

Solihull Council Draft Local Plan

Solihull Council has published a Summary of Representations to the Draft Local Plan Review (Supplementary Consultation). The document provides an overview of all of the comments submitted and can be found via this link www.solihull.gov.uk/lpr. Page 72 onwards features the responses regarding site 25, land on School Road.

A paper copy will also be available to view in the Council's libraries and walk-in centres during normal opening hours.

Solihull Council will use the outcome from the consultation to shape the next version of the Local Plan. This is referred to as the 'submission draft'. It is the version of the plan that the Council intends to submit to Independent Examination. Before being submitted for examination it will be subject to further consultation. It is the representations made at this later stage that will be the focus of the Examination.

Solihull council will consider whether and to what extent the timetable for the local plan review needs updating in light of the representations made. Any change to the timetable will be published on the main Solihull Local Plan Review pages at www.solihull.gov.uk/lpr.

Defibrillator

The Parish Council has installed a defibrillator in the recreation ground. It can be found on the Pavilion hall external wall (facing the playing fields) and can be accessed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Due to security concerns, the defibrillator is stored in a locked, lit and heated cabinet. Should you need to use the defibrillator, call 999 and the Ambulance Service will provide the access code to the cabinet and talk through instructions of use whilst paramedics are on route.

The Parish Council would like to express its thanks to both One Stop and Warwickshire and West Midlands Association of Local Councils (WALC) for generous grants that funded the purchase of the defibrillator and subsidised the installation costs.



Hockley Heath Parish Council Newsletter - August 2019

Welcome to this summer edition of the Hockley Heath Newsletter.

Among other things, we will be looking at:

- Solihull Council's Draft Local Plan
- Community Defibrillator

If you have any questions, contact the Parish Clerk on 07591 954002 or email: hhpc2009@hotmail.com or find us on www.facebook.com/hockleyheathpc or on twitter: twitter.com/hockleyheath_pc

Planning Applications

Solihull Council consults immediate neighbours only on planning applications and often places notices at entrances to proposed sites. However, SMBC always informs the Parish Council as it is a statutory consultee on applications that fall within the boundry of the Parish. All planning consultations are placed on the Parish Council monthly meeting agenda and discussed during public meetings.

Occasionally, the consultation period will expire before the date of the next Parish Council meeting, in these situations the Parish Council is granted an extension from Solihull Council to allow the Parish Council to discuss the application in a public forum and listen to representations from members of the public.

Unfortunaley SMBC does not place resident's objections on their website or provide copies to the Parish Council of resident's personal objections. Residents are urged to approach the Parish Council, via email, letter, telephone or during the monthly meeting, to comment on any applications. Parish Councillors base their decisions on the merits of the application and resident's representations.

Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

Thank you to all known local businesses within the Parish that completed the NP business survey. A response rate of 33% was achieved which is considered excellent for business surveys (typically they receive 15-20% response). The results of the survey have been independently analysed and once the report is finalised it will be published on the Parish Council website (towards the end of August 2019) as follows:

<http://www.hockleyheathparishcouncil.org.uk/documents-relating-to-the-neighbourhood-plan/>

The NP Steering Committee are looking for volunteers to join and help develop the next stages of the plan, namely policy writing. NP meetings are open to members of the public, the remaining meetings in 2019 will be held in the Pavilion on 20th August, 22nd October and 17th December, at 8.30 pm. Please contact the Clerk for information.



Environment Meetings

The Parish Council hold quarterly meetings with Solihull Council to discuss many aspects of the village environment and to also raise issues, such as speeding, parking restrictions, drainage and hazards. These meetings are held in the Pavilion and members of the public are welcome to attend and raise any areas of concern. The next Environment Meeting will take place at 1.30 pm on Wednesday 9th October 2019.

Contacting the Parish Council

The Parish Council can be contacted via a variety of methods, addressed to the Parish Clerk. Along with the email address and telephone number published in this newsletter, residents can also write to the Parish Council using the postal address: The Pavilion, Hockley Heath Recreation Ground, Old Warwick Road, Hockley Heath, Solihull, B94 6HH. The five Parish Councillors are unpaid elected officials and many have full-time jobs or other work commitments so please contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance.