

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council A Meeting of the Parish Council's Planning and Highways Committee will be held in the Ruby Room in the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 22nd October 2024 at 7.00pm.

The meeting will be open to the public unless the Committee directs otherwise. Agenda

All papers/reports are available from the Council office (except where classified as confidential).

- 1. To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance
- 2. To receive and accept declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
- 3. To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
- 4. Public Session for information only
- 5. Parish Council's Tree Warden's Report to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
- 6. Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
- 7. Proposed Diversion of Footpath 31 Response from Parish Council for approval
- 8. To approve the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee 24th September 2024
- 9. Actions Arising from the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee 24th September 2024 for information only
- 10. Financial position year to date to note current position
- 11. Planning Applications: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk
- 12. Planning Applications for consideration:

24/01235/FUL Closing Date: 12th November 2024

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- 13. Planning Applications: Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions for information.
- 14. Tree Works on Little Shore Lane for consideration
- 15. Purchase of Roadside Town Information Signs for consideration
- 16. Future Services Consultation and Outcomes for consideration
- 17. Highways Licence Renewal for consideration
- 18. Feedback from Councillors' Surgery 21.9.24 for consideration
- 19. Chairman's report for information only

Closing Date: 13th November 2024

- 20. Requests for future agenda items for information only
- 21. Date of next meeting Tuesday 26th November 2024
- 22. Motion for confidential business:

The following motion will be moved on the completion of the above business: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

23. WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists – for consideration

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Clerk to the Committee
15.10.24

Right of Way Report for October 24

Kissing gate: I have arranged installation of the kissing gate that has been stored at the groundsmen's shed at Hoe Road sports field and which was purchased in the 2022-2023 financial year, on October 30th. The kissing gate will be on Tangier View farmland, on FP44, where the stile had been vandalised in September. Mr Stephen Gregory has given his permission for the contractors to carry out the work provided that the land is not too wet. I will contact him several days beforehand to check.

Footpath 42A, Pilgrims' Trail: I reported last month that Mr Gregory had told me that one of his

cows had died in the stream under a pedestrian bridge on this footpath. He asked if I could find out whether he or HCC would be responsible for improving the bridge so that cattle would be deterred from going on it. I contacted our Engagement Officer, Kate Martin, and she is considering what to do. She has said that, since it is a bridge for walkers to use, not for livestock, it is probably the responsibility of HCC. She is checking with others at Countryside Services.

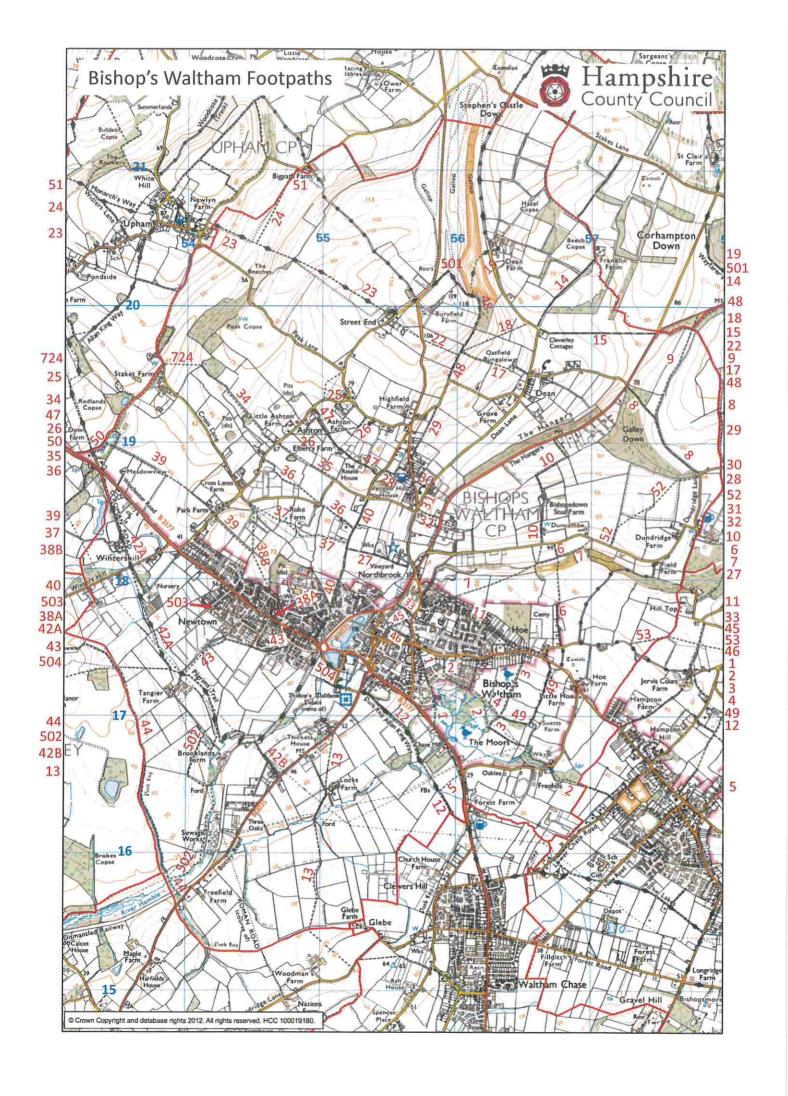


Training for Volunteers: A training session has been arranged for our Bishop's Waltham volunteers in the Jubilee Hall, on October 29th. This is taking place thanks to Emma Mckenzie who liaised with Kate Martin to arrange a suitable date and location.

Power tool training: There are grants available from HCC for training and purchase of power tools that could be used by footpath volunteers. I will be investigating this in the near future. One of our Footpath Wardens, Paul Davidson has offered to liaise with Kate Martin and the Parish Council in choosing which tools would be most useful.

Ruth Shields

October 2024





BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Highways Committee held at the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr Homer

Cllr Jelf

Cllr Jones

Chairman

Cllr Nicholson

Cllr Wood

Non-Committee Member:

Cllr Williams

Also in attendance:

Mrs C Grover

Tree Warden

Mrs McKenzie

Committee Clerk/Executive Officer

Mrs Shields

Parish Rights of Way Warden

Members of Public:

The Committee Chairman, Cllr Jones, welcomed all to the meeting and noted that Cllr Wood had been appointed to the Committee membership following the Parish Council meeting of 10.9.24. Cllr Jones went on to thank Cllr Williams for his continued valuable support for the Committee.

To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance

Cllr Conduct - family commitments

Cllr Sherwood - indisposed

Resolved: To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance

Proposed: Cllr Wood Seconded: Cllr Homer

All in favour

Cllr Jelf arrived at 7:05pm

PH92/24

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Nicholson – agenda item 12 – SDNP/24/02914/FUL

PH93/24

To receive any declarations of personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

None.

Public Session

The member of the public in attendance requested to speak later in the meeting during the relevant agenda item on the Local Plan.

Points raised:-

Accessibility Project – start date not yet known and unlikely to be October as hoped.

Speedwatch - sites due for assessment 1.10.24

Concerns raised about trees around Ashton Close – refer to agenda item 12



PH95/24 Parish Council's Tree Warden Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

Mrs Grover reported on

24/01979/TPO – crown thinning recommended and continue to monitor situation regarding possible subsidence at that location.

24/02045/TPO – request for tree to be felled to ground level – noted as a tree forming the green corridor in that area with no substantial reason for requesting this felling and no professional survey undertaken as yet. Recommend objection unless professional survey advises works necessary.

PH96/24 Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.

Reported noted.

Footpath 43 was recorded as complete with the two new kissing gates installed and landowner concerns allayed, with thanks given to all those involved in this project. However, a further stile had been vandalised and should be prioritised for replacement with a kissing gate if possible.

Resolved: To use the kissing gate planned for Street End to be transferred to replace the vandalised stile on Footpath 43 and use KMFencing for installation due to previous excellent service.

Proposed: Cllr Wood Seconded: Cllr Homer

All in favour.

ACTION: Executive Officer / Rights of Way Warden

A site meeting held regarding the proposed diversion of Footpath 31 was noted and recommendations would follow from Hampshire Countryside Services.

Training for footpath wardens was due to take place in the Jubilee Hall with a date due to be set imminently. It was requested to the Rights of Way Warden that this be opened to new interest if possible.

PH97/24 Minutes of Meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 27th August 2024 Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee of the 27th August 2024

Proposed: Cllr Jelf

Seconded: Cllr Nicholson

All in favour who were present at the meeting on 27th August 2024

PH98/24 Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 27th August 2024 St George's Square bus shelter repairs now complete in terms of tiling, barge board and

guttering.

The speed indicator device equipment had been delivered and was awaiting new posts before installation – this would be pursued with the WCC Traffic Team for action.

The speed watch camera was being considered for purchase at this meeting.

Two very old benches were noted as being monitored for required works– Bank Street and on the Winchester Road between Tangier Lane and Albany Road.

PH99/24 Financial Position Year to Date

Noted.

It was explained that the Community Payback Scheme was not charged as only one operative was now being sent to work in the parish, not a whole team.

The clock maintenance was considered and it was confirmed that the suggestion of moving the clock to temporarily replace it with a possible Christmas tree was not financially viable.



PH100/24

Budget Setting 2025/26 - Draft

Noted.

Cllr Jones explained that the working group had met and drafted the budget tabled with the Finance Manager's support. A summary of changes was presented and noted. A full discussion was given to budgeting for the 20s Plenty initiative and the amount planned.

Resolved:

i) To note the timeline for budget setting

- ii) To note that all salaries and associated costs will be recommended by the FP&R Committee
- iii) To note that budgets will be considered on a 3-year basis with no inflation allowance
- iv) To ratify the working group for this Committee as Cllr Jones, Cllr Homer, Cllr Conduct and the Finance Manager
- v) To agree the draft committee budget as tabled

Proposed: Cllr Nicholson Seconded: Cllr Jones 4 in favour, 1 abstention

PH101/24

Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.

Noted as none presented for this month.

PH102/24

Planning Applications

24/01779/FUL

Closing Date: 30th September 2024

S73 Vary Condition 11 (drawings) of 23/00447/FUL – minor reduction and reconfiguration to floorplans and external design/fenestration, increase built distance from listed wall (north), air source heat pump and PV installations (amended proposal)

The Old Forge, Brook Street, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1AX

Neutral. Request noise survey for impact of noise from heat pump on residential neighbours.

24/01956/FUL

Closing Date: 9th October 2024

\$19 Vary Condition 2 (drawings) of 23/00448/LIS – minor reduction and reconfiguration to floorplans and external design/fenestration, increase built distance from listed wall (north), air source heat pump and PV installations (amended proposal)

The Old Forge, Brook Street, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1AX

Neutral. Request noise survey for impact of noise from heat pump on residential neighbours.

24/01979/TPO

Closing Date: 4th October 2024

Oak Tree with TPO, in front garden of 44 Ashton Close. Was deemed responsible for significant subsidence to no 42 Ashton Close, This has now been addressed by underpinning work to no 42, and all necessary repairs, both internally and externally. The proposed crown thinning of the tree is to try to avoid any further subsidence to either no 42 or to no 44.

44 Ashton Close, Bishop's Waltham \$032 1FP

Support: Crown thinning of tree.

SNDP/24/02914/FUL

Closing Date: 8th October 2024

Change of use of farm office and garage loft space to holiday accommodation. Install ground mounted solar (PV) array in garden. Remodel north and east facing porches.

Burwells Orchard, West Hoe Lane, Bishop's Waltham \$032 1DT

No comment as Bishop's Waltham Parish Council Councillor application.



Resolved: to make the comments recorded to the relevant Planning Authority

Proposed: Cllr Wood Seconded: Cllr Jones

Votes as recorded above if applicable.

PH103/24 Planning Applications. Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions.

Noted.

PH104/24 Local Plan Consultation

Points raised:

WCC hold an informal planning overview with the next meeting in mid/end of October which Cllr Williams will invite WCC Councillors to visit Bishop's Waltham and review the new estates and their impact on the town as a whole.

The attending member of the public spoke regarding the Land North of Rareridge Lane, raising concerns about the land usage and traffic.

It was noted that the above site had always been earmarked for development and the next stage, if it progressed, would be considered as a planning application.

The criteria for new housing in town was reiterated as within 15 minutes' walk of the town centre and keeping the balance of shape of the town (acknowledging the boundary of the South Downs National Park).

It was emphasised that more houses will be allocated to the town from national, county and district level. The Parish Council needs to guide process and be involved and, as far as possible, not have numbers and sites imposed.

It was noted that the consultation had been publicised via social media, noticeboards, website and councillors' surgeries.

Resolved: To send a response to WCC regarding the Local Plan from the Parish Council (with an appointed working group of Cllr Jones, Cllr Wood and Cllr Williams to draft and finalise this letter). Proposed: Cllr Nicholson

Seconded: Cllr Homer

All in favour ACTION: Working Group - Cllr Jones, Cllr Wood and Cllr Williams

ACTION: To ensure WCC Planning Group is invited to visit Bishop's Waltham to view the impact of new housing estates on the town

ACTION: Executive Officer / Cllr Williams

PH105/24 Chairman's Report

The Chairman noted that he had attended the working group considering the committee draft budget plan. He had also attended at the St Peter's Country Fayre and discussed the Local Plan sites with the public visiting the Parish Council stand. A record of comments had been collected.

PH106/24 Requests for future agenda items

Report from the Basingwell Street car park bin store meeting of 2.10.24

PH107/24 Date of next meeting Tuesday 22nd October 2024.

Noted.

The Rights of Way Warden, Tree Warden and member of the public all left at this point.



PH108/24 Motion for confidential business:

The Chairman then moved: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

PH109/24 WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists

Concern over potential issues arising from a car boot sale planned in Dean were noted to be monitored.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:22pm.

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council Actions Arising from the Planning & Highways Committee meeting 24.9.24

Minute Number	Subject	Action	Date for completion	Action by	Notes
PH080/23(iii), PH098/23, PH242/23, PH21/24	Dog bins	Sites at Botley Rd and Winchester Rd to be considered	Sep-23	EO	Agenda item Sept 23 to consider sites - Deer Walk, Shore Lane, Botley Rd. Agenda item June 24.
PH105/23, PH132/23, PH208/23	Speedwatch Camera	To charge battery and position on Cricklemede	Nov-23	BN	In progress. New battery and tripod under consideration.
PH118/23	School Crossing Patrol	To write to HCC about H&S concerns	Nov-23	EO	Matters in public domain
PH148/23	Bus Shelter Posters	To investigate posters for poster holders	Jan-24	EO	
PH167/23	Ensure Design Statement included in Local Plan updates	To monitor changes and ensure DS included	Oct-24	EO/KJ	Ongoing
PH170/23	Footpath Signage	To liaise with Bargate re footpath signage	May-24	EO/ROW	Discussed June 24.
PH208/23, PH227/23, PH06/24	Speed Indicator Devices and Speedwatch	i) To charge speedwatch camera and purchase tripod ii) To meet to install SID and plan schedule iii) Review posts and panels, seek quotes and sites approval	i) Abandoned ii) Complete iii) Complete	Working Group (EJ, TC, KF) and EO	In progress i) New charger and tripod under consideration - decision made to buy new updated model
PH217/23	Contact with HCC	i) Liaise re High St resurfacing and lining ii) Consider suspension of traffic enforcement where lines unclear	Jun-24	EO	
PH247/23	Footpath 12 Access	To set meeting with stakeholders	May-24	EO	Discussed June 24.
PH21/24	Additional Bins	To gather suggestions from social media and allrs surgery	Aug-24	EO	ldeas gathered at Family Fun Day and Cllr Surgeries
PH52/24	Footpath 31	To arrange meeting to review changes	Aug-24	EO	To include resident and ROWW - 12,9,24
PH81/24	Traffic Survey	To schedule survey with HCC	Dec-24	EO	
PH87/24	Enforcement Priorities	To meet to set priorities	Sep-24	EO	3.9.24 5:30pm KJ,BN, JW, MH
PH89/24 ;		To recommend spend to FP&R	Complete	EO	,
PH96/24		To transfer gate location to Ftph43	Dec-24	EO/ROWW	
PH104/24		To write letter to WCC	Complete	WG	WG = KJ,Jwo, Jwi
PH104/24 \		To invite WCC to visit BW to view estates	Nov-24	EO	

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Planning and Highways Committee

22,10,24

Agenda Item

Planning Applications: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk

24/02045/TPO

Closing Date: 11th October 2024

T1 - Large oak tree at rear of property to remove as close to ground level as possible

20 Marlow Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1DF

Objection. Noted as a tree forming the green corridor in that area with no substantial reason for requesting this felling and no professional survey undertaken as yet. Objection lodged unless professional survey advises works necessary.

24/02127/HOU

Closing Date: 22nd October 2024

Replacement Timber Boarding and Render to the Front Elevation Youlbury, Albany Road, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1BY Neutral. No objection.

Proposal: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk, if appropriate



Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item - Planning Applications - for consideration

24/01235/FUL

Closing Date: 12th November 2024

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Gilbert's Knapp, Beeches Hill, Bishop's Waltham \$032 1FE

Proposal:

To consider the planning applications tabled above and make recommendations as a result.



Planning and Highways Committee

22,10,24

Agenda item: Decisions by Delegated Officer to Winchester City Council, WCC Planning Development Control Committee, South Downs National Park Authority and Appeals inspector up to 17.10.24

> **Bishops Waltham Parish Council** Ward

24/00059/LIS Case No: Date Valid: 9 January 2024

Ref No: WPP-12719781

BISHOPS WALTHAM

Case Officer: Rose Chapman

Conservation Area: Name: Bishops Waltham

Proposed change of use of the ground floor of the former Banks Bistro, Bank Street, Proposal:

Bishops Waltham to residential, creating two x two bedroom flats.

Banks Bar And Bistro The Old Granary Bank Street Bishops Waltham Southampton Location:

Hampshire SO32 1AE

Grid Ref: 455381 117571

Decision: Application Permitted

> Bishops Waltham Parish Council Ward **BISHOPS WALTHAM**

24/00109/FUL Case No: Date Valid: 26 January 2024

Ref No: WPP-12719466

Case Officer:

Rose Chapman

Conservation Area: Name: Bishops Waltham

Proposed change of use of the ground floor of the former Banks Bistro, Bank Street, Proposal:

Bishops Waltham to residential, creating two x two bedroom flats.

Banks Bar And Bistro The Old Granary Bank Street Bishops Waltham Southampton Location:

Hampshire SO32 1AE

Grid Ref: 455381 117571

Decision: Application Permitted

> Bishops Waltham Parish Council Ward **BISHOPS WALTHAM**

Case No: 24/00861/FUL Date Valid: 14 May 2024

Ref No: WPP-12993638

Case Officer: Cameron Taylor

Conservation Area: Name: Bishops Waltham

Demolition of former Esso garage and the erection of 6No. new dwellings with car Proposal:

parking and use of existing access onto Winchester Road.

ESSO Winchester Road Bishops Waltham Southampton Hampshire SO32 1BA Location:

Grid Ref: 455190 117493

Decision: Application Refused



Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item - Tree Works on Little Shore Lane - for consideration

There are a number of dead trees along Little Shore Lane overhanging Jubilee Hall play park.

A contractor has quoted for the works and the neighbour, whose land the biggest tree is on, has agreed to pay for the cost of half the works.

The other half is in a 'no man's land' where they are at the end of the turning bay in Malvern Close and belong to no-one. They do however pose a H&S risk to the play park and lane.

The Council Chairman, Halls and Grounds Committee Chairman and Planning and Highways Committee Chairman have all agreed that these works need to be done under health and safety grounds.

The contractor is available to undertake the works on November 12^{th} (a road closure and specialist equipment is required).

A second quotation is being obtained for comparison.

Proposal: to decide whether or not to approve the decision to fell the dead trees identified by the tree consultant on Little Shore Lane and approve the quoted costs for removal



Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item – Purchase of Roadside Town Information Signs – for consideration

Following the awards presented to Bishop's Waltham by HALC on 26.9.24, the nominee would like to recommend road signs, similar to those installed after the 2019 win, to highlight the award as people enter the town's approaches.

The contractor who produced the signs last time has been contacted and is able to make new signs to replace the old ones.

The wording is proposed to be:-

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year Award 2024 Most Inspiring Place To Live

The estimate of cost for four signs is being sought, with the powers to spend outlined below:-

- Power to provide traffic signs and other notices Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, section 72
- Power to use decorative signs to inform visitors LGA 1972, section 144

Proposal: to decide whether or not to approve the costings for four roadside information signs to sit under the Bishop's Waltham signs on approach roads into the town.



Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item - HCC Future Services Consultation and Outcomes - for consideration

The decisions of HCC Cabinet on County Council services for the future made on 14.10.24 are in the four-page summary attached (as a press release from HCC).

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20241410FutureServicesfinaldecisions

The Committee is particularly minded to note decisions relating to the Planning and Highways and the impact it may have on Bishop's Waltham.

Proposal: to note the decisions of HCC Cabinet on County Council services for the future made on 14.10.24.

Cabinet decides on County Council services for the future

Oct 14 2024

With the future of some Hampshire local services in the spotlight today, the County Council's Leader and Cabinet have carefully considered proposals relating to Household Waste Recycling Centres, passenger transport services, School Crossing Patrols, and homelessness support services after careful consideration of consultation feedback and examination of every possible option to help balance residents' needs against the Council's future financial pressures

The Cabinet has today opted not to progress with all the savings recommendations which would see changes and reductions in some local services from 2025/26 onwards, and to scale back savings plans in other areas. Options around 13 service areas were put forward to the Cabinet to help towards closing the County Council's revised two-year budget gap of £175 million, which is now predicted for the 2025/26 financial year. In common with many councils nationally, it is now increasingly difficult for the local authority to keep providing all the services it has done previously as costs continue to rise alongside growing demand in key areas like social care for vulnerable children, older people and adults with complex needs and disabilities.

Leader of Hampshire County Council, Councillor Nick Adams-King said: "We have worked hard and given careful thought to the proposals put forward to help us address our future financial pressures. We have listened to the feedback collected from residents, partners and organisations during our public consultation, who raised their concerns about some of the ideas and their potential impacts on local communities. For this reason, we have examined every possible alternative solution in the key areas where residents felt very strongly.

"The first thing to say about the outcome of today's Cabinet meeting is that we have found a way forward which was not easy in the current climate and is in line with the careful and responsible approach this Council takes with its finances on behalf of the residents of Hampshire.

"We have retained all household waste recycling centres – a service residents told us they value considerably – plus all school crossing patrols. We have also identified a way to bring together our passenger transport service - retaining vital support to many older residents with disabilities - with the provision of school transport for eligible children, so that existing vehicles are better used across the day to serve children and adults at different times.

"In some areas however, we have had to make the difficult and unavoidable decision to go ahead with the recommended changes and reductions to help towards balancing our budgets in future, but in others, such as homelessness support, which is not a legal responsibility of the County Council, I am pleased that we will be able to honour the current contracts that are in place and protect funding to March 2026.

"Now that formal decisions have been made on the savings proposals, we will take them forward over the coming year with a view to maximising the savings that can be achieved by April 2025. We will of course ensure people using these services and the wider public are made aware of changes well before they are made and what the potential impacts might be.

"At the same time, alongside these and other savings which will eventually deliver over £84 million each year, we continue to press our case to Government for crucial additional funding and greater freedom to make our own decisions so local government can find alternative ways to keep serving our local communities in a sustainable and fair way. We will keep focusing on driving down costs across all areas of the County Council – working differently and more efficiently across services, streamlining our back-office functions and business structures, generating income, and sharing our resources with other public sector organisations, as well as disposing of land and buildings we no longer need. We are also undertaking an exercise to look at the potential impact of focusing on delivering just those services that form our core purpose as a local authority, and the new savings that could be identified from this, so the County Council can live within its means and prioritise providing the essentials when serving the people of Hampshire."

The reference to £84m of savings relates to a combination of the proposals agreed by the Cabinet on 14 October 2024 following consultation, plus the other savings measures agreed by the full County Council in November 2023, which did not require public consultation.

Decisions made by the County Council's Cabinet

Highways maintenance

Cabinet notes the additional anticipated uplift funding of £13.76 million for the 2025/6 financial year and the proposals for raising money, ringfenced for Highway Maintenance and Schemes to tackle congestion proposed through the emerging Disruption Charging schemes, which will provide significant additional funding for highway repairs. Additionally, Cabinet notes the confirmation that the reduction in budget will not affect pothole and defect repairs, and therefore, that Cabinet approves the reduction in the annual highway maintenance budget for planned maintenance activity by £7.5 million from April 2025.

The planned budget reduction will only affect larger scale planned maintenance activities.

Highways winter service

Undertake a review and then update the County Council's Highway Winter Services in consideration of changes to travelling behaviours and recent updates to national guidance. The review and subsequent implementation would provide annual budget savings of £1 million from April 2025. This would be achieved through the revision and implementation of revised winter service treatment routes developed in accordance with current national guidelines and assessments of the way in which people in Hampshire travel during periods of winter weather, as well as through operational efficiency savings arising from the changes.

Passenger transport

- To note the outcome of the 2024 Future Services Consultation in relation to the proposals on the future of the Passenger Transport provision.
- To note the changes to the proposals that were set out in the Future Services Consultation, as detailed within this report as a result of the responses received.
- Remove the following County Council revenue funding totalling £587,000 as detailed within the report and based on the results of the Consultation:
 - Connect: Taxi-share services saving £157,000 per annum
 - Supported local bus services saving £262,000 per annum
 - Other passenger transport savings £168,000 per annum
- Approve a revised approach in which both community transport and school transport are jointly commissioned and delivered together, thereby maintaining a level of service to meet the transport needs of older and disabled people whilst reducing the funding required for school transport. This would generate a further approximate saving of £500,000 per annum for the County Council.
- Cabinet notes the concerns of the Chairs of the Children and Young Persons and Health and Adult Service Select Committees, and of the Universal Service Committee and their request the Cabinet to look again 'holistically' at the Passenger Transport proposal before making any decisions.
- Cabinet also notes the Universal Select Committee request that Cabinet considers the impact of
 Passenger Transport on all the services affected by the proposals in order to achieve a more joined up
 service for all children and adults, and to ensure efficient use of council resources. This should ideally
 include home to school transport.
- Cabinet agrees that a review should be taken alongside implementation of the effect on all services to
 ensure social care service users are not adversely impacted, especially those with special needs and
 disability, but also considers the effect of withdrawing these services on mental health, loneliness and
 rural communities.
- That authority is delegated to the Director of Universal Services to take all necessary steps, including
 entering into contractual arrangements in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, and fulfilling
 procurement requirements, to implement the proposed changes to passenger transport services as set
 out in this report once approval has been obtained from the Executive Lead Member for Universal
 Services post the concerns identified in the paragraph 5 above have been addressed.

School Crossing Patrols

- Cabinet agrees to defer the decision to save £0.114 million from the 17 sites that do not meet the criteria for justifying an SCP until further detailed site assessments have been carried out.
- That a further 156 SCP sites, including 4 sites that have been vacant for four or more years, are reviewed to assess whether suitable alternative measures that are financially viable in the long term could be put in place for children to cross the road safely at the site without the requirement for an SCP.
- That at sites where the assessment determines suitable alternative measures that are financially viable in the long term are in place or can be put in place for children to cross the road safely without the requirement for an SCP, that the alternative measures are implemented and the SCP service at those sites is withdrawn.

Rural countryside parking

- Implement charging at rural countryside car parking sites wholly owned by the Council with 20 or more spaces where commercially viable from April 2025, with a phased introduction to allow supporting infrastructure to be put in place.
- Implement charging at rural countryside car parking sites in joint ownership with the Council and/or under 20 spaces where commercially viable. This may include consolidation of sites within a local area, or expansion of existing sites.
- Where implemented, charges at rural countryside car parking sites will be reviewed annually in line with the current pricing policy as amended from time to time.
- Income from car parking charging would contribute to the costs to Hampshire County Council of managing Hampshire Countryside sites.

Street lighting

- That on residential streets where streetlights are already switched off between 1am and 4am, this
 period is extended by two hours per night so that lights are switched off from midnight until 05:00,
 excluding the night of 24 December into 25 December, and the night of 31 December into 1 January,
 when the lights would remain on all night.
- Approve the approach for the removal of up to £0.5 million budget provision for street lighting energy as detailed in the Cabinet report and based on the results of the public consultation.
- Reduce lighting levels in residential streets as follows:
 - 23:30 to midnight and 05:00 to 05:30 lighting levels would be reduced by changing dimming from 65% to 80%.
- Reduce lighting levels on the classified (A, B and C class) road network as follows:
 - Between dusk and 23:30 lighting levels will be reduced by changing dimming from 30% to 45%.
 - 23:30 to 05:30 there will be no change and lighting levels would remain at 50%.
 - 05:30 to dawn lighting levels will be reduced by changing dimming from 25% to 40%

Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs)

- To note the outcome of the 2024 Future Services Consultation in relation to the proposals on the future of the Household Waste and Recycling Centre (HWRCs) network.
- Cabinet further notes the concern of the Universal Services Select Committee and their recommendation that there should be no closures of HWRCs.
- Cabinet further notes the progress toward a revised and improved waste and recycling system including
 the construction of the Materials Recovery Facility in Eastleigh. The work toward identifying a whole
 system cost for Hampshire's waste and recycling system and the potential once completed for an
 improved and better recycling and integrated waste partnership between the County Council and its
 District, Borough and City Council partners.

 Consequently, Cabinet does not agree to the closure of HWRCs in Tier 3 and Tier 4 (as set out in Table 1, Paragraph 23) and requests that they be included in the county-wide review of waste and recycling to be reported to Cabinet once the revised Simpler Recycling process has been implemented.

Competitive (one-off) grant schemes

Withdraw three competitive grant schemes which provide one-off funding grants to a range of community groups and organisations, Parish and Town Councils, namely:

- Leader's Community Grants
- Rural Communities Fund (including country shows)
- Parish and Town Council Investment Fund

Hampshire Cultural Trust grant

Reduce the annual grant to Hampshire Cultural Trust by £600,000 from 1 April 2027.

Homelessness Support Services

- That the County Council does not end funding for Homelessness Support Services (also known as Social Inclusion Services) on 30 April 2025
- The County Council gives six months' notice to terminate the six contracts and three grant agreements in place for these services to bring these contracts and grant agreements to an end on 31 March 2026.
 Thus, continuing their payment to the end of the contract term.
- Cabinet notes the concerns raised by the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee and agrees
 that Adults' Health and Care ensures that anyone using County Council funded Homelessness Support
 Services who would be impacted now and in future years by this proposal has access to a Care Act
 Assessment.

Adult Social Care grant schemes

- Cease the Councils for Voluntary Service Infrastructure Grant scheme from 1 April 2025, saving £500,000 per year from the associated budget.
- Cease the Citizens Advice Infrastructure grant scheme from 1 April 2025 saving £65,000 per year from the associated budget.
- Cease the Local Solutions Grant scheme from 1 April 2025, saving £55,000 per year from the associated budget.

Adult Social Care charges

Take into account 100% of an individual's assessable income when carrying out a financial assessment for care other than in a care home and amend the Paying for Care Policy and guidance accordingly, with the change to take effective from April 2025.

Library stock

Reduce stock spend by £250,000 per annum focusing on the following priorities, identified by Hampshire's residents and library users from feedback through the Future Services Consultation;

- Reduce spend on a combination of physical and digital stock;
- Prioritise spending on children's physical stock;
- Prioritise spending on paperbacks rather than hardbacks;
- Prioritise buying a wider range of items, with reduced copies of new titles and prioritise purchasing books over other resources.



Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item – Highways Licence Renewal – for consideration

The highways licence for the planter on St Bonnet Drive is due for renewal.

The cost of this is £209.50 for three years.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/licencesandpermits/planting

Proposal: to decide whether or not to renew the highways licence for the planter on St Bonnet Drive at a cost of £209.50 for three years.



St Bonnett Drive

Drawing Number 21463435/1





Planning and Highways Committee

22.10.24

Agenda Item - Feedback from Councillors' Surgery 21.9.24 - for consideration

The Parish Council held a surgery stand at St Peter's Country Fayre on 21.9.24. A focus to discuss with residents was:-

- Does Bishop's Waltham need a new (larger) General Practice (GP) surgery?
 And
- Do you support some of this site (BW3), The Tollgate Site, being developed for a General Practice (GP) surgery?

The Committee should note the responses made for future reference of this public consultation.

Proposal: to note the public response made in reply to the question of needing a new/larger general practice surgery and the possible use of the Tollgate Site for such.

The Parish Council held a surgery stand at St Peter's Country Fayre on 21.9.24. With comments collated as below.

Does Bishop's Waltham need a new (larger) General Practice (GP) surgery?

128 said YES. (18 wrote yes on chart & 110 stickers put yes on chart) 3 said NO (stickers put no on chart)

- A large modern GP surgery is very much needed with parking facilities, more GPS, nurses etc and more availability for appointments.
- Yes! With more parking, especially for Blue Badge holders.
- Yes, with all new developments, more patients, we definitely need a larger surgery.
- Yes, desperately needed. Current surgery now way too small for the size of the town's population.
- Yes, a surgery with more GPs and more availability of appointments would be great. It can be hard
 to get what you need.
- Given the increase in population we definitely need a larger surgery!!
- Lived in BW. Practice is amazing. Probably need bigger building.
- Yes and the site is perfect.
- Yes! Bigger, better and with enough parking.
- Yes, also need evening appointment and a more flexible approach.
- Yes, doctors are doing a good job but it feels like a part time practice. Needs to cater for a growing population.
- Yes, definitely.

Do you support some of this site (BW3), The Tollgate Site, being developed for a General Practice (GP) surgery?

73 yes stickers, 5 no and 2 maybe (one of which wanted a 'suitable bus service to the site')

- Yes, good idea.
- Yes please will need a good car parking area as good distance for all occupants.
- Yes, but good parking needed.
- Yes, essential for the growing community.
- Sounds good depends on having enough parking and transport links.
- No, it is too far out of town, presently older people can easily get to it in the centre of town. The
 majority of the elderly are in the town centre. Bishop's Waltham House, the old care home, is a
 better site.
- Better than nowhere at all.
- Happy with any site, just need bigger surgery.
- Yes please! Good idea for using derelict land.
- Seems a bit far out but a new surgery is a great idea.