

Cabinet Lead Reports – Full Council 22 February 2017

Councillor Time Pike: Cabinet Lead for Cabinet Lead for Strategic Innovation, Infrastructure and Projects

Innovation and New approaches to Service Delivery

This Council already has a strong record of service commissioning and thinking differently. I have met with the MP for Havant to discuss his report on the 4th Industrial Revolution, and in particular how local Councils can contribute to achieving the suggested actions. We have a good number of high-tech businesses within the Borough, and we wish to see these succeed and expand.

Infrastructure Improvement: Cycling and Walking, Public Transport, Roads, Traffic and Parking

The Civil Engineering and Landscape Team remain busy delivering improvements to infrastructure, in particular those that promote walking and cycling. Members in Bedhampton Ward have been consulted about potential improvements that will be funded by the S106 money from the Scratchface Lane development. The proposals for cycling improvements on the west side of Langstone Road will also be taking place this calendar year.

I would like to see a step-change in cycling for commuting and leisure purposes, and have met with representative of cycling organisations to gather further suggestions. Contributions from members are welcome.

Alongside the improvement plans, there is also the need to ensure our existing infrastructure continues to perform well, and I have discussed recent issues with Langstone Road with the HCC Highways Department. The Hayling Island Infrastructure Advisory Committee has had its first meeting, and I am working with residents to bring forward suggestions for modal shift, rather than just managing an ever increasing number of vehicle movements.

Strategic Projects & Town Centre re-generation

Our town centers need to continue to evolve to meet changing shopping

habits and increased interest in eating and drinking establishments. I have met with a number of members whose Wards cover our town centres, and would welcome any further 'guided tours' before bringing forward proposals.

The strategic plan for Hayling Beachlands is currently in development, and members representing Hayling East and Hayling West have been to visit potential improvement sites. A dedicated project manager is in place, and member engagement will continue as plans are brought forward.

Development of Strategic Sites

I am working alongside Cllr Guest to ensure our Local Plan can not only deliver the much needed housing that our Borough requires, but the physical and community infrastructure that residents, businesses and visitors need. A comprehensive communications plan is in place, and residents have been invited to participate in workshops in March regarding the Strategic Site between Denvilles and Emsworth. There are also online methods to return your views.