

## **Waste Management**

- Entering into new contract with FCC for waste collection. Will save several hundred thousand pounds per year
- Will collect small electricals from homes

## **Community Development**

- Westlands – committing on promise
- Deputy for Gloucester City
- Town Panel & Rural Panel doing well involving co-opted members.

## TALK ABOUT 6 ISSUES

### Council Finances

- Our Grow / Save / Charge Business will deliver savings well in advance of Government targets. It was revised in early 2016 and covers the period to 2020/21. Grow Save Charge reductions already identified and included within our Money Plan amount to around £1.2m per year.
- Working on next year's budget and looking into see what the Chancellor says tomorrow
- Confident we can remain the lowest Council Tax in the county and one of the lowest in the country
- Set up new Strategic Investment Fund to purchase land
- Given over £3m to parishes through New Homes Bonus

### Transport

- Great to see Parkway underway – with our full support
- Pershore Northern Link – Growth Fund (circa £5M) and County Council (over £5m) now agreed
- Pershore Railway Station – keen to see new station
- Honeybourne – Council bought in land to create new car park

### Economic Development

- Waitrose fully funded by the District. Complete next Spring. Will create the Waitrose impact in Evesham
- Council helped with sale of Riverside Centre (Chase Developments)
- Our investment in Worcester 6 paying off. Kimmal signed up. Siemens application in.
- £150K for each town – now being spent
  - Droitwich – High Street
  - Pershore – bridge
  - Evesham – after traffic study

### Housing

- Set up Private Housing Company to deliver high quality market rent housing
- Affordable Housing – RSL's now due to be written off after Secretary of State announcements last week. No excuse not to build
- About to sign Rural Housing Charter – to commit rural housing delivery eg Community Land Trust at Tibberton
- Market Housing – over 800 units built last year. Wait for the budget announcements on housing!