# Ward Member Report.

The legacy of the last administration to the current is a sound financial position which has been at the heart of the proposals for 2023/24. All current services were intended to be maintained. A sound financial strategy over the next 12 months, including savings of over £1.3m, together with interest accrued on solid investments, will enable the Council to continue its service provision.

Planning applications dominate my workload with some casework. I am asking all Parish Councils to assist me in the planning function by sending me in advance their comments on planning applications in their parish and indicating support, objection/no objection, or no representation so that where my assistance is needed I am aware at the earliest time.

The major planning issue that many have asked me about is that of the application by Acorn Energy to build an Anaerobic Digester Plant for commercial gas production within Tysoe Parish. I have made my position clear on this matter and will continue to object to planning permission being granted which I believe is the majority sentiment within the Parishes of the Ward and along the routes of supply and delivery of bulk gas into Banbury and beyond. I am unable to provide any further information as to progress with this application whilst the Officer awaits the commissioned report on the sustainability of the application.

The Cabinet have decided that the Concessionary Parking Permit scheme for those over 65 should be reinstated at a cost of £50 p.a. and Shipston Carparks increase the charge from 20p minimum to 30p for the first hour and 50p for two hours.

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