

1	<p>Mr Perry McMillan,</p> <p>“As a born and bred Sotonian and Southampton Hackney Carriage Taxi Driver, of over 25 years.</p> <p>I, Perry McMillan Wish that the blue lights on Itchen Bridge, be replaced by red and white lights. The reason for this, is that blue is the colour of our nearest neighbours and rivals Portsmouth!</p> <p>Hundreds of Southampton supporters travel across the bridge on foot or vehicles and have had a decade of mockery from Portsmouth supporters!</p> <p>With the 50th anniversary of Saints winning the FA Cup , coming in 2026. It would be a perfect way to celebrate this famous victory and show support for Southampton FC .</p> <p>With, St Mary’s Football Stadium in the background of this marvellous bridge, what a great way to showcase, our City, that we are all proud of.”</p>	
	<p>Cabinet Member Responsible</p> <p>Officer Lead</p>	<p>Councillor Keogh</p> <p>Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson</p>
<p>RESPONSE</p>		
<p>Officers are investigating the possibility of altering the colour of lighting on the Itchen Bridge. It should be noted that the current blue lighting forms part of the safety measures in place on the bridge and a change in colour needs to be considered by other impacted parties (for example, Network Rail, Port of Southampton (ABP) and the Civil Aviation Authority). If a change in colour was to be supported from a safety perspective, a relevant funding source would need to be found</p>		

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Mr Nick Illingsworth

“As a born and bred Sotonian and someone who was educated in Southampton and has worked in the City for over 45 years.

I, Nick Illingsworth Wish that Itchen Bridge, be changed in name, to either The Lawrie McMenemy Bridge or The Lawrie McMenemy Itchen Bridge

The reason for this are:

- Lawrie McMenemy arrived in Southampton in 1973 to manage Southampton Football Club, since then he has not only put the football club on the map in World Soccer by winning the FA Cup in 1976, but also as a consequence of that, the City of Southampton itself.
- Both as manager of Southampton FC and also other roles within the club, but also with his work on television and the media, he was the face of Southampton and never missed an opportunity to champion not only the football club itself.
- In 2007 he was made a Freeman of The City, a great honour, but as he celebrates 50 years in Southampton, it is surely a sad thing that there is nothing in the City itself commemorating a man who has done so much for the area.
- Renaming The Itchen Bridge in his honour would make an apt tribute to his legacy, in that it not only overlooks Saints current home at St Mary’s, but it overlooks St Mary’s Church, the birthplace of the club in 1885.
- Hundreds of Southampton supporters travel across the bridge on foot or vehicles when attending matches at St Mary’s and indeed for work & leisure.

With the 50th anniversary of Saints winning the FA Cup , coming in 2026. It would also be a perfect way to celebrate this famous victory and show that Southampton FC is an important part of the community in the city and indeed brings in much valued trade and income into the City on a matchday..

This City in my opinion has long failed to champion itself and it’s achievements and has fallen behind other comparative Cities in the country who have been quick to honour their sons, daughters and indeed adopted sons & daughters in the sport and entertainment industries, who have helped put them on the map.

Honouring Lawrie McMenemy in this way would be a popular decision, not only with supporters of Southampton FC, but also those with little interest in the sport, but who are proud of their City and all of those who have helped make it the great place it is to live & work.

Please support this presentation and take a step forward in reminding us of the pride that we should have in our city and it’s achievements in all walks of life.”

	Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead	Councillor Keogh Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson
RESPONSE		
<p>The Council has no plans to rename the Itchen Bridge. The Council is respectful of the achievements of Mr McMenemy both as a sportsman and for his wider contributions to the city, which as noted in the presentment, led to Mr McMenemy being made a Freeman of the City. Consideration needs to be given to the legal implications of renaming the bridge (it being referred to in the Hampshire Act for Toll purposes for example) and was named as such through an Act of Parliament and would require a subsequent Act of Parliament to change it. It is also common practice not to name streets and highway structures such as bridges after living people.</p>		
3.	Mr Paul Kenny	<p>“I have noted that in the last twelve months, Hate Crime has been reported as having risen by approx. 21% in Southampton. I am disappointed to see this increase.</p> <p>Can I ask Southampton City Council to look into this situation and reassure us that this figure will reduce in the forthcoming future. “</p>
	Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead	Councillor Renyard Claire Edgar/Chris Brown
RESPONSE		
<p>The Stronger Communities team at SCC is currently researching and preparing a Hate Crime strategy for Southampton, under the auspices of the Safe City Partnership. This research includes a number of focus groups within key communities across the City, as well as using available data from Police and the ‘Love don’t hate’ app. The target will be completion and then formation of a response plan to the issues/problems raised to be in place for 24/25. In the meantime, a Hate Crime partnership involving key communities is led by Spectrum as part of the City response to Hate Crime. Stronger Communities have engagement staff that are regularly working with communities to promote community cohesion.</p>		

4	<p>Ms Christine Clearkin</p> <p>"That the residents of Bitterne Park regret the loss of their lending library - Cobbett Road Library - for the past three-and-a-half years and petition the Court Leet to support our request to the Council that our library be reopened without further delay</p> <p>The building itself, which celebrated its 84th birthday in May, is on the local list of historically important buildings. Up until its closure two years ago the library was an asset to the local community providing not only a good choice of library books for loan or reference but also a safe space, a warm space in winter, and a locus for meetings of many community groups including tai chi classes, an art group, reading groups, a toddlers' group, as well as somewhere where school age pupils could obtain supplementary teaching in both English and maths.</p> <p>Despite the library's closure since 2020, the Friends of Cobbett Road Library (formed in 2007 when the library was previously threatened with closure) continue to meet and organise events such as the recent Macmillan Coffee Morning, and the occasional evening talk. Their fundraising has - among other things - supported the professional cleaning of the statue 'Art Within Reach'; the purchase and provision of GCSE study guides; the tidying up of the library courtyard and turning it into a garden space; and the provision of additional furniture and facilities within the Cobbett Road Library itself. In other words the Friends have contributed to preserving and enhancing both the local environment and community art, and they have also enhanced and supplemented library resources to the benefit of library users and school children across the city. We want our library back!</p> <p>The statue 'Art Within Reach' of local library user, the late Dot Winteridge, is a well known and appreciated feature in the built landscape. The statue is listed on the national ArtUK website."</p>	
	<p>Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead</p>	<p>Councillor Kaur Carolyn Abel/Adam Wilkinson</p>
<p>RESPONSE</p>		
<p>Following the 2016 Library Transformation Programme, the Council agreed that six of the most heavily used district centre libraries would form its statutory offer under the requirements of the Public Library and Museums Act 1964. Five smaller libraries would be retained where possible and operated in partnership with lead community organisations. The Department of Culture Media and Sport supported this approach in its decision in 2020.</p>		

Cobbett Road Hub and Library is one of these community libraries and from 2017 until 2020, it was operated successfully in partnership with SCIA. Like all other public facilities it was forced to close during successive Covid lockdowns.

SCIA attempted a partial reopening when Covid restrictions were eased but were unable to sustain this offer, so the building was returned to the Council to seek a new partner. The Council has maintained the building as a community asset safely and securely and repaired the roof during this time in anticipation of a new partner. It has supported the retention of the Educational tutoring offer and a community Tai Chi group uses the building weekly. The Friends of CRL recently reinstated its programme of occasional events to raise awareness of the facility in the community and meet on a monthly basis in Cobbett Road. The Friends Group has always understandably maintained that they do not have capacity to run the library but will always support organisations wishing to improve library and community facilities in the area and regularly contribute to activities in the library.

The Council formally tendered the opportunity for organisations to take on the building for community and library activities, following a series of informal conversations with prospective and interested parties. Following review of submissions the Council has offered a lease to Awaaz FM a long standing local community radio station.

Awaaz FM have committed to working with local residents and surrounding businesses to offer a facility which offers varied opportunities for local residents and new communities. Awaaz FM is well known for its community information broadcasting, volunteering and training programme and support work for, and with, local voluntary groups.

They, with their sister station Fiesta FM will develop Cobbett Road Hub with community spaces for hire for a variety of uses, a counselling service, community podcasting suite, and opportunities for volunteering both in community radio and supporting a library offer and will gradually develop their facilities to accommodate community radio studios. The library, which will be volunteer led, is due to open in January 2024.

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Mr Linacre Southampton Commons and Parks Protection Society (SCAPPS)

“GREEN SPACE, KEEPING PACE WITH POPULATION GROWTH

We all know access to green space contributes to physical and mental well-being. Southampton's population is growing. It does not seem to SCAPPS sufficient is being done to find new public green space or to securing more-equal access to parks and green space across the City. It's difficult to find new green space to match increase in homes, but we'd like the City Council to try harder.

First, policies. There's a current consultation on a Green Infrastructure strategy; we hope soon to see a draft Local Plan. SCAPPS presentment asks the City Council to adopt standards, or at least guidelines, aimed at giving all parts of the City equality of access to outdoor amenity space and parks – along the lines of all homes having their own outdoor amenity space (a garden) or a public amenity space within a one minute walk, a local park within 5 minutes walk and a bigger district park within 10 minutes walk. Parts of the City fall short of that standard.

Existing planning policies require major housing developments to include a commensurate area of new public amenity space. This presentment asks for firmer resolution in applying that policy. Planning permissions have been granted resulting in very substantial numbers of new homes in the city centre with little new outdoor amenity space on the argument the Central Parks are nearby. We know in determining planning applications there sometimes has to be a balancing between policy objectives. This presentment asks for greater weight to be given than in those recent decisions to securing new public amenity space to match policy standards, or payment made toward projects which will increase resilience of the Central Parks to pressure of use.

There's then the issue of type of green space. What's needed is access to a mix of types of green space. Some parts of the City have open grass areas suitable for formal and informal ball-games. In others, landform means semi-natural green spaces, some in steep-sided valleys, unsuited to giving opportunities for casual kick-about play. SCAPPS is disappointed that in considering the current planning application to build on the St Mary's College former playing fields consideration has not so far been given to acquiring all or part of the site to improve local access to green space suitable for ball games. The Bitterne area has green space, but much is semi-natural, some on steep slopes, and so unsuitable for that sort of use. My presentment asks the City Council to consider acquiring the site to make good a deficiency in this part of the City in access to level, grass open space.”

	Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead	Councillor Keogh Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson
RESPONSE		
<p>The Council agrees that the challenges faced in ensuring good access to green spaces, particularly in light of a growing population, is of great importance for the city and its current and future residents. The Council is keenly aware of the many benefits that our green spaces provide, particularly for health and wellbeing, supporting biodiversity, and mitigating and adapting to climate change. The city's green spaces are therefore a vital asset, however it is recognised that there is increasing pressure placed upon them as the Council seeks to meet the city's development needs, particularly that for new housing. The Council has recently consulted on a Green Infrastructure Strategy, as well as a Biodiversity Strategy, and is currently analysing the feedback on each. As an urban authority, we face an acute challenge in delivering new open space given the city's built-up nature, extending all the way to the local authority boundary. Given the lack of land that is coming forward/available for new open space, a key concept in the new Green Infrastructure Strategy is converting grey infrastructure to green infrastructure. New green infrastructure is to be prioritised along key road corridors and along roads leading to parks which will help create a more connected green grid across the city. Further detail on this approach is currently being worked on to be presented in a final version of the Green Infrastructure Strategy as soon as possible. These two new strategies will help inform the approach taken to green infrastructure and biodiversity in the Southampton City Vision Local Plan.</p> <p>A draft version of the emerging Local Plan, which included various policy options, was subject to consultation at the end of 2022. The Council's Strategic Planning team have been analysing the responses to this consultation and developing the necessary evidence base in order to inform decisions on which options to pursue for a final version Plan. Once formed, this will be subject to another round of public consultation prior to submission for formal examination. However, it should be noted that since the 2022 consultation the Government has published, through Natural England, a Green Infrastructure Framework (more information can be found here: https://designatedsites.naturalengland.org.uk/GreenInfrastructure/Home.aspx).</p> <p>The Framework includes a variety of principles and standards for the provision of new green infrastructure, including new green spaces, and Council officers have been looking at how to best integrate these into the Southampton City Vision Local Plan and the Green Infrastructure Strategy. This includes ensuring residents have access to green space of sufficient size and proximity, and looks to prioritise the Government's aim that everyone should have access to green space within a 15 minute walk of their home.</p>		

The Council is therefore actively considering what targets it should adopt with regards to access to green space and will take the contents of the above enquiry into consideration during this process. In addition to the above, the Draft Local Plan includes policies that will help increase the provision of green spaces. Draft Policy HO2 (Housing Mix) establishes space standards for the provision of gardens or other private amenity space for new family dwellings. Draft Policy EN5 (New Open Space and Green Infrastructure Provision) identifies development sites in the city centre that will be required to deliver open space. It also sets out standards for how much new open space is to be provided on larger residential developments. As aforementioned, these policies will be further refined to take account of the comments received during the last consultation, including those that SCAPPS provided. Still, whilst the Southampton City Vision Local Plan remains an emerging document, the Council must use its current suite of adopted planning policy documents to determine planning applications. The nature of the English planning system means that the Local Planning Authority must make a decision on the application that is presented to it by the applicant/s and officers have the ability to, and do actively, negotiate with applicants to address areas of concern to ensure that only high-quality, sustainable development is being supported. Of course, where proposals are not adhering to adopted policies the Council can and will refuse planning permission. However, there is often a balance that needs to be struck particularly where an application is mostly, but not completely, policy compliant.

The weight given to different pros and cons of a development will be specific to that application as the Council and its officers considers each application on its merits. Officers do of course consult all relevant internal experts, for example the Ecology and Parks and Open Spaces teams, on relevant planning applications and will take their views into account when making a recommendation or final decision. As part of the regeneration of Townhill Park, for example, we have delivered a new community green space featuring a new children's play area, outdoor gym, community shelters, planted eco-wall and other amenities. Even when new developments do not provide new green space on site the Council may seek specific contributions for new off-site open space or to improve existing green spaces such as the Central Parks. The Council can also use Community Infrastructure Levy receipts to fund new or improved green spaces. The Council agrees that a range of green spaces are needed across the city to deliver different functions ranging from recreation to habitat restoration.

Working out what types of green space should be delivered, and where, is an ongoing consideration in the implementation of the Green Infrastructure Strategy. With regards to the specific query about the potential of acquiring land at St Mary's College, the Council must carefully weigh its spending decisions with regard to acquiring new land and assets particularly given its current financial pressures. It is also the case that the owner has the ability to sell their land to whoever they believe will help them achieve the best possible return and it would appear the owner has determined this would best be achieved by selling the site for redevelopment with a third party. The Council is therefore unable to intervene as you suggest to acquire the site for playing ball games. However, the Council is conscious that the playing fields are an important resource and expect any loss of them to be

addressed by the applicant. As part of the mitigation package for the planning application at St Mary's College, the applicant has offered a financial contribution for upgrading the playing pitches at Riverside Park. The Council, along with Sport England, is currently considering whether this is acceptable in overcoming the loss of the sports pitches at St Mary's College.

6. Mr Linacre (Southampton Commons and Parks Protection Society (SCAPPS))

“EVENTS IN PARKS

We've all enjoyed being at events in parks – one role for parks is as venue and focus for community events. Big, ticketed commercial events are different. They mean the park, or part of it, being closed to normal public use, sometimes for as long as a month while the event is set-up and dismantled. Grass is covered or subject to exceptional footfall, heavy installations are brought in and lifted in and out causing ground compaction. This presentment asks for change in charges to promoters of commercial events, and in where the revenue the Council receives goes.

Parks officers should have a greater say over where and when events may take place. Hoglands and the other Central Parks are unsuitable, and should not be used for big commercial events. SCAPPS appreciates Parks officers efforts in negotiating funding from event-promoters on The Common and in Mayflower Park to pay for work to combat ground compaction. This should not be necessary. Charges to promoters should include, as routine, payment into the Parks budget to pay for such work, and as compensation for closure to normal, open recreation use.”

Cabinet Member Responsible	Councillor Keogh
Officer Lead	Ian Collins/Carolyn Abel/Adam Wilkinson

RESPONSE

The Council is committed to valuing and celebrating our parks and to promoting events in the city. These events serve to unite communities, support health and wellbeing, enrich cultural experiences, facilitate social interaction, and provide enjoyment for residents. Furthermore, commercial events contribute to the local economy by attracting visitors and increasing tourism, hospitality and retail expenditure. These events enhance the city's reputation as a dynamic and vibrant city.

The City is fortunate to have a wealth of parks and green spaces that are integral to the well-being of its residents. They serve as a perfect location for recreation and leisure activities, with only a small portion of them being utilised for commercial events. The Council understands the importance of preserving these spaces and ensuring they remain accessible to the public, supported by

active teams of volunteers who care for and celebrate these facilities. This is highlighted in two parks winning green flag awards in 2023 to join the six green flags which were awarded in 2022.

The parks team plays an active role in planning for events, alongside other colleagues. Their expertise and advice is instrumental in striking a balance between hosting commercial events and preserving the integrity of our green spaces. In relation to the usage of the central parks, these are not frequently used for large-scale commercial events. The Council recognises and understands the importance of its parks and will continue to explore options with event organisers to mitigate any adverse impact on its parks arising from events.

The revenue generated from events is channelled into the Council's general funds. This allocation has been consistent, and there are no immediate plans to amend this arrangement.

7. Mr Colin McQueen (Secretary, Freemantle Triangle Residents Association)

“Location; Sir Georges Rd, SO15 3AT, a short, narrow road between Shirley Rd and Park Rd.

Catalyst; Sir Georges Road was completely blocked during the summer at the Shirley road end when a significant gas leak was found. This resulted in the closure of the road to through traffic for a period of ten weeks while mains gas pipes were replaced.

Intention; to reduce through traffic in this road, cut down on its use as a short cut/rat run when drivers feel the need to avoid traffic lights at Foyes Corner and the Shirley Road/Waterloo Road junction. Options 1 and 4 would also provide an area, albeit small, to introduce some greenery into the neighbourhood, recognised as having amongst the lowest levels of trees and shrubbery within Southampton. Freemantle Triangle Resident’s Association set up, developed and ran a community garden in Sir George’s Road for 6 years and are eager to plant up and maintain such an area.

Costs; a significant property development of 13 flats and a 3 house terrace is under construction on Sir Georges/Shirley Road. A % of the Infrastructure Levy from this project could be allocated to this scheme and would be welcomed given the high levels of earth moving equipment and materials delivered, all of which are using Sir Georges Road as access to the building site.

Survey of opinions amongst householders ; Initially 3 options

1. Block off the road as had been done during gas pipe renewal works
2. Create a one way system
3. Leave as is, maintain the status quo

	<p>Following on from a discussion with one particular household a 4th option was added</p> <p>4. To allow through traffic from Park Road to exit onto Shirley Road but only left, in the direction of Foyes Corner or straight ahead into Alexandra Road. The junction would be reconfigured to prevent a right turn onto Shirley Road in the direction of the city centre. A No Entry would be set up to prevent all Shirley Road traffic from entering Sir Georges. An example of this layout has been previously carried out at nearby Bourne Road, alongside the Osborne pub.</p> <p>Option 4 has the advantage of allowing residents and through traffic to exit onto Shirley Road but would over time reduce traffic from those who specifically wanted to head into town. The no entry from Shirley Road would also have a significant effect on vehicles rat running. The build out necessary to create a left/straight only, would create a pleasant respite from this inner city landscape. A nearby area of land repurposed is situated on the Southern edge of Four Post Hill where a well frequented seating area now provides residents and passers by the chance to sit a while and ponder</p> <p>Results of survey; Of the 44 properties in the road 7 are short term lets, 4 were not available, 1 is empty and 32 voted. Initially choices were evenly split between all 3 options. Option 4 was then introduced and all previous respondents made aware of the extra possibility. 26 voted for option 4, 4 voted for option 3, 1 voted for option 2, 1 voted for option 1 Of householder owned properties option 4 had 81%”</p>	
	<p>Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead</p>	<p>Councillor Keogh Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson</p>
<p>RESPONSE</p>		
<p>The Council welcomes suggestions made by residents to improve their local streets and it is appreciated the work that has gone in to gain resident feedback on a proposal. Schemes that are carried out via community co-design with resident input is a key element for our Active Travel Zone projects which have been delivered in St Denys and Woolston. The suggestion for this location can be considered for our Active Travel Zone programme for future years. The delivery of Active Travel Zones will require additional community consultation and the appropriate Traffic Regulation Order consultation. In addition, funding sources for the delivery of Active Travel Zones are reliant on a combination of Council allocated funding for projects such as Road Safety, and from external grants such as Active Travel England. Progressing this project will be subject to it being prioritised amongst other schemes identified in our Local Transport Plan as part of our Local Transport Implementation Plan which will be reviewed in 2024.</p>		

8.	<p>Mr Ricky Yardley</p> <p>“Public Quay</p> <p>Unlike Poole, Weymouth and Hamble, the City of Southampton has not one metre of public quay that is owned by the city. In the past we have missed opportunities at Ocean Village and at Centenary Quay.</p> <p>The Town Quay development is a golden opportunity not to be missed. The current proposal is to have a board walk around the development, which is good news and I am sure will be well used. We must ensure that public access is both part of the development and guaranteed.</p> <p>We need public access to water within the Town Quay development. I trust that there will be one or two public landing stages, that are not behind a pin numbered locked gate as part of the marina.</p> <p>Such a public facility owned by the city, could be a pick up and drop off for boarding boats, trips round the port, for ferries to Hamble, to the new housing at Fawley to Marchwood and Gosport and so on. This would contribute to relieving congestion on our roads.”</p>	
	<p>Cabinet Member Responsible</p> <p>Officer Lead</p>	<p>Councillor Keogh</p> <p>Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson</p>
<p>RESPONSE</p>		
<p>Southampton City Council is committed to improving access to the water for Southampton residents and visitors. The Town Quay development is an exciting opportunity to regenerate this area and improve public access to the water. The Council awaits a full planning application from the developer and to date have had productive pre-application discussions. Part of those discussions have involved emphasising the requirements of policy AP16 of the City Centre Action Plan which requires the provision of publicly accessible areas adjacent to the water. The Council would then use legal mechanisms to ensure these areas are accessible by the public in perpetuity. The Council looks forward to further dialogue with the developer and key stakeholders such as ABP and Red Funnel on the opportunities for enhanced public access.</p>		

9.	Ms Sarah Chorley (City of Southampton Society)	
	“ Southampton is a big, important city which to our shame lacks some constantly needed essentials. Visitors and residents seek in vain for public lavatories, older people and families with children being especially disadvantaged. These should be provided and well sign posted. Their absence deters many from visiting the city centre, and will discourage visitors from elsewhere from returning. Action is needed as soon as possible.”	
	Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead	Councillor Keogh Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson
RESPONSE		
Section 87 of the Public Health Act 1936 gives local authorities a power to provide public toilets, but it imposes no duty for us to do so. The Council has recently established an Accessibility Forum and, following this presentment, the Council will ask the forum to review and discuss the provision of public toilet facilities (including signage) which can then consider future improvements, subject to funding being available. A map of public toilets is available here https://www.toilemap.org.uk		
10.	Mr David Hutchings (Secretary, Friends of Riverside Park)	
	“Our concern is the UNADOPTED ROADWAY situated between 78 Manor Farm Road and Bitterne Park Social Club. The road is unadopted not wide and is about three or four bus lengths long.	
	We have no wish to interfere with the rights of any other party and are only asking for consideration to be given to this topic at this stage.	
	FoRP and the Southampton Society of Model Engineers - operator of the miniature railway in Riverside Park - wish to see a marked improvement in this road. It needs to be regularised to enable parking and speed restrictions to be imposed. In this way the SCC owned Car Park at the end of the road can be re-configured and controlled properly which is not possible or not feasible under the current situation. In addition the surface should then be maintained to the normal standard of public highway existing elsewhere in Southampton.	

	<p>There are private frontagers but it must be noted that SCC itself is a major private frontager due to its ownership of the car park serving Riverside Park.</p> <p>All the public have the right to pass and re-pass along the full length of the private road and proper adoption will enable all including wheelchair users to have a smoother passage.</p> <p>Emergency Access to Riverside Park is essential. We have attempted to interest the Emergency Services in this access point but when it is mentioned that the road is privately owned these attempts are immediately resisted. Over recent years including last weekend there have been incidents when emergency access is required and there must be an emergency access plan to the park in existence in advance of this possibility.</p> <p>Finally I have spoken to Heritage Lottery Fund staff at a public funding meeting and they intimated that it would not be impossible for grant funding to be made available for the physical upgrading work on a private unadopted road leading to a public park provided that it was subsequently made into public highway.”</p>	
	<p>Cabinet Member Responsible Officer Lead</p>	<p>Councillor Keogh Peter Boustred/Adam Wilkinson</p>
<p>RESPONSE</p>		
<p>The Council is in the process of reviewing ownership of the land which currently means the access road is not an adopted highway maintainable at the public’s expense nor is it fully within the ownership and responsibility of the Council. Ad hoc repairs in the meantime have been undertaken by the Councils Parks & Open Spaces team. The Council is considering options to improve the car park in terms of accessibility and the surfacing and will be happy to liaise with FoRP and the Southampton Society of Model Engineers on proposals. Any improvements made will be subject to budget availability and concluding the land ownership issues.</p>		