District Councillor Reports for Parish Council - July 2019

M3 Diversions

There were road closures between Junctions 3 and 4 [of the M27], from 10pm on Friday 28 June to 5am on Monday 1 July, as the work was complex and required full road closures. We will continue to work with the Parishes and residents to make sure that the impact of these is minimal and that Highways England are aware of the impact they have on Parishioners lives. We have been working with HCC to arrange a meeting about the M3 diversions that will impact our communities when the work on the smart motorway commences - no date has been set as yet as it has proved difficult to get a date.

Eastleigh Local Plan

Cllr Lucille Thompson Leader of Winchester City council has written to Steve Brine in relation to the proposed development stating that the change of administration has not changed WCC view on the development. We are bound by the Government to find 'common ground' but that is not the same as agreement. That Winchester City Council will be reaching out to Parish Councils effected and to organisations like ADD to ensure that they are properly represented.

Waste and Recycling

Over the last few weeks Cllr Lynda Murphy has been working hard with Cllr Lucille Thompson to ensure that the problems that resulted because of the ending of the contract with East Hampshire and the short term contract with BIFFA had been rectified. Key members of council staff have been working with Councillors to ensure that the service we get is the one the people of the district deserve. The issues have been resolved and any waste backlogs have been cleared.

On the issues of recycling many parishioners will have received a leaflet informing them about the new glass recycling collection that will go live in October. They will have been informed that there may be a change to their collection days of a result. There will be two more communications about this issue to ensure people are ready for the kerbside recycling.

Our drive as a District Council is to reduce waste and increase recycling and this has been an issue with rates for recycling dropping over the last 8 years. There has also been an increase in fly tipping and the impact that this causes to communities. If you see fly tipping use the your Gov app and report it. Or go to Winchester City Council Website to report issues.

Compton and Shawford

Cllr Laming has been working on the issues relating to the 5 houses at Crossways to ensure that they are not overcrowded and are in keeping with the local environment. Cllr Williams would like to note that she is looking forward to having a walk around with Cllr Bell and Strange on Thursday and hopes that it will give her a better insight into issues and areas that need her attention.

Cllr Bell, Laming and Williams