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# New County Council Cabinet Portfolios

#### Adult's Health and Care:

- Executive Lead Member, Cllr Liz Fairhurst; and
- Executive Member, Cllr Jan Warwick

#### Children's Services:

- Executive Lead Member, Cllr Edward Heron; and
- Executive Member, Cllr Steve Forster

#### **Universal Services:**

- Executive Lead Member, Cllr Nick Adams-King; and
- Executive Member, Cllr Russell Oppenheimer

#### Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services

- Leader, Cllr Rob Humby; and
- Deputy Leader, Cllr Roz Chadd

#### HR, Performance, Communications and Inclusion and Diversity

• Executive Member, Cllr Kirsty North

# COUNTY COUNCIL CABINET TO CONSIDER FUTURE PLANS TO CLOSE £132M BUDGET GAP BY APRIL 2025

Hampshire County Council's Cabinet will next week have to consider a package of budget measures which could start to see all non-essential spending being withdrawn after April 2025, and the local authority limiting future spending on just the delivery of minimum service levels, required by law

County Council Cabinet to consider future plans to close £132m budget gap by April 2025 | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

# DON'T LET THE COST OF LIVING STOP YOU FROM BECOMING A FOSTER CARER

Compassionate Hampshire people interested in fostering a vulnerable child are reminded of the financial support provided to foster carers

Don't let the cost of living stop you from becoming a foster carer | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

# FUNDING AWARDED TO INITIATIVES TO HELP HAMPSHIRE FAMILIES IN NEED – MORE PROJECTS INVITED TO APPLY

Hampshire County Council has announced the allocation of more than £264,000 in community grants – through its connect4communities programme – to projects helping to ensure disadvantaged households do not go without necessities, such as food, fuel and warmth this autumn and winter

Funding awarded to initiatives to help Hampshire families in need – more projects invited to apply | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

#### WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTATION DAY - KNOW WHERE TO FIND HELP

Hampshire County Council is working alongside Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust to remind people about Life Cards to ensure as many people as possible know where they can find help and support for themselves or a loved one who may be struggling with mental ill health or suicidal thoughts

<u>World Suicide Prevention Day – know where to find help | Hampshire County</u> <u>Council (hants.gov.uk)</u>

# THREE IS THE MAGIC NUMBER WHEN APPLYING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Parents and carers with children due to move to secondary school next year can now apply for their child's school place for September 2024. Secondary school applications are open from 11 September until 31 October

Three is the magic number when applying for secondary school places for September 2024 | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

# HAMPSHIRE TO FURTHER INCREASE MONTHLY PAYMENTS TO LOCAL RESIDENTS HOSTING UKRAINIAN FAMILIES

Hampshire County Council has today announced that it will be paying an extra £200 per month to all Hampshire residents hosting Ukrainian guests as part of the Government's Homes for Ukraine Scheme, until the end of March 2024. This takes the monthly payment to £700

Hampshire to further increase monthly payments to local residents hosting Ukrainian families | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

# **#BEEWELL YOUTH WELLBEING PROGRAMME SET TO BRING A HIVE OF** ACTIVITY TO 130 LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS THIS AUTUMN

Young people in over 130 secondary schools will be invited to have their say on the issues that matter to them most, as a pioneering youth-centred wellbeing programme gets underway in Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton

<u>#BeeWell youth wellbeing programme set to bring a hive of activity to 130 local</u> <u>secondary schools this autumn | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)</u>

# **ON YOUR FEET HAMPSHIRE!**

Hampshire County Council is highlighting the more than 100 'Steady and Strong' classes taking place across the county each week, helping people aged 65+ maintain and improve their strength and balance, enabling them to stay independent and keep doing the things they love

On your feet Hampshire! | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

#### TUNBRIDGE UPDATE – NEW COMPLETION DATE FOR ENGINEERING WORKS ON BRIDGE IN GARNIER ROAD, WINCHESTER

Hampshire County Council has confirmed a revised date of February 2024 for the completion of the £1.4 million scheme to replace the 100 year old Tunbridge, in Garnier Road, Winchester

<u>Tunbridge update – new completion date for engineering works on bridge in Garnier</u> <u>Road, Winchester | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)</u>

# Services provided by Hampshire County Council include:

- <u>Education and Learning</u> including supporting Hampshire schools. (excluding privately run Academy Schools)
- <u>Services for children and families</u> including adoption and fostering, safeguarding, and support for young people.
- <u>Maintenance of Hampshire's roads</u> (except motorways and trunk roads which are the responsibility of National Highways), <u>licensing</u> for providers who need to work on the highway, and support for operators of <u>public transport</u>.
- <u>Planning</u> applications for mineral extraction, waste management and public buildings.
- Provision of social care and health in Hampshire.
- The <u>Hampshire Library Service</u>.
- The <u>Countryside Service</u>, looking after <u>rights of way</u>, and many of the county's <u>important green spaces</u>
- <u>Household Waste Recycling Centres</u> where residents can dispose of unwanted items. (District, borough or city councils manage kerbside household waste collections)
- <u>Trading Standards</u>, ensuring fair trading in Hampshire, by supporting the county's businesses and protecting Hampshire consumers.

# District, borough and city councils

District, borough and city councils provide services such as:

- Household waste collection
- Domestic planning applications
- Council Tax collection
- Housing

#### Find your local district or borough council

#### Parish, community and town councils

These councils operate at a level below district and borough councils and in some cases, unitary authorities.

They are elected and can help on a number of local issues, like providing:

- allotments
- public clocks
- bus shelters
- community centres
- play areas and play equipment
- grants to help local organisations
- consultation on neighbourhood planning