

Cabinet Lead Reports - Full Council 26th September 2018

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Planning Policy and Urban Design

Work is continuing on the pre-submission of the Havant Local Plan 2036. It is intended that this will be considered at Extraordinary meetings of both Cabinet and Full Council on 31st January 2019.

The planning team are working on all major pieces of the evidence which are outstanding while also responding to the comments that were raised during the consultations which took place during January and February 2018.

As part of this evidence we have issued the Hayling Seafront Feasibility Study. Hemingway Design have been commissioned to undertake this work and it started with a survey for residents and visitors to Hayling Seafront. The survey is open until Monday 24th September, further information can be found at www.havant.gov.uk/localplan. At the time of writing this report we have been pleased with the number of replies already received to the survey, most are commenting as we would expect and they give us a good idea of what residents and visitors would like to see on the seafront, finances of course permitting.

As well as the work on the Local Plan, the team are also working on a potential review of the Old Bedhampton Conservation Area. This is being done in an innovative way with a Character Appraisal being undertaken by the Friends of Bidbury Mead. We are working towards a consultation with the local community and other stakeholders in the autumn of 2018.

Community Infrastructure Levy

The consultation period of the 2018 CIL Bidding Process ended on 10th August 2018. 16 bids were received for the CIL 123 List Pot and 11 bids for the Neighbourhood Portion. As usual the nearly £5m of bids far exceeded the £2.2m of funds available. On 19th September 2018 the bids will be reviewed with me as Cabinet Lead and then introduced to Councillors at a workshop on 3rd October 2018. This will be followed by a 4 week Councillor Consultation on the bids which will end on 2nd November 2018.

CIL income for the year is as expected so far, with £832,134 received between 1st April and 31st August 2018.

Development Management

We have received a significant number of major planning applications which are under consideration by the team, some of which have had high levels of public interest. These include the Wellington Way redevelopment, Waterloo (264) apartments, Land off Westwood Close, Emsworth (46 dwellings), Land at Sinah Lane, Hayling Island (195 dwellings) and Forty Acres Farm (320 dwellings)

An application has recently been received for the former Oak Park School site, Havant this seeks to vary a number of outstanding conditions to enable work to start on the previously approved Havant Health and Wellbeing Campus.

A DCF took place on 14th August 2018 in respect of Land West of the Havant Crematorium, Bartons Road, Havant. At this, proposals were displayed for 81 new homes.

Development Management Committee

The committee approved two applications for enhancements to existing Council owned infrastructure at the Stakes Multi Use Games Area, Waterlooville and the Bartons Green Pavillion Leigh Park, both in June 2018.

In July 2018 applications seeking to vary the S106 obligations in place at Hampshire Farm, Emsworth were refused by the Committee. These related to the provision of Community facilities (Doctors Surgery and Pharmacy)

The land affected by the S106 obligations is now expected to be transferred to the Council.

Community Engagement

Armed Forces - There But Not There Project

A successful application to the national There But Not There project has enabled HBC to gain 10 clear, seated silhouette figures, these are some of hundreds being installed across the Country to Remember The Fallen of WW1 These are being allocated to Community Groups across The Borough.

The There But Not There project started in 2016 with the installation of 51 silhouettes at a church in Kent. The impact was huge and as a result The Remembered charity was formed to roll the project out across the Country. In Havant the silhouettes are to be installed in a variety of Community buildings and open spaces across the Borough as a reminder of those local people who left for war and did not return home. Each one will be looked after by a local Community Group who will also research and share a story about a local hero/their area in war time.

The silhouettes and stories will be promoted through an HBC social media and website campaign throughout October and November 2018. These will be brought together at a commemorative event in The Plaza on 19th November 2018.

As another part of this project a 6ft "Tommy" sculpture is being installed close to the flagpole at the front of The Plaza. This will be officially unveiled in a short ceremony to remember The Fallen of WW1 at 11am on Friday 9th November 2018.

The There But Not There project nationally will raise a great deal of money for various service charities.

Havant Borough Community Lottery

As part of a report into the Lottery, a survey has been sent out to the 55 Good Causes registered, so far the response rate has been poor, possibly due to summer holidays. The deadline for completion has been extended to enable a report to be developed. Using feedback from this survey an event will be arranged for October, early indications show that this will focus on marketing techniques, how to use the dashboard and good news stories.

Havant Community Lottery

7th April-10th September 2018

Registered Good Causes.	55
Tickets sold for Community Fund.	12025

Tickets sold for named Good Causes. 16413
Total tickets sold. 28438

Community Fund raised to 10/9/18. £8,856.30
Total raised Good Causes. ". ". £8,206.50
Total Raised to date. ". ". £17,062.80

Events

The Events application form and guidance documents are under review as is the website content to ensure it is accurate, up to date and easily accessible. A new e mail address has been set up, eventsHBC@havant.gov.uk to ensure continuity and consistency when dealing with customers.

As the summer holidays come to an end there are still several key events taking place in the Borough. These include the Model Railway/Hayling Railway Anniversary celebrations, the Hayling 10 mile race and the return of the Silent Cinema to Havant Park. Planning has started for this year's Community Christmas Lights and we have a programme of Armed Forces events being developed.

Stockheath Common Fireworks

The Community team supported the formation of the Stockheath Common Fireworks Committee in 2017, after a group of volunteers expressed an interest in continuing the delivery of the event in future years. Support was given in developing their constitution, advising on fundraising opportunities and in negotiating services from NORSE. It was agreed that ongoing advice and guidance would be offered for the first year to ensure the event was delivered safely. It has always been understood that no financial support would be available. A recent press article has suggested that the group intends to approach HBC for funding help, no formal approach or request has been made. However a meeting was already in the diary to discuss the event and to offer support and guidance to the committee as the planning process is due to start. NORSE have agreed to support the event at no cost to the committee so the committee will need to take the decision as to whether they are in the position to proceed.

Troubled Families

The Havant Supporting Families project is on target this month with over 70 families signed up and engaged in the process since April.

The most common themes being addressed this year are violence within the home, low level mental health issues and education.

Havant has a target of 150 families to be engaged by March 2019.

Leisure

Hayling Bowls Club Artificial Surface

Officers have begun work with Hayling Bowls Club to investigate the redevelopment of the green in Hayling Park from a natural turf surface to an artificial one. The benefits to users and the club is that this would allow all year round use, something which currently cannot

be offered at Hayling. Hayling Bowls Club are the last bowls club in the Borough that Norse South East currently maintain.

Officers will support the club in securing external funding, following work to ensure security of tenure. HBC Officers will also lead on the procurement to identify a contractor, ensuring that a recognised and qualified contractor is in place to carry out the works. The project time frames indicate a construction start date of September 2019.

Refurbishment of Stakes MUGA, Bartons Green and Hayling Park

The first two areas are now in the construction phase. Completion at Bartons Green by the New Year and Stakes by the end of October. The Hayling Park Play Area is completed after additional fencing, bins, gates and benches having been provided, work undertaken by NORSE South East.