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Independent Councillor for Totland and Colwell Ward
Temporarily covering Freshwater South Ward

Report March 2025

Ward surgeries, Walking for Health etc all continue as normal.

Assisted 2 residents on Accommodation & Health applications and 1 resident on a driving licence application.

11 Feb 2025 - Corporate Scrutiny - Budget preparation and details of cost overruns and failure to manage/mitigate in divisions.

12 Feb 2025 - IOW Care Partnership - ICB, Health statistics and funding issues.

14 Feb 2025 - Attended session at LGA London - Devolution discussions with LGA staff following Minister meetings.

17 Feb 2025 - am Birch Close emergency call from residents - Unauthorised and illegal activity by new owner of Birch Meadows, following receivership of prior owner, prior to discharge of pre-commencement conditions.

18 Feb 2025 - Pension Fund regarding UKGov plan to amalgamate and restructure LA Pension Funds. Budget discussions on update facts and spend overruns, current and ongoing structural deficits, budget amendment submissions.

20 Feb 2025 - Birch Close - further Unauthorised and illegal activity prior to discharge of pre-commencement conditions. TalkTV/BBC South Finance Show interview.

21 Feb 2025 - Freshwater Parish Hall meeting regarding potential relocation of groups to Totland

22 Feb 2025 - Devolution public meeting Newport. Demonstration at County Hall re proposed amalgamation with Hampshire, Southampton and Portsmouth under a mayor.

25 Feb 2025 - Planning Inspector Hearings. Freshwater Horticultural Society.

26 Feb 2025 - Planning Inspector Hearings. Full Council Budget Meeting with contributions to amendment to reinstate funding for capital acquisition of properties on IW for housing, children's residential centres, and Relocatable homes.

27 Feb 2025 - Planning Inspector Hearings. Pension Committee extra.

04 Mar 2025 - Planning Inspector hearings. Corporate Scrutiny: School Place Planning Extraordinary Meeting - Complete failure of scheduling resulted in 2700 pages issued 3 working days prior. Multiple errors identified. Matter terminated and working sessions to review errors arranged.

05 Mar 2025 - Planning Inspector hearings. Pension Board regarding amalgamation proposal, risk management and performance.

06 Mar 2025 - Planning Inspector hearings. Audit & Governance working session on new Constitution.

07 Mar 2025 - Flag raising International Women's Day. School Place Planning working session. CPRE regarding Planning Inspection hearings

08 Mar 2025 - Supported and donated to local youth fundraiser at Colwell Baptist Church.

09 Mar 2025 - Donated to refurbishment of Freshwater Parish Hall.

10 Mar 2025 - Audit and Governance - Accounts, External Audit and review of completed draft new Constitution and protocols.