

**RECORD OF THE LITTLETON & HARESTOCK
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 22nd June 2020
via Zoom Conference Call**

Present: Cllr S Burgess (Chair), Cllr J Biddlecombe, Cllr J Burgess, Cllr R Warren, Cllr K Learney (part-time), Cllr L Martin, Cllr P Highfield, Cllr D Tozer.

In attendance: Mrs L Fielding (Clerk & RFO) and City Cllr S Godfrey (part-time).

Members of the public: None.

20-001: Apologies for Absence

Cllr P Cunningham, County Cllr J Warwick, City Cllr C Horrill and City Cllr A Weir.

20-002: Declarations of Interest

None.

20-003: Minutes of the meeting held 9th March 2020

The minutes of the meeting of 9th March 2020 were presented, and it was **proposed by Cllr R Warren, seconded by Cllr D Tozer and RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2020 be approved.**

20-004: Matters Arising

The actions from the last meeting were reviewed. The current status of actions is shown at the end of these minutes. There were no other matters arising.

20-005: Public Participation

None.

20-006: City Councillors' Report – City Cllr S Godfrey

City Cllr S Godfrey reported that the city councillors are discussing steps for local business recovery. The re-opened market has been well received, however there is a long way to go before businesses are back to normal. The publication of the draft allocation of local plan development sites is expected in the next few weeks, followed by briefings for Parish Councils. Waste collection is continuing as normal, and the booking system for the Waste Recycling Centre is an improvement to the previous queuing system however fly tipping is still a problem. City Cllr S Godfrey asked that any fly tipping should be reported so that it can be dealt with, and he also noted that the City Council will work with private landowners to identify the fly tippers. The Bar-end Voltex site is being cleared for development of a Park and Ride, and coach site, and they are looking at options for the old depot site next to the New Leisure Centre.

City Cllr S Godfrey reported that the new Leisure Centre is still expected to open early next year, and that the future of the existing River Park needs further consideration. City Cllr S Godfrey was pleased to report that the new Mayor of Winchester, City Cllr P Cunningham, has been busy representing Winchester most days either via video conference or in person.

The Parish Council expressed some concern about the new measures for the Waste Recycling Centres, in particular with respect to the difficulties of getting a slot in the 48 hour booking system, and the problems of people being turned away who did not know about the new booking system. Cllr J Biddlecombe asked if the publicity had been extensive enough. City Cllr S Godfrey explained that it was difficult to get the balance right and at the moment only 6 cars are allowed in at once. He suggested that the Parish Council refer to County Cllr J Warwick for more details.

Cllr J Biddlecombe asked if City Cllr S Godfrey had any information on a meeting with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation which discussed plans for Sir John Moore Barracks. Cllr S Godfrey explained that he had not attended the meeting but understood that recent proposals were similar to previous plans put forward 18 months ago which included a mixed development across the current build areas of the site, and that he would investigate what new documentation is available.

The Parish Council then expressed concern with the number of proposed eligible sites for the local plan that virtually surrounded Littleton. Cllr S Godfrey noted that 15,000 potential sites had been suggested by land owners and developers, and agreed that many proposals had been identified in Littleton and Harestock

Parish however he reported that only an extra 1000 houses are needed in the district and almost all the potential sites will not be required. He also stated that the timing of Sir John Moore Barracks becoming available is likely to be very important for the district.

City Cllr S Godfrey was then thanked for his feedback, and he left the meeting at 19.25pm.

20-007: Proposals for Sports Club Charges/Fees

Cllr S Burgess reported that the Winchester City Council's Covid-19 Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant had been returned to their revenue department as they had noted an exclusion clause that meant Parish Councils were not eligible for the grant. Unfortunately the Parish Council had planned to use this money to waive all charges to the Sports Clubs for the Covid-19 period to support them when they would be facing difficulties generating income (Plan A).

Since then Cllr S Burgess has been working with the Sports Clubs to define two further options as shown in Appendix A.

After some discussion of the merits of both options, **the Parish Council voted with 5 votes for Plan B, 2 votes for Plan C and therefore Plan B was approved.**

It was also agreed that the Parish Council should maintain a closer relationship with the Sports Club in the future, and that the Parish Clerk would provide more regular feedback on the forecasted charges for Sports Clubs.

20-008: Parish Council Payments

a. April and May Payments List

The latest payments list for April and May (see Appendix B) were presented for consideration and, after some discussion, was accepted. **It was therefore proposed by Cllr L Martin, seconded by Cllr J Biddlecombe and RESOLVED that payments on the April and May payments schedule should be endorsed.**

b. June Payments for approval

The proposed payments schedule (see Appendix C) includes work done by MANT for the Parkour, Netball area and Playpanels in Bradley Rd. It was noted that the Netball outer grassy area was completed by volunteers and the play panels were looking in good order. The Parkour had received a clean bill of health from the ROSPA inspector regarding safety; however there were some issues with bolts that the inspector drew attention to, which have since been resolved by MANT. **It was therefore proposed by Cllr J Biddlecombe, seconded by Cllr L Martin and RESOLVED that payments to MANT totalling £24,618.00 should be paid.**

c. Donation to St Catherine's Church for churchyards maintenance

The annual donation for churchyards maintenance was discussed and **it was proposed by Cllr L Martin, seconded by Cllr J Burgess and RESOLVED that a donation of £1350.00 would be given to St Catherine's Church for graveyards maintenance.**

d. Donation to WCC for Harestock night bus

The annual donation to Winchester City Council for supporting the Harestock nightbus was discussed and **it was proposed by Cllr R Warren, seconded by Cllr D Tozer and RESOLVED that a donation of £500 should be made to Winchester City Council as soon as the request has been received.**

20-009: Internal Audit and Annual Governance and Accountability Return

a. Annual Accounts

The Clerk presented the annual accounts and reserves statement which was well received, and **it was proposed by Cllr R Warren, seconded by Cllr L Martin and RESOLVED that the 2019-2020 accounts be adopted.**

b. Internal Audit Report

The Clerk reported that the annual inspection of the Parish Council's records had been completed by our internal auditor who signed off on the Annual Governance and Accounts return and subsequently sent his report which thanked the Parish Council for their implementation of last year's recommendations. The internal auditor noted that there were no matters to bring to attention of the Parish Council this year. It was formally agreed that the contents of the letter, received from the Internal Auditor, dated 8th June 2020 had been duly noted.

c. Annual Governance and Accountability Return

The Parish Clerk noted that the governance statement and the accounting statements from the annual local council accounting and governance return for the latest financial year (2019/20) needed to be approved by the whole Parish Council, which was unanimously supported. **It was therefore proposed by Cllr J Biddlecombe, seconded by Cllr L Martin and RESOLVED that the annual governance statement for 2019/20 be approved. Additionally it was proposed by Cllr L Martin, seconded by Cllr J Biddlecombe and RESOLVED that the annual accounting statement for 2019/20 be approved.**

Action: Cllr S Burgess (Parish Council Chairman) and the Clerk to formally sign off on the documentation.

Action: Clerk to submit the required documentation to the external auditor.

Cllr D Tozer then proposed a formal vote of thanks to the Clerk for the work done to achieve a clean internal audit which was unanimously agreed.

20-010: County Councillor Report

County Cllr J Warwick was not able to be present but sent a report (see Appendix D) in advance of the meeting which had been distributed to the Parish Councillors. The Parish Council were pleased to note that the pedestrian issues reported for Harestock Rd have been taken on board.

Action: Cllr S Burgess to review the Flood and Water Management Strategy document and respond by 12th July.

20-011: City Councillors' Report – City Cllr K Learney

City Cllr K Learney was not able to be present but sent a report, on behalf of the St Barnabas ward councillors (see Appendix E), which had been distributed to the Parish Councillors in advance of the meeting. It was noted that the RHCH Winchester Hospital board has just started considerations for a new building and this might be useful to take account of in the Sir John Moore Barracks discussions with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation.

20-011: Planning

a. New Applications

The planning schedule for May was circulated and discussed. The Parish Council raised an objection for the application 20/00807/HOU (13 Harestock Close, Harestock), no objections were raised for 20/01019/TPC (47 Harestock Rd), 20/01142/TPO (10 The Hall Way, Littleton) and 20/01193/TPO (17 The Hall Way, Littleton). The Parish Council supported 20/00908/HOU (1 Pitter Close, Littleton).

b. Existing Applications

It was noted that applications 20/00682/HOU, 20/00764/PNCOU, 20/00649/HOU and 20/00625/HOU previously reviewed by the Parish Council have now been approved by WCC. Cllr R Warren reported that 19/01707/FUL (20 Priors Dean Rd) had also been approved (without being referred to planning committee), and that a revised site layout had been provided which addresses some of the Parish Council concerns as a number of parking bays had been removed.

c. Enforcement Matters

Cllr J Biddlecombe noted that the development at Drivers Way, Stud Lane seemed to be larger than the plans proposed in the planning application. He has asked Cllr P Cunningham to review it, in case an enforcement action is needed.

Cllr K Learney then joined the meeting at 20:49 after attending a separate zoom conference call.

20-012: Items for noting, AOB or for inclusion on next month's agenda:

The clerk noted that the Lengthsman would be visiting the Parish on 1st July and asked for any items that should be added to the work list. Cllr K Learney suggested that the right of way between Priors Dean Rd and Andover Rd could do with clearing, and also the top end of Andover Rd. Cllr P Highfield asked for the verges on the Main Rd between New Rd and The Hall Way to be considered.

It was also noted that wheelchair users were finding it very difficult to use the Main Rd pavements and are forced to use the road itself. Additionally there are pot holes in the pavement at the end of Hollands Close.

Action: Clerk to inform Cllr J Warwick about the problems with the Main Rd pavements, especially for wheelchair users, and parents with buggies/prams.

The clerk reminded the Councillors about the two open vacancies and asked if it would be possible to consider co-options for the next meeting in July.

Action: Cllr S Burgess to pursue personal statements from prospective Parish Councillors, and prepare for the co-option process.

Cllr K Learney noted that she had received complaints of speeding traffic, and wondered if the Speed Camera could be moved to Bradley Rd near the school and the playground. Unfortunately it was noted that the shared Speed Camera is on a fixed program that means there are long periods between installation at Littleton and Haresotck sites. Cllr J Biddlecombe reported that he had been pursuing a second Speed Camera for use by the Parish only before the lock down but will follow up on it again now that lock down is easing. See action Feb.9

20-013: Date of Next Meetings:

Parish Council Meeting: 7pm, 13th July 2020 via Zoom conference call.

Finance & Resources Meeting: 09:45am, 8th July 2020 via Zoom conference call.

The meeting closed at 21:09.

20-014: Summary of Actions

ID	Owner	Action Points (Open)	Status
June.1	Cllr SB / Clerk	Cllr S Burgess (Parish Council Chairman) and the Clerk to formally sign off on the AGAR documentation.	New
June.2	Clerk	Clerk to submit the required AGAR documentation to the external auditor.	New
June.3	Cllr SB	Cllr S Burgess to review the Flood and Water Management Strategy document and respond by 12 th July.	New
June.4	Clerk	Clerk to inform Cllr J Warwick about the problems with the Main Rd pavements, especially for wheelchair users, and parents with buggies/prams	New
June.5	Cllr SB	Cllr S Burgess to pursue personal statements from prospective Parish Councillors, and prepare for the co-option process	New
Mar.1	Cllr SB	Cllr S Burgess to provide further details on the LHPC Communications Strategy and LHPC Website development. 15Apr20: A meeting on 9 Mar 20 was held with Cllr's Burgess, Martin, Tozer & Kearney to discuss communications approach. The requirements statement for LHPC Web and email development was sent to LHPC Webmaster for feasibility comments. The Covid-19 Pandemic stopped proposed newsletter delivery to Littleton & Harestock households advertising the Annual Meeting, the LHPC Web, Email Registration and Climate Change activities. 22June20: Proposals for the web updates have been received and Cllr S Burgess will circulate them.	Open
Mar.9	Clerk	The Clerk to approach the cleaner with a proposal for cleaning Bradley Rd playground. 15Apr20: Awaits reopening of Bradley Road Playground. Note: The clerk has discussed matter with the cleaner, and he is considering it, but his time is constrained, and he would only be able to do this during the weekend when the playgrounds are likely to be busy. We may need an alternative option.	On hold
Mar.10	Clerk	The Clerk to record water usage at the recreation ground every month. 15Apr20: Recorded on 16 th March. Requested bill from Business Stream which shows average usage costing 42p per day between 10 October 2019 and 16 March 2020. Note: This will not be a typical year and the water usage in the Summer is likely to be reduced.	Open
Mar.14	Clerk	The Clerk to discuss security arrangements with the football club. 15Apr20: Done, however at the time the Football League had cancelled all matches so security not a priority). Need to review once League matches start again, and when the lease is in place. 22June20: New padlock now in place at Harestock Road.	On hold
Feb.9	Cllr JBi	Cllr J Biddlecombe to contact HCC regarding licensing a new speed camera. 15Apr20: Nothing to report 22June20: Covid-19 has prevented further action on this item	Open

Closed Actions.

ID	Owner	Action Point (Closed)	Status
Mar.2	Clerk	The Clerk to investigate the location of the drug issues reported by PCSO Bidle. 15Apr20: Feedback from PCSO Bidle reported that the drugs found in the Hallway relates to people in their own vehicles; they were dealt with by officers.	Closed
Mar.3	Cllr RW	Cllr R Warren to obtain a list of the stalls from the Show Society. 15Apr20: Littleton & Harestock Show (2020) has been cancelled.	Closed
Mar.4	Cllr RW	Cllr R Warren to inform the Show Society of the proposal to put the anticipated show donation towards climbing walls at Bradley Rd and Littleton playgrounds. 15Apr20: Littleton & Harestock Show (2020) has been cancelled.	Closed
Mar.5	Clerk	The Clerk to forward an email from the planning team regarding Permitted Development Rights in Harestock to Cllr K Learney 15Apr20: The relevant email has been forwarded.	Closed
Mar.6	Cllr SB	Cllr S Burgess to inform MANT that payment for the Parkour and netball facility will be put on hold. 15Apr20: Cllr S Burgess has written to Mant about the issues. No response received at time of writing. For the Parkour we await an independent Inspection (delayed due to Pandemic). For the Netball Area we await further discussion with Mant, about finishing the work. The issue is that the recontouring of the earth up to the Netball concrete area was not part of the original specification of works. 22June20: Netball area shuttering removed, and recontoured and reseeded. Grass is beginning to grow. Post installation check completed, MANT have adjusted the fixings for the issues raised. All issues resolved.	Closed
Mar.7	Clerk	The Clerk to contact a ROSPA authorised inspector to perform a post-installation inspection of the Parkour facility. 15Apr20: Closed, covered under action item Mar.6	Closed
Mar.8	Clerk	The Clerk to arrange for temporary 'Herras' fencing around the netball facility 15Apr20: Soil surround has hardened. Chair has witnessed the Netball Area in use. Although not opened formally – there is no current requirement to fence it. Grass is not growing much. Needs agreed arrangement to sort out the soil edge. Closed, covered under action item Mar.6	Closed
Mar.11	Clerk	The Clerk to request the Hall manager to provide antibacterial gel. 15Apr20: Done. However access to antibacterial gel is extremely limited currently. Note: The hall is currently closed.	Closed
Mar.12	Clerk	The Clerk to contact Biffa to arrange to replace the waste contract to a recycling contract for one of the existing bins 15Apr20: Done, the recycling contract is now in place and collections are occurring.	Closed
Mar.13	Clerk	The Clerk to ask HALC legal services for support to review the lease 15Apr20: Action no longer required.	Closed
hFeb.3	Clerk	To send the finalised LHPC Greening Campaign Working Group TOR to County Cllr J Warwick 9Mar20: To be done as soon as the TOR is approved 15Apr20: Document sent.	Closed
Feb.6	Clerk	The Clerk to replace the padlock on the Harestock football field gate. 9Mar20: The Parish Chair and Clerk reviewed the football field and are currently following up with the football team 15Apr20: See action Mar.14. Padlock not changed yet, the current one is a security padlock. Currently not high priority. Lock up of ground has been discussed with Green Smile who would welcome a digital padlock to be used. 22June20: New digital padlock now in place.	Closed
Feb.8	Cllr JBi	Cllr J Biddlecombe to contact Iris Wedge to ask if she would like the old Pavilion clock 15Apr20: Iris Wedge does not want the old pavilion clock back. The Clock is to be disposed of.	Closed

Appendix A. Sports Club Charges

ITEM 5: SPORTS CLUB CHARGES ISSUE (DECISION NOTES) (Note all figures below are rounded up for simplicity).

Three main factors:

- **Pandemic.** Major loss of income to sports clubs (membership, loss/cancellation of events, competitions & ancillary income generation, e.g. raffles).
- **Charging/Payment Cycle.** SPORTS CLUB payments in arrears and often in the next FY has generally worked. Pandemic has broken this process.
- **WCC Covid-19 Related Grant (£10K).** Applied for, awarded and then withdrawn. Thrown the LHPC and SPORTS CLUB assumed arrangements.

The idea is that LHPC will assist the SPORTS CLUB/sports clubs financially due to the impact of the Pandemic (a pragmatic assumption).

- Uncertainty.
- Already well into FY 20/21.

Question is: How best to do it?

BROAD FINANCIAL STRATEGY OF PLAN B AND PLAN C

	FY 2019 - 20	Plan B	Plan C
Charge Oct 2019 - Mar 2020		3,700	3,700
Harestock Road Rebate used		0	-2,025
LHPC First Pandemic Related Payment Holiday		-3,700	-1,675
Funds owed to Parish Council (FY 2019 - 20)		0	0
	FY 2020 - 21	Plan B	Plan C
Estimated Charge Apr 2020 - Sep 2020		5,752	5,752 Note 1
Estimated Charge Oct 2020 - Mar 2021		1,800	1,800
Estimated Out of Area Levy for FY		1,500	1,500
Harestock Road Rebate used		-2,025	0
LHPC Second Pandemic Related Payment Holiday		0	?
Funds owed to Parish Council (FY 2020 - 21)		7,027	9,052
		Note 2	Note 3

Note 1: Period of poor income generation for sports clubs.

Note 2: Plan B - the Sports Club has committed to no further loss to the Parish Council in FY 2020-21.

Note 3: Plan C - Risk in the Sports Club being able to raise £9K. Second payment holiday may be required.

Appendix B. Payments for endorsement (Confidential information not shown)

LITTLETON & HARESTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Payments in April for May 2020 Meeting

Date	Ref	To Whom	Details of Payment	Total (£)	VAT (£)	Net (£)
06.04.20	1	WCC	Council tax on Parish Office	1008.62	168.10	840.52
07.04.20	2	Green Smile Ltd	April grounds maintenance	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
07.04.20	3	Factotum Village (Stuart Packard)	12 White signboards in recreation ground	250.00	0.00	250.00
07.04.20	4	Mainstream Digital	March telephone usage	4.92	0.82	4.10
08.04.20	5	Headbourne Worthy PC	Quarter Share of Batteries for SLR	41.88	0.00	41.88
09.04.20	6	Bargainworld UK (Amazon)	Red & White Barrier Tape	16.97	0.00	16.97
09.04.20	7	Alison's DIY (Amazon)	Heavy Duty Steel Chain (for barrier security)	31.99	5.33	26.66
16.04.20	8	British Gas	Sports Pavilion Electricity for March 2020	124.50	5.93	118.57
16.04.20	9	Imobiletech Ltd (Amazon)	Duct Tape	4.45	0.74	3.71
17.04.20	10	Link Wholesalers (Amazon)	Laminating Pouches	8.49	1.42	7.07
20.04.20	11	Galaxy Wholesalers (Amazon)	Red & White Barrier Tape	15.99	2.67	13.32
20.04.20	12	HMRC	Tax & NI on April salaries	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
20.04.20	13	Factotum Village (Stuart Packard)	Repair to plasterboard wall/door stop	60.00	0.00	60.00
20.04.20	14	C&D Trees Ltd	Clear windblown Hawthorne in Tumulus field	96.00	16.00	80.00
22.04.20	15	WCC	Dog bin emptying Jan-Mar 20	715.00	0.00	715.00
22.04.20	16	Factotum Village (Stuart Packard)	Three White signboards in recreation ground	40.00	0.00	40.00
22.04.20	17	BT	1 Apr - 30 Jun 2020: Broadband	111.60	18.60	93.00
27.04.20	18	S Covill	Cleaner's salary April	273.00	0.00	273.00
27.04.20	19	L Fielding	Clerk's salary April	1062.11	0.00	1062.11
30.04.20	20	HALC	HALC Affiliation Fees 20/21	760.68	0.00	760.68
30.04.20	21	Factotum Village (Stuart Packard)	New Doors in Pavilion	253.44	0.00	253.44
30.04.20	22	L Fielding	Clerk's expenses April	4.00	0.00	4.00

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Payments in May for June 2020 Meeting

Date	Ref	To Whom	Details of Payment	Total (£)	VAT (£)	Net (£)
04.05.20	23	British Gas	Office Electricity for 1/03/20-20/04/20	102.26	4.87	97.39
05.05.20	24	WCC	Council tax on Parish Office	71.00	0.00	71.00
05.05.20	25	Giant Olive	April Website Updates	255.98	0.00	255.98
05.05.20	26	True Potential	Pension Payment for April	96.84	0.00	96.84
05.05.20	27	True Potential	Pension Payment for May	96.32	0.00	96.32
06.05.20	28	Green Smile Ltd	May grounds maintenance	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
13.05.20	29	British Gas	Sports Pavilion Electricity for April 2020	423.09	112.63	310.46
13.05.20	30	Mainstream Digital	March telephone usage	1.55	0.26	1.29
14.05.20	31	Derek Dibben	Sadolin for varnishing benches	60.00	0.00	60.00
21.05.20	32	Colden Common Parish Council	Contribution for lengthsman	56.00	0.00	56.00
21.05.20	33	CSG Ltd	Pavilion Septic Tank emptying	159.00	0.00	159.00
20.05.20	34	Homebase	Pavilion internal door security	54.80	0.00	54.80
22.05.20	35	HMRC	Tax & NI on May salaries	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
26.05.20	36	S Covill	Cleaner's salary May	273.00	0.00	273.00
26.05.20	37	L Fielding	Clerk's salary May	1,062.11	0.00	1,062.11
28.05.20	38	C Osgerby	Moving 150 sandbags to behind Pavilion	70.00	0.00	70.00
28.05.20	39	Green Smile Ltd	Repair to ariel runway, plus extra weeding and hedge cutting	108.00	18.00	90.00
29.05.20	40	Giant Olive	May Website Updates	255.98	0.00	255.98
29.05.20	41	Stephen Burgess	Telephone expenses during Pandemic	56.22	0.00	56.22
29.05.20	42	Information Commissioner	Data Protection Registration fee	40.00	0.00	40.00
29.05.20	43	L Fielding	Clerk's expenses May	10.70	0.00	10.70
29.05.20	44	WCC	Return of WCC Covid-19 Grant	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00

Appendix C. Payments for approval

LITTLETON & HARESTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Payments for Approval in March 2020 Meeting

From Whom	Details of Request	Total (£)	VAT (£)	Net (£)
MANT	Bradley Rd Play Panels	4,647.60	774.60	3,873.00
MANT	Netball Court Installation	2,940.00	490.00	2,450.00
MANT	Parkour Installation	17,030.40	2,838.40	14,192.00

Appendix D. County Councillor Report - Cllr Jan Warwick Winchester Downlands June 2020

Changes to Road Space -a range of temporary changes are being made across the county to provide more road space to support social distancing in town centres and for people cycling and walking:

- Waiting times at 166 crossings and traffic signals have been reduced to favour pedestrians
- Work has started to give more space to pedestrians on the Winchester one-way system including Jewry Street and North Walls.

Over 1000 schemes (including most recently the Harestock Rd have been proposed). A [new webpage](#) lists all the measures HCC are currently working on, and also links to a [map](#) to engage with the community on local priorities, and where organisations and people can make their suggestions, and see what others think.

HCC will bid for further national funding later in the summer and continue to help Hampshire's residents make healthier, greener journeys and support the economic recovery of Hampshire. Schemes will be reviewed for function

and performance and they will be altered if necessary. Schemes may also be considered for retention where appropriate, based in part on feedback and evidence of effectiveness.

Hampshire and Surrey County Councils have put forward a bid for funding through the EM3LEP for more of these 'pop up' schemes through the latest Government Funding prospectus. We have also submitted ideas to Solent LEP related to the Transforming Cities fund work, for schemes not currently funded.

HWRCs: Due to the high volume of users Hampshire County Council have an online pre-booking system from June for residents to access Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) to manage demand and reduce queuing traffic. You can book online here <https://www.hants.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling> or call 02380 179 949.

[£18 million on its way to support Hampshire's independent care homes](#)

Following the announcement by Government on 14 May of an extra £600 million in funding to support England's independent care home sector during the coronavirus pandemic, Hampshire County Council has moved quickly to ensure the county's care homes receive their £18.4million share.

Appendix E. St Barnabas City Councillor report June 2020

New City Council year

As I am sure you know the City has elected Councillor Cunningham as the Mayor for the current year, Councillor Vivian Achwal from Whiteley will be his deputy.

Councillor Learney continues as Cabinet member for housing and asset management, Cllr Weir has stepped down from cabinet and become chair of the Business and Housing Policy Committee.

Effect of Covid on City Council finances

The result of the Covid-19 crisis is that the City Council has moved from a balanced budget to a £7.2m (optimistic scenario) to £11.6m (pessimistic scenario) budget gap for the current financial year. This represents 21-34% of annual turnover. While a portion of this can be covered from reserves this will leave very little available for future years. Clearly significant budget savings and delays to capital expenditure will need to be made. These estimates include the government funding received of £1.28m.

Housing and homelessness

While Covid has delayed building both private and public homes the City Council's building programme is continuing and a normal repairs and maintenance schedule is returning for Council homes. All homeless people in Winchester have been housed with only a handful in Bed and breakfast accommodation.

Waste collection

Collection has continued as normal with very few missed bins – although the need to stretch out the work start times to deal with Covid has meant earlier than expected collection in some areas which has surprised residents. To avoid infection the bin men will only touch bins and green bags except in areas with a bagged collection. No side waste is being collected so we are asking people to cut up large boxes to get them in the bin rather than leaving them by the side.

Plans are progressing to introduce the change to a bin collection for green waste using 140/240l bins compared to the current 90l bag capacity. The Council is looking at how charges can be kept to a minimum while covering the cost of collection.

Roads and pavements

The City is working with the County to ensure space for social distancing in Central Winchester and continue to maximise walking and cycling rather than car use. Locally there is concern about overgrowth narrowing paths and Councillors are looking at what we might be able to do to manage this better.

Traffic speeds are an issue throughout the area on both through and residential roads. It is very disappointing that the only action the County Council are proposing following the fatality on the Andover Road is a few bollards to highlight the main crossing point from Harestock over to the Barton Farm side as usage has significantly increased in the past few months.

Sir John Moore Barracks

As part of the City Council cabinet Kelsie Learney attended a meeting with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation & their consultants at the end of April to discuss their plans for the site. Various community red lines and concerns including the retention of facilities on the site, open space available to Harestock residents, transport issues and flood mitigation were laid out. They were urged to make contact with the Parish Council and share full plans as soon as possible.

Central Winchester

The City Council is working with Turner Works, an urban design company on reinvigorating Kings Walk and bringing the office space back into use as a first stage in the regeneration set out in the supplementary planning document for the central Winchester area. While finance is an issue going forward there is a good prospect of getting government funding for this kind of scheme to bring jobs into the town centre.

Bar End sports park

The new sports park has been delayed as although construction has continued it has slowed down to allow for social distancing – it is still expected to open in spring next year.