

## **A brief overview of some of the actions and achievement during 2017/2018 for Winchester City Council**

**Fly Tipping** Council achieves 100% success rate in fly tip prosecutions. Winchester City Council has been actively looking to reduce fly tipping in the district and has demonstrated its zero tolerance approach to fly tipping.

**Air Quality Action Plan for the city centre** Air Quality Action Plan has nine high impact core actions aimed at improving air quality and working towards meeting the relevant air quality objectives within Winchester district.

**New Council Strategy** core outcomes, and supported by four new principles to deliver the Strategy, this sets out a clear direction for the Council in the medium-term

**Safer Communities - A partnership approach** Winchester City Council's Community Safety and Neighbourhood Services Team works side-by-side with the police, Council teams and others as part of the Community Safety Partnership to deliver a range of actions that reduce crime and disorder.

**Local Plan for the Winchester District passes inspection** After its successful Examination in Public and the incorporation of modifications, the Winchester District Local Plan Part 2 – Development Management and Site Allocations (LPP2) was adopted by the Council on 5 April 2017.

**Winchester responding to Government housing plans** Winchester City Council's ambitious plan to double the number of homes it is building in the next three years has received a welcome boost from the latest Government announcements.

**Central Winchester Regeneration Project - Supplementary Planning Document** Vision for Central Winchester Regeneration Area. The local community were invited to help shape this vision. The draft SPD was presented to the public in November and the formal consultation period started in mid-December until early February 2017. Details on the outcomes shortly.

### **Winchester City movement strategy and study now underway**

**Winchester affordable housing scheme reaches major milestone** One of the district's largest affordable housing schemes in Winchester, the Chesil Lodge, a new Extra Care scheme providing 52 homes for people aged 55 and over is nearly completed.

**Council scoops Gold Standard award for local homelessness services** Winchester City Council has become the first council in Hampshire and only the fifth in England to receive the Government's prestigious 'Gold standard' award in recognition of its work in preventing and tackling all forms of homelessness.

**New business support service for** Winchester City Council invited bids from organisations or individuals for a new business support service for the Winchester district for a two-year period from 1 June 2017. The business support service will provide training, networking, one-to-one advice sessions and mentoring tailored to the needs of businesses located in the Winchester area.

**Opportunity for a Winchester car club** This gives signed-up members the chance to hire a car on an hourly basis for local, short journeys. This can be especially useful for business people who need to attend meetings away from their base, without needing to pay for a pool car that is infrequently used.

### **New affordable houses get off the ground in Alresford and Stanmore**

**City Council buys Winchester bus station** Winchester City Council agreed to buy the freehold of the bus station site in central Winchester from bus operator Stagecoach.

### **Changes to on-street parking permits**

**Winchester Parking Strategy** Helping people to find the right parking for their visit and the needs of the environment and air quality are at the heart of Winchester's Parking Strategy.

### **Council's confirms its financial commitment to voluntary organisations**

### **City Council to appoint architects to kick-start Winchester Sports Park project**

## **Friarsgate car park re-opens**

**Council invests £1m on Disabled Adaptations** Winchester City Council has agreed to double its spending on adapting resident's homes, helping them to remain independent and in many cases making sure they can return home from hospital more quickly.

**91% of tenants happy with Council - Tenant satisfaction rises by 3%** Customer satisfaction with Winchester City Council has increased, with 91 per cent of tenants surveyed saying they are happy with the service they receive (compared to 89% when the survey was completed 2 years ago).

**Council consults local businesses on rate relief** Following Central Government changes Winchester City Council has been awarded £900,000 from central government to help local businesses struggling with changes in their business rates bill.

## **Council invests £100,000 in open space for residents in Abbots Barton**

**Green light for 76 new Council homes in Stanmore** Plans to build 76 new homes in Stanmore was approved – with work set to commence in the next 12 months.

**Council ups transparency with new style reporting** Winchester City Council has adopted a new way of reporting to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**Surgery plans move a step closer** Plans for a replacement doctor's surgery in the heart of Winchester have moved a step closer as Winchester City Council's Cabinet has approved plans to relocate St Clements Surgery to new premises at Upper Brook Street Car Park.

**Winchester City Council Cabinet meetings take to the road** Every other Winchester City Council cabinet meeting will be held in a different location around the district for the rest of the municipal year, which runs until May.

**Living Wage Foundation measures to tackle Winchester's affordability** Winchester City Council is one of only four authorities in the south east of England to be accredited by the Living Wage Foundation and detailed ways in which this influences the Council's social and community policies.

**New opportunities are part of vision for Winchester Station Approach** stakeholder workshop draws upon local insight for new employment and leisure opportunities for Winchester after recommendations on a fresh process for regenerating the Station Approach area of the city.

**New Look for the Winchester City Council website** More user friendly and easier to navigate and access a service. To view the website <http://www.winchester.gov.uk>.

**Lower rents for council tenants** Council tenants in Winchester will see their rents reduced by 1% from April next year.

**£15m added to strategic asset fund to support future Council services** Members ratified a plan to increase Winchester City Council's ability to invest in strategic assets that can be used to boost the organisation's income and support local services going forward..

**Winchester's residents help keep Air Ambulance flying** Winchester residents have helped raise a staggering £24,000 for Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance, by using council clothing recycling points around the district to turn their unwanted clothing, shoes and textiles into cash.

**Kerbside glass collection considered for Winchester** Winchester City Councillors are considering introducing kerbside Glass Collection.

**Traveller Development Planning document consultation reaches key stage** Winchester City Council has reached a key stage with publication of its Traveller Development Planning Document (Traveller DPD).

## **Extra peak hours for Park and Ride bus to be launched**

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