

PREPARING FOR MORE FLOODING

Recent wet weather has been a stark reminder that winter is coming. Your Conservative-led councils are working closely with Parish Councils and local residents to do everything possible to reduce the risk that flooding may have the same devastating impact that it had in our area just 3 years ago.

The third phase of flood-prevention work in the centre of the City, funded by the City and County Councils and the Environment Agency, will start soon. Flood plans have been updated and the County Council is drawing up new reports that will provide a summary of the main issues, flooding history and risks faced by each area.



County, City and Parish Councils are working together to reduce the risk of flood damage. Caroline Horrill (Leader, Winchester City Council), Jan Warwick (Hampshire County Council, Patrick Cunningham (Chairman, Littleton and Harestock Parish Council) and Stephen Godfrey (Winchester City Council)

This analysis for Sutton Scotney will be ready soon, allowing agencies to prioritise their maintenance work.

The next phase of work to reduce the flooding risk in Littleton is being planned, taking forward the work already completed using grant funding from local residents. A public exhibition of the options will take place at Littleton Millennium Hall on 6th October from 3pm to 7pm. Your local Conservative Councillors will be there, so come along and discuss this and any other important matters.

PROBLEMS REMAIN WITH PARKING AT THE STATION

Residents and commuters alike remain concerned about parking problems around Micheldever Station. The City Council put in parking restrictions earlier this year after years of working closely with the Parish Council and local residents. These changes have made it safer for local residents, but many cars are now parking along the roads leading in to the village. Steve Brine, pictured holding a Summer Tour village surgery outside The Dove Inn recently, is discussing the problem with the new South Western Railway and local landowners in pursuit of a long-term solution.



Steve Brine MP, discussing concerns with residents outside the Dove Inn, Micheldever Station

NEWS IN BRIEF.....

- The Carousel Park planning inquiry has been adjourned until November. Your local Parish and City Councillors will be speaking at the hearing to try to bring this long-running problem to a close.
- The new South Western Railway took over from South West Trains last month and will run local services for the next seven years. Their bid included improved capacity, Wi-Fi, journey times and smart ticketing to include part-time season tickets at last!
- The new houses at Worthy Down will soon be occupied, so the long-awaited cycle path to South Wonston may soon start to become a reality. County Councillor Jan Warwick is pressing for this scheme.

TRAFFIC IN WONSTON

Speeding traffic in Wonston is causing increasing concerns, especially for those with young children walking to and from the school bus. Many vehicles – often large commercial trucks – are travelling too fast through the narrow rural roads in the village. Following a visit to Wonston by Steve Brine MP, the local councils are working to take practical measures to improve safety. Better road signage and clearing the drains are top of the list.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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- Deliver leaflets
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- Vote by post
- Stand for Council

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MEETING LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS

Conservative Councillor Caroline Horrill, Leader of Winchester City Council and responsible for Housing in the District, is working tirelessly to deliver more homes that local people can afford to live in. She is actively pursuing at least 6 potential sites for homes that will be dedicated to local people, including the site in Wonston Close, Sutton Scotney. Other opportunities are being looked at in Micheldever, Littleton and elsewhere in Sutton Scotney.

Caroline has said "I want the Council to exceed its target to build 300 new council homes by 2020. There is great support locally for the right development to meet local housing needs - we just need to make it happen."



City Councillors Stephen Godfrey and Caroline Horrill with local campaigner, Patrick Cunningham, at the site for 15 new affordable homes in Sutton Scotney

THE FUTURE OF THE BARRACKS

Preparatory work continues ahead of the planned closure of the Sir John Moore Barracks. Leaders of both Conservative-led City and County Councils have met the MOD several times - along with Steve Brine MP - in pursuit of a knowledge park on the 86-hectare site. Caroline Horrill, Leader of Winchester City Council and local Councillor, has been clear: "I want to retain a good amount of employment on the barracks site and an acceptable and sensible mix of housing, protected open-spaces, and community facilities. We must maintain and protect a rural gap between Littleton and Harestock, or the character of the area and village will be damaged."

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