

## **Cabinet Lead Reports – Full Council 27 January 2021**

### **Councillor Narinder Bains - Cabinet Lead for Neighbourhoods, Safety and Enforcement**

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#### **Traffic Management**

- TRO programme is progressing despite the lockdown and are on track to have minimal carryover. This will be dependent on any future Government restrictions
- Traffic team held a Tourist Sign review of Hayling Island (as per Cllr Hughes project) and they hope to implement any changes by April
- Lockdown 3 has seen us go back to our risk assessments for site visits and the visits are being carried out within these guidelines and we are assessing the critical need for the visits and prioritising accordingly.

#### **Parking**

- Successful recruitment to two new officers and they started on the 11<sup>th</sup> January, training already underway
- New Body Worn Video cameras have arrived and in operation
- We continue to work on implementing RingGo only car parking at Southmoor Lane and Elmleigh Road (out for consultation) this will help us bench mark and collect evidence to increase this offering across the car parks in the Borough – and would lead to substantial savings on cash collections
- In lockdown 3 the team are ready to be flexible and go into action as required to help our colleagues in other teams

#### **Environmental Health**

Environmental Health are working very hard to meet the increased demand from COVID 19 whilst also maintaining other public health functions. New regulations governing the third lockdown are now in force, along with some accompanying guidance and amendments, and more to come shortly. The current regulations are not exactly like those in the spring, but they are similar. The parts of the regulations that relate to businesses will fall to the local authority to enforce, and Environmental Health will take the lead on this.

EH are ready to offer advice and assistance to businesses in our area to enable them to operate in a COVID safe manner. EH are also ready to use the enforcement tools available to us if necessary, however learning from experience in the first phase of the pandemic expect this to be relatively rare. In addition, EH are much better prepared to continue delivering many of our broader functions in a COVID safe manner.

The local outbreak control plan will run alongside this lockdown, as it is likely that outbreaks will continue to occur.

Covid Marshals have been employed to assist EH in raising awareness, providing assistance and being tasked to visit businesses when the public have reported them. We have to be clear that HBC are responsible for breaches and enforcement by businesses and Police are responsible for other Covid enforcement. I have asked for an article for members in the next Councillor's newsletter.

### **Civil Engineering and Landscape Team**

#### **Warblington Footbridge Feasibility - HBC CIL Funded**

Feasibility complete. Working on update report for EB. I have asked this to come to a Cabinet Briefing in the near future.

#### **Havant Park - HBC Revenue Funded**

Works to rebuild sections of flower bed walls has been order with Norse and now waiting for completion.

#### **Bushy Lease Cycle Route - HBC CIL Funded**

The design of the route includes a footbridge which crosses the Hermitage Stream and we have requested and received cost estimates for its manufacture and installation. Ecological surveys which we hoped would commence as soon as possible have been put back to early spring on the advice of experts in order to obtain reliable data. In the interim route design will continue.

#### **Warblington Interchange Feasibility Study - HBC CIL Funded**

The feasibility study to investigate the potential for implementing an A27 westbound jet lane from the A259 to assist traffic flow and improve safety as development in West Sussex results in additional traffic flow at this important junction. The mainland Local Plan Mainland Transport Assessment Addendum modelling is now available, and the final version of the report is being checked before sign-off.

**Hobby Close, Waterlooville – drainage - CIL neighbourhood fund & WeBig Local Planning permission for the Phase 2 works (whole-field drainage including a land re-profiling option) was awarded in November. We expect tenders to be issued in February with the work on site commencing in the spring.**

#### **Scratchface Lane, Bedhampton recreation ground - CIL**

A land raising option to address significant seasonal drainage issues at this site is being investigated. A revised land raising shape with less impact on surrounding residential properties has been designed. There remain concerns over the number and type of vehicles that will be needed to transport the fill material to the site, but with confirmation from Southern Water of their requirements now received, all other issues identified by Planning colleagues have been overcome. We now intend to update Director before resubmitting a planning application in the spring if the access arrangements can be successfully addressed.

#### **Transforming Cities Fund - HCC Funded**

The revised bid has been successful and covers works (in Havant borough area) improvements to Park Road South approaching Langstone roundabout, and walking and cycling improvements in Elmleigh Road, Leigh Road, Eastern Road, Centenary

Gardens and School Lane. Bus stop improvements are proposed in Purbrook Way and Botley Drive. A junction improvement at Belmont roundabout in Bedhampton, converting it to a signalised junction, is also included in the proposals, which lean heavily on the draft LCWIP being produced by Sustrans and HCC (see elsewhere in this report). Some of these schemes will be designed and implemented by the CELT team. Delivery on-site is required by March 2023.

#### **Elmleigh Road, Havant Off road cycle route - HBC CIL Funded**

The project is moving forward. Due to the changes in design standards the project is likely to cost a lot more than originally estimated due to changes to government standards. We are therefore in discussions with HCC regarding additional funding and the project has been included as part of the Transforming Cities Fund works (see above). The result of this ongoing discussion should be known shortly.

#### **Rusty Cutter Link Road congestion scheme - HBC CIL Funded**

We continue to work with Highways England towards delivering a scheme on this important link road which would allow two lanes of northbound traffic. CIL funding for additional work to improve connections to the local cycle network have been approved, and we are currently liaising with Hampshire County Council through the Transforming Cities Bid programme (see above) regarding the S106 contribution applicable to this site from the developers at the Forty Acres site. It is vital that all three sources of funding are co-ordinated to deliver the intended scheme to improve pedestrian and cycle routes around the whole Rusty Cutter area. The Highways England engagement process has resulted in some delays to the finalisation of the scheme design, but we are now making progress and, subject to final design approval, it may be possible to implement the works towards the end of 2021.

#### **Hayling Billy Trail waymarking - HCC Funded**

Improved waymarking is to be introduced on the Trail. Hampshire County Council is funding this work, with CELT co-ordinating activity 'on the ground'. It is intended that a planning application for the three historic station signs will be submitted in January now that HCC has advised on how they will maintain the signs on their land.

#### **Safe Re-opening of High Streets (SRHS) Fund**

Social distancing measures are still in place in Havant and Emsworth. The schemes are under review. We are still waiting to see if Hampshire CC are in support and fund a more permanent scheme in Emsworth High street.

#### **Jubilee Park Bowls Club drainage - HBC Funded**

Waiting for resurfacing of the works to be undertaken by Norse. The drainage has been installed and is working as designed.

#### **Jubilee Park, north drainage - Seeking HBC funding**

Submitted proposal to Estates and waiting for comments before commencing physical works.

**Emsworth Town Centre Accessibility Feasibility Study - HCC Funded**

The final report has now been presented to HCC and HBC and HCC local councillors. We anticipate a Task Order to design and implement the first of the works arising from the Study to be issued to us before March.

**Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) - HCC Funded**

Public consultation on the primary and secondary routes identified by HCC as part of Havant's TCF bid has been put back as a result of the pandemic. HBC will be asked to provide comments once consultation commences. We have contacted HCC regarding a future partnership which will include incorporating the tertiary or local routes into Havant's LCWIP. HCC have confirmed they would like to work with HBC on shaping the LCWIP document into the future.

**Milton Road Bus layby and Elettra Avenue - HBC CIL Funded**

Design is complete and will require approval by HCC Asset Management before going to tender in February 2021.

**Hambledon Road - HBC CIL & WCC Funded**

The design is still ongoing but is expected to be completed by February. Design approval by HCC is required before going to tender in March 2021.

**Havant Rugby Football Club - HBC CIL Funded**

The planning application will be considered by the Development Management Committee on the 21 January 2021. If the application is successful, we intend to agree the street lighting design with the PFI contractor and move forward with the tender package subject to approval from the Community Team.

**Hooks Row, Leigh Park Shared Path - HBC CIL Funded**

Scheme near completion, expected finish date 23rd January. Park Lane works complete, Barncroft Way works still outstanding.

**Havant Park Feasibility Project - HBC CIL Funded**

CIL funded project to draw up a master plan incorporating all the future aspirations for Havant Park. The plan will illustrate what the park will look like in 20 years' time and show how the regeneration of the town centre and surrounding infrastructure will integrate into the park and enhance with the town centre. Draft feasibility is being drawn up for review with stake holders due for completion Mar 2021

**Harts Farm Way, Havant closure of layby - HCC Funded**

Design has been completed and has been forwarded to HCC for design approval. Awaiting feedback.

**Future Role of Hayling Route, Billy Trial**

We continue to develop ideas and have contacted various stakeholders regarding the scheme. The results of the Study will be delivered by splitting the Billy Trail into geographic sections with (probably) different solutions for the various sections. CELT officers are in discussion with Coastal Partners team colleagues regarding an online version summarising the works for public consultation. The Study will need to deliver its findings in close conjunction with the outputs from other parallel and overlapping studies, these being the Hayling Island Coastal Strategy and the work by the

Regeneration Team into use of the Trail as a route for Connected Autonomous Vehicles. Bearing in mind the need for this co-ordination, it is expected that a draft of the study will be available in the autumn, but the full study not finalised until spring 2022.

**Northney, Surface Water Drainage - Not funded**

Surveys have and further surveys need to be undertaken to better assess opportunities and possibilities although the initial report is currently being drafted and opportunities being assessed this has been further delayed and should now be available by March 2021.

**Emsworth, The Promenade - HBC Funded**

A consultant has been appointed and they will be undertaking the development and production of the report to assess the condition of the promenade, any remedial works which could be undertaken and any potential impacts if works are not undertaken. Report to be issued in March.

**Hayling Island Access Improvements Phase 2 - HCC Funded**

This phase covers the Hayling Park footpath upgrade, footpath 89 upgrade and footpath 102 resurfacing works. The HCC Project Appraisal stage is complete. Tender documents have been prepared and being reviewed by Hampshire County Council. Tenders date expected to be end of January 2021 and expected construction start date to be April 2021

**Scratchface Lane Bridle path Bedhampton - HCC Funded**

**Phase 1** - On-road cycleway from Hillmead Gardens through Newbarn Road to its junction with Hulbert Road. New off-road shared cycleway from Newbarn Road to Willowdene Close which will link into an existing shared cycleway towards the Asda roundabout.

**Phase 2** – Off road shared path between Hillmead Gardens and College Road. The project has been awarded to Colas Limited and construction will start in the week beginning 18 January 2021

**Waterlooville to A3M Cycle Network Improvement Feasibility - HBC CIL Funded**

The draft report has been prepared, and the outstanding data from HCC has been received. The preferred option has been identified but the findings of the report need to be reviewed and checked before circulation. We expect this to be available to local councillors and portfolio holder for comment by the end of February.

**Havant Bus Station Trees**

HBC funded project to deal with trip hazards in hard surfacing due to roots on 2 no. existing trees. Project complete.

**Warblington Cemetery**

A project to resolve drainage issues at the Cemetery extension has been let to DynoRod and completion is expected before the end of January. This project is being managed by CELT with the Neighbourhood team as internal client