Report to Wonston & Micheldever Ward Parish Councils September 2025 from Cllrs Cunningham, Godfrey and Horrill

Food Waste Schedule

The roll out of the new food waste service continues in our ward.

Crawley - October/ majority November 2025 Littleton – November 2025 Micheldever - majority January 2026 Micheldever Station - January 2026 South Wonston - February 2026 Sparsholt - November 2025 Wonston/Sutton Scotney - February 2026

New Town Update

The countryside around Micheldever Station has not been included in the Government's initial list for the development of new towns. While it is now unlikely that this will change before the next General Election, the threat remains. Basingstoke Council are pressing ahead with plans to allocate Popham Airfield to build 4,200 new homes as well as a large industrial distribution centre on the other side of the A303. Both of these huge developments will need major investment in infrastructure, much of it in and around Micheldever Station. If the Government provides any of this funding, the next list of new towns may well include Micheldever. You will be able to comment to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council on their new draft Local Plan soon.

Winchester Local Plan

Winchester City Council have received comments from the planning inspector on their new Local Plan following the recent Public Inquiry. The plan was found to be sound meaning that it can be implemented once changes have been applied. Notable among the changes is the removal of the policy to phase development on brownfield sites ahead of greenfield sites, so building in South Wonston and Sutton Scotney may start soon. Also, the time period for the plan which will now be 2020 to 2040 and the removal of the following sites from the Council's five-year housing land supply: Policy W9 Bar End Depot and Policy W2 Sir John Moore Barracks.

Community Governance Review for the Winchester town area

The Council has launched the Community Governance Review for the Winchester Town Area. All the information can be found at www.winchester.gov.uk/CGR. We want to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to have their say, so your support in sharing the consultation information and questionnaire is appreciated.

Please also be reminded about the upcoming drop-in events:

- Wednesday 12 November; Guildhall Winchester; 3 7pm
- Tuesday 18 November; Badger Farm Community Centre; 3 7pm
- Wednesday 26 November; Henry Beaufort School; 5 8pm
- o Saturday 29 November; Guildhall Winchester; 10am 2pm

If you have a question, please email CGR@winchester.gov.uk

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Reminder: Our Newsletter for Community Organisations is live

A reminder that our Newsletter for Community Organisations is up and running. The Community Connect Newsletter shares the latest updates on local support, resources, and opportunities available in the Winchester District.

If you know of any organisations in your ward who might find this useful, please encourage them to sign up via our website: https://www.winchester.gov.uk/community-recreation/community-connect-newsletter.

The first edition is also now available to view on our website. If you require assistance or want to find out more, contact:

communities@winchester.gov.ukcommunities@winchester.gov.uk

Home Energy Advice

The Council-supported charity, Winchester Action on the Climate Crisis (WinACC) is offering free, impartial home energy advice. Contact WinACC to get help with home insulation, more efficient heating, solar panels, and energy generation via their website at www.myhomemadebetter.org

Funding Opportunity – Police and Crime Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund (Road Safety)

Apply now for projects that improve road safety and reduce harm. Deadline: Friday 28 November 2025, 15:00 GMT. Funding available for items or projects that reduce deaths and serious injury on Hampshire roads. → Apply here: Visit the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) website.

You can contact your City Councillors at any time, or you can catch us at any of the Parish Council meetings.

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