

COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROB HUMBY'S REPORT MARCH 2024

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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

STILL TIME TO HAVE YOUR SAY ON FUTURE SERVICES IN HAMPSHIRE

The clock is ticking for people to have their say on key proposals to change and reduce some local services in future to help Hampshire County Council address a £132 million budget shortfall faced by April 2025

[Still time to have your say on future services in Hampshire | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/news/2023/08/23/still-time-to-have-your-say-on-future-services-in-hampshire)

GREEN LIGHT FOR MULTI-MILLION POUND INVESTMENT IN COUNTY COUNCIL CARE HOMES

Plans to invest more than £173 million in Hampshire County Council's in-house care homes for older people have been given the green light, paving the way towards a focus on delivering specialist nursing and complex dementia care, as well as short term pre- and post-hospital support, to better meet the needs of the county's ageing population

[Green light for multi-million pound investment in County Council care homes | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/news/2023/08/23/green-light-for-multi-million-pound-investment-in-county-council-care-homes)

MORE TRANSPORT CHOICE AND AN IMPROVED BUILT ENVIRONMENT IS AT HEART OF NEW 10-YEAR PLAN

A new local transport plan (LTP4) that aims to boost economic prosperity, reduce carbon pollution, help promote healthy lifestyles and build stronger communities is to be considered by Hampshire County Council

[More transport choice and an improved built environment is at heart of new 10-year plan | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/news/2023/08/23/more-transport-choice-and-an-improved-built-environment-is-at-heart-of-new-10-year-plan)

HAMPSHIRE'S DEFENCE AND SECURITY CLUSTER HEARS SME'S VOICE

Small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Hampshire have taken the first steps to exploring how they can grow their business by becoming a supplier for the defence and security industry locally and nationally – by sharing what their business or service has to offer with sector industry leaders and the county's universities

[Hampshire's Defence and Security Cluster hears SME's voice | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/news/2023/08/23/hampshire-s-defence-and-security-cluster-hears-sme-s-voice)

GARNIER ROAD IN WINCHESTER REOPENS TO ALL VEHICLES FOLLOWING REPLACEMENT OF TUNBRIDGE CROSSING

Garnier Road in Winchester has reopened to all traffic following a £1.4 million scheme by Hampshire County Council to replace Tunbridge – a bridge that spans the Itchen Navigation. The road has remained open to pedestrians and cyclists whilst construction of the new bridge was underway with other vehicles diverted

[Garnier Road in Winchester reopens to all vehicles following replacement of Tunbridge crossing | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

HAMPSHIRE'S YOUNG PEOPLE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE THEIR MARK THROUGH CONSULTATION ON CAMPAIGNING ISSUES

Hampshire's young people are being asked by new Members of the Youth Parliament (MYPs) to let them know what issues matter most to them

[Hampshire's young people encouraged to make their mark through consultation on campaigning issues | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

GOOD NEWS FOR WORKING PARENTS AS FUNDING APPROVED TO EXPAND CHILDCARE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

Hampshire County Council has approved funding of £5.9 million to help more parents access childcare before and after school. The funding has been granted by the Department for Education to support schools and Local Authorities to set up or expand the provision of childcare which 'wraps around' the school day, enabling parents and carers of primary school-aged children to access and pay for term time childcare from 8am-6pm

[Good news for working parents as funding approved to expand childcare before and after school | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

A BUDGET TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF HAMPSHIRE – COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVES £2.6BN SPENDING ON LOCAL SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS IN 2024/25

£2.6 billion of public spending on the ongoing delivery of important local services to Hampshire's 1.4 million residents in 2024/25 was approved by Hampshire County Council on 22 February

[A budget to serve the people of Hampshire - County Council approves £2.6bn spending on local services for residents in 2024/25 | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

COUNTY COUNCIL TRADING STANDARDS WELCOMES SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION OF FRAUDULENT ROOFING TRADER

Hampshire County Council has welcomed the successful prosecution of a rogue trader who has been sentenced for roofing fraud to the value of £642,850.320 involving 29 properties across Hampshire, West Sussex and the Isle of Wight

[County Council Trading Standards welcomes successful prosecution of fraudulent roofing trader | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

HAMPSHIRE CALLS FOR NATIONAL ACTION TO ENSURE NO RESIDENTS LEFT DIGITALLY ISOLATED

An ambition to ensure all Hampshire residents can connect to high-speed internet services has led Hampshire County Council to call on Government to press the case for making sure no-one is left behind in being able to access online services and support

[Hampshire calls for national action to ensure no residents left digitally isolated | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

PLANS FOR NEW SPECIAL SCHOOL IN EASTLEIGH MOVE FORWARD AS ACADEMY TRUST CONFIRMED

The Department of Education has appointed Solent Academies Trust to manage a new special school in Boorley Green, Eastleigh to be funded through Hampshire County Council's Children's Services capital programme and designed and delivered by its Property Services team. The new £17.9 million school is intended to provide accommodation for up to 125 children aged eight to 16 with social, emotional and mental health needs and, subject to planning consent, is due to open in summer 2026

[Plans for new special school in Eastleigh move forward as academy trust confirmed | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

COUNCIL LEADERS RECEIVE ASSURANCES FROM SOUTHERN WATER

Council leaders in Hampshire have collectively invited Southern Water to meet with them to explain how they are working to improve their services and to ensure reliable water supplies for the county's residents

[Council Leaders receive assurances from Southern Water | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

Services provided by Hampshire County Council include:

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