

Hilperton Update

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Dear Resident,

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.

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

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Wiltshire Council draft Local Plan upto 2038

The 'final draft' local plan from Wiltshire Council contains quite a change from the 'first draft' consulted on a year or so back.

The gist for Hilperton is that the number of houses has been reduced from 2,000+ to 600. However, there is 'devil in the detail' which needs to be fully explored.

Full details can be found on the WC web site but myself, the parish council, and HAAG (Hilperton Area Action Group) will be looking at the various documents VERY carefully over the next couple of months.

The opening date for formal consultation responses will be towards the end of September and **the parish council/HAAG will be holding a public meeting at the village hall, probably on Wednesday 27th September.**

Please watch out for more information dropping through your door and also keep an eye on my web site, the parish council web site, and, of course, the HAAG site too.

Development in the Gap

All the land to the west of Elizabeth Way now has planning applications lodged with Wiltshire Council (WC). The Bellway site has full permission and development has commenced. The Barratt and Persimmon sites will be developed within the next year or so.

Detailed progression of the planning conditions and Section 106 requirements for the remaining two sites is underway and I will do my best to ensure that the village (including the village hall) sees some benefit from these unwelcomed houses.

Wiltshire Council Local Plan and HAAG

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

The group is busy with a core of very active members, but new faces are always welcome.

If you wish to be involved with HAAG please either contact them direct or via myself.

Hilperton Parish Council meets all costs incurred by the group.

Trowbridge - Melksham cycle route

The Government has announced the cycle schemes which will see more funding from Westminster.

Although WC did not rate it 'highly' the route through Hilperton was selected by the grant awarding body.

Trowbridge Road will be narrowed with the pavement widened to incorporate a cycle path. The road will get a 20mph speed limit and Devizes Road should be blocked as a through route for vehicles.

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