

NORTH HERTS COUNCIL

WEEK ENDING FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024

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NEWS AND INFORMATION

AGENDA & REPORTS

PUBLISHED WEEK COMMENCING

13 MAY 2024

Annual Council – 23 May 2024

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS WEEK COMMENCING

20 MAY 2024

Annual Council – 23 May 2024

UPCOMING CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS

FROM FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024

Date	Event	Location
Tuesday 21 May 2024	Royal Garden Party	Buckingham Palace

UPCOMING VICE-CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS

FROM FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024

Date	Event	Location
	None	

UPCOMING OTHER EVENTS

FROM FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024

Date	Event	Location
Friday 17 May 2024 9:30-16:30	Committee Services – Member Support Drop In	District Council Offices or via Teams
Monday 20 May 2024 12:30 – 14:00	Service Director Induction	Council Chamber, District Council Offices
Thursday 24 May 2024 18:30-19:15	Council Chamber Overview	Council Chamber, District Council Offices

**Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone
NORTH HERTS**

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

Category Summary

Zone: Baldock

<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sub Category Name</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Alarm Activation	Intruder Alarm	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Baldock: 1

Zone: Hitchin

<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sub Category Name</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Alarm Activation		1
Anti Social Behaviour	Nuisance	9
Assault	ABH	4
Concern for Welfare	Mental Health	7
Deceased	Sudden Death	1
Domestic	Assault	3
Hate Crime	Race Related	1
Other		1
Police Request		1
Post Event Viewing	Download For Police	12
Suspicious Activity		3
Theft	Shoplifting	1
Traffic Incident	RTC	2
Vehicle		3

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Hitchin: 49

Zone: Knebworth

<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sub Category Name</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Concern for Welfare	Mental Health	1
Traffic Incident	RTC	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Knebworth: 2

Zone: Letchworth

<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sub Category Name</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Anti Social Behaviour	Affray	4
Assault	ABH	1
Concern for Welfare	Missing Persons	4
Deception/Fraud	Banking Protocol	1
Domestic	Assault	1
Other		1
Police Request	Warrant or Wanted	2
Post Event Viewing	Download For Police	14
Suspicious Activity		4

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to **01/05/2024**

Theft	Shoplifting	2
Weapon	Knife	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Letchworth: 35

Zone: Potters Bar

<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sub Category Name</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Anti Social Behaviour	Public Order	4
Concern for Welfare	Missing Persons	3
Police Request	Warrant or Wanted	2
Post Event Viewing	Download For Police	3
Suspicious Activity		1
Weapon	Firearms	1

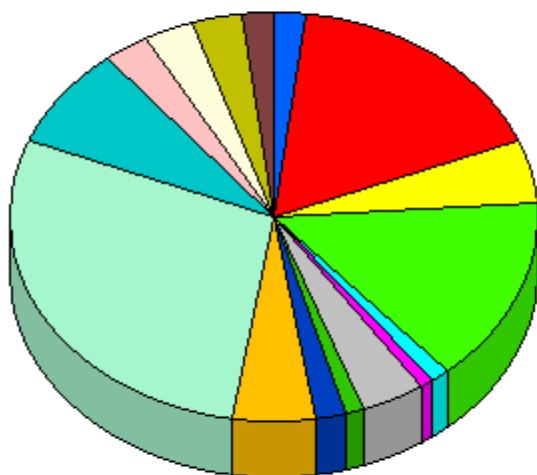
Total No. of Incidents in Zone Potters Bar: 14

Total No. of Incidents : 101

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

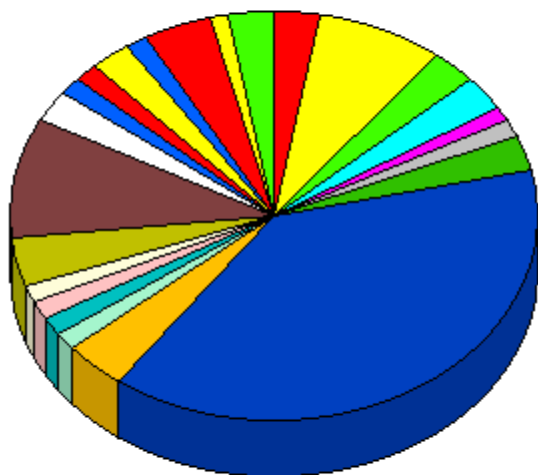
01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

No. of Incidents by Category



Alarm Activation	2.0%
Anti Social Behaviour	16.8%
Assault	5.0%
Concern for Welfare	14.9%
Deceased	1.0%
Deception/Fraud	1.0%
Domestic	4.0%
Hate Crime	1.0%
Other	2.0%
Police Request	5.0%
Post Event Viewing	28.7%
Suspicious Activity	7.9%
Theft	3.0%
Traffic Incident	3.0%
Vehicle	3.0%
Weapon	2.0%
Total:	100.0%

No. of Incidents by Sub Category



ABH	2.7%
Affray	8.0%
Anti Social	2.7%
Assault	2.7%
Banking Protocol	1.3%
Broken Down Vehicle	1.3%
Disorder	2.7%
Download For Police	38.7%
Drunken Behaviour	4.0%
DUI	1.3%
Firearms	1.3%
Intruder Alarm	1.3%
Knife	1.3%
Mental Health	4.0%
Missing Persons	9.3%
Nuisance	2.7%
Public Order	1.3%
Race Related	1.3%
RTC	2.7%
Sexual Assault	1.3%
Shoplifting	4.0%
Sudden Death	1.3%
Warrant or Wanted	2.7%
Total:	100.0%

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

Call Source Summary

Zone: Baldock

<u>Call Source</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Police Airwaves	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Baldock: 1

Zone: Hitchin

<u>Call Source</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Controller	7
Police Airwaves	26
Police Control	3
Post Event Viewing	12
Town Link	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Hitchin: 49

Zone: Knebworth

<u>Call Source</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Controller	1
Police Airwaves	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Knebworth: 2

Zone: Letchworth

<u>Call Source</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Controller	4
Police Airwaves	12
Police Control	2
Post Event Viewing	14
Town Link	3

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Letchworth: 35

Zone: Potters Bar

<u>Call Source</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
Police Airwaves	10
Police Control	1
Post Event Viewing	3

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Potters Bar: 14



Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

Total No. of Incidents :	101
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Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

No. of Incidents by Call Source



Controller	11.9%
Police Airwaves	49.5%
Police Control	5.9%
Post Event Viewing	28.7%
Town Link	4.0%
Total:	100.0%

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

Camera Summary

Zone: Baldock

<u>Camera Name</u>	<u>Camera Location</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
00803	High Street Junc	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Baldock: 1

Zone: Hitchin

<u>Camera Name</u>	<u>Camera Location</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
00300	Bancroft North	2
00301	Bancroft Park Car	3
00302	Bancroft Middle	7
00303	Bancroft	1
00304	Brand Street	3
00305	Market Place	8
00306	Market Place Sun	5
00307	Hermitage Road	1
00310	Churchyard North	2
00311	Sun Street	2
00312	Bucklesbury	7
00313	Biggen Lane Car	1
00314	Queen Street	2
00315	Portmill Lane Car	3
00316	Station Approach	1
00317	Nightingale Road	1
10083	Waitrose Multi CP	1
10084	Waitrose Multi CP	1
10085	Waitrose Multi CP	1
10086	Waitrose Multi CP	2
10088	Waitrose Multi CP	1
W00300	Bancroft North	5
W00301	Bancroft Park	2
W00303	Bancroft	9
W00304	Brand Street	6
W00305	Market Place	8
W00306	Market Place	3
W00307	Hermitage Road	4
W00308	Woodside Car Pa	1
W00309	Churchyard	2
W00311	Sun Street	5
W00312	Bucklesbury	1
W00314	Queen Street	4
W00316	Station Approach	2
W00317	Nightingale Road	3

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Hitchin: 49

Zone: Knebworth

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<u>Camera Name</u>	<u>Camera Location</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
00851	London Road	2

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Knebworth: 2

Zone: Letchworth

<u>Camera Name</u>	<u>Camera Location</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
00401	Eastcheap Car Park	11
00402	Broadway Hotel	8
00403	Station Place	11
00404	Station Road West	7
00405	Station Road	1
00406	Station Road East	2
00407	The Wynd	3
00408	Leys Avenue	6
00409	Leys Square	11
00410	Eastcheap Middle	5
00411	Broadway Gardens	9
00412	Broadway South	3
00413	Gernon Road	6
00414	Howard Park Car Pa	4
00415	Norton Way South	4
00417	Leys Avenue Top	9
00418	Leys Avenue	8
00419	Leys Avenue	5
00820	Grange Estate	2
00821	Grange Estate	1

Total No. of Incidents in Zone Letchworth: 35

Zone: Potters Bar

<u>Camera Name</u>	<u>Camera Location</u>	<u>No. of Incidents</u>
00689	Skateboard Park	1
00691	Opposite Train Stat	13
00692	Opposite War	1

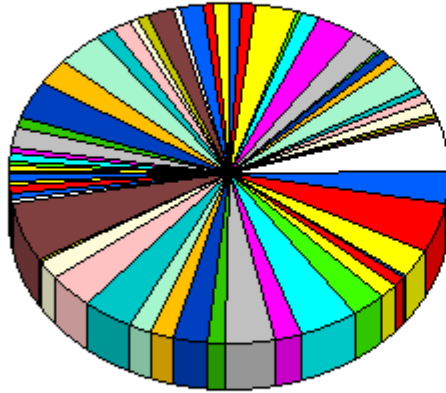
Total No. of Incidents in Zone Potters Bar: 14

Total No. of Incidents : 101

Incidents Summary Analysis by Zone

01/04/2024 to 01/05/2024

No. of Incidents by Camera



00300	Bancroft North	0.8%
00301	Bancroft Park Car Park	1.2%
00302	Bancroft Middle	2.9%
00303	Bancroft Heritage Rd	0.4%
00304	Brand Street	1.2%
00305	Market Place High St	3.3%
00306	Market Place Sun St	2.0%
00307	Heritage Road	0.4%
00310	Churchyard North	0.8%
00311	Sun Street	0.8%
00312	Bucklesbury	2.9%
00313	Biggen Lane Car Park	0.4%
00314	Queen Street	0.8%
00315	Portmill Lane Car Park	1.2%
00316	Station Approach	0.4%
00317	Nightingale Road	0.4%
00401	Eastcheap Car Park	4.5%
00402	Broadway Hotel	3.3%
00403	Station Place	4.5%
00404	Station Road West	2.9%
00405	Station Road Middle	0.4%
00406	Station Road East	0.8%
Total:		100.0%

RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted <i>[if applicable]</i>	
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SERVICE DIRECTORATE: PLACE

1. DECISION TAKEN

- 1.1 To approve a John O’Conner Ground Maintenance Ltd Aboricultural Safety Day event for their own staff using part of Norton Common, Letchworth Garden City on 24th May 2024 between 08.00 hrs to 15.00 hrs. This is re arranged date as the original date of the 10th April 2024 was cancelled due to wet ground conditions at the time.

2. DECISION TAKER

- 2.1. Andrew Mills, Service Manager Greenspace

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

- 3.1 10th May 2024

4. REASON FOR DECISION

- 4.1 To support the organisers to provide an opportunity for John O’Conner Grounds Maintenance Ltd to undertake specialist training of their Aboricultural staff.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 The organisers have approached North Herts Council to host this event. No other locations have currently been considered for this event.

6. CONSULTATION (INCLUDING THE EFFECT ON STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND THE PUBLIC)

- 6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with colleagues in the Safety Advisory Group.

7. FORWARD PLAN

- 7.1 This decision is not a key Executive decision and has therefore not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1 The organisers have approached NHC for approval to use this location for their event.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The authority has an obligation to ensure that the public open spaces it maintains are at a standard that are safe for everyone to use. Additionally, the authority has an obligation to ensure that any environmentally sensitive environment is not damaged due to actions or intentions of others.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no financial risks as this opportunity is generating income.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no risk implications. However, risk assessments have been considered to endeavour that this is a safe event.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

12.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.2 Central Government and national groups have expressed the continued importance of public Green Space in the health and well-being of communities. From April 2013 local authorities at county level are required to take on the statutory duty to improve the health of their communities as required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and with it, to acquire many of the public health services currently the responsibility of the NHS. The use of open spaces, parks, playgrounds and relevant leisure facilities are promoted in terms of reducing the impact of obesity on long term health, the importance in the management of wellbeing and in aiding relaxation, as well as sensory' enjoyment.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 The event is open to everyone.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this event.

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 This item of work is contained within the Place Directorate existing work programs.

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 None

17. APPENDICES

17.1 None

NOTIFICATION DATE - 17th May 2024

Signature of Executive Member ConsultedNot Applicable.....

Date10th May 2024

Signature of Decision Taker 

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SERVICE DIRECTORATE: PLACE

1. DECISION TAKEN

- 1.1 To approve Foraging Walk events at Oughtonhead Common, Hitchin on 19th May and 10th November 2024(14.00 – 16.00 hrs on each occasion) and Purwell Meadows, Hitchin on 30th June 2024 (10.00 – 12.00 hrs).

2. DECISION TAKER

- 2.1. Andrew Mills, Service Manager Greenspace

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

- 3.1 17th May 2024

4. REASON FOR DECISION

- 4.1 To support the organisers to provide an event for the whole community.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 The organisers have approached North Herts Council to host this event. Other locations have been considered by the organisers that are outside North Herts.

6. CONSULTATION (INCLUDING THE EFFECT ON STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND THE PUBLIC)

- 6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with colleagues in Property Services and the Safety Advisory Group.

7. FORWARD PLAN

- 7.1 This decision is not a key Executive decision and has therefore not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1 The organisers have approached NHC for approval to use this location for their event.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The authority has an obligation to ensure that the public open spaces it maintains are at a standard that are safe for everyone to use. Additionally, the authority has an obligation to ensure that any environmentally sensitive environment is not damaged due to actions or intentions of others.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no financial risks as this opportunity is generating income.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no risk implications. However, risk assessments have been considered to endeavour that this is a safe event.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

12.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.2 Central Government and national groups have expressed the continued importance of public Green Space in the health and well-being of communities. From April 2013 local authorities at county level are required to take on the statutory duty to improve the health of their communities as required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and with it, to acquire many of the public health services currently the responsibility of the NHS. The use of open spaces, parks, playgrounds, and relevant leisure facilities are promoted in terms of reducing the impact of obesity on long term health, the importance in the management of wellbeing and in aiding relaxation, as well as sensory' enjoyment.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 The event is open to everyone.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this event.

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 This item of work is contained within the Place Directorate existing work programs.

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 Application form and supporting documents

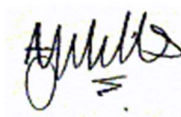
17. APPENDICES

17.1 None

NOTIFICATION DATE - 17th May 2024

Signature of Executive Member ConsultedNot Applicable.....

Date17th May 2024.....



Signature of Decision Taker

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***PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT**

SERVICE DIRECTORATE: HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

1. DECISION TAKEN

- 1.1 The allocation of £58k of Homelessness Prevention Grant funding, received from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for 2023/24, to fund emergency accommodation placements in hotels for local homeless people.

2. DECISION TAKER

- 2.1 Jo Doggett, Service Director – Housing and Environmental Health

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

- 3.1 15 May 2024

4. REASON FOR DECISION

- 4.1 Demand for Council homelessness services remains high and there is a shortage of purpose built, specialist accommodation for single homeless people with complex needs in particular. The Council therefore has to make use of hotel placements as a short-term measure when alternative accommodation cannot be immediately sourced, or where applicants have support needs which cannot be met within existing services.
- 4.2 The Council received an allocation of Homelessness Prevention Grant (HPG) funding totalling just over £1.1m from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for the two-year period 2023/24 – 2024/25. Cabinet agreed at its meeting on 27 June 2023 to allocate the majority of this funding to specialist homelessness services. £58k of the 2023/24 HPG allocation remains unallocated.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 None. Homelessness Prevention Grant is ring-fenced for use in the delivery of services to prevent and tackle homelessness and the Council has legal duties under homelessness legislation to accommodate priority groups of homeless people.

6. CONSULTATION (INCLUDING THE EFFECT ON STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND THE PUBLIC)

- 6.1 The Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health, Cllr Sean Prendergast and the Deputy Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health, Cllr Dave Winstanley, were both consulted prior to the recent election period and are supportive of this decision.

7. FORWARD PLAN

- 7.1 This report contains a recommendation on a key Executive decision that was first notified to the public in the Forward Plan on 21 April 2023.

8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1 As a local housing authority, the Council has legal duties to assist households who are homeless or who are threatened with homelessness, and to provide accommodation for homeless households in 'priority need' – primarily families and vulnerable individuals. The Council also has a duty to provide emergency, or interim accommodation for homeless applicants who they have reason to believe may be in priority need whilst inquiries are being conducted. The Council no longer owns or manages any housing stock and it therefore works with housing providers (some with allied support services) to meet local needs.
- 8.2 The Council receives allocations of Homelessness Prevention Grant (HPG) from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC), which is ring fenced to support delivery of services to prevent and tackle homelessness. The most recent allocation from DLUHC is for two years, 2023/24 – 2024/25, totalling just over £1.1m over the two-year period (£564k for 2023/24 and £579k for 2024/25). Cabinet agreed at its meeting on [27 June 2023](#) to allocate the majority of this funding to specialist homelessness services, including to secure accommodation-based support services for single homeless people over the next few years. £58k of the 2023/24 HPG allocation remains unallocated.
- 8.3 Demand for homelessness services remains high and there is a continuous waiting list for accommodation on the single homeless pathway (currently 24 people waiting). There is therefore an ongoing need to use hotel placements as a short-term measure where the Council has a legal duty to accommodate and where alternative accommodation cannot be immediately sourced.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Local authorities' homelessness duties are contained within the Housing Act 1996 Part VII, as amended by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 which placed significant new duties on English local housing authorities.
- 9.2 When agreeing the Adoption of a new Housing Strategy (2019-2024) in March 2019, the Cabinet also resolved the following:

In the event the MHCLG provides homelessness funding beyond the financial year 2019/20, the Cabinet authorises the Service Director – Regulatory, in consultation with the Executive Member for Housing and Environmental Health, to decide on the specific allocation of the funds in order to meet homelessness priorities, for the duration of the Strategy.

- 9.3 The decision contained within this report meets DLUHC's requirements for use of the HPG.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 The Council received an allocation of Homelessness Prevention Grant (HPG) funding totalling just over £1.1m from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for the two-year period 2023/24 – 2024/25. This is split: £564k for 2023/24 and £579k for 2024/25. HPG is ring-fenced for use in the delivery of services to prevent and tackle homelessness
- 10.2 There are no specific capital implications.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 None.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

12.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.2 There are no equalities implications arising as a result of this report.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 The Social Value Act and “go local” policy do not apply to this decision.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1. There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this report.

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 There are no human resource implications.

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 None.

17. APPENDICES

17.1 None.

NOTIFICATION DATE:

Signature of Executive Member Consulted:

Date: 15/5/24 - Cllr Prendergast reconfirmed his support via email

Signature of Decision Taker:



Service Director – Housing and Environmental Health

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Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted <i>[if applicable]</i>	
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SERVICE DIRECTORATE: *PLACE*

1. DECISION TAKEN

1.1 To approve to hold an annual Walsworth Festival event from 10.00 to 17.00 hrs on 19 May 2024, using Walsworth Common, Hitchin for their event.

2. DECISION TAKER

2.1. Andrew Mills, Service Manager Greenspace

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

3.1 13th May 2024

4. REASON FOR DECISION

4.1 To support the organisers to provide an annual event for the whole community.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 The organisers have approached North Herts Council to host this event. Other locations have been considered by the organisers that are outside North Herts.

6. CONSULTATION (INCLUDING THE EFFECT ON STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND THE PUBLIC)

6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with colleagues in Property Services and the Safety Advisory Group.

7. FORWARD PLAN

7.1 This decision is not a key Executive decision and has therefore not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 The organisers have approached NHC for approval to use this location for their event.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The authority has an obligation to ensure that the public open spaces it maintains are at a standard that are safe for everyone to use. Additionally, the authority has an obligation to ensure that any environmentally sensitive environment is not damaged due to actions or intentions of others.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no financial risks as this opportunity is generating income.

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13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 The event is open to everyone.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this event.

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16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 Application form and supporting documents.

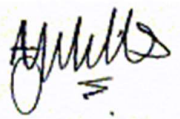
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17.1 None

NOTIFICATION DATE - 17th May 2024

Signature of Executive Member ConsultedNot Applicable.....

Date13th May 2024.....



Signature of Decision Taker

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NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Planning Control Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council
Offices, Letchworth Garden City
on Thursday, 11th April, 2024 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ian Moody, Sean Nolan and Terry Tyler.

Having given due notice Councillor Dave Winstanley substituted for Councillor Nolan.

2 MINUTES - 7 MARCH 2024

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 7 March 2024 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chair.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.
- (3) The Chair clarified matters for the registered speakers.
- (4) The Chair advised that Section 4.8.23(a) of the Constitution applied to the meeting.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair confirmed that the registered speakers were in attendance.

6 23/01220/FP HOLBORN FARM, DANE END, THERFIELD, ROYSTON, HERTFORDSHIRE, SG8 9RH

RESOLVED: That application 23/01220/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager, and the following amendments to Conditions 8 and 9 and the addition of Conditions 10 and 11, as follows:

“Condition 8

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the recommended mitigation and enhancements set out in the submitted ecology report by Cherryfield Ecology dated January 2023 and the Emergence & Activity Bat Survey dated June 2023 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of nature conservation and to comply with Policy NE4 of the North Herts Local Plan 2011 – 2031.

EAST TEAM

Application No.	Applicant/Agent Address	Location Address, Applicant Name & Proposal
Barley Parish Council		
24/00935/FPH	Andrew Frostick Associates Ltd Mr Andrew Frostick 3 Emson Close, Saffron Walden, CB10 1HL, United Kingdom	20 Picknage Road Barley Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8HP Mr & Mrs Flack Single storey front extension and erection of front porch canopy.
Letchworth Garden City		
24/00868/LDCP	Miss Beatrice Pryor 60 Wilbury Way, Hitchin, SG4 0TP, SG4 0TP, United Kingdom	The Old Grammar School Broadway Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3NX Miss Beatrice Pryor Installation of air conditioning units and ground floor, right side fire exit.
24/00950/FPH	Michael Collins Architect Mr Michael Collins 30 Bancroft, Suite 4a, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 1LE, UK	1 Norton Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1AA Mr Michael Bracey Single storey rear extension, insertion of rooflights and solar panels to existing rear roof and insertion of solar panels to roof of existing garage and alterations to fenestration.
24/00965/FPH	Your Plans UK Mr Harrison Eales Suite A2, Mindenhall Court, High Street, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 3UN	48 Runnalow Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4DT Mrs Laura Stewart Installation of rooflight in side roofslope following removal of existing rooflight.
24/00995/FP	First Home Improvements Ltd Miss Tamera Brooks Station Road Industrial Estate, Lenwade, NR9 5LY	26 Creamery Court Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 2UA Mr Stabile Replace existing No.4 timber windows with PVCu to ground floor front, side and rear elevations.

**NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
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24/01000/LDCP	DLP Planning Ltd Mr Graeme Free 4 Abbey Court, Fraser Road, Priory Business Park, Bedford, Bedfordshire, MK44 3WH, United Kingdom	Lindhill House Knap Close Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1AQ	Mr Ramzi Saab	Proposed use of first floor as Research and Development, Office with ancillary training and storage (Class E).
24/01007/FPH	Houghton Architecture Ltd Mr Mark Houghton Suite 83, Enterprise House, 86 Bancroft, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 1NQ	3 Field Lane Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG5SG6 3LF	Mr & Mrs R Gatenby	Single storey rear extension and erection of detached outbuilding following demolition of existing rear conservatory.
24/01008/FP	Pentangle Design Group Mr Jonathan Read Suite 1, 21 Bancroft, Hitchin, SG5 1JW, United Kingdom	16 Leys Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3EU	Mr Kuldip Singh	Change of Use of first floor from office to residential to create two 1-bed flats including external alterations.
24/01023/TCA	Paul McKenna ONE GARDEN CITY, BROADWAY, SG6 3BF, United Kingdom	21 Lytton Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3HT	Paul McKenna	2 x Conifer - Fell to ground level and stumps ground.
24/01049/FPH	Home Extension Team Miss Georgia Hayes 4 Brand Street, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 1HX	192 Icknield Way Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4AE	Mr and Mrs Pace	Single storey side extension following demolition of garage
Reed Parish Council				
24/01004/FPH	DRS Consulting Services Mr David Stillwell 102 Crib Street, Ware, SG12 9HG, United Kingdom	7 Willow Close Reed Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8BA	Mr Brian Tulley	Single storey rear extension, following demolition of existing rear conservatory.

Royston Town Council

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24/00979/FPH SRF Build Mr Stephen Friday 23 Rosecomb
3 Willow Way, Hauxton, Cambridge, Royston
CB22 5JB Hertfordshire
SG8 9FL

Miss C Conner

Single storey side and rear extension.

24/01017/FPH BaroArch Design Lab Mr. Jin Seok 32 Priory Close
Yang Royston
79 Babraham Road, Sawston, CB22 Hertfordshire
3DD SG8 7DU

Mr. Nick Haughey

Two storey front porch, installation of front steps and alterations to existing fenestration following demolition of existing front porch canopy and steps.

Rushden And Wallington Parish Council

24/01043/TCA Mrs Sandra Sargusingh Yew Tree House
Yew Tree House, Bennetts Lane, Bennetts Lane
Rushden, SG90SG, United Kingdom Rushden
Buntingford
Hertfordshire
SG9 0SG

Mrs Sandra Sargusingh

T1, T5 Yew - Thinning 30% . T2 Cherry - Crown lifting. T3, T4, T6
Maple - Thinning 30%. T7 Pine - Thinning 30%

WEST TEAM

Application No.	Applicant/Agent Address	Location Address, Applicant Name & Proposal
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24/00918/FP	Lobs Design Mr Ian Lawrence Devonshire Business Centre, Works Road, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 1GJ, United Kingdom	42 Bedford Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2TY
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Mr Anit Chandarana

Installation of disabled parking bay and vehicular crossover

24/00987/FPH	Rejig Homes Ltd Mr Abdul Haque 167 Heathfield Road, Hitchin, Herts, SG5 1TE	4 Westfield Close Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2HF
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Mr And Mrs Ross

Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory

24/01046/TCA	Mr Jack Emmerson Rustle 14 Chiltern Road, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 9PJ	40 The Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RQ
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Mr Jack Emmerson

T3, T4, Sycamore - Re pollard by 50%.

Knebworth Parish Council

24/00952/FPH Signature Buildings Ltd Mr Tyrone 14 Oakfields Avenue
Koursaris Knebworth
Sopers House, Sopers Road, Hertfordshire
Cuffley, Potters Bar, EN6 4RY, SG3 6NP
United Kingdom
Mr Glencross
Retention of anthracite grey windows

24/01014/LDCP Turquoise Noise Ltd Mr Tim Palmer 7 Westland Road
Weltech Centre, Ridgeway, Welwyn Knebworth
Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL7 2AA Hertfordshire
SG3 6AS
Mr & Mrs Sorrentino
Erection of outbuilding in rear garden

24/01058/TCA Sabeena Bagol Lime Tree Cottage
Lime Tree Cottage, 14 The Green, 14 The Green
Knebworth, SG3 6QN, United Old Knebworth
Kingdom Knebworth
Hertfordshire
SG3 6QN
Sabeena Bagol
2x Lime - Reduce crown by 50% and thin remaining branches.

St Ippolytts Parish Council

24/00907/FP Chappells Land & Property LLP Mr Land Along The West Side Of
Darren Stanbridge Folly Lane
Future Business Centre, King's St Ippolyts
Hedges Road, Cambridge, CB4 Hertfordshire
2HY, United Kingdom
Maydencroft Farm Partnership
Use of land as a secure dog exercise area (continuation of) and
retention of fencing and hardstanding parking/turning area.

24/01039/TCA Mrs Allison Sparrow Arborcare Hindsmount
Unit N, Shangri La Farm, SG1 2JE Maydencroft Lane
Gosmore
Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG4 7QB
Thake
T1 London Plane - Reduce by 50% (10m). T2 Beech - Reduce by 50%
(10m). T3 Damson - Reduce to shape (1m)

Wymondley Parish Council

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24/00956/FP Pentangle Design Group Mr Gareth The Bungalow
Leech Old Vicarage Close
Suite 1, 21 Bancroft , Hitchin, SG5 Little Wymondley
1JW, United Kingdom Hitchin

Hertfordshire
SG4 7EW

Mr David Kelsall

Change of use of existing outbuilding from office to 1-bed dwelling
including parking and landscaping

(Including Withdrawn decisions)

EAST TEAM

Application No: 23/02825/FPH	Location: Mews Cottage 150 High Street Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8EG Applicant Name: Mrs B Myott Description: Single storey front, side and rear extensions incorporating attached garage and front porch extension (as a resubmission of planning application 23/01813/FPH granted on 23.01.2024).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 23/02856/LBC	Location: Mews Cottage 150 High Street Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8EG Applicant Name: Mrs B Myott Description: Single storey front and side/rear extension (as a resubmission of listed building consent 23/01814/LBC).	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00201/FPH	Location: 12 Newmarket Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7DY Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs Kay Description: Two storey side extension and part two-storey part single storey rear extension following demolition of existing single storey side element. Raise roof height and replace existing roof covering, insertion of front and rear dormer windows and front and rear rooflights to facilitate conversion of loft space into habitable accommodation. Front open-sided entrance porch, alterations to existing fenestration arrangement including insertion of first floor side window and external rendering (as a resubmission of planning application reference 23/02391/FPH granted on 05.12.2023) (as amended by plans received on 13/02/2024 and 13/05/2024).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00280/FP	Location: 27D High Street Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9AA Applicant Name: Martin Slowe Property Services Ltd. Description: Change of use of ground floor unit from Sui Generis (Launderette) to Use Class E (Commercial, Business and Service).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00300/FPH	Location: Bradfield Barn Gannock Green Gannock Road Sandon Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0RH Applicant Name: Mr David Eggison Description: Detached carport and detached shed (retention application).	Decision: Unconditional Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00434/DOC	Location: Church Cottage Church Lane Therfield Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9QD Applicant Name: Mr T Underwood Description: Details reserved by Condition 2 (Roof tile details) of listed building permission reference 23/00862/LBC granted on 12.07.2023.	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00575/FPH	Location: The Old Rectory Hodwell Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5QQ Applicant Name: Mr Paul Rothwell Description: Erection of detached greenhouse.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00606/FPH	Location: 25 Pembroke Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6DB Applicant Name: Mr Kevin Beel Description: Single storey rear extension, erection of rear conservatory, raise existing side porch roof and replace existing front elevation first floor flat roof with a pitched roof.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024

EAST TEAM

Application No: 24/00610/FPH	Location: 68 Chiltern Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6LS Applicant Name: Ms Laura Leeson Description: Hip to gable roof extension to include insertion of rooflights to front roofslope and insertion of box dormer to rear roofslope to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation. Erection of single storey side and rear extension and front entrance porch. Alterations to fenestration, insertion of coursing to side gable wall at eaves level and formation of rear access steps following demolition of existing detached garage.	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00651/FPH	Location: 80 Ashwell Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5QU Applicant Name: Mr Thomas Wilcock Description: Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, front porch extension and raised rear decking area following demolition of existing garage	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00675/LDCP	Location: 27 Parker Close Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3RT Applicant Name: Mr Derek Wright Description: Replace existing garage door with a window and partial bricking to facilitate conversion of garage into habitable accommodation.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00740/TCA	Location: Elm Corner 14 Baldock Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3LB Applicant Name: Mrs Lindsey Crowley Description: Cypress - Reduce to gutter height of neighbouring property	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00780/FPH	Location: 20 Byrd Walk Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6LN Applicant Name: Mrs K Matthews Description: First floor rear extension over existing rear extension.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00785/LDCP	Location: Land At Mill End Rushden Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0TA Applicant Name: Mr N Stainthorpe Bee Field Projects Limited Description: Resurfacing of an existing field gateway to facilitate safe use and access for farm vehicles.	Decision: Withdrawn Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00853/TCA	Location: 38 Sollershott East Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3JN Applicant Name: Greensides Description: T1 Oak - Crown lift, removing lowest limb. T2 Purple leaved plum - Fell.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00914/TPO	Location: 6 Tall Trees Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7EG Applicant Name: Joshua Carter SP Landscapes & Tree Contractors LTD Description: T1 Copper Beech - Full Crown reduce by 1.5-2m	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00929/LDCP	Location: 3 Unwin Close Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3RS Applicant Name: Mr Lord Description: Single storey rear extension, replace existing detached garage door with a window to facilitate conversion into habitable accommodation and alterations to existing rear conservatory.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00943/TCA	Location: The Wolery The Close Hinxworth Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5HS Applicant Name: Mr Ewan Habben Hbn Trees Description: 2x Silver Birch - Crown reduction of up to 2m to suitable growth points. Crown lift to 5m. A total of 25% Crown Reduction & lift.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 09/05/2024

EAST TEAM

Application No: 24/00997/TCA
Location: Hillside Bennetts Lane Rushden Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0SG
Applicant Name: Sue Heaps
Description: T1 Apple - Fell. T2 Leylandii Cypress - Fell
Decision: No Objection
Decision Date: 15/05/2024

Application No: 24/01028/EC
Location: Land Adjacent To 84 Southfields Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4NA
Applicant Name: Openreach Sangita Ghodake
Description: Installation of No.1 wooden pole.
Decision: No Objection
Decision Date: 14/05/2024

WEST TEAM

Application No: 23/01502/FP
Location: Land North West Of The Old Coach House And Opposite Maydencroft Cottage Maydencroft Lane Gosmore Hertfordshire SG4 7QA
Applicant Name: Highacre Cambridge Ltd Mrs Maria Moore
Description: Erection of three 2-bed terraced cottages (as amended by plan received 19/12/23)
Decision: Conditional Permission
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

Application No: 23/02180/DOC
Location: Oughton Head Pumping Station Hitchin Road Pirton Hertfordshire
Applicant Name: Affinity Water Limited Affinity Water Limited
Description: Details reserved by Condition 11 (External lighting) of planning permission 21/02768/FP granted on 30.06.2022.
Decision: Approval of Details
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

Application No: 24/00401/FPH
Location: 4 Home Farm Court Putteridge Park Luton Hertfordshire LU2 8NN
Applicant Name: Mr Simon Rogers
Description: Insertion of two rooflights to existing single storey rear roofslope
Decision: Conditional Permission
Decision Date: 13/05/2024

Application No: 24/00402/LBC
Location: 4 Home Farm Court Putteridge Park Luton Hertfordshire LU2 8NN
Applicant Name: Mr Simon Rogers
Description: Insertion of two rooflights to existing single storey rear roofslope
Decision: Conditional Consent
Decision Date: 13/05/2024

Application No: 24/00432/DOC
Location: 81 Whinbush Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1PZ
Applicant Name: Mr Bimal Barchha
Description: Details reserved by Condition 19 (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation) of planning permission reference no. 22/02953/FP granted 30.03.2023.
Decision: Agreed
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

Application No: 24/00498/LBC
Location: 128 High Street Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8XE
Applicant Name: Mr James Smith
Description: Replace single-glazed 1st floor rear elevation bathroom casement window to new timber (Iroko) single-glazed window.
Decision: Conditional Consent
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

Application No: 24/00581/LDCP
Location: 24 Whitehorse Lane Great Ashby Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 6NJ
Applicant Name: Mrs Anita Seewoolall
Description: Alterations to ground floor rear fenestration to facilitate garage conversion.
Decision: Granted Permission
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

Application No: 24/00605/FPH
Location: 2 Blackmore Way Blackmore End St Albans Hertfordshire AL4 8LJ
Applicant Name: Mr Frank Richmond
Description: Enlarged and raised roof including two side dormer windows to facilitate loft conversion. Two storey front and rear extensions. Replacement roof over existing side element. Alterations to fenestration and external rendering.
Decision: Conditional Permission
Decision Date: 09/05/2024

WEST TEAM

Application No: 24/00611/FPH	Location: 41 Orchard Way Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6BT Applicant Name: Mr James Jukes Description: Single storey front extension and replacement pitched roof above existing garage following demolition of existing front extension	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00624/FPH	Location: 9 Highbury Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RW Applicant Name: Mr Toby Furnivall - Description: Single storey rear infill extension following partial demolition of existing rear extension. Enlargement of existing rear dormer window and Insertion of rooflight to existing front roofslope. External render. (As amended by plans received on 05/04/2024).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00640/FPH	Location: 66 Stevenage Road Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6NN Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Hindle Description: Two storey rear extension and single storey front porch extension. Insertion of rooflight to existing rear roofslope and lantern light to existing single storey side element flat roof. Alterations to fenestration	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00679/FPH	Location: 8 The Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RQ Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Townsend Description: Insertion of rear L-shaped box dormer window and three front rooflights to facilitate loft conversion. Alterations to existing ground floor rear element to include raising wall/facia and insertion of oriel window. Insertion of rear solar panels to existing roofslope.	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00680/FPH	Location: 19 Hensley Close Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9QF Applicant Name: Mr Premanand Achuthan Description: Single storey front extension following demolition of existing porch. Alterations to existing detached rear garage to include raised roof height and alterations to fenestration to facilitate garage conversion into gym/storage	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00686/FP	Location: Bibbworth Hall Farm Bibbs Hall Lane Kimpton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8EN Applicant Name: Knights Bespoke Build Limited Description: Erection of detached double carport	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 10/05/2024
Application No: 24/00711/NCS	Location: 14 Bearton Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1NZ Applicant Name: Mrs Lilla Comparetto Abella Design Description: Single storey rear extension with the following dimension: Length as measured from rear wall of original dwelling - 4.5 metres	Decision: Prior Approval Not Required Decision Date: 09/05/2024
Application No: 24/00731/DOC	Location: Land Between 5 And 9 Pirton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2BD Applicant Name: Ms Sheryl-Kay Patel Description: Details reserved by condition 3 (Construction Method Statement) of planning permission reference no. 23/00564/FP granted 31.05.2023	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00811/LDCP	Location: 33 Thirlmere Great Ashby Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 6AQ Applicant Name: Mr Martin Parris Description: Roof extension to form gable ends. Insertion of rear box dormer window including Juliet balcony and 4no rooflights to facilitate conversion of loft into habitable accommodation.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 13/05/2024

WEST TEAM

Application No: 24/00823/DOC	Location: Land Between 5 And 9 Pirton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2BD Applicant Name: Ms Sheryl-Kay Patel Description: Details reserved by condition 4 (Contamination) of planning permission reference no. 23/00564/FP granted 31.05.2023	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00824/DOC	Location: Land Between 5 And 9 Pirton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2BD Applicant Name: Ms Sheryl-Kay Patel Description: Details reserved by condition 5 (Materials) of planning permission reference no. 23/00564/FP granted 31.05.2023	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00826/DOC	Location: Land Between 5 And 9 Pirton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2BD Applicant Name: Ms Sheryl-Kay Patel Description: Details reserved by condition 6 (landscaping) of planning permission reference no. 23/00564/FP granted 31.05.2023	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 15/05/2024
Application No: 24/00831/TPO	Location: 12 Symonds Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2JL Applicant Name: Mr Charlie Martinelli Cm Garden and Tree Care Ltd Description: Lime - Reduce back to old points removing 2.5m of growth	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00851/DOC	Location: Churchfields House Hitchin Road Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8TH Applicant Name: Mr Hawkins Hawksure Holdings Ltd Description: Details reserved by condition 4 (Phase I and II Geo-Environmental Assessment) of planning permission reference no.23/02309/FP granted 05.02.2024.	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00871/TCA	Location: Greyfriars Hitchin Hill Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AJ Applicant Name: Mr Paul Oneill Description: Sycamore - Reduce by 50%. 2x Pine - Reduce by 20%	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00877/TCA	Location: 14 Highbury Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RW Applicant Name: Pascal Description: T1 Apple - Remove 2 x lowest limbs and crown reduce remainder 30%.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 13/05/2024
Application No: 24/00881/DOC	Location: Churchfields House Hitchin Road Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8TH Applicant Name: Mr Hawkins Hawksure Holdings Ltd Description: Details reserved by condition 6 (Material Details) of planning permission reference no.23/02309/FP granted 05.02.2024.	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 14/05/2024
Application No: 24/00941/NMA	Location: 18 Oakfields Road Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6NS Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs Alex and Helen Garrick Description: Front porch canopy relocated; roof type amended to gable and landscaping amended. Juliet balconies removed from rear dormers and replaced with windows (as Non-Material Amendment to planning permission 23/01869/FPH granted 27.09.2023)	Decision: Agreed Decision Date: 10/05/2024
Application No: 24/00993/TPO	Location: Land At The Rear Of 28 Oakhill Drive Welwyn Hertfordshire AL6 9NW Applicant Name: Mr Ian Davey Description: T1 Oak - Reduce by 2m	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 15/05/2024

PRESS RELEASE

PR 3850

14 May 2024

Local Lidos reopen for the summer season

North Hertfordshire's two popular outdoor pools, Hitchin Lido and Letchworth Lido, are reopening this month for the summer season.

The facilities, run by Everyone Active in partnership with North Herts Council, have been closed for the winter break since September 2023, but are set to reopen on Saturday, May 25.

New for this year are morning and afternoon sessions, to ensure more people can enjoy the Lidos. Whilst visitors are still welcome to turn up on the day, a new booking system has been introduced this season to help the local community plan their summer activities. Just download the Everyone Active app or visit www.everyoneactive.com.

Enhanced food and beverage offerings are also available at each facility. With a fully functioning kitchen at each site, the Lidos offer a selection of hot and cold food and beverages.

As the new operator of the sites, Everyone Active has also invested in a number of new sun loungers available for hire at each facility, as well as Public Wi-Fi across both Lidos. Planned additions to the Lidos include table tennis tables.

Part of Hitchin Swimming and Fitness Centre, Hitchin Lido features a heated 50m outdoor pool which is ideal for both leisure and lane swimming. The facility also boasts a smaller, shallower pool and play area ideal for children and a large sunbathing terrace.

Nestled in Letchworth's Norton Common sits Letchworth Lido. Also complete with a heated 50m pool, the facility features a smaller teaching pool to act as the perfect stepping stone for younger children as they discover swimming and other water-based activities, whilst having fun during weekends and school holidays.

Ahead of Letchworth Lido reopening its doors to the public, the centre has offered the use of the pool to local schools a week earlier, with over 50 classes taking place during this time.

Richard MacSweeney, well-known and highly regarded Duty Manager at the Lido, said: “We are thrilled to be opening the doors once again for the local community to come and enjoy our wonderful facilities here at Letchworth Lido.

“Offering the use of the pool to people of all ages and abilities – from young children learning to swim to seniors who reunite every summer – is something that makes me very proud. I learnt to swim in this very pool, so ensuring local children have the same opportunity I did is really important to me.

“Having worked at this centre for over 20 years, I know just how much of an integral part of the summer season the Lido is to the people of North Herts. I am confident this year we will see even more young people and families enjoy our pool in the sunshine thanks to extra hands on board and the continued community feel of the space.”

Sarah Kingsley, North Herts Council’s Service Director – Place, said: “We can’t wait for the outdoor pools to throw open their doors. We look forward to welcoming families, swimmers, and fun-seekers to enjoy the facilities. If you book your session in advance you won’t need to worry about queuing either.”

James Bliss, who has been the North Herts contract manager for over 10 years, added: “To be able to offer such unique, inclusive facilities to our local communities is fantastic. The Lidos are an incredible opportunity for the whole family to get out and enjoy the warmer weather thanks to the range of provisions at each centre.

“We are also excited to unveil the new food and beverage facilities at each site, which we hope will enhance the overall experience for our visitors.

“Our incredible Lido teams and I are excited to make this summer the best one yet for the people of North Herts.”

For any enquiries, please visit: www.everyoneactive.com/faqletchworthlido/ or www.everyoneactive.com/hitchin-lido-faq/

To pre-book your place from Saturday 18th May, please head to the Everyone Active app or visit: www.everyoneactive.com/centre/letchworth-lido/ or www.everyoneactive.com/centre/hitchin-swimming-and-fitness-centre/. Opening times are site-specific, so please check the website before you arrive/book.

-ENDS-

Lido opening times:

Letchworth

Monday – Friday

Lane swimming: 07:00 – 09:00

Public swimming sessions between 09:30 -13:30 and 14:30 – 18:30

Saturday & Sunday

Lane swimming is available on Saturday only from 08:00 – 09:00

Public swimming sessions 09:00 – 13:00 and 14:00 – 18:00

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Everyone Active

Everyone Active is the trading name for Sports Leisure Management (SLM), which operates leisure centres in partnership with local councils across England. SLM Ltd was formed in 1987, managing just one leisure centre in the Midlands. Today, Everyone Active manages in excess of 230 leisure facilities and cultural services in partnership with more than 60 local authorities. These stretch from Sunderland in the north to Mid Suffolk in the east, Chichester in the south to Bristol in the south west. The company's growth is due to the ability to deliver well-managed leisure facilities and an activity offering which provides great value for money. Everyone Active aims to increase the participation of local people in leisure activities, advocating a minimum of 30 minutes exercise, five times per week. www.everyoneactive.com

PRESS RELEASE

PR 3851

14 May 2024

Get energy efficiency and clean heating upgrades

If your home is not heated by a mains gas boiler and your household income is £36,000 or less, you could get financial help for installing solar panels, insulation upgrades, and low carbon heating systems such as air source heat pumps.

North Herts Council, in partnership with the Greater South East Net Zero Hub (GSENZH), has access to funding from the government's Department of Energy and Sustainable Net Zero.

Sarah Kingsley, North Herts Council's Service Director for Place, said: "The eligibility criteria has recently gone from a household income of £31,000 to £36,000, so we hope this encourages more people to come forward. This scheme is all about improving energy efficiency, reducing fuel poverty, and contributing to the district's net zero target by 2040, and the UK's net zero commitment by 2050."

The Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2 (HUG2) addresses the pressing need to upgrade inefficient off-gas grid heated homes, with a focus on those in the most deprived areas, helping them transition to cleaner and more sustainable heating solutions.

According to Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) records, 1,417 homes in North Herts could be eligible for HUG2 funding. Eligible properties will receive an assessment to evaluate and determine the energy saving measures that could be undertaken, and improvements made are completely free of charge. Work is completed on a first-come, first-served basis with applications closing at the end of September.

Maxine Narburgh, GSENZH Regional Director, added: "This is a fantastic opportunity for people to make their homes more energy-efficient, cutting their carbon footprint and their bills at the same time."

Further detail about the scheme: [Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2 | North Herts Council \(north-herts.gov.uk\)](https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/home-upgrade-grant-phase-2)

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Condition 9

Prior to the commencement of the development approved a scheme of sustainable energy saving measures to be incorporated into the dwelling shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority and implemented on site.

Reason: To address the climate emergency in accordance with Local Plan Policy D1 of the North Herts Local Plan.

Condition 11

Notwithstanding the detail show on the submitted drawings further details of shuttering to the north facing primary entrance shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of works. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To safeguard the character and appearance of the listed building to which this consent relates and to comply with Policies SP13 and HE1 of the North Hertfordshire Local Plan 2011 to 2031.

Condition 12

Notwithstanding the detail show on the submitted drawings further details of the opening size and design of the north facing rooflight shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of works. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To safeguard the character and appearance of the listed building to which this consent relates and to comply with Policies SP13 and HE1 of the North Hertfordshire Local Plan 2011 to 2031”.

7 APPEALS

The Development and Conservation Manager presented the report entitled ‘Planning Appeals’.

8 CURRENT ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

The Principal Planning Officer presented the Information Note entitled ‘Current Enforcement Notices’.

9 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the following report will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

10 CURRENT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

The Principal Planning Officer presented the Information Note entitled ‘Current Enforcement Actions’.