

## Recent successes in BHH

The Bursledon, Hamble and Hound Local Area Committee have funded and supported a number of projects in the community to enhance the quality of life of its residents. Below is a snapshot of some of those projects that have been implemented in the last few months.

### Hamble Rail Trail



After local residents, the Parish Council and Local Borough Councillors highlighted the poor condition of part of the Hamble rail trail, The LAC decided to allocate over £10,000 of Developers contribution to make the necessary improvements to the path. In October 2021, work was completed, and we have received lots of positive comments from residents and users of the path.

### Walk & Talk project for BHH

In September 2021 the LAC allocated £3440 to country parks team to deliver a walking programme around the peninsula which also has a social element and highlights some of the local species and vegetation found in the area. The programme started in late November and numbers have been slowly building, with 12 participants attending the Hamble walk in early January. This project is for 12 months.

### Hamble Mercury Hub



The volunteers running the library hub, with the support of EBC have done a fantastic job this year. They have really tried to interact with the community and the centre is always busy with users to borrow a book, attend the knit and natter sessions or hosting community led meetings. The LAC have supported the centre this year by allocating funding for greater security, the purchasing historical books about the local area and are working with the volunteers to improve the outdoor space. In October the Mercury Hub held a Macmillan Coffee morning and raised over £260.

## Hamble Market



Utilising funding from the Welcome Back Fund, BHH LAC members worked in collaboration with the economy team at EBC to create a monthly market in the square at Hamble. The aim of the market was to encourage residents to visit the high street and access the established services in the

area whilst the market stools as an additional pull to visit the area. 5 markets were delivered last year, with the first one taking place in August.

## A new home for the BOFOR Gun



New home for the BOFOR gun - Earlier this year, the BOFOR gun on Hamble shore was in danger of falling into the Solent due to coast erosion. However, EBC, working in partnership with Historic England, Hamble Parish Council and Hamble common volunteers, were

able to save the gun and move it to its new home, in the Hamble shore car park. The volunteers have done a fantastic job in maintaining and re-painting the gun.

## New Kitchen at Hound Parish Hall



In March 2021, the LAC allocated £10,000 to Hound Parish Council to renovate the kitchen at Hound Parish hall, which was over 30 years old. The work was carried out in August and the photo shows the new kitchen which will make a big difference for its users.