Cllr Bob McShee's Report – 29 October 2020

1 The Mayor of Guildford Councillor Richard Billington - is currently in hospital and is undergoing treatment to remove a tumour. He will be stepping back from his Mayoral duties so our Deputy Mayor Councillor Marsha Moseley will take over all civic engagements.

2 Covid-19 Marshals - The Council has been awarded £56,000 from the government for COVID-19 marshals so we will be introducing these marshals to patrol the town centre from Saturday, the 31st of October for four months to assist people in the town centre and to follow coronavirus guidelines.

3 There will be a trial one-way system on the northern section of Walnut Tree Close - between December 2020 and mid-February 2021. During the trial period vehicular traffic will only be allowed to travel in the northern direction, except for cyclists and emergency vehicles. The effects of this trial on surrounding roads will be monitored and a decision taken on a permanent solution after the trial.

4 Litter Broad Street Common - I received a letter from a teacher at Wood Street Infants School about litter in the woods behind the school. I went to see the teacher along with Alison Johnson from the Wood Street Village Association to discuss this problem, and we have agreed after half term we would go on a walk with the teacher to identify the problem and see if there is a solution. Peter Trevena from the Parish Council will be in attendance at this walk.

5 Weyside Urban Village - The consultation is continuing on the Weyside Urban Village project and following an online public exhibition held on the 22nd of October, we were informed that a planning application will be submitted at the end of November.

On the 4th of November, the Weyside project team will be presenting, online, final proposals for Weyside Urban Village, incorporating all feedback and comments before submitting this planning application.