

# Hilperton Update

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## Cllr. Ernie Clark.

Your **Independent** Wiltshire councillor.

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*Dear Resident,*

### **A massive 'Thank You' yet again**

'Thank you' to everyone who voted at the Wiltshire Council election last year. An even bigger 'Thank you' if you voted for me!

I am honoured to be allowed to continue to represent you at County Hall and I assure you that I will continue to battle for Hilperton.

There are certainly going to be battles ahead.....

*Ernie.*

### **Keeping in touch with you**

I intend to continue with my Hilperton Update newsletters. However, I send out a monthly e-newsletter which has more

'topical' news. It also allows me to contact residents regarding important local issues. Also, it can still be sent out during any lock-downs!

If you wish to be added to the mailing list (your details will not be passed to anyone else)

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### **Possible new develop- ment north- east of the village**

The draft local plan from Wiltshire Council certainly contained a few shocks for the parish. The details are explained more fully overleaf and you will also receive (or might have received with this newsletter) a flyer from the Hilperton Area Action Group (HAAG). This group has the full support of myself and the parish council (which is meeting any costs involved).

## Development in the Gap

All the land to the west of Elizabeth Way has now had planning applications lodged with Wiltshire Council (WC).

This area will therefore see houses within the next few years and WC has, conveniently, allowed more houses than the Planning Inspector said was reasonable for the combined sites.

Detailed progression of the planning conditions and Section 106 requirements will take a while to resolve and, until then, no building will start.

## Wiltshire Council Local Plan and HAAG

When WC published the draft Local Plan, it contained a nasty shock for Hilperton (together with Semington, and Staverton) by suggesting that the area between the

Kings Arms and the rugby club could take 2,000 new houses.

The parish council set up a working group which has established itself as the Hilperton Area Action Group (HAAG).

It is highlighting why the suggestion of the houses is bad planning and is concentrating on the effect that building will have on wildlife, the highway effects, and exactly how much thought has been given to building on 'marsh' land.

The group is very active and you will receive a flyer from them; it might even have been included with delivery of this newsletter.

The parish council will meet all costs incurred by the group together with the inevitable cost of a barrister when details of the 'final' Local Plan are published.

If you wish to be involved with HAAG please either contact them via Facebook or contact me.

## How to contact me

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