

Portfolio Holder Report – Council 16 April 2014

By Cllr David Collins – Environment & Neighbourhood Quality

Sustainable Transport & Implementation

Park Road South, Havant Enhancement (HBC / HCC S106 Funded)

Work on the two sections between West Street and Solent Road has been completed and the feedback so far has been very positive. Minor remedial works will be carried out in the Spring.

Park Road North, Havant Enhancement (HCC Funded)

Works have been completed with some minor remedial works programmed for the Spring. A further phase of works, along the KFC frontage to widen the footway has been identified. and a Feasibility Study into how this can be achieved is currently under way.

Hayling Billy Trail Phase 4 - Bridge Approaches (HBC / HCC S106 Funded)

This project covers two discrete locations; from the south end of the Bridge to the Hayling Island Service Station, and along the frontage of the Langstone Sailing Club HQ building. Work started on 6th January and will be complete by Easter. The section south of the Bridge has almost been completed with the path widened and surfaced. Other work will be undertaken after Easter. The contractor will then remain on site to undertake surfacing of 250m of the Hayling Billy Trail itself, between Havant Road and the old railway line.

Morelands School (HCC Funded Safe Routes to School)

Phase 3 of this project, widening of the path between Crookhorn Lane and The Thicket, is now expected to be constructed in 2015.

Emsworth Feasibility Studies (HCC Funded)

Five feasibility study packages have now been awarded by HCC to investigate the best way to implement new sustainable travel infrastructure in Emsworth, local councillors and I have received a second update report. Public engagement is planned to allow the studies to progress with key inputs from local stakeholders following the draft report being issued in early April.

Implementation of any schemes arising from the studies would be in the period summer 2014 – spring 2015.

Southleigh Road, Footway Widening (HCC Funded)

A small scheme requested by Warblington School and funded by HCC, for the creation of a wider waiting area adjoining the south side of the level crossing gates in Southleigh Road, has been completed on schedule and within budget.

Dunsbury Way TfSH_Environmental Enhancements & changes to bus stops

Continued work on the second option to compare it to the original option has been undertaken. They will also taken to Safety Audit for comparison. Planning permission to install the new bus shelter on the northbound side will progress shortly. Local Councillors and myself will be consulted on the second option once further design work is undertaken. It is still envisaged that the project can be on site summer 2014.

West Beachlands Surface Dressing Works (HBC Funded)

Works to include the construction of a soakaway in the verge adjacent to the Sunset Café to alleviate a flooding issue in the area, was carried out in March 2014. Further work is required on the access road to the disabled parking spaces at West Beachlands, the condition of the access road will be assessed during March 2014.

Frendstaple Road Cycle Route (HCC / HBC Green Transport Funded)

Works to provide a cycle route from A3 London Road to Park Lane via Highfield Avenue, The Glade and Tempest Avenue, including the extension to Sapphire Ridge was completed in February 2014.

Car Park Slurry Sealing (HBC Funded)

Work has commenced to carry out the slurry sealing of four of our car parks; South Street Emsworth, Greywell Car Park Leigh Park, Rockville Drive and Wellington Way Waterlooville. It is anticipated that each car park will be either fully or partially closed whilst the works are carried out however due to the nature of the works, there will be a period of approximately seven days between the completion of the slurry sealing and the laying of the lining works during this period the car park will remain unlined. There will be extensive consultation with the Parking Partnership to ensure that any disruption is kept to a minimum. It is anticipated that the works will be completed in April 2014.

Bedhampton Way Pedestrian Refuge (HCC Funded)

Works to provide a safe crossing point across Bedhampton Way opposite Keats House was completed during January 2014.

LSTF Waterlooville Cycle Strategy (HCC Funded)

A feasibility report on the options available to connect the various cycle routes leading into Waterlooville Town Centre has been prepared and is currently with HCC for comment before a formal consultation process with HBC & HCC Councillors is commenced.

Front Lawn Junior School (HCC Funded Safe Routes to School)

Works to improve the junction of Broadmere Avenue and High Lawn Way and provide an on road cycle route from Middle Park Way to Dunsbury Way along High Lawn Way, utilising the existing highways has been completed during March 2014.

Southmoor Lane Cycle Lane (HBC Funded)

Works to provide a cycle lane along Southmoor Lane commenced in March 2014. The scheme to complete the lining and signing works commenced in April 2014.

Hayling Island Access Trail (PUSH Funded)

The Seafront Footpath Cycleway is complete except for some minor repairs in Eastoke car park and some additional work at the COPP memorial section. These

works are to be carried out in April. There is a joint project with HCC on the Hayling Billy Trail. The resurfacing of the southern portion of the Billy Trail at Hayling Station Theatre is now complete. HCC are organising refurbishment of the railway signal arm and new benches in the northern section to be carried out this Spring.

Footpath 88 Extension Feasibility (HCC minor works)

A feasibility study has been carried out to look at options to extend footpath 88 (Tournerbury Lane to Mill Rythe Schools) to the rear of Mill Rythe Schools and create a new entrance to the schools. A prefer option was agreed but unfortunately the land lease holder would not agree to the proposals. Funding for this project has now been pulled and will be put towards the reserve project Church Road / Havant Road roundabout pedestrian and sight line improvements.

Hambledon Parade (HBC S106 Funding)

Tenders came back and Rocon Contractors won the tender. Construction started at the end of March 2014.

Rachael Madocks Crossing (HCC Funded)

Design completed. Discussions with the local councillors have been carried out. The project will be tendered by mid April 2014.

Havant Park Havant Railway Station to Havant Bus Station LSTF

The Intelligent Traffic System design for the Toucan Elm Lane is underway along with design improvements from Havant Railway Station to Havant Bus Station. Once complete consultation and tender process will be undertaken.

Parking Strategy/Management & Traffic Management

The revised parking charges in the town centre car parks as agreed by Council went live on 4 April 2014.

The new Residents Shoppers Permits which enable residents to park at the beginning and the end of the day without purchasing a pay and display ticket are being actively promoted. Information on how to buy the £50 annual permit is available on our web site, with this year's Council Tax bills, on posters in the community centres, libraries and in many local businesses.

I have agreed the new traffic management works programme for 2014/15 and is available from the Team on request.

Recent work of the team has included:

- Park Parade – 4 limited wait bays and a disabled bay outside the library – Will be operational on Friday 02 May 2014.
- Brooklands Road – Consultation period end 21 March 2014.

Public Realm Enforcement, including travellers

The ranger team is now totally focussed on patrolling for street scene offences and are targeting patrols at varying times across all town and district centres.

Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) have been issued for fly tipping and dog fouling offences. In addition, the rangers are patrolling many of the parks and open spaces with particular emphasis on popular dog walks such as Broadmarsh Coastal Park and Emsworth Recreation ground.

In May this year, additional enforcement officers will be brought in to target those that drop litter and allow their dogs to foul in a public place. Officers are in the process of finalising a contract with a private provider of environmental enforcement services to introduce this extra resource to the borough.

Community Safety

Supporting Troubled Families

As we enter year three the Havant Supporting Troubled Families scheme is progressing well – to date some 120 families with problems related to

- Education
- Worklessness and
- Crime/ASB

The Government have recently announced phase two which will take the scheme into the first year of the new Parliament.

Members will have received “lift cards” to inform their understanding of the project.