

NORTH HERTS COUNCIL

WEEK ENDING 14 OCTOBER 2022

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NEWS AND INFORMATION

AGENDA & REPORTS

PUBLISHED WEEK COMMENCING 10 OCTOBER 2022

Extraordinary Cabinet – 25 October 2022
Planning Control Committee – 27 October 2022

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS WEEK COMMENCING 17 OCTOBER 2022

Cabinet Panel: Community & Enterprise – 17 October 2022
Cabinet Panel: Transport – 18 October 2022
Cabinet Panel: Environment – 19 October 2022
Standards Committee – 20 October 2022

CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 17 OCTOBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
Sunday 16 October 2022, 9:45am	Trafalgar Parade	Starting at County Hall Hertford
Tuesday 18 October 2022, 6:30-9pm	CPRE Hertfordshire Awards Presentation Evening	County Suite at County Hall, Hertford
Wednesday 19 October 2022, 11:15am	Jackie's Drop In	Broadway, Letchworth

VICE-CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 17 OCTOBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
Wednesday 19 October 2022, 9am	999 Emergency Services Flag Raising Day 2022	County Hall, Hertford

OTHER EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 17 OCTOBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
	none	



COMMUNICATIONS

MEMBERS INFORMATION NOTE

Have you seen the Find My Nearest service yet?

The Find My Nearest online service is an online one-stop shop that allows North Herts residents to find information about services and facilities near to them. After entering a postcode, a noticeboard of useful data is displayed. This includes:

- who your local councillors and MP are
- the Council Tax band for your property
- your polling station at election time
- your nearest council car parks
- any planning constraints or tree preservation orders in your area
- your nearest leisure facilities and museums

It also provides links to other helpful online tools, such as finding your bin collection days, reporting a problem to the council, and where your nearest NHS services and school are located.

We've made the Find My Nearest service easily accessible from our website and begun to promote it on our social media channels. We will continue to regularly promote it online as it's particularly beneficial to newer residents who may be less familiar with the area. There will also be occasions when its services are especially helpful, for example finding a polling station on election days.

You can try it for yourself by visiting <https://web.north-herts.gov.uk/noticeboard8/noticeboard.aspx>.

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EAST TEAM

Application No.	Applicant/Agent Address	Location Address, Applicant Name & Proposal
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Ashwell Parish Council

22/02629/TCA	Mrs Wendy Read Evolution Tree Works Services Limited 29 Offley Road, Hitchin, SG5 2AZ	18 Springhead Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5LL Mr Mark Shadbolt T1 Lime - Crown reduce by approx 40% removing all large limbs growing over neighbouring property. 6x Lime - Reduce to previous pruning points.
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Baldock

22/02430/FPH	Dimensional Design Mr Paul Bradbury Dovecote, 19 Ramsay Road, Warboys, Cambs, PE28 2RW	5A Orchard Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5AG Mr And Mrs Smith Single storey side and rear extension, widen existing dropped kerb and addition of extra parking space following demolition of existing detached garage and outbuildings.
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22/02610/FPH	AJF Project Design Mr A Ford 22 Ashtons Lane, Baldock, SG7 6JJ, United Kingdom	1 Alder Close Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6HN Mr M Payne Single storey rear extension, provision of vehicular access to property via dropped kerb and vehicle crossover and erection of fencing to enclose existing driveway/garage to rear.
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22/02636/LBC	Norton Studio Architects Mr Adam Grant 5 Croft Lane, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 1AS	19 High Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AZ Chris Drew Internal alteration to remove partition wall to enlarge an existing clinic room and associated services
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Letchworth Garden City

22/02570/FPH	PicklePlanning Stuart Judd 1 Sale Drive, Clothall Common, Baldock, SG7 6NS	70 Howard Drive Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 2DQ Mr Martin Ryan Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory
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22/02614/FP	Pentangle Design Group Mr Jonathan Read Suite 1, 21 Bancroft, Hitchin, SG5 1JW, United Kingdom	4 Leys Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3EU	Mr Basra	Conversion of first and second floor accommodation from Class E (commercial) to Class C3 residential to provide two 2-bed flats.
22/02634/TCA	Mr Joe Darby Ace of Trees Ltd 18 The Noke, Stevenage, SG2 8LJ, United Kingdom	Land At Sollershott Hall Sollershott East Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PN	Mr Harry Stratford	T1-T5 Pine - Fell
22/02635/TCA	Mr Robbie Barnes Letchworth Heritage Foundation, One Garden City, Broadway, SG6 3BF, United Kingdom	Allotment Gardens Lytton Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire	Mr Robbie Barnes	T1 Common Ash - Remove deadwood (>10mm dia) Reduce Crown overall by 3-4m (25-30%) to suitable points of regrowth. T2 Common Oak - Remove deadwood (>10mm dia) Reduce overextended lateral branches overhanging garden by 3m and raise crown to 2.5-3m
22/02654/TPO	Mr Simon Pridmore A1 Tree Specialists 5A The Hollies, Wrayfields, Stotfold, Hitchin, Herts, SG5 4NK	8 Oaktree Close Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3XY	Mr Roger Buckley	Scots Pine - Fell
22/02657/TCA	Mr Robert Moss 100 Wilbury Road, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 4JJ, United Kingdom	100 Wilbury Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4JJ	Mr Robert Moss	Ash - Reduce height and width by 10 to 12ft. Remove one or two branches to reduce weight. Walnut - Prune and weight reduction.
Royston Town Council				
22/02507/AD	BBR Design Mr Ryan Albone 7 Paynes Park, Hitchin, SG5 1EH, United Kingdom	7A Lower King Street Royston Hertfordshire SG8 5AL	Ms Kelly Da Silva Fernandes	Replace existing shop front signage.

22/02631/TPO	Mr James Cantle Shire Tree Limited 1A Trigg Way, Melbourn, Royston, SG8 6HX	62 Downlands Royston Hertfordshire SG8 5BY	Gary Horlock	T1 Whitebeam - Crown lift to raise the canopy by 2.5m from ground level. Reduce lower extended limb by 1m to shape canopy
22/02660/FPH	John Guest Architectural Mr John Guest 1 Water Lane, Melbourn, SG8 6AX	6 Elm Walk Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7JL	Mr Jason Usher	Erection of front porch and single storey side and rear extension.
22/02668/TPO	Mr Matthew Menezes Tates Tree work 29 Woody Green, Girton, CB3 0PG	2 Layston Park Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9DS	Mr John Lewis	T1 Beech - Crown reduce back to previous pollard points by 30% (approximately 3m).
Sandon Parish Council				
22/02643/FP	Cannon Consulting Mrs Fiona Cannon Hyde Hall Farm, Sandon, Buntingford, SG9 0RU, United Kingdom	Sandon Bury Sandon Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0QY	Mrs Kate Redfern	Insertion of doors and windows to existing elevations, solar panels and rooflights to existing roof, re-cladding exterior and addition of 10 parking spaces following demolition of existing side elevation lean-to, to allow the use of the building as guest house accommodation.
WEST TEAM				
Application No.	Applicant/Agent Address	Location Address, Applicant Name & Proposal		
Great Ashby Community Council				
22/02415/FPH	Mrs Philippa Fish 44 Ryders Hill, Syevenage, SG1 6BJ, United Kingdom	44 Ryders Hill Great Ashby Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 6BJ	Mrs Philippa Fish	Retention of alterations to ground levels to facilitate rear patio

22/02658/LDCP	ELA Design Mr Chris Ellerbeck Beechcroft, Riverside Avenue, Broxbourne, EN10 6RA	31 Thirlmere Great Ashby Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 6AQ	Mr Aljit Vohra	Insertion of rear box dormer with three windows and insertion of five roof lights to existing roof to facilitate conversion of loft into habitable accommodation.
Hitchin				
22/02472/FPH	Carl Sherwood 1b Benslow Lane, Hitchin, SG4 9RE, United Kingdom	1b Benslow Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RE	Carl Sherwood	Insertion of replacement garage door
22/02592/LDCP	Rejig Homes Ltd Mr Abdul Haque 167 Heathfield Road, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 1TE	3 Uplands Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9NH	James Toone and Wincy Choi	Roof extension to form gable end. Insertion of rear dormer with two windows and three rooflights in the front roofslope to facilitate loft conversion
22/02594/FP	Wastell & Porter Architects Ltd Mr Mark Scott Bancroft House, 34 Bancroft, Hitchin, SG5 1LA	122 Nightingale Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1RG	Mr K Jenkins	Erection of one detached 2-bed dwelling, parking and hard and soft landscaping following demolition of existing garages and outbuilding
22/02626/LDCE	WSP Miss Sally Garford First Floor, 3 Wellington Place, Leeds, LS1 4AP	The Rose Gardens Cambridge Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0JX	-	Retention of the continued use of land adjacent to the garden centre car park as an over-flow car park
22/02637/FPH	Pentangle Design Group Mr Jonathan Read Suite 1, 21 Bancroft, Hitchin, SG5 1JW, United Kingdom	12 Crow Furlong Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2HW	Mr Hugh Williams	Front porch extension and installation of solar panels to side roofslope. Retention of second floor rear window.

22/02650/LDCP RD Designs Mr Samuel Hardy 39 Gainsford Crescent
Office 2, Floor 2,, 1 Bedford St, Hitchin
Amphill, MK45 2LU Hertfordshire
SG4 0QG

Mr Matt Eyo - Tonks

Erection of outbuilding to rear garden

Ickleford Parish Council

22/02627/S73 Peter George Town Planning Tom Glencoe Villa
Donavan Snailswell Lane
Nine Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 Ickleford
1GE Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG5 3TS

Mr And Mrs A Del Basso

Variation of condition 2 (revision of dwelling design) of previously approved planning permission 22/00172/FP granted 28/03/2022 - erection of one detached four-bedroom dwelling with associated access, car parking and hard and soft landscaping following the demolition of existing structures and hardstanding.

Kimpton Parish Council

22/01922/FPH Swain Architecture Ltd Mrs 7 Lloyd Way
Elizabeth Rhodes Kimpton
Allen Suite, Mohan Business Centre, Hitchin
Tamworth Road, Long Eaton, Hertfordshire
Nottingham, NG10 1BE, undefined SG4 8QS

Mr Bowden

Single storey front extension to create storage area and porch.

Kings Walden Parish Council

22/02493/FP Pentangle Design Group Mr 7 St Marys Rise
Jonathan Read Breachwood Green
Suite 1, 21 Bancroft , Hitchin, SG5 Hitchin
1JW, United Kingdom Hertfordshire
SG4 8PN

Mr James Marlow

Erection of three detached 3-bed dwellings, one detached double garage, parking and landscaping following demolition existing detached dwelling.

Offley Parish Council

22/02619/LDCP James A. Keane Associates Mr The Old Barn
James Keane Three Chimneys
49 Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2, Mangrove Road
Ireland, D02 FR83 Cockernhoe
Luton
Hertfordshire
LU2 8QD

Mr & Mrs John & Maureen McGovern

Retention of continued use of barn as a single storey 2-bed dwelling

Preston Parish Council

22/02633/TCA Mrs Allison Sparrow Arborcare Wedelee
Unit N, Shangri La Farm, Todds Church Lane
Green, SG1 2JE Preston
Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG4 7TP

Mrs Carolyn Hill

G1 Ash, Hornbeam, Holly - Reduce to 10ft. T1 Apple - Reduce to shape thin and dead wood. T2 Plum - Reduce back off roof by 1m

St Ippolytts Parish Council

22/02381/FPH Mr Stuart Morrison 5 Gosmore Gate
5 Gosmore Gate, Hitchin, SG4 9FP, Hitchin
United Kingdom Hertfordshire
SG4 9FP

Mr Stuart Morrison

Retention of rear garden raised playhouse/climbing frame.

St Pauls Walden Parish Council

22/02608/FPH Peter George Town Planning Mr 67 High Street
Tom Donovan Whitwell
Nine Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 Hitchin
1GE Hertfordshire
SG4 8AH

Mr M Cousins

Retention of hard and soft landscaping within rear garden including walls planters, steps, and raised platforms

22/02622/FPH Mr Gavin Stephens 2 The Valley
2 The Valley, Whitwell, Herts, Whitwell
Hitchin, SG4 8BN, United Kingdom Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG4 8BN

Mr Gavin Stephens

Erection of detached shed

Wymondley Parish Council

22/02496/FPH Mr Jamie Martin 28 Tower Close
28 Tower close, Little Wymondley, Little Wymondley
Hitchin, SG4 7JG, United Kingdom Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG4 7JG

Mr Jamie Martin

Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing side/rear elements.

(Including Withdrawn decisions)

EAST TEAM

Application No: 20/00692/DOC	Location: Johnson Matthey Plc Orchard Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 5HE Applicant Name: Johnson Matthey, Royston Description: Discharge of Condition 7 (site Investigation (Phase II environmental risk assessment)) as attached to Planning Application 18/01764/FP granted on 18.01.2019	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/01850/PNMA	Location: Royston Manor House Yard Melbourn Street Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7BZ Applicant Name: Colegrove Estates Ltd Mr C Blundell Description: Conversion of offices (use class E) into four 1-bed dwellings (use class C3).	Decision: Prior Approval Given Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/01902/FPH	Location: 35 Haselfoot Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4DE Applicant Name: Mr Gary Pemberton Description: Part single and part two storey side/rear extension following demolition of existing rear conservatory and detached garage as amended by plans received on 09 September 2022.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/01973/LBC	Location: 36 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PN Applicant Name: Mr Lloyd Northrop Description: Replace single-glazed, timber windows (front and rear dormer windows and front ground floor bay) with 16mm double-glazed, timber windows.	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02003/LBC	Location: Bishops Cottage Mill End Sandon Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0RN Applicant Name: Mr David Neal Description: Partial taking down of chimney stack followed by reconstruction to same height in matching brickwork	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02040/FP	Location: Nortonbury Farm House Norton Bury Lane Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1AN Applicant Name: Mr Michael Parsons Parsons Cole Description: Retention of change of use of land to equestrian and installation of horse walker and access track	Decision: Unconditional Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02115/FP	Location: Lodge Cottage Ashwell Road Newnham Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5JX Applicant Name: Peter Summers Description: Erection of one 4-bed dwelling including off road parking and landscaping (as a resubmission of planning application 22/00532/FP withdrawn on 09.08.2022).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02180/FP	Location: 9 - 15 Hitchin Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AL Applicant Name: Charles Boahen Description: Change of use of existing office building into seven 1-bed and one 2-bed flats comprising a first floor rear extension, insertion of rooflights to existing front and dormer to existing rear roof slopes to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation, insertion of a rear external staircase and amendments to existing doors and windows.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022

EAST TEAM

Application No: 22/02187/LDCP	Location: 3 Woodhurst Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4LY Applicant Name: Mrs Wendy Cross Description: Insertion of rooflights to existing front and dormer to rear elevation roofslope to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 07/10/2022
Application No: 22/02196/LDCP	Location: 9 The Copperfields Royston Hertfordshire SG8 5BH Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Newland Description: Single storey side/rear extension.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02229/LBC	Location: 64 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PN Applicant Name: Dr Fiona Curran Description: Replace concrete tile upstand like-for-like between the roofs of nos. 62 and 64 on front elevation. Replace weatherboarding to gables of front dormers and reinstate weatherboarding to the sides of front and rear dormers.	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02237/FPH	Location: 61 Baldock Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3JP Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs Sehgal Description: Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear conservatory.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02240/FPH	Location: 18 Norton Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1AB Applicant Name: Mr Keller Description: Erection of rear conservatory.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02286/FPH	Location: 15 Station Way Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3SF Applicant Name: Mr Liam Palmer Description: Two storey rear extension and insertion of rooflights to existing side elevation roofslopes following demolition of existing rear conservatory.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02288/FP	Location: St Catherines Nursing Home Spring Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PR Applicant Name: RAMESH DALTON MURUGUPILLAI St Catherines Nu Description: Enlargement of existing front dormer window.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02294/FPH	Location: 52 Sparhawke Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4PX Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Ahsan Ghalib Ahmed & Afrin Ahmed Description: Part single, part two storey rear extension.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02338/FPH	Location: 5 Hawthorn Hill Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4HE Applicant Name: Mr David Doherty Description: Single storey rear extension to house and single storey side extension to existing detached garage following demolition of existing rear conservatory.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02360/TCA	Location: Rose Cottage Bennetts Lane Rushden Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0SG Applicant Name: Carole Littlechild Description: Crown reduce T1 Sycamore by 30% as amended by email of 03 October 2022	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 06/10/2022

EAST TEAM

Application No: 22/02374/TCA	Location: 77 High Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NT Applicant Name: Ms Louise Faurewalker Description: T1 Bay - Reduce to the height of the adjacent building. T2 Maple - Reduce low limbs back from building. T3 Mulberry - Reduce low limbs back from building and remove snapped limb. T4 Holm Oak - Reduce back from building.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02425/FPH	Location: 1 High Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NL Applicant Name: Mrs A Hardy Description: Alterations to existing windows, insertion of rooflights to existing front and side roofslopes, render and boarding to existing facade.	Decision: Withdrawn Decision Date: 10/10/2022
Application No: 22/02427/TCA	Location: 9 Eastholm Green Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4TW Applicant Name: Mrs Chloe Howell Description: 4 x Pine - Reduce the weight in the limbs. Horse chestnut - Fell and grind out stump. As amended by plan received on 03 October 2022.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02446/TCA	Location: St Francis College Broadway Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PJ Applicant Name: Ms Hannah Brown St Francis' College Description: Various tree works including removal as per survey	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02539/DOC	Location: Land Adjacent To 4 Ashwell Street Ashwell Hertfordshire SG7 5QF Applicant Name: Derek Mynott Description: Discharge of Condition 8 (External materials) as attached to Planning Application 22/00880/FP granted conditional permission on 29.06.22	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02557/DOC	Location: Land Adjacent To 4 Ashwell Street Ashwell Hertfordshire SG7 5QF Applicant Name: Derek Mynott Description: Discharge of Condition 10 (Construction Traffic Management Plan) as attached to Planning Application 22/01844/S73 granted conditional permission on 29.06.22	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02609/DOC	Location: 87 Back Street Ashwell Hertfordshire SG7 5PG Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Michelle Bannister Description: Discharge of Condition 3 (Joinery details of the new single-glazed window) as attached to Listed Building Consent 22/01127/LBC granted on 06.09.2022	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 11/10/2022

WEST TEAM

Application No: 22/00273/PIP	Location: Land To The South East Of Long Barns Danesbury Park Road Welwyn Hertfordshire AL6 9SH Applicant Name: Mr Eric Pavyer Description: Permission in Principle: Erection of one dwelling.	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/01584/FP	Location: Bancroft Pavilion Bancroft Recreation Ground Bancroft Hitchin Hertfordshire Applicant Name: North Herts District Council North Herts District Council Description: Change of use of wing of Pavilion from storage area to cafe kiosk.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/01826/FPH	Location: Codicote Mill Heath Lane Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8SL Applicant Name: Mr D Wadham Description: Installation of ground mounted solar panel array	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022

WEST TEAM

Application No: 22/02103/FPH	Location: 2 Cedar Avenue Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3XU Applicant Name: Ellis Description: Single storey rear infill extension.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02134/FPH	Location: 74 Pondcroft Road Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6DE Applicant Name: Mrs Bev Willson Description: Part two storey and part single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory. Insertion of rear dormer window to facilitate loft conversion. Front porch extension. Alterations to fenestration including insertion of additional first floor side window (as amended by plans received 07/10/22)	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02140/FPH	Location: 6 Wilshere Crescent Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0PL Applicant Name: Mr & Ms Rhys & Kelly Whitbread & Smith Description: Single storey rear, side and front extensions and front porch canopy. Formation of vehicular crossover onto Wilshere Crescent and provision of 2 car parking spaces as amended by plan received on 03 October 2022.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02184/FPH	Location: Jalna 25a Oxford Road Breachwood Green Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8NP Applicant Name: Mr Dominic Buck Description: Single storey side extension following demolition of existing outbuilding.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 10/10/2022
Application No: 22/02217/FPH	Location: 14a High Street Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3PS Applicant Name: Charlotte Kent (and Joseph Bond) Description: Two storey rear and side extensions following demolition of existing garage. Erection of single storey outbuilding to facilitate 1-bed annexe. Alteration of fenestration.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02232/FPH	Location: Harvest Farm Pirton Road Holwell Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3SS Applicant Name: Mr Leslie Laird Description: Erection of detached double garage including installation of photovoltaic panels on front and rear roofslopes. Installation of photovoltaic panels to rear roofslope of existing garage.	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02250/LDCP	Location: 1 Stevenage Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9DH Applicant Name: Mr Miles Description: Alterations to ground floor windows, doors and rooflights, following removal of part of existing rear extension.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02283/TPO	Location: 17 Beech Way Blackmore End St Albans Hertfordshire AL4 8LY Applicant Name: Mr Martin Sidders Description: T1 Oak - Reduce by approx 2m in height and 2m in width. Remove epicormic growth to approx 4m above ground level. T2 Lime - Reduce by approx 2m in height and 2m in width. Remove epicormic growth to approx 4m above ground level. T3 Oak - Reduce by approximately 2m in height and 2.5m in width. T4 Holly - Reduce by 1.5m in height, trim sides to create compact shape. T5 Horse Chestnut - Reduce by approx 2m in height and 1.5m in width. Remove epicormic growth to approx 4m above ground level. T6 Lime - Reduce by approx 2m in height and 2m in width. Lift to approx 4m above ground level, 5m over roadway. T7 Horse chestnut - Reduce by approx 2m in height and 2m in width. T8 Oak - Reduce by approx 2m in height, reduce width over neighbouring property (southern portion of crown) by approx 3m.	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 06/10/2022

WEST TEAM

Application No: 22/02305/TCA	Location: 1 Red Lion Cottages Barton Road Hexton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3JJ Applicant Name: Mr Patrick Cooper Hexton Manor Farm Description: Douglas fir - Reduce the height clear of wires	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02308/FPH	Location: 16 Bearton Green Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1UG Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs Jas Lidder Description: First floor rear extension and rear dormer window.	Decision: Refused Decision Date: 12/10/2022
Application No: 22/02314/TCA	Location: 18a Verulam Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1QE Applicant Name: Mrs Kate Rowland Description: T1 Ash - lower limb to be removed. T2 Birch - lowest limb to be removed back to the stem. T3 Birch - Canopy lift to approx light level	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02344/FPH	Location: Lulworth Colemans Road Breachwood Green Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8PA Applicant Name: Mr Kevin Burke Description: Open sided front porch and erection of detached double carport.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02357/FPH	Location: 2 Kingswood Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0PB Applicant Name: Mr Tom Herring Description: Single storey rear in-fill extension.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02384/NMA	Location: Hillbrow Church Lane Great Wymondley Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7ES Applicant Name: Mr And Mrs John Davis Description: Amendments to windows from white to dark grey (as Non-Material amendment relating to planning permission 22/00216/FPH granted 28.03.2022)	Decision: Agreed Decision Date: 06/10/2022
Application No: 22/02394/DOC	Location: The Thatched Cottage Lower Green Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3TU Applicant Name: Mike Hewitt Description: Condition 5 - Details and/or samples of materials (as discharge of condition relating to planning permission 22/01600/S73 granted 02.08.2022)	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 11/10/2022
Application No: 22/02411/DOC	Location: The Lodge Elmside Walk Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1HB Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs David and Catherine McIntosh Description: Condition 3-Method statement (as discharge of condition relating to planning permission 22/00879/FPH granted 14.07.2022)	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 06/10/2022

PRESS RELEASE

PR 3714

10 October 2022

Garden Square Multi-Storey Car Park in Letchworth to close early due to anti-social behaviour

From Monday 17 October the Garden Square Multi-Storey Car Park in Letchworth will close at 7pm due to an increase in anti-social behaviour within the car park. The early closure is a temporary measure, supported by the Garden Square Shopping Centre. It is set to continue until Christmas, in the hope that it will break the anti-social behaviour pattern within the car park.

The anti-social behaviour has caused significant criminal damage to council rooms within the car park, as well as an increase in graffiti within the stairwells. The council has also received complaints from businesses and properties around the car park.

The council has surveyed the number of vehicles parking in the car park after 7pm and has found that the number of vehicles parked after 7 is limited, with only 4 to 6 cars still parked at this time.

The car park will close at a later time to accommodate special events or late-night shopping in the town centre in the run up to Christmas. Consideration is also being given to what other measures can be put in place to combat the anti-social behaviour.

The council has placed site notices at the entrance to the car park and on the stair wells to let users of the car park know about the early closure and Season Ticket holders have been notified. Vehicles parked after 6pm will have a notice placed on their windscreen reminding them of the closure.

Cllr Ruth Brown, North Herts Council's Executive Member for Planning and Transport said: "We apologise for any inconvenience the temporary early closure may cause but we have an obligation to ensure that our car parks are safe and not intimidating places. We have

received numerous complaints regarding anti-social and dangerous behaviour, and we need to take action.”

Cllr Ian Mantle, North Herts Council’s Deputy Executive Member for Planning and Transport said: “We will continue to monitor the complaints from adjacent businesses and residents, occurrences of anti-social behaviour and other factors with the aim of re-opening at the earliest safe opportunity.”

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PRESS RELEASE

PR 3715

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Health grants help rural communities and those suffering with their mental health

Three community groups in North Herts have shared £50k from the council's latest round of Health Protection Board funding.

Hertfordshire's Health Protection Board (HPB) was established in June 2020 led by the county's Director of Public Health. Money was made available for local councils to distribute to community and voluntary organisations to ensure they remain viable and sustainable during and after the Covid pandemic.

Citizens Advice North Herts (CANH) – £19,327

CANH were awarded nearly £20k towards a post-Covid rural outreach project which will help them to continue raising awareness of their vital advice service, especially in rural areas of the district. The project will enable them to respond to the local needs in areas that have relatively high levels of vulnerable residents and isolation, for instance by providing group sessions on issues such as energy saving, budget setting and scam awareness.

Catherine Bennett, Community Engagement Manager at Citizens Advice North Herts said: "Over the past couple of years we have increased access to our services for people who work, people with mobility issues or lack of transport, and people with young children etc by providing more remote and digital advice. However, this depends on clients having the skills to use these channels, and having access to broadband and a telephone. Rural residents are most at risk of being excluded from our services as many struggle to travel to one of our offices and can't use our other channels to access us. This grant will enable us to develop, recruit and train a rural community outreach team and help us meet that need."

Howard Garden Social and Day Care Centre – £15,651

This money will partly cover the cost of a Centre Manager post on a 20 hour a week, 12-month fixed-term contract. The day centre has provided essential companionship and support for lonely and older residents of Letchworth and the surrounding area for the last 60 years. This role will

enable them to enhance and expand their current services particularly to those suffering social isolation through the effects of Covid, and/or those living in more rural areas who don't have easy access to these types of services.

PoetsIN – £15,022

This creative mental health charity will use just over £15k to deliver a portfolio of proven programmes, wellbeing workshops and mentoring, to support people with mental health issues living in the district. The majority of funding will go towards helping young people, with a fifth going towards working with older people. Exacerbated by the pandemic and lockdowns, isolation, loneliness, reduced social skills and confidence, anxiety and depression have led to so many people struggling. Their work will help people to re-address their situation, learn new coping skills, relieve depression and anxiety impacted by social isolation and other individual factors.

Councillor Judi Billing, Executive Member for Community Engagement, said: “Rural communities can sometimes be overlooked so it's important to highlight that the majority of this latest round of Health Protection Board funding is going to specifically help those who may feel isolated and find it more difficult to access services that are based in one of our main towns.

“While Citizens Advice North Herts and Howard Garden Social and Day Care Centre are well established service providers, it is great to support a relatively new organisation PoetsIN, which is working to combat the stigma of living with mental health issues and fill the gap for people who unfortunately have to wait for help from the NHS.”

In addition, earlier this year in March, three other groups were allocated funding from the Health Protection Board:

- North Herts Minority Ethnic Forum got £19,975 towards the running costs of their Community Resource Centre.
- Age UK Hertfordshire got £14,300 to cover the costs of staff and overheads to run services that support older, vulnerable people, in order to prevent them from using reserves.
- Resolve got £11,594 towards online and in-person drug and alcohol support, advice, and treatment services.

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PRESS RELEASE

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Communities grow with grants in Southern Rural

Three community groups have been awarded a total of £1,526* following a meeting of the Southern Rural Committee on 29 September.

Kimpton Primary School was granted £657 towards creating a painting station as part of their playground development for key stage 1 (children aged 5-7). As well as a painting wall, the new playground is due to include a climbing/obstacle track, water play area and stage for play acting, all of which aim to improve the children's developmental skills as well as their physical and mental health.

Offley Parish Council was granted £500 towards a new noticeboard for the village as the existing board is old, leaks and is difficult to operate. They have many posters to display promoting local groups and businesses, as well as communicating important dates such as Parish Council meetings and police surgeries.

Breachwood Green Charity Group was granted £369 to support their work, specifically annual insurance for litter picking and hall hire and refreshments for two 'pop up' coffee mornings in October and December. They plan to charge people for the refreshments at the coffee mornings – which aim to encourage social interaction and build community resilience – as a way to fund future events. The group also carries out monthly litter picks with local volunteers to help keep the parish clean – in one year they have grown in number from four to 15 volunteers.

*subject to completion of the necessary formalities

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PRESS RELEASE

PR 3717

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Schools get lessons in democracy

Young people across North Herts are being offered the opportunity to learn about democracy and the workings of local government with visits from local councillors to schools as well an event hosted at North Herts Council Offices.

Nine visits are taking place over the coming weeks to primary and secondary schools. Schools could choose from a specific session or a broader assembly, both of which include a question and answer session with local councillors.

In addition students aged 16 to 18 are being invited to the council chamber on Tuesday 15 November to learn about the electoral process and why they should register to vote, meet with local MP's, councillors and hear from members of North Herts Youth Council.

The events have been organised as a joint celebration of both Local Democracy Week 10-16 October and UK Parliament Week 14-20 November.

Councillor Judi Billing, Executive Member for Community Engagement, who has taken a lead on this and will be running some of the sessions, said: "It's so important for young people to learn about local and national politics and how it affects their everyday lives. Of course councillors won't be campaigning, the sessions are aimed to give an overview of the political system, how democracy works and leadership, and encourage pupils to take part in local democracy opportunities at school and in the wider community in the future."

Schools taking part are Wilshere-Dacre Junior Academy, Kingshott School and William Ransom Primary School in Hitchin, St Thomas More Primary School in Letchworth, Ashwell Primary School, Offley Endowed Primary School and Wymondley JMI.

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Notes to editors

School visits are taking place from 10 Oct to 10 Nov. Schools in Royston were included but Royston Town Council is organising their own visits.

Photos attached of visit to Wilshere-Dacre in Hitchin yesterday (10 Oct). Cllrs I-r Val Bryant, Judi Billing and Ian Albert during the assembly and a voting exercise facilitated by Assistant Community Engagement Officer Danny Pearson.

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