

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Peter Martin

PORTFOLIO: Economy and Prosperous Places

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Local Growth Fund 3

The Government has invited Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) to submit bids for a third round of Local Growth Deal Funding (LGF). Both Coast to Capital and Enterprise M3 LEPs were successful in securing funding from Growth Deal rounds 1 and 2 to support investment in Surrey in schemes such as Runnymede roundabout and improvements on the A22.

Growth Deal Round 3 will be a competitive process, probably to a greater extent than was the case with first two rounds. The Government will be looking for proposals that will deliver new houses, jobs, and significant private sector investment. In this round, the Government has indicated that proposals aligned to Combined Authorities or elected mayors will have an advantage.

The Government has confirmed that a total of £1.8bn of LGF is available to LEPs, with additional funding for housing and transport available through centralised bidding. LEPs are currently developing their bids. Final submissions from the LEPs will be sent to Government at the end of July, with an announcement expected in the Autumn Statement although the process is clearly subject to considerable uncertainty given the changes that will be taking place in Government over the coming months.

Coast to Capital (C2C)

C2C are currently assessing applications for Round 3, including bids for funding from the county council and the East Surrey boroughs and districts. A long list of projects from across the LEP area will be refined down to a form a package of investment focused on five themes; transport, skills and education, housing, business space and enterprise and urban regeneration.

Enterprise M3 (EM3)

The Enterprise M3 bid will also cover a broad range of themes, including transport, infrastructure, skills and enterprise and innovation. The process of assessing bids has been led by the EM3 Programme Management Board and the LEP Board, with strong support from Surrey County Council Cabinet members and senior officers.

The County Council is working with borough councils to submit a number of schemes. The EM3 bid will include a number of projects that will support economic growth in Surrey, including a package of support for Guildford, a Blackwater Valley package and support for other schemes across the west of the county. The bid also includes some cross-border projects, such as a scheme to support provision of broadband to businesses, which has been developed in partnership with Hampshire County Council.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Mike Goodman

PORTFOLIO: Environment & Planning

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Rail Strategy

In our rail strategy we set out what we need to do to improve the rail offer with three clear priorities. We will shortly be publishing an update that reflects our progress in this area.

For Crossrail 2, Epsom, Hampton Court and Shepperton are the proposed origin stations in Surrey. We have completed an assessment of the scheme to identify the optimum configuration of Crossrail 2 services for Surrey, understand the best use of released capacity and provide an evidence base for design development and consultation. This work has enabled us to respond in detail to the TfL led Crossrail 2 consultation and the Growth Commission's call for evidence. It has also given an evidence base in supporting the case for Dorking and Woking be assessed as part of scheme.

Secondly, the North Downs Line has lacked investment and a clear strategy; yet there is substantial potential for future growth that will support our own growth agenda as this unique orbital railway links key areas of employment and growth, including Gatwick, Redhill, Guildford, the Blackwater Valley, Reading and potentially Oxford. Working with Great Western Rail we are pressing Government / the Minister to commit to an advanced programme of investment, including electrification and additional services.

Thirdly, for Access to Airports we are undertaking a project to review the various proposals for a southern rail access to Heathrow Airport from Surrey. This will advise us on the preferred option(s) that we should be supporting and the costs, benefits, issues and opportunities arising from these options so we can secure the best outcome for Surrey in terms of connectivity to Heathrow Airport.

Local Transport Review

Feedback collected as part of the year two consultation process completed earlier this year was carefully analysed and the views of all those who took part were taken into account when drawing up the final proposals with bus operators. The final proposals were then reviewed by a Member Reference Group, Local Area Committee Chairmen and the Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board, before consideration and approval by Cabinet on 24 May 2016.

We are now entering the mobilisation phase of this 3-year programme. We are preparing communications to our residents and stakeholder setting out changes that are to be made to local bus services in Surrey. We remain on track to deliver £2m of savings by 2018.

Waste Strategy

SCC continues to work with Surrey districts and boroughs, through the Surrey Waste Partnership, to encourage residents to recycle more of their waste. Recent examples of this include a 'no food waste' stickers on bins project which significantly increased food waste recycling and is expected to deliver savings of over £350,000 to SCC in 2016/17, and a textiles recycling campaign which won the LGC Campaign of the Year (ceremony was on 16 March 2016).

Recent work within the SWP has focused around how to deliver further performance improvements and how savings can be realised across the two tiers of local government. In May 2016, Cabinet supported the principle of a single co-ownership approach to waste management in the county. This would deliver savings and offer best value to the Surrey taxpayer. SCC will work with colleagues in district and borough councils to develop a detailed proposal by autumn 2016.

Newlands Corner

We are now about to submit applications for a revised project to improve Newlands Corner. Following public engagement the project has been revised to include the refurbishment of the toilets, resurfacing of the all ability trail along with the installation of play and education pieces and benches. Recent feedback has been positive about the improved accessibility for people with disabilities and families. The income generated from parking charges will fund the ongoing management of this site and is part of the wider business plan for the Countryside Estate. A leaflet is now available on site setting out the improvements and our website will be updated with information as the project progresses.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: John Furey

PORTFOLIO: Highways, Transport and Flooding

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Operation Horizon

The first quarter of the fourth year of Operation Horizon has seen 61 schemes undertaken which covers a distance of over 33 miles. Condition data collected over the last year has identified that the percentage of “red” sections on the network has reduced from 17% to 12%. This means that by the end of 3rd year of Operation Horizon, we have met the condition target set for the overall programme, a fantastic achievement.

Further to the approval of the Highway Asset Strategy last month, the highways team are now working on the next Horizon programme which will cover not just roads, but also pavements, bridges, traffic signals and other key assets. Members have been asked to help the highways team to identify the most in need road and pavement schemes in their area through the June round of the local committee process and I would encourage you all to engage with them.

We have also begun the first of 5-6 years of the pavement horizon programme which will see renewal of pavements in high priority areas including town and village centres, as well as areas around schools, health centres and hospitals. We will also be carrying out a programme of preventative maintenance which will extend the useful life of pavements that have not yet significantly deteriorated. The programme has seen a relatively slow start as we have consulted with members to ensure that we are carrying out the right schemes, however we have already renewed nearly 5 miles of pavements and expect to carry out a further 55 miles by the end of the year.

Flooding

Flooding remains a priority issue for the people of Surrey and we are continuing to reduce the risk it presents across the County. We currently have 19 flood alleviation schemes in development which will better protect residents. The Council is also doing all it can to support progression of the River Thames Scheme, which will significantly reduce flooding to a large number of properties, infrastructure and businesses in Spelthorne, Elmbridge and Runnymede.

We are also working closely with communities in order to understand what their local priorities are in relation to flood risk. To this end we are currently supporting 43 flood action groups throughout Surrey by providing them with information, advice and allowing them input into how, when and where we carry out works to reduce flooding.

Coast 2 Capital and EM3 bids

A number of Coast 2 Capital and EM3 LEP bids have been submitted for Government funding, the outcome of which is expected in September. I will circulate to members the full list of bids after County Council.

The total scheme value for Coast 2 Capital bids is £97,100,000.

The total scheme value for EM3 bids is £212,725,750.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Melville Few

PORTFOLIO: Adult Social Care

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

First investment in accommodation with Care and Support approved by Cabinet

In line with the approved strategy to provided in County County accommodation to the growing numbers of residents who have high level needs such as autism. In June the Cabinet approved the construction of specialised accommodation for 10 young adults who will transition from children's services during the next three years. The location of these homes will be in Alfold on a property purchased by the County last year. Planning application is now being completed for submission to the Waverley Borough Council.

Liquid Logic system in the final stages

Nearly 1000 staff have now completed their online My e-learning training. Work is now focused on ensuring data quality before migration.

Go Live is expected by early September 2016. I would like to thank all staff who have worked to make this conversion within time and budget

Young Carers programme for the Military established

The service has been successful in recruiting a lead to establish this service.

Young carers in military families can have different responsibilities from other young carers in that they may be caring for a parent who has been injured in service or has post-traumatic stress disorder, as well as potentially caring for a parent (often a mother with her own health problems) or a sibling.

As many military families live away from their extended family and support networks, these young carers often face more caring responsibilities than their non-military peers. For a variety of cultural reasons, including the need for frequent relocation and the tendency to try to look after themselves, the carers tend not to readily reach out for external support.

Grants and Contracts

The full review of grants to the voluntary organisations is nearing completion.

The equalities impact assessments will be completed by the end of July and discussions with the VCFS and D&Bs will continue in-line with the existing Surrey COMPACT and contract arrangements

This work was commissioned as part of the work required to enable the service to deliver its allocated savings target for this year of £55m.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Clare Curran

PORTFOLIO: Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Children's Improvement Plan

As part of our improvement plan arrangements we had a constructive review meeting with the Department for Education (DfE) on 1 July 2016. They confirmed our own assessment that there are some encouraging signs of improvement in our practice. The DfE also recognised that we have strengthened our leadership capacity and improved partnership working, putting us in a stronger position to drive sustained improvement.

At the same time they confirmed the significant challenges we know still need addressing, such as ensuring the consistency of practice across the whole county and continued high caseloads for practitioners.

Importantly, throughout the review our DfE advisor heard positive feedback from staff on the Safer Surrey approach to practice we are now using. Safer Surrey is a strengths-based approach to social work practice that works on the belief that children and their families have the strengths, resources and ability to recover from adversities. It creates a common language to be used by all professionals and means we work with children and families so they can help themselves. This child-centred approach brings better outcomes for children. Our partners are also committed to using the Safer Surrey approach in their work with children and families.

There is an all Member Seminar on the Children's Improvement Plan on 12 September 2016.

The screenshot shows the website for the Safer Surrey practice guide. The header includes the Surrey Council logo, navigation links (Home, Menu, Contact us), a search bar, and a user profile icon. The main heading is 'Safer Surrey practice guide'. Below this is a section titled 'What is Safer Surrey?' which contains text explaining the approach and a video player. The video player shows a woman speaking and has the text 'Safer Surrey practice guide booklet and website'. Below the text is a search bar for the practice guide and radio buttons for search filters: 'All words' (selected), 'Any words', and 'Exact phrase'. The main content area features four resource cards: 'values', 'key principles', 'key questions', and 'toolkit'. At the bottom, there is a section 'A child's journey through the process' with a row of four images and a 'Logged in as' status bar with a 'Logout' button.

Screenshot of Safer Surrey guide on the website

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Linda Kemeny

PORTFOLIO: Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Surrey's Schools – The Next Phase: The impact of the Department for Education's White Paper – Educational Excellence Everywhere – published in March 2016 continues to be discussed with Headteachers and their Chairs of Governors. The Council's response to the government's proposals focused on supporting choice, protecting small and rural schools, ensuring effective and local accountability, championing an inclusive education system, and working with the DfE in the best interests of Surrey's communities, their schools, and children. A programme of discussions is planned by the Education team in the autumn with smaller groups of community schools which may like to engage with the local authority to consider ways of more collaborative working which could lead to more formal joint arrangements later. This may also address the tougher financial situation which many schools, particularly smaller schools, are facing. Self-sustaining models of school improvement will also be developed in partnership with our teaching schools and national and local leaders of education to help maintain Surrey's high performing rate of over 93% of schools judged by Ofsted as 'Good' or 'Outstanding'. In the interim, a targeted school improvement plan will be introduced by our partners Babcock 4S from September 2016 until August 2017 when local authority involvement in school improvement is due to cease.

School Place Commissioning – Update: Once again, in September 2016 the local authority will be providing over 3,000 more school places, 2,545 in primary and 520 in secondary schools. Of these, 730 bulge class places have been commissioned (640 primary, 90 secondary places) and 2,335 permanent places (1,905 primary, 430 secondary). The largest number of additional permanent primary places this year is in Elmbridge, with Reigate and Banstead in second place, accounting together for more than half of the permanent places. Permanent secondary places will be completed in Waverley and Woking, and there has been sufficient surplus capacity to meet demand in most other areas of the county. More new free schools sponsored by established education providers in Surrey are also set to be delivered over the next few years.

Surrey Area Review of Post-16 Education: The Review which started in March 2016 is finalising recommendations for college provision in Surrey which will be published in September. The proposals will strengthen collaborative working to improve the responsiveness to the needs of employers and young people, as well as recommending ways to increase provision. New approaches will include the development of better information, advice and guidance for young people, working with the Department for Education. The Review also recognises the need to meet the demands of demographic growth and to provide locally for more learners with special educational needs and disabilities. Surrey County Council, working with our Local Enterprise Partnerships, will take a lead in ensuring we have strong local arrangements to build on the opportunities highlighted by the Area Review.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Helyn Clack
PORTFOLIO: Wellbeing and Health
MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Public Health

I am concerned that the Public Health Grant allocation for Surrey which was already the lowest in England at £22 per head of population has been further reduced. Public Health Service delivery includes school nursing, health visiting, substance misuse, sexual health services and other areas including childhood obesity and health checks. It is also likely that the ring fenced protection of the grant will be removed in the next couple of years. Difficult times ahead will mean difficult decisions. Look out for the new Weight Management Service delivering the "Alive and Kicking" programme across Surrey from 12th September 2016. Public Health are working with the Weight Management Centre and are developing a comprehensive communication and engagement plan across health, social care and schools.

Sustainable Transformational Plans STPs

Sustainability and Transformation Plans are a new approach to ensure that health and social care services are built around the needs of local populations. The three STP's in Surrey: Surrey Heartlands STP, Frimley Health and Care STP and Sussex and East Surrey STP signal the next phase in delivering the NHS' Five Year Forward View. We have a significant role to play in ensuring these STPs are successful. The County Council has developed strong relationships with CCG partners over the past three years, and I will continue to highlight the importance of strong political engagement from all Local Government partners in Surrey in regard to STPs.

Health and Wellbeing Board

I welcomed Dr David Eyre-Brook, from Guildford and Waverley CCG as this year's new co-chair of the Board in April, rotation provides opportunities for all CCG representatives to be equally involved in the activity of the Board. The Health and Wellbeing Board has now approved the Better Care Fund Plan for 2016/17. As well as setting improved targets for integrating health and social care across the County, the plan for 2016/17 also commits Surrey County Council and the six Clinical Commissioning Groups to collectively contribute an additional £2 million in funding towards the BCF. This means that for 2016/17 a total of £73.1 million will be available for health and social care integration projects in Surrey. The Board has discussed STPs, Domestic Abuse and Air Quality, along with regular updates on the progress of the priorities of the Board included in the Surrey Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Board has also agreed to encourage organisations to pay under 25 year olds the National Living Wage as opposed to the National Minimum Wage. The Board now has a performance dashboard which visually represents the performance of the Board and enables us to track progress on health and wellbeing outcomes of residents. This will be available on the Healthy Surrey website. From March to July the Board approved the Surrey Better Care Fund Plan, Surrey Transforming Care Plan, Surrey Digital Roadmaps Plan, Surrey Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Supplementary Statement

EU Matters

Releasing European Structural and Investment Fund (ESIF) grants in the Coast to Capital area, - on the management committee for which I sit, - remains a frustratingly slow process. However, applications from the Council itself and other Surrey organisations have now passed first stage approval and will hopefully be contracted by the end of the year. The PURPLE network, which I chair, has recently gained NGO status in its own right enabling it to apply directly for EU funding for the first time - it is already a member of a consortium which has successfully passed phase one of an application process under the EU Horizon 2020 programme".

Woking victorious at 20th annual P&G Surrey Youth Games

The event, held at Surrey Sports Park over the weekend of 18-19 June, welcomed over **2,000** young people from across Surrey who competed in 14 different sports. Events included badminton, boxing, netball and squash and Woking was named the winner of the overall borough trophy, awarded for consistency across the range of sports. They beat last year's champions Epsom & Ewell into second place with Spelthorne finishing third.

Every borough picked up at least one medal, with Reigate & Banstead and Surrey Heath topping the medals table with five Golds each. Woking and Epsom & Ewell shared the award for highest number of teams entered with 30 apiece, while the Fair Play award, selected by each event's officials, went to Elmbridge. Active Surrey, the County Sports Partnership on which I sit as a board member appointed by the county council works with sponsors, all 12 local authorities, sports governing bodies and almost 500 event, team and sport volunteers. After ten years as sponsor Procter & Gamble have handed over to Specsavers, who have agreed to be sponsor for the next five years. Full results and further details on www.activesurrey.com

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Richard Walsh

PORTFOLIO: Localities and Community Wellbeing

MEETING DATE: July 2016

Heritage

Work on the WW1 Centenary project "Surrey in the Great War: A County Remembers" continues to gather momentum. Over 100 Surrey volunteers have now been trained and are hard at work. The majority are engaged in transcribing relevant stories from all of the Surrey newspapers published between 1914-22. A gargantuan task. Fascinating stories are being contributed to the website, including the memories of the oldest contributor who is aged 101.

Libraries

Geek Week and Makercart - At the end of March, the Library service ran its first 'Geek Week' at Guildford library. Nearly 200 people between 7 and 80 attended a range of events with technological themes, including robotics, gaming, and coding. As a result of this, Councillor Brett-Warburton allocated ward funds to allow us to buy a Makercart, equipped with electronics, robotics, a digital paper cutter, a 3D printer, and a library of projects I am proud to announce that we are the first public library in Europe to be part of the Makercorps programme, which is helping us to develop a programme of events that we will deliver to children aged 9-11 over the course of the summer using the Makercart.

We are working with Halifax and Barclays who are providing volunteers to develop a programme of tablet support sessions across the service, for people over 55; we have already run a number of extremely popular workshops

Dementia Coffee sessions - Since February 2016 Surrey Libraries have been organising a series of coffee sessions to support people living with dementia.

Supporting the wellbeing of young people - Launched in April "Shelf help" is our latest offering to support wellbeing. Aimed at young people it offers a fantastic range of titles to support their mental health and covers issues common at that age. Every book is endorsed by health professionals, the charity Young Minds, and young people with firsthand experience.

Partnership work with the Chinese Association of Woking - Surrey Libraries are working in partnership with the Chinese Association of Woking (CAW) to build up a collection of 1500 books in Mandarin for children.

Surrey Arts

Surrey Open Artists Studios, June - This year the number of artists taking part was greatly increased with 23% more than in 2015, and a lot of artists taking part for the first time. This resulted in a wider choice of studios for the public to visit, with over 1,200 separate studio opening days. Early indications are that artists sales beat last year's record.

Primary Schools Music Festival – 21 March-13 June - 11 concerts with primary schools from all over Surrey. Running for over 20 years, these concerts involve over 3,000 pupils from 100 schools performing a featured music piece learnt at school leading up to each concert.

The UP! Orchestra - See the Carnival <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHqebbbqoBw8>

The Up Orchestra is in final preparations for performing at the International Music Education Conference in Glasgow. The trip to Glasgow for Surrey Young People to be represented on the world stage at this extremely important conference was made possible through the initiative and support of Surrey County Council members. Even more exciting - the UP! Orchestra has now been invited to perform as part of the Official Paralympic celebrations at the Olympic Park in London to coincide with the Rio Paralympics in September.

Registration and Nationality Service

In the last 6 years the service has done 186,000 registrations and 23,000 marriage ceremonies.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE TO FULL COUNCIL

NAME: Denise Le Gal

PORTFOLIO: Business Support and Resident Experience

MEETING DATE: 12 July 2016

Pay and Reward

I'm delighted to inform Council that we have reached collective agreement with our trades unions on the pay and reward proposals and the pay settlement for schools. We are making arrangements for implementation of the changes with July salaries.

Already we have seen a step change improvement in appraisal completion; we are on target for 100% completion of appraisals where staff will receive performance related pay.

The pay and reward strategy has been developed through a substantial and joint effort between members and officers and following the largest staff engagement exercise we have undertaken in the last 10 years.

It represents a package of improvements which are beneficial to staff and balanced with changes which mean the council has affordable flexibility to meet resident needs and will continue development of a 'one team', high-performance culture. Importantly, the review will establish improved pay progression and address a central concern of staff highlighted in the staff survey.

In reaching agreement, important concessions have been made by trades unions around performance related pay and reducing the cost of flexibility in the workforce. This demonstrates the maturity and quality of our industrial relations.

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