

# **Supplementary Information**

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next meeting of the Council to be held on 3 November 2021, the following supplementary information that was unavailable when the agenda was printed.

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To receive questions from, and provide answers to the public, provided they have been submitted in accordance with the requirements of Standing Order 27.5, which is to deal with any public questions notified no later than 12 noon three working days before the meeting and in accordance with the Council's protocol for public questions.

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**COUNCIL MEETING 03 NOVEMBER 2021****Item 5 – Public Questions Received under Standing Order 27.5**

	<b>Question From</b>	<b>Question to</b>	<b>Question</b>
1	Mr Owens	Cllr Thain-Smith	I note that the council now has an Environmental strategy published. Given the devastating pollution going on in both harbours, pollution of the boroughs "jewel in the crown" blue flag beach and the £190M uplift to the local economy from tourism. When will the council commit to testing the harbours' for pathogens found in excrement for the health and safety for its citizens in the water around the borough and also to protect the environment it claims to protect?
2	Mr Owens	Cllr Satchwell	With so many outstanding questions from government inspectors and others regarding transport assessments and coastal strategy. It seems that the council is in a hurry to push through their seafront regeneration ambition and the Rooks Farm development in the November timeframe. Has the council spotted any loophole(s) in the Environment Bill currently going through parliament that may scupper its ambition given the Environment Bill will be enshrined in law before the end of the year?
3	Mr Owens	Cllr Satchwell	What was the reasoning behind why HBC did not publish physical signs on Hayling's beaches following Environment Agency "Advice against Bathing" on October 9th? What should residents expect from the council in this regard?
4	Ms Hearn	Cllr Satchwell	Why are they apparently failing to condemn Southern Water for its appalling sewage discharges from its Budds Farm site into Langstone harbour? I thank you.
5	Ms Hearn	Cllr Satchwell	Does the council or its members have any pecuniary interest in Southern Water?

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6	Mr Parham	Cllr Rennie	<p>We keep hearing that the majority of pollution in the HBC catchment area is water-borne. As the whole Solent and South East Coast wastewater treatment is the responsibility of Southern Water, what is HBC doing to co-ordinate a joined-up approach with all the affected Councils to:</p> <p>(a) drive a consolidated stand;  (b) ensure the real problems and risks are addressed; and  (c) clean-up solutions are implemented.</p>
7	Ms Saunders	Cllr Pike	<p>Reference Havant Regeneration Plan (report page 46).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The report states that work will be ready in early 2022, does this work include engagement with local residents and stakeholders?</li> <li>• I note that the Hayling plan has a clear engagement programme will there be one in place for Havant?</li> </ul>
8	Ms Saunders	Cllr Pike	<p>Reference Waterlooville and Leigh Park Regeneration Plans (report page 46).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the timelines on the regeneration initiatives for Waterlooville and Leigh Park ?</li> <li>• When will residents be engaged?</li> </ul>
9	Ms Saunders	Cllr Pike	<p>Reference Feasibility Study, Hayling Billy Trail and bridge options (report page 47).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the timelines for the consultation programme?</li> <li>• A resident recently asked me 'with the government talking about investment in regional railways what would the chances of the Hayling island branch railway being re-opened as the road traffic in the summer can get very blocked'? I am sure this has been evaluated before but is there an opportunity to revisit this option in this current feasibility study?</li> </ul>

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10	Ms Saunders	Cllr Robinson	<p>Reference Network meetings (report page 33)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The report states that both meetings have 'very good attendance' can you provide attendance numbers and demographics?</li> </ul>
11	Mr Comlay	Cllr Satchwell	<p>"Given the recent shocking evidence of uncontrolled raw sewage spills into Langstone and Chichester Harbours from Southern Water's WWTC at Budds Farm, we believe that all future investment at this facility should be directly targeted and focused on the immediate actions necessary to address the underlying causes of these spills.</p> <p>Now that Havant Borough Council have approved the plan by Portsmouth Water (with Southern Water) for the Havant Thicket reservoir, will this council provide an unequivocal assurance that they will not validate or approve any planning application from Southern Water which includes the construction of a Wastewater Recycling facility at Budds Farm until all outstanding issues with the existing plant and processes have been resolved to the regulator's satisfaction?</p>
12	Ms Skennerton	Cllr Rennie	<p>At a recent Partnership for South Hampshire Meeting, members suggested that some of the £90 million Southern Water fine should be used to take more agricultural land out of production on the basis that that would reduce nitrates flowing into the Solent and allow more housing development. Given the ongoing clear photographic evidence, including the latest BBC video of this, of Southern Water sewage discharges directly into the Solent at Langstone, does the Council Leader still support the intensive housebuilding on Hayling and Havant's mainland, given that Southern Water has provided residents with no immediate and permanent plan to prevent sewage nitrates from fouling local sea water? If the Leader does support the housebuilding that will lead, both in the building process, the consequent foul water run-offs and residents' foul water drainage, what reassurance can he give for ensuring our local waters will be safe for recreational uses and healthy eco-systems?</p>

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13	Ms Skennerton	Cllr Satchwell	<p>Hayling residents who happen to subscribe to the Council's press releases read on October 26<sup>th</sup> 2021 that Exhibitions on Havant's Ambition for Hayling's Seafront would be held on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> with comments deadline Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. How does Cllr. Satchwell, as Lead for this Programme, reconcile such a narrow and restrictive audience and timescale with the Council's own, recently published Stakeholder Engagement Document? The Seafront Regeneration document was re-published for the Cabinet in Sept. 2021 providing opportunity for it to be well-publicised in Hayling's Herald for October 1<sup>st</sup> and again November 1<sup>st</sup> as well as on local radio and with hard copies in Hayling's Library. Stakeholder Engagement Document Guiding Principles Section 2-6 cannot be met with this unfair time-scale and method of engagement. Will Cllr. Satchwell please consider removing the Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> deadline and provide a suitably wide platform for effective and meaningful two-way engagement?</p>