x13)
- The local parks (St Stephen’s YC) (x9)
- Every single Colchester Park — *especially near town* (x10)
- Highwoods Country Park (x3)
- Magnolia Fields (x9)
- Tiptree Grove Road Park (x7)
- Tiptree Duck Pond (x5)

Alleyways – x26

- Alleyway between Parsons Heath Doctors and Tesco Express on Bromley Road
- Alleyway between Harwich Road and White City — described as too dark in winter due to no lighting, forcing a much longer walk around the road

Shops – x21

- Greenstead Jonny Macs Chippy (x9)
- Tesco (x3)
- Tiptree Tesco (x2)
- Lion’s Walk (x2)
- Tiptree ASDA (x5)

Suburban and Residential Areas – x16

- Round Ashdown Way
- Greenstead
- Seldon Road in Tiptree (access to footpaths) (x3)

Underpasses – x9

- Salary Brook in Greenstead

Rural Areas – x8

- Colchester Moors (x2)
- Tiptree side streets (x6)

Urban Areas – x6

- Around Meadow Block Court
- Between Goring Road and Dilbridge Road
- Near Firstsite (x3)

Cycle Paths – x3

- A12 pathway for bikes (x2)
- Vallis Way cycle path (x1)

Hythe Train Station – x3

- Hythe Train Station (x3)

Tendring:

Suburban Areas – x20

- Housing estates (x4)
- Brooklands Estate, Jaywick (x14)
- Corner of Clarkes Road, Dovercourt (x1)
- Parkston (x1)

Parks – x15

- Kirby Park (x5)
- Roydon Playing Fields, Walton (x9)
- Forest in Parkston (x1)

Alleyways – x6

- Alleyway by Whitehall School (x4)
- Parkston, Harwich (x1)
- Old Harwich alleyways (x1)

Footpaths / Cycle Paths – x3

- The Hangings, Dovercourt (x1)
- Great Clacton Churchyard footpath (x2)

Teen Talk – x1

- Dovercourt High Street (x1)

Rural Area – x1

- Bradfield Village (x1)

Main Road Near Train Station – x1

- Main road near the train station in Wrabness (x1)

Car Park – x1

- Harwich Sailing Club car park (x1)

Youth Leader Comment

- “Interestingly, we had a split on this with girls saying yes to more streetlighting and the boys saying it didn’t bother them as much.”

Additional Comment

- Alleyway in Parkston that always has smashed bottles and isn’t lit well enough to dodge them.

Braintree:

Parks – x64

- Field outside the youth club (Silver End Village Hall) (x9)
- More lighting in parks (x17)
- Chelmer Park
- Goldingham Drive Park
- King George Park
- Fisher Park
- Any green spaces attached to buildings (x9)
- Silver End Park (x8)
- Silver End Playing Fields (x8)
- Kings Road Playing Field (x9)

Skate Park – x4

- Skate park (x4)
- **Roads – x36**
- Local roads (x14)
- Triangle at Silver Street and Boars Tye Road (x10)
- Road by Boars Tye Care Home (x12)
- **Alleyways – x45**
- Alleyways (x45)
- **Shops – x9**
- Silver End Co-op area — front and back (x9)
- **Car Parks – x12**
- Grooms Lane Car Park (x12)
- **Suburban Area – x2**
- Balls Chase (x2)
- **Paths – x13**
- Public walkways (e.g the old railway path / back of industrial estate) (x10)
- River Walk – both ends (x3)

Chelmsford:

Parks – x61

- Jubilee Park (x9)
- Baddow Recreation Ground (x17)
- Melbourne Park (x6)
- Galleywood Common (x8)
- Saltcoats Park (x8)
- Central Park / Admirals Park (x4)
- Melbourne Park (x7)
- St John's Green, Writtle (x2)

Alleyways – x31

- Alleyways by Forest / Morrisons
- Alley by St Pius (x4)

Residential Suburban Areas – x28

- Windsor Way (x3)
- Meadgate residential area (x10)
- Between Bulbecks Walk and Hullbridge Road (x7)
- Longstomps
- Brownings (x4)
- Orchard Street
- YMCA South Woodham
- Around Moulsham High School

Roads – x26

- Main roads towards the town centre (x5)
- Side streets (x5)
- Corners (x16)

Public Transport Stations / Stops – x19

- Bus stops (x5)
- Train / bus station areas (x11)
- "Buses are too bright inside so need brighter lights at bus stops" (x3)

Cycle / Foot Paths – x18

- Riverside cycle paths (x7)
- Rainbow Walk (x10)
- Moulsham Drive — narrow pathway

Central Urban Commercial Areas – x10

- Around Kaspas, Ninja Warrior and the Meadows car park (x3)
- South Woodham town centre (x7)

Shops – x6

- Co-op, Moulsham Lodge (x3)
- More lighting by Miami Roundabout Tesco (x2)
- Co-op near the fire station

Rural Areas – x3

- Deadmans Lane (x3)

Maldon:

Parks – x31

- Longfields Park (x3)
- Cherry Garden Park (x2)
- Park near Doctors (x1)
- Near any park (x3)
- Parkfield, Latchingdon (x1)
- Park near ASDA (Heybridge) (x1)
- Parks — Maldon Prom in particular, but overall all parks (x3)
- Park by the West Community Centre (x1)
- Near parks (x10)
- Public places where people walk to get from one place to another (x6)

Alleyways – x24

- Alleyway near Morrisons (x5)
- Tolley Shop alleyway (x1)
- Any alleyway (x3)
- Alleyways across the whole of Maldon, particularly in and around the High Street (x3)
- Alleyway leading from Fambridge Road to the Tolley Shop
- Morrisons alleyway leading from Fambridge Road and Essex Road
- Alleyway from Fambridge Road across behind the Plume to Wantz Road (x3)
- Alleyway off Cherry Garden
- Alleyways (x3)
- Alleyway from fire station to Morrisons (x1)

Pathways – x14

- Pavements (x3)
- Canal path (x1)
- Around the main areas people walk to get to other places (x5)

Roads – x13

- Downs Road — only has lights every 50m or so
- Near roads (x10)

Suburban Areas – x6

- Heybridge (x1)
- Residential streets (x3)
- By the library to the doctors (x1)
- Elizabeth Way (x1)

Bus Stops / Public Transport – x5

- Heybridge bus stops — down the new housing estate in Mayflower (x1)
- Bus stops (x2)

Central Urban Areas – x3

- Market Hill (x2)
- Near schools (x1)

Shops – x2

- Across Dorset Road and around Morrisons (x1)
- End of High Street near Black Rabbit pub (x1)

Car Parks – x1

- Tesco car park (x1)

Comment

- “In the dark, young people will walk along the road rather than alleyways as they feel unsafe in the darker alleyways.”

Brentwood:

Skate Parks – x17

- Skate parks (x5)
- Ingatestone Skatepark — located within the park (x12)

Roads / Country Lanes – x11

- Park Road (x4)
- The fast road near King George’s Park (x6)
- Country lanes around Brentwood (x1)

Shops / Retail Parks – x11

- Back of Sainsbury’s (x5)
- Back of Baytree Shopping Centre (x1)
- McDonald’s (x5)

Parks / Fields – x8

- Parks (x1)

- King George's Park (x5)
- Corner of tennis courts (near cricket club) (x1)
- Bishops Hall Park Community Centre and path around (x1)

Alleyways – x7

- Alleyways around Brentwood Town Centre (x2)
- Alleyway to King George's Park (x3)
- Alleyways off the High Street (Brentwood) (x2)

Bus Stops – x4

- Bus stops (x4)

Suburban / Residential Areas – x4

- Hutton Mount — near temporary traffic lights (x1)
- Pilgrim's Hatch (next to Elizabeth House) (x2)
- Kelvedon Hatch (x1)

Graveyard – x2

- Graveyard by St Thomas's Church (x2)

Comments

- "This is the only area that is suitable for young people to socialise with their friends."
- "Lights at bus stops 'cos we are trying to be independent and get home" (x2)

Thurrock:

Parks – x43

- Entrance / exits (x8)
- Grays Town Park (x10)
- Sho Park (x2)
- Skate park (x2)
- Non-residential areas (x5)
- King George's Field, Tilbury (x2)
- Nutberry Park (x2)
- Chafford Hundred Park (x2)
- Blackthorn Park
- Brandon Groves (The Rec) Park
- Daisy Field Park (x8)

Pathways – x20

- Pathways (x8)
- Path that leads from Rainbow Road to Sainsbury's in Chafford Hundred (x3)
- Public footpaths in Grays and Tilbury, and the arterial road at Ockendon (x6)
- Pathway through Anchor Field Park (Tilbury) (x2)

Alleyways – x17

- South Ockendon — Sancta Maria Centre and Faymore Gardens (x5)
- Tilbury alleyways (x5)
- Alleyways in Little Thurrock (x1)
- Corringham / Stanford-le-Hope alleyways (x2)
- Alleys in Grays Town Centre and around Seabrook Rise in Grays (x2)
- Chafford Hundred — alleyway near the Fire Station

Town Centre – x16

- Thameside (x10)
- Shops in town centre (x6)

Residential Areas – x13

- Tilbury flats (x2)
- Tilbury (x6)
- River Green (x3)
- The Hill
- Social areas and residential

Public Transport Stations / Stops – x12

- Grays town bus / train station (x6)
- Bus stops (x1)
- Train station (x1)
- Lakeside Train Station

Near Schools – x10

- Areas by Gateway School going onto St Chads Road
- Road from Gateway School leading to Thames Park School — the long stretch (x10)

Roads – x6

- Dead-end roads (x2)
- Street behind Thameside Park (x2)
- Street near Lakeside
- Back road to train station

Junctions – x4

- At junctions — “It can be scary turning the corner not knowing who’s there” (x4)

Basildon:

Alleyways – x101

- Alleyways that are poorly lit (x7)
- Alleyway into Knightsbridge Walk (x7)
- Alleyway from Western Road into Summerdale (x5)
- Alleyway off Bardfield (x1)
- St Catherine’s Close — alley at the end
- Built-up areas that have lots of alleyways (x32)
- Craylands (Beechwood Village) (x2)
- The Knares (x3)
- Laindon (x42)
- Outside the Beech Community Hub (x1)

Parks / Green Spaces – x73

- Gloucester Park (x5)
- Markhams Park (x2)
- Whitmore Park (x14)
- Craylands (Beechwood Village) (x2)
- The Knares (x3)
- Laindon (x42)
- Mill Meadows (x5)

Residential Areas – x60

- Outside houses that are poorly lit (x7)
- Somercotes Estate (x1)
- Vange (x5)
- Craylands (Beechwood Village) (x2)
- The Knares (x3)
- Laindon (x42)

Shops / High Streets – x60

- Lake Meadows entrances (x7)
- Basildon Town (x5)
- Theatre end of Basildon Town (x2)
- The Knares (x3)
- Laindon (x42)
- Outside the Beech Community Hub (x1)

Underpasses – x15

- Underpass outside The Billericay School blue gates (x5)
- ASDA underpass (x2)
- Underpasses to Gloucester Park (x6)
- Alleyways by Woodlands School (x2)

Near Schools – x8

- By Barnfield School (x1)
- Billericay School blue gates (x5)
- Woodlands School (x2)

Comment

- “All around Mill Meadows – but I don’t want to interrupt the nature” (x5)

Rochford:

Parks & Wooded Areas – x28

- Parks (x8)
- King George’s Park (x12)
- Hadleigh Castle (x2)
- Wooded areas (x6)

Alleyways – x24

- Alleyways (x11)
- “Every alleyway in Rayleigh isn’t lit enough” (x1)

- “Need more streetlights in numerous alleys in Rayleigh” (x1)
- Alleyways in local areas (x6)
- Alleyways by Fritz (x5)
- **Near Schools – x13**
- Near schools (x8)
- Near Swayne Park School (x5)
- **Residential Areas – x12**
- Warwick Road (x4)
- Clarence Road (x4)
- Stairwells (x8)
- **Cemetery – x7**
- Cemetery (x7)
- **High Street / Shops – x4**
- Hockley Road (x1)
- Rayleigh High Street (x3)
- **Rochford Train Station – x3**
- Rochford Train Station (x3)
- **Comment**
- “Around their local area and Rochford.” (too general to count)

Castle Point:

Alleyways & Cut-Throughs – x19

- Dark alleys (x9)
- Alleyways and cut-throughs (x7)
- Alleyway by The Chase in Benfleet (x3)

Canvey Lake – x15

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Parks & Wooded Areas – x10

- The woods (x1)
- Playgrounds (x3)
- The Crescent Park (x2)
- Leigh Library Gardens (x3)
- Overton Park (x1)

Roads – x9

- West Crescent Road (x2)
- Link Road (x1)
- On the road (x6)

Canvey Seafront – x7

- Canvey Seafront (x7)

Car Parks – x6

- Leigh Beck car park near the school (x1)
- KGV Car Park (x5)

Near Schools & Colleges – x5

- Leigh Beck car park near the school (x1)
- South Essex College (x3)
- By Thundersley Primary School (x1)

Golf Course – x1

- Around the golf course (x1)

Tennis Courts – x1

- Near the tennis courts (x1)

Battlesbridge – x1

- Battlesbridge near ASDA (x1)

Comments from Thundersley YC

- One young person recalled walking towards a supermarket through an alleyway after school at 3pm and seeing two men dressed in black approaching; the darkness made them feel more scared.
- Another young person recalled visiting Overton Park for fireworks — it was pitch black, and teenage boys on scooters were setting off fireworks. They couldn’t see what the boys were doing or where the fireworks would go, so they moved away out of fear of being hit.

Southend:

Parks & Wooded Areas – x46

- Parks / wooded areas (x11)

- Shoebury Park (x8)
- Hockley Woods — entrances and main paths (x2)
- Priory Park (x3)
- Parks such as Eastwood, Chase, Priory, Chalkwell, Gainsborough, Southchurch (x8)
- Fields (x1)
- Saxon Gardens (near Shoebury High School) (x1)
- Greensward Academy Park (x1)
- Plumbrow Avenue Rec (x2)
- Clifftown Parade — near Queen Victoria statue (x1)
- Prittlewell Brook (x4)
- Cluny Square (x2)
- Hiking areas (x1)
- Dam Brook (x1)

Footpaths – x17

- Footpath between Hockley Station and the village centre (x1)
- Walkway by the Greensward Academy field (x1)
- Pathways around Plumberow Avenue Rec (x2)
- Footbridge and paths near the railway line (x1)
- Wood Grange Estate pathways (x12)

Warrior Square – x16

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Residential Areas – x15

- Boscombe Road
- Side roads off Fairfax Drive
- Oakleigh Park Drive
- Wood Grange Estate
- Residential areas (x1)
- Side streets (x3)
- Rayleigh Drive (x2)
- Leigh-on-Sea (near The Elms)
- Most streets (x1)
- Residential streets near the airport
- Garage area (x1)
- Near Quantock Flats, Chichester Road (x1)

Alleyways – x15

- Alleyway near Spa Road shops (x2)
- Alleyways (x13)

Car Parks – x13

- Car parks (x12)
- Clements Hall Leisure Centre car park area (x1)

Public Transport Stations & Stops – x9

- Rochford Train Station (x2)
- Entrance to train stations (x1)
- Near bus stops and stations (x2)
- Lights around bus stop near B&M and McDonald's
- Hockley Station (x2)
- Paths around station (x1)

Shopping Areas – x8

- High Street (x3)
- Outside shops (x1)
- Hamlet Court Road (x1)
- In town in general (x1)
- High Street (x1)
- By The Royals (x1)

Roads – x5

- Victoria Avenue (x2)
- Southchurch Boulevard (x1)
- Fairfax Drive (x1)
- The hill leading to the airport

Seafront – x4

- Seafront (x4)

Commercial Areas – x2

- Roads near Sainsbury's in Southend

- Route from Hockley Station up to Eldon Way industrial area (x1)

Comment

- A young person mentioned feeling unsafe taking the train to school, and also feeling unsafe walking to the station because they pass through a poorly lit car park.