

Cabinet Lead for Affordable Housing, Communities and CIL – Councillor Gwen Robinson

Affordable Housing

In Quarter 1 of 22/23 there has been a very slow start to the year with only 6 Affordable Rent dwellings handed over from Aster Homes on the Woodcroft Farm/ Catherington Park site in Waterlooville.

Many new affordable homes (both rented and Shared Ownership) are forecast for this year but challenges with both labour and materials supplies are forcing slippage to the forecast completion dates.

Homelessness

May figures:

We currently have 75 placements in Temporary Accommodation as of the end of May. This is broken down as follows:

48 self-contained with 27 being shared accommodation
24 placements are out of area; 9 shared and 15 self-contained

Previous month Figures:

For April we had 97 in Temporary Accommodation, 20 placements came to an end in the period.

This is a positive as the Temporary Accommodation figures are moving in the right direction.

Working with the DLUHC (Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities)

We have received feedback from the government following their recent visit to our housing Service. They have acknowledged that our Homeless Prevention outcomes are encouraging which is a reflection on the hard work of the officers, however they have highlighted areas where we can improve the service for our residents. We are actively working with the department and our own senior management team to look at a re-structure of the team.

Office attendance at the Plaza

The Housing Team are working from the office on a rota basis as per the new Hybrid working style.

Brent House

Completion date has slipped back to July 22, again due to similar circumstances that are affecting other developments.

Rough Sleeper Initiative (RSI)

HBC has been successful with its bid for RSI funding of £184,639 for the years 2022 to 2025. This will enable Two Saints to continue to provide posts for outreach/in reach support for rough sleepers in our area.

Ukraine

Current Havant Ukraine figures

Total families registered 61 under the scheme which equates to 110 guests

Families arrived so far - 27 which equates to 61 guests

Havant inbox general enquiries - 35 emails received to date

Website contact forms received - 22 forms

Hampshire County Council has confirmed that each LA will receive a percentage of the funding (10.5k per person) to provide local support/services.

HBC is likely to receive approx. 166,000 once all the families arrive. In the first instance officers will be recruited as co-ordinators to ensure support in terms of housing, benefits, and language classes. Libraries will be providing regular meeting hubs.

Bus passes will be offered to all individuals for three months to cover the summer period; details of how to apply for these will be sent to the hosts.

Hosts monthly payments are now in payment.

Housing Association Liaison

Vivid are currently our main Registered Provider (RP) developing in the Havant area. They provide a comprehensive spreadsheet at the end of every quarter, the next is not due until the end of June. This will give us a more detailed picture of what's happening in relation to the current developments. I will include this into my next report.

Hampshire Home Choice

Below are some of the headline figures as of 1st April 2022

Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Total
3	106	1550	58	1717
1 Bed	2 Beds	3 Beds	4 Beds	
760	552	341	64	1717

Age	Number of applicants
16-17	6
18-39	1026
40-54	331
55-59	78
60-74	209
75+	67
Total	1717

Community relations, including sport, leisure and play parks

Hayling Island New Skatepark Provision

Following successful engagement with the community and the Hayling Skatepark Project group, a final design has been agreed. This design will now move forward to construction.

The project is currently waiting for formal assent to be granted by Natural England, due to the skateparks proximity to the SSSI land located on Hayling Seafront. Officers expect this to be granted shortly following positive consultations with NE and contractors, Maverick.

Construction could begin in early July. Officers from the Sport and Leisure team will manage the build phase, construction is scheduled to last for 12 weeks.

Play Investment 2022-2023

Following the delivery of the independent play audit review, three sites have been identified for investment this year, in line with the Corporate Strategy priorities and the revised CIL Neighbourhood protocol. These sites are Bidbury Mead in Bedhampton, Front Lawn Rec in Leigh Park and Springwood Avenue in Waterlooville.

These sites are prioritised based on a number of factors, including the condition of the existing play equipment and anticipated life expectancy, the level of play value for children, and the geographical spread and opportunity to access existing high quality play provision across the borough.

Officers will begin developing these projects initially by engaging with residents and other stakeholder organisations to understand the type of equipment and needs for each site.

Sport and Physical Activity Alliance. (SPAA)

Officers have successfully delivered the first face to face SPAA meeting since pre COVID-19 at the plaza on Thursday 19th May. There were 14 members in attendance from a range of strategic physical activity organisations working collaboratively to address inactivity. The meeting included data insight presentations from HBC insight team and Energise me, regarding the latest Sport England Active Lives survey. Members then further explored what this meant within their communities and organisations, pledging to use the data and insight to adapt the ways they approach delivering activity to engage hard to reach groups.

Officers will be organising the next SPAA meeting for Autumn 2022.

Hayling Island Volleyball Court Refurbishment

Officers have secured £15,000 of S106 funds to appoint a contractor to complete the refurbishment of the beach volleyball court. Due to a once in a hundred-year storm event, it left the beach volleyball court unusable in 2021. Officers have been granted Natural England's Assent for the works to be carried out this summer 2022. Work will see the fencing repaired, shingle removed from the playing surface, and new sand, volleyball nets and posts installed.

Get Up & Go

The Get Up and Go project has been running some pilot activities ahead of its upcoming full relaunch in July. This will see a brand new timetable of physical activity opportunities offered to clinically extremely vulnerable residents and their friends and family, including chair based yoga, guided walks, stand up paddle boarding and coastal rowing, in a range of locations across the borough. This will enable residents with health conditions to re-engage in community based physical activity, which is the criteria of the projects new funding from Hampshire County Council. It moves away from previously funding criteria from Sport England, which focused on inactive over 55's.

Project planning continues to be co-designed with residents through insight into their barriers, needs and desires, and will continue to adapt to meet these changing requirements as the project aims to fill gaps in physical activity provision throughout Havant, for this audience.

Citizens Advice Havant

Citizens Advice Havant have reported that client numbers started climbing dramatically in March, up 40% on December; and they are continuing to climb even higher. A proportion of clients are of course being provided with crisis funding, in general, the clients they are seeing are needing greater support and this is stretching

resources. They currently have 14 volunteers in training, including University students, so it is envisaged that capacity will grow in the next couple of months. I'm informed that statistics will be available in early July whereby they will, as a matter of urgency, be examining trends with a view to planning resources and delivery across our locations.

Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in Havant Borough

Across the country, communities came together to celebrate our Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This was an historic milestone, the likes we'd never seen before and may never see again.

Festivities began on Thursday 2nd June in Havant Town Centre. At 2pm, our Town Crier (Cllr Rosy Raines) joined others around the country and across the Commonwealth in announcing a proclamation to the Queen on her Platinum Jubilee.

Later that evening, a beacon was lit at the COPP Memorial on Hayling Island by the Mayor Cllr Dianna Patrick. Cllr Clare Satchwell, the organiser, ensured that a piper, bugler, and choir were in attendance as specified in the guidance.

Also, on Hayling Island, Councillor Turner and Councillor Linger supported or organised two further events, attending nearly all The Lions Donkey Derby and Platinum Jubilee event planning meetings, helping with the provision of equipment from Norse and paying for mobile toilets from their budget. The events were a great success with hundreds of attendees having a wonderful time. They also supported The Hayling Community Centre with their event, which also attracted hundreds of people and was a great success.

The Friends of Hermitage Stream, alongside Councillor Crellin and Councillor Weeks, organised the Barncroft Ward, Leigh Park Platinum Jubilee Picnic alongside the Hermitage Stream. Families brought blankets and picnics, staying all day to enjoy the festivities. The event was opened by our MP Alan Mak who welcomed all the families to the Picnic and thanked Her Majesty the Queen for her 70 years of loyal service and dedication to Great Britain and The Commonwealth. There were many free activities, live music and a fancy-dress competition which was judged by The Mayor, Dianna Patrick. Each of the 288 children received a Platinum Jubilee Souvenir Bag containing a Jubilee Mug, a hand waving flag, a Jubilee Badge, and a packet of sweets.

In Waterlooville, Councillor Robinson, working with the Waterlooville Action Group, combined the Queens Jubilee with a Summer Fete. This saw the community come together as never before to enjoy music, food, entertainment, free activities, competitions, a fun dog show and above all else, spending time with family and friends. The Mayor attended to judge the fancy dress and cake competition before meeting local businesses and stall holders.

In Emsworth, Councillor Bowerman and Councillor Kennet worked with community groups organising a range of activities to bring the community together.

The various events planned were for all ages - from a Coin Trail for Children along the Mill Pond Walk, A Thanksgiving Service at St James Church to various street parties. The Big Street Party was arranged for Sunday 5 June and was a huge success with families and groups coming together to celebrate in the centre of Emsworth with entertainment, live music, picnics, street food and the best crown competitions for children and adults! They also collected £374 for the RNLI. Unfortunately, the firework display over Emsworth Harbour had to be cancelled due to bad weather on Saturday 4 June but they will be re scheduling for this later in the year.

The Pallant Centre in Havant was the location chosen by Councillor Paynter to hold their Jubilee events. To make it a special royal occasion the event was attended by HRH Princess Katarina from the former Yugoslavia. A family fun day was organised which included a crown making and pudding competition, bouncy castle, interactive games, free ice-cream, a historical exhibition and the opportunity to have a photo taken with HRH.

All councillors involved in the historic celebrations have said that it was a pleasure to be a part of events that HBC supported both financially and with time. The good will and feel good atmosphere generated across the four day period was enormous and memorable.

Thanks must be given to HBC's Communities and Events Officer who fully supported both Community groups and Councillors with paperwork, licenses, road closures and general advice to ensure that events, both large and small, ran smoothly.

Community Infrastructure Levy

Income

Annual CIL income has yet to reach pre-pandemic levels, Gross CIL receipts for 2022 (1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022) were: £3,183,760, however this was an improvement on gross CIL receipts for 2021 (1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021) which were: £1,947,605.

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Recent Expenditure

Since the 3rd March 2022 we are pleased to confirm the following CIL spends are either complete or in process of being completed (data collected 1/6/22):

Neighbourhood Portion

Exacom Project Ref.	Name/Description	Amount
121	Hayling Island Bowls Club Green	£41,000.00
131	Refurbishment of Waterlooville Recreation Ground Play Area	£45,000.00
132	Refurbishment of Emsworth Rec Play Area	£45,500.00
199	Refurbishment of Conservatory and Lounge at Domestic Abuse Refuge	£2,720.00

Strategic CIL

Exacom Project Ref.	Name/Description	Amount
20	Warblington Footbridge	£5,891.28
21	Bushy Lease Strategic Sustainable Access Route	£7,063.42
23	Rusty Cutter Capacity Enhancement	£200.84
63	Hooks Row - Shared Pedestrian and Cycle Link	£2,358.22
67	Milton Road Roundabout Accessibility and Safety	£7,687.49
68	Hambledon Road Provision of Cycle Route	£8,396.96
69	Warblington Interchange Feasibility	£72.51
105	Hooks Lane/Fraser Road MUGA to Car Parking	£8,469.28
106	Langstone Roundabout Capacity	£36.43
107	Havant Park Feasibility	£1,620.73
108	Future of Hayling Billy Trail	£10,749.12
110	Asda Roundabout to Bushy Lease Cycle Feasibility	£553.04
111	Park Lane Bridleway Feasibility	£225.61
134	Hayling FCERM Strategy	£74,681.23

Hayling Island Strategy & Langstone Funding Profiles

Funds were committed at Council, 27 February 2019, to the Hayling FCERM Strategy and Langstone FCERM Scheme. This was in addition to previous commitments to the Langstone FCERM Scheme given at Council in 2017.

Coastal Partners have provided an update of the ongoing spending profiles. This shows that the costs for the Hayling Island FCERM Strategy will be less than originally anticipated due to Coastal Partners securing additional funding from the Environment Agency. The overall spending profile for the Langstone FCERM Scheme remains unchanged:

Hayling Island FCERM Strategy CIL Profile May 2022 (Exacom reference 134)

Previous / Current Project Spending Profile (CIL) - May 2022						
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	Total
Previous TOTAL CIL pot building request 2019 (incl. risk)	£170,700	£262,218.00	£100,082			£533,000
Previous 2020/21 spend profile (incl. risk)		£65,000.00	£203,000.00	£65,000.00		£333,000
Previous 2021/22 spend profile (incl. risk)		£61,520.76	£200,000.00	£71,479.00		£333,000
2022/23 (current) spend profile (incl. risk)		£61,520.76	£74,681.23	£100,000.00	£96,798.01	£333,000

Green - Spent

Orange - Latest spend profile

Langstone FCERM Scheme CIL Profile (Exacom reference 5)

HBC Community Infrastructure Levy - Previous/Current Spending Profile										
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Total
Previous TOTAL CIL pot building request (incl. risk)	£ 75,000.00	£ 575,000.00	£575,000.00	£700,000.00	£700,000.00					£ 2,625,000.00
Previous 2020/21 spend profile (incl. risk)	£ 18,000.00	£ 6,044.00	£118,510.00	£199,439.00	£501,000.00	£132,000.00	£825,004.00	£ 825,003.00	£ -	£ 2,625,000.00
Previous 2021/22 spend profile (incl.risk) Jun'21	£ 18,000.00	£ 6,043.59	£118,381.64	£231,024.72	£583,437.00	£342,777.00	£662,669.00	£ 662,667.05	£ -	£ 2,625,000.00
Previous 2021/22 spend profile (incl. risk) Oct'21	£ 18,000.00	£ 6,043.59	£118,381.64	£231,024.72	£ 46,562.00	£ 74,622.00	£893,933.00	£1,236,433.05	£ -	£ 2,625,000.00
Current 2022/23 spend profile (incl. risk) May'22	£ 18,000.00	£ 6,043.59	£118,381.64	£231,024.72	£ -	£ -	£176,770.59	£ 1,037,389.73	£ 1,037,389.73	£ 2,625,000.00
Summaries:	CIL Pot	£ -								
	Claimed	£ 373,449.95								
	Forecast Spend	£ 2,251,550.05								

Our public facing Exacom System provides up-to-date information on CIL and S106 income and expenditure and can be viewed via this link:

<https://pfm.exacom.co.uk/havant/>