

NORTH HERTS COUNCIL

WEEK ENDING FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2022

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NEWS AND INFORMATION

AGENDA & REPORTS

PUBLISHED WEEK COMMENCING 5 DECEMBER 2022

Extraordinary Full Council – 19 December 2022
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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS WEEK COMMENCING 12 DECEMBER 2022

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CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 12 DECEMBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
	None	

VICE-CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 12 DECEMBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
	None	

OTHER EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 12 DECEMBER 2022

Date	Event	Location
	None	

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, 1st December, 2022 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Val Bryant, Alistair Willoughby and Ian Moody.

2 MINUTES - 20 SEPTEMBER 2022

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 20 September 2022 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 paid tribute to Cllr Judi Billing MBE who passed away on the 24 November and requested Members and members of the public join in a minute's silence in remembrance.
- (2) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded.
- (3) 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.
- (4) The Chair clarified the speaking process for public participants.
- (5) The Chair advised of when comfort breaks would be taken.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair confirmed the registered speakers were in attendance.

6 18/01502/OP Land Between Royston Road And, Cambridge Road, Barkway, Hertfordshire

RESOLVED: That application 18/01502/OP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager, with an amendment to Condition 9 to read:

"Prior to the commencement of development, a development and infrastructure phasing plan is to be submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA which must be agreed with the Local Authority in consultation with Thames Water. This plan is to set out the measures / works required to ensure that the local infrastructure has the capacity to serve the development and to allow the development to be occupied. Where a development and infrastructure phasing plan is agreed no occupation shall take place other than in accordance with the agreed development and infrastructure phasing plan.

Reason: Sewage Treatment Upgrades are likely to be required to accommodate the proposed development. Any upgrade works identified will be necessary in order to avoid sewage flooding and/or potential pollution incidents.”

7 22/00927/FP 20 High Street, Baldock, Hertfordshire, SG7 6AX

RESOLVED: That application 22/00927/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

8 22/01498/FP 20 High Street, Baldock, Hertfordshire, SG7 6AX

RESOLVED: That application 22/01498/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

9 21/02796/FP 59 - 61 Walsworth Road, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 9SX

RESOLVED: That application 22/00170/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the completion of a satisfactory S106 Legal Agreement and the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager, with the following amendments:

- Removal of Condition 21 as detailed in the report.
- Condition 22 and Condition 23 to become Condition 21 and Condition 22 respectively.
- Additional Conditions 23 and 24 to read:

“Condition 23

The development permitted by this planning permission shall be carried out in accordance with the following documents:

- E-mail response dated 23 August 2022 from Nolan Associates
- E-mail response dated 28 October 2022 from Nolan Associates
- Drainage Strategy carried out by Nolan Associates dated March 2022 reference 2021- 087
- CCTV and Connectivity Survey dated 9 May 2022 carried out by Wrc
- Manhole Survey Report dated 27 May 2022 carried out by Wrc

and the following mitigation measures:

1. Provide minimum surface water attenuation volume of 27m³ to ensure no increase in surface water run-off volumes for all rainfall events up to and including the 1 in 100 year + climate change (40%) event.
2. Implement drainage strategy based on a tank and permeable paving for attenuation and treatment at a discharge rate of 2l/s into an existing surface water sewer (final details to be confirmed as part of a post demolition condition).
3. Provide water quality treatment using permeable paving on 10 parking bays where all the impermeable areas including the access road will be directed to the permeable paving for treatment prior to discharge.

Reason To prevent flooding by ensuring the satisfactory storage of/disposal of surface water from the site.

Condition 24

No development shall take place, apart from the demolition of the current building, until the final design of the drainage scheme is completed and is approved by the LPA. The surface water drainage system will be based on the following approved documentation:

- E-mail response dated 23 August 2022 from Nolan Associates
- E-mail response dated 28 October 2022 from Nolan Associates

- Drainage Strategy carried out by Nolan Associates dated March 2022 reference 2021-087
- CCTV and Connectivity Survey dated 9 May 2022 carried out by Wrc
- Manhole Survey Report dated 27 May 2022 carried out by Wrc

The scheme shall also include:

1. Post demolition survey of the existing drainage system to confirm the existing connection into a sewer. Should the survey determine the connection is into an existing combined sewer, the applicant will need to demonstrate that they have considered other options where possible to connect into another surface water sewer.
2. Permission from Anglian Water to connect into their sewer including any required sewer upgrades due to capacity issues at the agreed rate of 2l/s.
3. Detailed engineered drawings of the proposed SuDS features including their location, size, volume, depth and any inlet and outlet features including any connecting pipe runs and all corresponding calculations/modelling to ensure the scheme caters for all rainfall events up to and including the 1 in 100 year + 40% allowance for climate change event.
4. Detailed engineered drawings of the tank and permeable paving parking areas. The drawing should also show proposed levels of how the access road and other hardstanding areas will drain into the permeable paved parking bays.
5. Demonstrate appropriate SuDS management and treatment and inclusion of above ground features such as permeable paving, reducing the requirement for any underground storage.
6. Provision of half drain down times for surface water drainage within 24 hours.
7. Silt traps for protection for any residual tanked elements.

Reason: To prevent flooding by ensuring the satisfactory storage of and disposal of surface water from the site.”

10 22/01990/PNAA 34 Royal Oak Lane, Pirton, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 3QT

RESOLVED: That application 22/01990/PNAA be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth on Wednesday, 7th December, 2022 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Morgan Derbyshire, Sean Nolan and Clare Billing.

Having given due notice Councillor Simon Bloxham substituted for Councillor Morgan Derbyshire and Councillor Chris Hinchliff for Councillor Sean Nolan.

2 MINUTES - 7 SEPTEMBER 2022

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2022 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 welcomed those present at the meeting, especially John Cannon who is now the independent member for FAR.

(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 made a statement concerning the sad death of Councillor Judi Billing MBE and invited attendees to join him in a minute's silence.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

6 EY AUDIT PLANNING FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

RESOLVED: That the Committee notes the report entitled EY Audit Planning for Year End 31 March 2022.

7 SAFS UPDATE ON ANTI-FRAUD PLAN 2022/23

RESOLVED: That the Committee notes the work of Council Officers and the Shared Anti-Fraud Service in delivering the 2022/23 Anti-Fraud Plan

8 SIAS PROGRESS UPDATE 2022/23

DECISION: That the Committee:

(1) Notes the report entitled SIAS Progress Update 2022/23.

(2) Approve the plan amendments to the 2022/23 Annual Internal Audit Plan.

9 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2021/22

RESOLVED: That the Committee reviews and comments on the draft Annual Governance Statement Action Plan for it to be finalised for approval as soon as possible after the Council's External Audit has been completed.

REASON FOR DECISION: The Committee is the legal body with responsibility for approval of the AGS. Reporting the draft AGS and Action Plan at this stage provides an opportunity for the Committee to assess and comment on the draft before it is finalised and brought back for approval after the External Audit has been completed.

10 COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME 2023/24

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: To:

(1) Note that a full review of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme has taken place and that consultation with the public and Major Precepting Authorities has taken place.

(2) Note the aim of the review has been to introduce a new scheme that will:

- enable us to increase the overall level of support for the lowest income households;
- reduce the administrative burden placed on the Council following the introduction of Universal Credit;
- make the scheme easier for our customers to understand and calculate entitlement.

(3) Recommend to Council that a new banded scheme for working age applicants is adopted from 01 April 2023.

(4) Recommend to Council the use of the Council Tax Hardship Grant to fund a discretionary scheme to provide additional transitional support where appropriate and that decisions regarding Discretionary support are delegated to the Service Director Customers in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance and IT.

(5) Note that the new scheme may increase the costs from those of the current scheme, any increase will be split between the Council and its Major Precepting Authorities. The Council's share is expected to be around 12.5%.

REASON FOR DECISIONS: To ensure that the Council has a fit for purpose Council Tax Reduction Scheme that:

- Provides the greatest support to the lowest income households;
- Reduces the administrative burden that has been placed on the Council since the introduction of Universal Credit (UC);
- Is simple to understand, meaning that customers will be able to calculate entitlement and assess the impact of potential changes in circumstances.

11 ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE CONTRACT PROCUREMENT RULES

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: That Council considers the proposed changes and recommends their adoption to Full Council.

REASON FOR DECISION: The Contract Procurement Rules (CPR's) are part of the Constitution (under Section 20) and must be regularly reviewed and updated as part of the Council's governance and procurement review processes, contributing to the Council's system of effective internal control.

12 HALF YEARLY UPDATE ON RISK MANAGEMENT

DECISIONS: That the Committee:

- (1) Notes and provides recommendations to Cabinet on the Half Yearly Risk Management update;
- (2) Notes and provides recommendations to Cabinet on the review of the Risk Management Framework;
- (3) Comments on the type of Risk Management Training they would like to see going forward.

REASON FOR DECISIONS:

- (1) The responsibility for ensuring the management of risks is that of Cabinet;
- (2) This Committee has responsibility to monitor the effective development and operation of Risk Management.

13 SECOND QUARTER REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2022/23

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: That Cabinet:

- (1) Note this report;
- (2) Approves the changes to the 2022/23 General Fund budget, as identified in table 3 and paragraph 8.2, a £270k decrease in net expenditure;
- (3) Notes the changes to the 2023/24 General Fund budget, as identified in table 3 and paragraph 8.2, a total of £69k increase in net expenditure. These will be incorporated in the draft revenue budget for 2023/24.

REASONS FOR DECISIONS: Members are able to monitor, make adjustments within the overall budgetary framework and request appropriate action of Services who do not meet the budget targets set as part of the Corporate Business Planning process.

14 SECOND QUARTER INVESTMENT STRATEGY (CAPITAL AND TREASURY) REVIEW 2022/23

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: That Cabinet:

- (1) Note the forecast expenditure of £9.815M in 2022/23 on the capital programme, paragraph 8.3 refers.
- (2) Approves the adjustments to the capital programme for 2022/23 onwards, as a result of the revised timetable of schemes detailed in table 2 and 3, increasing the estimated spend in 2023/24 by £0.861M and £2.0M in 2024/25
- (3) Notes the position of the availability of capital resources, as detailed in table 4 paragraph 8.6 and the requirement to keep the capital programme under review for affordability.

(4) Recommends to Council that it notes the position of Treasury Management activity as at the end of September 2022.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

(1) Cabinet is required to approve adjustments to the capital programme and ensure the capital programme is fully funded.

(2) To ensure the Council's continued compliance with CIPFA's code of practice on Treasury Management and the Local Government Act 2003 and that the Council manages its exposure to interest and capital risk.

15 DRAFT BUDGET 2023/24

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: That Cabinet:

(1) Note the latest funding forecasts for 2023/24 onwards and the significant uncertainty that still remains;

(2) Confirms that it is necessary to increase Council Tax by 3% (the maximum amount now allowed without a local referendum) as this is what will be assumed by Government in determining the Business Rates that the Council can retain;

(3) Confirms that the Council should be a part of the Business Rate pool in 2023/24, but delegated to the Service Director: Resources, in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance and IT, authority to withdraw from the pooling arrangement if there are significant changes that would make it likely that the Council would suffer a financial loss from pooling;

(4) Notes the comments made at the budget workshops, and comment on the inclusion of the revenue savings and investments in the budget to be brought back for consideration in January, for referral on to Council in February;

(5) Notes the comments made at the budget workshops, and comment on the inclusion of the capital investments in the Investment Strategy to be brought back for consideration in January, for referral on to Council in February.

REASON FOR DECISIONS: To ensure that all relevant factors are considered in arriving at a proposed budget, Investment Strategy and Council Tax level for 2023/24, to be considered by Full Council on 23 February 2022.

16 POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Chair requested that, should any Members have any suggestions for agenda items for future meetings, they advise himself, officers or the Committee Clerk.

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Hitchin Committee held in the Hitchin Town Hall, Brand Street, Hitchin, SG5 1JE
on Thursday, 8th December, 2022 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Val Bryant, Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg, Kay Tart and Raj Bhakar.

2 MINUTES - 11 OCTOBER 2022

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 11 October 2022 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

Audio recording –

- (1) The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those who had attended the Town Talk and those in attendance to give a presentation.
- (2) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded.
- (3) 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.
- (4) The Chair advised that the Churchgate consultation was now live and encouraged attendees to complete the questionnaire.

5 HITCHIN BID MANAGER

Mr Tom Hardy, Hitchin BID Manager, provided a verbal presentation regarding the issues and activities in Hitchin.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A verbal presentation was provided from the following people in support of their grant applications:

- Hannah Lane – National Childbirth Trust
- Kava Johnson – The North Herts African and Caribbean Community
- Kate Adams and Dani Lister – Samaritans of North Herts and Stevenage

RESOLVED: That the Committee allocated:

- (1) £920 to NCT (National Childbirth Trust) North Herts towards funding for their breastfeeding and postnatal support group as outlined in 8.1.1-8.1.8 of the officer's report.

- (2) £1,424 to The North Herts African and Caribbean Community towards funding to provide a year of free and some subsidised events and activities for the whole community to attend and learn about African and Caribbean History and Culture as outlined in 8.1.9-8.1.15 of the officer's report.
- (3) £1,200 to Samaritans of North Herts and Stevenage towards funding for their Samaritans National Walk 2023 as outlined in 8.1.16-8.1.20 of the officer's report.

REASON FOR DECISIONS: The awarding of financial assistance to voluntary organisations and the use of discretionary spending allows the Committee to further the aims of the Council Plan.

7 AIR QUALITY UPDATE

A verbal update was provided by the Environmental Health Manager regarding Air Quality in Hitchin.

8 INFORMATION NOTE - CHURCHGATE SHOPPING CENTRE UPDATE

The Chair led an update on Churchgate Shopping Centre and the ongoing consultation which was the subject of the Town Talk which preceded the meeting.

9 GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

RESOLVED: That the Committee endorsed the actions taken by the Community Engagement team to promote greater community capacity and well-being for Hitchin.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

- (1) To ensure the Members are kept informed of the work of the Community Engagement Team.
- (2) This report is intended to inform Members of the financial resources available to the Committee. It draws attention to the current budgetary situation by assisting in the effective financial management of the Area Committee's budget. This ensures that all actions are performed in line with the Authority's Financial Regulations, the Council's Constitution, and the guidance of the Grants Policy as agreed by Cabinet in July 2021.

10 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

There were no updates from Members on Ward Matter or Outside Organisations.

11 POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Chair suggested that an update on Charnwood House would be provided at the next meeting of the Committee.

The Chair requested that any further suggested items for future meetings be made to the Committee Services Team.

RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

*PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted [*if applicable*]

SERVICE DIRECTORATE: PLACE

1. **DECISION TAKEN**

To award Conamar Building Services Limited the construction contract to convert the dry side changing rooms, accessible toilet, and two squash courts into a soft play area at North Herts Leisure Centre in accordance with the Scape Procure Regional Construction Framework.

2. **DECISION TAKER**

Sarah Kingsley Service Director - Place

3. **DATE DECISION TAKEN:**

Monday 5 December 2022

4. **REASON FOR DECISION**

At a Cabinet meeting on the 13 September and Full Council on 22 September 2022 a proposal to convert the dry side changing rooms (utilised by sports hall users), accessible toilet, and two squash courts into a soft play area at NHLC was discussed and agreed. The following minute details the resolutions;

RESOLVED: *That Cabinet considered and agreed the soft play investment proposal.*

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

- (1) *That Council makes the addition of £150k to the Capital programme in 2022/23.*
- (2) *That Council moves the existing capital allocation of £100k in 2023/24 for refurbishment of the dry-side changing rooms to 2022/ 23 and reallocate it to the soft play project.*

REASONS FOR DECISIONS:

- (1) *Introducing a soft play facility at North Herts Leisure Centre will enhance the range of leisure facilities on offer and provide a dedicated play space for families with toddlers and young children within the local area.*
- (2) *The new facility will generate additional revenue for the site, aiding the financial recovery of leisure post covid and providing an attractive additional facility for bidders when the new leisure contract is procured in 2024.*

8C. REFERRAL FROM CABINET: 13 SEPTEMBER 2022 – SOFT PLAY INVESTMENT AT NORTH HERTS LEISURE CENTRE

RESOLVED:

(1) That Council makes the addition of £150k to the Capital programme in 2022/23.

(2) That Council moves the existing capital allocation of £100k in 2023/24 for refurbishment of the dry-side changing rooms to 2022/23 and reallocate it to the soft play project.

REASONS FOR DECISIONS:

(1) Introducing a soft play facility at North Herts Leisure Centre will enhance the range of leisure facilities on offer and provide a dedicated play space for families with toddlers and young children within the local area.

(2) The new facility will generate additional revenue for the site, aiding the financial recovery of leisure post covid and providing an attractive additional facility for bidders when the new leisure contract is procured in 2024.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None considered.

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

Officers have consulted with the Executive Member – Environment and Leisure, Deputy Executive Member for Environment and Leisure and Stevenage Leisure Limited.

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 18 July 2022.

8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1 The Council are calling off from the Scape Procure Regional Construction Framework of which North Hertfordshire District Council is a member. The value of the project falls within the remit of Conamar Building Services Limited.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1. North Hertfordshire District Council accessed the Scape Procure Regional Construction Framework on 26 July 2016. The Access Agreement roles over on a 12 monthly cycle and allows the Council to procure works and services covered by the Framework and to Call-Off in line with the same, subject to renewal of the Framework Agreement in accordance with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015.
- 9.2. The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 (No. 2095) require officers undertaking non-executive decisions to record (amongst other things) an award of a contract that materially affects the Council's position in a written delegated decision. At North Hertfordshire District Council, this is any award of a contract or financial decision, that is or is likely to be above £50,000. This contract

award is above £50K and therefore has to be confirmed and approved by the relevant officer taking the decision.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1. There are no revenue implications.
- 10.2. A project budget of £250,000 is included in the 2022/23 Capital Programme.
- 10.3. The value of the works contract to be carried out by Conamar is £281k. This is £31k over budget but within the tolerance limit for capital projects as stated in the Authority's Financial Regulations. The project's budget will be amended in the second quarter Investment Strategy report to reflect the increase in spend.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 Delays and complications are always a risk with contracts for works given that some issues can only be discovered by intrusive inspection after commencement of the works.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 12.1 N/A

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

- 13.1 Scape Procure are procurement specialist, dedicated to creating efficiency and social value via the built environment. Objectives are set for delivery (in procurement or for delivery of programmes and projects) to establish a common standard of outcomes, and to ensure social value outcomes feature in every service offered by Scape Procure.
- 13.2 The Scape Procure Regional Construction Framework has the following social value targets set which supports the local economy :
 - 20% of the project budget to be spent within 10 miles of the site;
 - 40% within 20 miles of site and;
 - 75% within 40 miles.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

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

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 15.1 N/A

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 16.1 N/A

17. APPENDICES

- 17.1 N/A

NOTIFICATION DATE

Friday 9 December 2022

Signature of Executive Member Consulted.....



Date Monday 5 December 2022

Signature of Decision Taker

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. King' or similar, written in a cursive style.

Please Note: that *unless urgency provisions apply* EXECUTIVE decisions cannot be implemented until 5 clear working days have elapsed after the decision has been taken to allow for scrutiny call-in.

Call-in does not apply to NON-EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

EAST TEAM

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

22/02867/LBC	Mr David Short 59 High Street, Ashwell, Baldock, Hertfordshire, SG7 5NP	59 High Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NP Mr David Short Replace rotten sill beam on left front wall
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22/03093/FPH	Moss Property Development Mrs Amy Moss 42 Silver Street, Ashwell, SG7 5QH	8 Swan Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NX See below Apply external wall insulation and replace render to west elevation, cavity wall insulation to north elevation. Replace existing doors. Replace existing timber and Upvc windows with wood-grain effect Upvc windows.
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22/03094/FP	Strutt & Parker Mr Sav Patel 66 - 68 Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 1LA	Land Between Huntsridge And Ashwell House 5 High Street Ashwell Hertfordshire Mr Oscar Briggs Erection of 14 dwellings including creation of access from Ashwell Street, footpath link to Lucas Lane, associated infrastructure, public open space and landscaping
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Baldock

22/03126/TCA	Ms Faye Streeter 20 Norton Crescent, Baldock, Herts, SG7 5BE	Methodist Church Whitehorse Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6QB Ms Faye Streeter T1 Acacia - Reduce crown and thin by 1/3. T2 Yew - Reduce crown by 20%. T3 Chinese dogwood - Re-shape and crown reduce to balance.
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Barley Parish Council

22/03124/TCA	Simon Cordell Ickniel Way Cottage, High Street, Barley, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 8JA	Ickniel Way Cottage High Street Barley Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8JA Simon Cordell Walnut - Reduce crown by approx 15%
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Letchworth Garden City

22/03011/FPH	The Architectural Designer Studio Mrs Rose Gomes 40 Hollow Lane, RAMSEY, PE26 1DE	68 Redhoods Way West Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4DD	Miss and Mr Sharona and Stephen Rowe & Waller
			Single storey side and rear wrap-around extension, insertion of rooflight to existing rear dormer, enlargement of driveway and rendering of exterior following demolition of existing side extension.
22/03019/FP	Conamar Building Services Ltd Mr Ian Lawrence 29-31 Orchard Road, Stevenage, SG1 3HE, United Kingdom	North Hertfordshire Leisure Centre Baldock Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 2ER	Louise Randall
			Change of use of existing squash courts 1 and 2 on first floor to a soft play area and existing squash courts 1 and 2 and the studio on ground floor to soft play area, changing entrance to soft play area with associated toilets and refreshment area to replace existing staff room and changing areas, installation of first floor window and canopy to south east elevation and the construction of a new public entrance.
22/03033/FPH	Araco Design Studio Architects Ltd Mr A Robbins 9 Camp View Road, St Albans, AL1 5LN	20 Sollershott West Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PX	Mr & Mrs Hammond
			Infill extension to existing front elevation bay window, reposition the existing entrance and create front elevation porch, and part single, part two storey rear extension.
22/03043/LBC	Ms Jackie Hare 24 Sollershott Hall , Sollershott East, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 3PN	24 Sollershott Hall Sollershott East, Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PN	Ms Jackie Hare
			Replacement rear part-glazed, timber door to match existing door
22/03063/FPH	Plans To Expand Mr Geoffrey Phillips 97 Mildmay Road, Stevenage, SG1 5RS	31 Hawthorn Hill Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4HF	Mrs Erika Carroll
			Replace existing flat roof window over rear kitchen extension with a larger flat roof window and insertion of ground floor side elevation window following removal of side elevation roof light tube.

22/03074/FPH	D.Chandler Architectural Design Ltd. Mr Daniel Chandler 61 Gernon Road, Letchworth, SG6 3HS, United Kingdom	13 Chaomans Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3UB	Mr & Mrs Osbourn Two storey front extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear extension.
22/03109/TCA	Mr Dudley Jooste Manor Farm, Roxley Court Lane, Willian, Letchworth, SG6 2AH, United Kingdom	Le Jardin Station Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire	Mr Dudley Jooste 2 x Maple - Remove to ground level and the other reduced by 40%.
22/03120/FPH	D.Chandler Architectural Design Ltd. Mr Daniel Chandler 61 Gernon Road, Letchworth, SG6 3HS, United Kingdom	41 Cashio Lane Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1AY	Mr Ben Hue Single storey side and rear extensions and erection of single storey detached outbuilding for use as a home office following demolition of existing garage and conservatory. Replace existing boundary fence.
22/03122/FPH	Home Extension Team Miss Georgia Hayes 4 Brand Street, Hitchin, SG5 1HX, United Kingdom	18 Lytton Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3HT	Mr Mamdani Single storey side and rear extension following demolition of existing single storey rear extension.
22/03130/S73	A+L Architecture Studio Mrs L Shah 5 Poplar Close, Hitchin, SG4 9LZ	52 Sparhawke Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4PX	Mr & Mrs Ahsan Ghalib Ahmed & Afrin Ahmed Variation to condition 2 (The development hereby permitted shall be carried out wholly in accordance with the details specified in the application and supporting approved documents and plans listed above) of planning permission ref 22/02294/FPH granted on 06.10.2022 for part single storey part two storey rear extension. Conditions(s) Removal: Condition 2 to remove reference to drawings 52S-FP203 Rev 00, 52S-FP211 Rev 02, 52S-FP213 Rev 01; and instead make reference to drawings 52S-FP203 Rev 02, 52S-FP211 Rev 03, 52S-FP213 Rev 02.

22/03145/TCA	Mr Simon Pridmore A1 Tree Specialists 5A The Hollies, Wrayfields, Stotfold, Hertfordshire SG5 4NR	504 Broadway Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PT	Mrs Sharon Chahal T1 Cherry - Lift crown to approx 5m. T2 Lime - Clear stem of epicormic growth to crown break. T3 Walnut - Shorten heavy branch by approx 4m.
22/03146/TCA	Mr Mark Thurley The Arborist 7 Crossways Close, Henlow, Bedfordshire, SG16 6BE, United Kingdom	64 Common View Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1DA	Valerie Mumford T1 Acacia - 33% Crown Reduction and Light Thinning. T2 Rowan - Crown Reduction by approx 33-40% (6-7ft or 2m approx) re-shape and balance.
Nuthampstead			
22/03083/FPH	Brighter Planning Ltd Mrs Charmain Hawkins Lewis House, Great Chesterford Court, Great Chesterford, CB10 1PF, United Kingdom	Bury Cottage Bury End Nuthampstead Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8NQ	Mr & Ms Mark & Emma Doughty & Hedderson Remove No.1 existing ground floor south elevation window and replace the other with an entrance door, infill north elevation eaves window, replace existing west elevation single ground floor window and door with French doors and replace existing external cladding following removal of boiler flue to existing roofslope.
Royston Town Council			
22/03031/FPH	Whymark Moulton Ltd Mr Barry Whymark 14 Cornard Road, Sudbury, CO10 2XA, United Kingdom	Edgely Grange Bottom Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9UQ	Mr P Kenyon Single storey side extensions to east and west elevations, installation of solar panels to existing front elevation roofslope, erection of front elevation detached garage and alterations to extend the existing vehicular access.
22/03041/FPH	Graham Stewart Architect Mr Graham Stewart 25 Greenshields Road, Bedford, Bedfordshire, MK40 3TS, United Kingdom	19 Ascot Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9JD	Mr and Mrs Stuart Bennett Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear extension and conservatory. Erect rear garden retaining wall.

22/03056/FPH	PNA Mr Paul Symonds 8 Maltings Close, Royston, SG8 5BZ	57 Melbourn Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7DF	Mr Matthew Simpson	Raise existing roof ridge height and add new roof, part single storey, part two storey rear extension, first floor front extension over existing play room, two storey side extension and erect detached garage following demolition of existing rear conservatory and single storey side elevation store.
22/03086/FPH	Wilson MacGarry Architects Mr Sean MacGarry 11 Church Street, Thriplow, Royston, SG8 7RE	11 Royse Grove Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9EP	Mrs Jo Humphrey	Two storey rear extension and insertion of bay window to first floor side elevation following demolition of existing rear conservatory.
22/03101/FPH	Graham Handley Architects Ltd. Mr Gavin Berriman The Mill, Free Church Passage, St Ives, PE27 5AY	8 Newmarket Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7DY	Mr S Patel	Erection of canopy to front elevation, part single storey, part two storey rear extension, replace existing pitched roof with a flat roof and raise the roof ridge height to include insertion of a rear dormer window with obscured glazed door to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation (as a re-submission of planning permission 22/01859/FPH, withdrawn).
22/03106/LDCP	PNA Mr Paul Symonds 8 Maltings Close, Royston, SG8 5BZ	57 Melbourn Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7DF	Mr Matthew Simpson	Erect single storey detached outbuilding and open air swimming pool.
22/03121/FPH	Mike Easton Mr Michael Easton 21 Shrubbery Grove, Royston, SG8 9LJ, United Kingdom	8 Fieldfare Way Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7XR	Mr Paul Abu-Rabie	Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory

22/03134/TPO	Mr James Cantle Shire tree limited 1A Trigg Way, Melbourn, Royston, SG8 6HX	8 The Green Royston Hertfordshire SG8 7AD
		Barry Bourner
		T1 Cherry - Crown reduce height by 1m and sides by 2m. T2 Yew - Reduce height by 4m and trim sides. T3 Walnut - Crown reduce canopy by 2m. T4 Robinia - Clear phone line by 5m. T5 Purple plum - Fell to ground level.
22/03147/TCA	Mr Daniel Harvey 49, Upper King Street, Royston, SG8 9AZ	49 Upper King Street Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9AZ
		Mr Daniel Harvey
		Mulberry - Prune by around 25% and reduce dead branches.

Rushden And Wallington Parish Council

22/03154/TCA	Mr James Cantle Shire tree limited 1A Trigg Way, Melbourn, Royston, SG8 6HX	Church Farm House Bennetts Lane Rushden Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0SQ
		Paul Cranwell
		T1 Ash - Crown lift 6m from floor level. G1 Sycamore and Chestnut (forming same canopy) Crown reduce by 50%. T2 Horse Chestnut - Crown reduce by 4m. T3 Maple - Crown reduce by 3m. T4 Sycamore - Crown lift to 6m from ground level. T5 Cherry - Crown reduce by 2m

Sandon Parish Council

22/03099/FP	Cannon Consulting Mrs Fiona Cannon Hyde Hall Farm, Sandon, Buntingford, SG9 0RU, United Kingdom	Hyde Hall Farm Sandon Lane Sandon Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0RU
		Mr Ben Cannon
		Partial change of use of Grade II listed brick barn to create office space (B1a use) with internal and external alterations including re-roofing in clay tiles, opening up and glazing existing ventilation slits and windows, installation of glazed doors and erection of access ramp and steps
22/03100/LBC	Cannon Consulting Mrs Fiona Cannon Hyde Hall Farm, Sandon, Buntingford, SG9 0RU, United Kingdom	Hyde Hall Farm Sandon Lane Sandon Buntingford Hertfordshire SG9 0RU
		Mr Ben Cannon
		Partial change of use of Grade II listed brick barn to create office space (B1a use) with internal and external alterations including re-roofing in clay tiles, opening up and glazing existing ventilation slits and windows, installation of glazed doors and erection of access ramp and steps

Therfield Parish Council

22/03112/TCA	Mr Simon Kingsley 9 Bell Piece, Sutton Benger, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 4SL, United Kingdom	Tussocks The Causeway Therfield Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9PP Mr Simon Kingsley Willow - Remove
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WEST TEAM

Application No.	Applicant/Agent Address	Location Address, Applicant Name & Proposal
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Hitchin

22/02827/LDCE	Penningtons Manches Cooper LLP Jack Oxford Matrix House, Basingstoke, RG21 4DZ	45 Walsworth Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9SU Gary Wood Retention of four self-contained flats
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22/03040/FP	Simply Planning Mrs Holly Mitchell 8/9 Stephen Mews, Gresse Street, London, W1T 1AF	Land East Of Bedford Road Hitchin Hertfordshire Mr Will Naalchigar Residential development comprising of 53 dwellings together with the creation of vehicular access off Bedford Road and associated parking and landscaping. Informative ??? The scheme proposes 53 new residential units (including 40% affordable homes), comprising the following mix: 14x1-bed, 19x2-bed, 11x3-bed and 9x4-bed
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22/03044/S73	Mr Alan Middleditch Lucas Lane, Hitchin, Hitchin, SG5 2JA, United Kingdom	Hitchin Cricket Ground Lucas Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2JA Mr Alan Middleditch Variation of Condition 25 of Development B of planning permission 15/00192/1 granted 22.03.2016 - Extension of hours of All-Weather Pitch to Monday to Thursday 09.00 - 22.00; Friday 09.00 - 22.00; Saturday 09.00 - 18.30; Sundays 09.00 - 18.00; and Bank Holidays 10.00 - 18.00
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22/03057/FPH	Michael Collins Architect LLP Mr Michael Collins Suite 4a, 30 Bancroft, Hitchin, SG5 1LE	26 The Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RJ	Ms Valerie Walsh	Erection of front boundary wall together with automated iron gates and gated pedestrian entrance following demolition of the existing front garden boundary wall. Creation of vehicular access
22/03067/FPH	Home Extension Team Miss Georgia Hayes 4 Brand Street, Hitchin, SG5 1HX, United Kingdom	Mill House Purwell Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0NF	Lavin	Single storey side extension following demolition of existing WC.
22/03068/LBC	Home Extension Team Miss Georgia Hayes 4 Brand Street, Hitchin, SG5 1HX, United Kingdom	Mill House Purwell Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0NF	Lavin	Single storey side extension following demolition of existing WC and replacement door on North elevation
22/03076/FPH	Aubrey Technical Services Ltd Mr Raymond Crosby The Loft, 61A Belswains Lane, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 9PP, United Kingdom	2 Green Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0BU	Mr Amir Hossein Akbari	Addition of a first floor to the existing bungalow and part two storey and part single storey rear extension and provision of an additional car parking space
22/03095/FPH	Home Extension Designs Mr Stuart Cook HED House, 60A Bridge Road East, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 1JU, United Kingdom	48 Whitehill Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9HP	Mr & Mrs M Coulesey	Pitched roof over existing garage and insertion of front ground floor window following removal of garage doors to facilitate garage conversion to study/utility. Alterations to fenestration on side elevation
22/03107/FPH	JPT Design Consultants Ltd. Mr Jason Tyers The Studio, 23 Halifax Road, Upper Cambourne, CB23 6AX	Valkyries Oaks Close Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9BN	Mr & Mrs Holdstock	Insertion of dormers to existing front and rear elevation roofslopes to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation and erection of sliding access and pedestrian gates to the front access.

Holwell Parish Council

22/02985/PNQ	Roebuck Land And Planning Ltd Stacey Rawlings 3 High Street, Stoke Goldington, MK16 8NP	Mrs Lordship Farm Pirton Road Holwell Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3SS
		Ms Flint
		Conversion of existing agricultural barn to provide 2x four-bedroom dwellings with all associated building works.

Ickleford Parish Council

22/03105/S73	BBR Design Mr Ryan Albone BBR Design, 7 Paynes Park, Hitchin, SG51EH, United Kingdom	Land At Turnpike Lane And Adjacent To 4 Manor Close Turnpike Lane Ickleford Hertfordshire
		Mr Saunders
		Variation of condition 2 (submission of amended plans 22163_PL03B, 22163_PL12B and 22163_PL13B relating to Plot 5 - single attached garage) of planning permission 22/01448/FP granted 17/10/2022 for erection of five dwelling houses in association with a new access spur from the Lodge Court, on-site parking, landscaping (inclusive of new trees), formation of a pedestrian footpath and designated communal open space.

Kimpton Parish Council

22/03102/TCA	Shaun Morris High Elms Tree Surgery Ltd Horsa Hut, Cheverells Green, Markyate, AL3 8AB, United Kingdom	4 Church Lane Kimpton Hertfordshire SG4 8RP
		Mr Paul Randall
		Magnolia - Reduce Crown by 1m all over.

Pirton Parish Council

22/03021/FPH	Mrs Charlotte Fausset Mrs Charlotte Fausset 41 Bunyan Close, Pirton, Herts, SG5 3RE	13 Royal Oak Lane Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QT
		Mr Tom Gammell
		Erection of green house in rear garden.

St Ippolytts Parish Council

22/03048/FPH	AAC Design Mr Pete Carr 28 Lower Road, Breachwood Green, SG4 8NS, United Kingdom	83 Waterdell Lane St Ippolyts Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7RA
		Mr Ryan Butler
		Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing outbuilding, and alterations to openings

22/03054/LBC	Mr Colin Eades Mr Colin Eades Rose Cottage, High Street, Gosmore, HITCHIN, SG4 7QQ	Brookend Farm House Stevenage Road St Ippolyts Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7NU	Mr David Chapman	Replace 22no. single-glazed timber windows with 14mm double-glazed timber windows on three elevations
22/03062/FP	A.T. Design (Welwyn) Ltd Mr Adam Trigg 30C High Street, Welwyn, AL6 9EQ	28 London Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7NG	Mr Frank Girgenti	Erection of one detached 4-bed dwelling following demolition of existing bungalow (as a variation of planning permission 22/01251/FP granted 08.08.2022)

(Including Withdrawn decisions)

EAST TEAM

Application No: 22/00927/FP	Location: 20 High Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AX Applicant Name: Mr Sabahipour Description: Temporary change of use for three years of ground floor hotel restaurant to residential sheltered housing accommodation to provide 10 en-suite rooms and ancillary facilities, with internal and external alterations.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/01348/FP	Location: 120 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PT Applicant Name: Mr Nicola Bianco Description: Single storey rear extension (as amended by drawing no.120RRL Rev C received on 28/09/2022)	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/01349/LBC	Location: 120 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PT Applicant Name: Mr Nicola Bianco Description: Single storey rear extension. Replacement 2no. first floor windows on rear elevation and internal alterations (as amended by drawing no.120RRL Rev C received on 28/09/2022).	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/01498/FP	Location: 20 High Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AX Applicant Name: Mr Sabahipour Description: Retention of change of use of first and second floors to residential sheltered housing accommodation to provide 19 en-suite rooms and one office for a temporary period of three years.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/01562/LBC	Location: Orchard Side Smiths End Lane Barley Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8LH Applicant Name: Mr David Flanders Description: Replace 5no. existing single-glazed, timber windows (2no. first floor and 3no. ground floor) with single-glazed units copying the glazing bar section from window WG 01 (as amended by drawing no. 01 Rev A received on 05/12/2022).	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 06/12/2022
Application No: 22/02228/LBC	Location: Woodvine Cottage Damask Green Road Weston Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7DE Applicant Name: Mr Steve Brame Description: Take down and rebuild rear chimney stack	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02555/FP	Location: 8 Chilvers Bank Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6HR Applicant Name: Mrs Katie Giddens Description: Single storey rear extension	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/02636/LBC	Location: 19 High Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AZ Applicant Name: Chris Drew Amber Osteopathy Ltd / Amber Health Description: Internal alteration to remove partition wall to enlarge an existing clinic room and associated services	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02757/TPO	Location: 46 Walnut Avenue Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6BU Applicant Name: Mr Daniel Wootton Description: T001 Ash - Remove deadwood, reduce limb at 9m and open cavities by approx 2.5m	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 07/12/2022

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Application No: 22/02784/FPH	Location: 31 North Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1DH Applicant Name: Mr B Walker Description: Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing detached garage (as amended by plan received on 01 December 2022).	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/12/2022
Application No: 22/02789/FPH	Location: Slate Hall Rooks Nest Lane Therfield Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9RB Applicant Name: Mr & Mrs J & A Sapsed Description: Single storey rear extension	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/12/2022
Application No: 22/02805/LDCP	Location: 5 The Dale Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3SG Applicant Name: Mr N Awan Description: Replace existing detached front elevation garage door and roof, replace existing rear elevation window and replace existing window and entrance door to side elevation to facilitate conversion of garage into habitable accommodation.	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02812/TCA	Location: 69 High Street Ashwell Hertfordshire SG7 5NP Applicant Name: Mr Ewan Habben Hbn Trees Description: Ash - Reduce 1 branch back behind fence line to suitable growth point by approx 3m	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02815/TCA	Location: Old Hall Court 1 Horn Hill Whitwell Hertfordshire Applicant Name: James Penfold Old Hall Court (Whitwell) Ltd Description: 3x Hornbeam - Reduce approx as previously (2-3ft) on embankment at front of property	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02816/FPH	Location: 122 West View Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3QJ Applicant Name: Mr David Christon Description: Single storey rear extension and replace ground floor kitchen windows.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 06/12/2022
Application No: 22/02895/LDCP	Location: 34 Firecrest Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 4YF Applicant Name: Mr & Ms Bunker & Brookes Description: Single storey rear extension	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02975/DOC	Location: Fox Cottage Newsells Village Road Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8DE Applicant Name: Mrs Alison Martin Description: Discharge of Condition 2 (clay tiles to make up the shortfall) as attached to Listed Building Consent 21/02481/LBC granted on 19.10.2021	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02980/TCA	Location: 82 Broadway Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PH Applicant Name: Painter APA Contract Services Ltd t/a Arborcare Description: T1 Oak - Reduce by 30% and shape	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02989/DOC	Location: Fox Cottage Newsells Village Road Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8DE Applicant Name: Mrs Alison Martin Description: Discharge of Condition 3 (oak roof frame members) as attached to Listed Building Consent 21/02481/LBC granted on 19.10.2021	Decision: Approval of Details Decision Date: 02/12/2022

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Application No: 22/02996/TCA	Location: 9 Sollershott West Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PU Applicant Name: Mrs Helen Paffard Description: T1 Silver birch - Fell to ground level	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 06/12/2022
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WEST TEAM

Application No: 21/02796/FP	Location: 59 - 61 Walsworth Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9SX Applicant Name: .. Able Comm Limited Description: Erection of mixed use building comprising of 330sq.m commercial floor space at ground floor with 10 no. residential apartments at first and second floor levels (4 x 2-bed and 6 x 1-bed) including vehicular access, drainage, car parking, cycle and bin storage, hard and soft landscaping, boundary treatments and associated works following demolition of existing commercial buildings.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
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Application No: 21/021220/FP	Location: Mansells Farm Hitchin Road Codicote Hertfordshire SG4 8TJ Applicant Name: Mr C Unwin Description: Extension and alteration of existing redundant stable block to facilitate its conversion to use as offices (Use Class E g, i). External alterations to existing agricultural barn including replacement and new external cladding and brickwork, replacement corrugated roof with rooflights, new and replacement doors, and new external concrete ramp with metal balustrade.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 01/12/2022
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Application No: 22/01914/FPH	Location: Kiln Wood Cottage School Lane Preston Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7SA Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs Mike and Susan Kellard Description: Erection of detached double garage barn	Decision: Withdrawn Decision Date: 01/12/2022
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Application No: 22/01915/LBC	Location: Kiln Wood Cottage School Lane Preston Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7SA Applicant Name: Mr and Mrs Mike and Susan Kellard Description: Erection of detached double garage barn	Decision: Withdrawn Decision Date: 01/12/2022
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Application No: 22/01990/PNAA	Location: 34 Royal Oak Lane Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QT Applicant Name: Mr And Mrs Weatherall Morris Description: Enlargement of detached bungalow by the construction of an additional storey to result in an overall height of 8.48 metres (overall height reduced from 9.48 metres as amended by plan received 07/09/22)	Decision: Prior Approval Given Decision Date: 05/12/2022
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Application No: 22/02131/FP	Location: The Three Moorhens Hitchin Hill Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AJ Applicant Name: Mr Neal Barclay Greene King Description: Erection of two pergolas. Entrance feature archway and amendments to external flooring, lighting and reforming of steps between seating areas. Reposition 3x disabled parking spaces.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 01/12/2022
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Application No: 22/02132/LBC	Location: The Three Moorhens Hitchin Hill Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AJ Applicant Name: Mr Neal Barclay Greene King Description: New signage fixed to listed building (Items 02, 03, 04, 05 and 09 in document ref: 168133 Rev C).	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 01/12/2022
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Application No: 22/02519/FPH	Location: 22 West Hill Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2HZ Applicant Name: Mr M Wearne Description: Insertion of rear dormer window and two rooflights to front roofslope to facilitate loft conversion. Insertion of two storey rear bay window following removal of existing ground floor bay window.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
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WEST TEAM

Application No: 22/02650/LDCP	Location: 39 Gainsford Crescent Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0QG Applicant Name: Mr Matt Eyo - Tonks Description: Erection of outbuilding to rear garden	Decision: Granted Permission Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02659/FPH	Location: 7 St Marys Rise Breachwood Green Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8PN Applicant Name: Mr James Marlow Mardoc Properties Description: Retention of installation of temporary security gates for a period of two years.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/02683/FPH	Location: 13 Bunyan Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1NW Applicant Name: Mr Mike Bate Description: Rear roof extension, insertion of rear dormer windows and two front roof lights to existing front roofslope to facilitate conversion of loft into habitable accommodation. Single storey rear extension. Alterations to fenestration.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02704/AD	Location: Land At 25-35 John Baker Place And 1-36 Freemans Close Hitchin Hertfordshire Applicant Name: Mr Sanjay Chandarana Description: Installation of one internally illuminated fascia sign, two internally illuminated pictorial/projecting signs and one menu board (amended plans received 23/11/2022).	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/02734/S73	Location: John Clements Sports And Community Centre Bury Lane Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8XY Applicant Name: Codicote Parish Council Codicote Parish Clerk Codico Description: Variation of condition 2 (revised location of lighting columns) of planning application 22/00020/FP granted 09/03/2022 for installation of three 5 metre high floodlights and 5m width height barrier to car park.	Decision: Conditional Permission Decision Date: 07/12/2022
Application No: 22/02798/TCA	Location: 57 West Lane Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QP Applicant Name: Mr Jack Emmerson Description: T1 Cherry - 30% canopy thin retaining shape, lifting of lower limbs to 4m to provide clearance.	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02902/TCA	Location: Greyfriars Hitchin Hill Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AJ Applicant Name: Mr Paul O'Neil Description: T1 Robinia - Pollard below the cavity	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02907/EC	Location: Telecommunications Mast At Hornbeam Spring Spinney Lane Welwyn Hertfordshire Applicant Name: Ben Gilpin Description: Upgrade to the existing telecommunications equipment. Existing equipment cabin to be upgraded internally, proposed 1 no. GPS module, proposed 3 no. antennas, proposed 6 no. Remote fibre mounted on headframe and associated ancillary works	Decision: No Objection Decision Date: 05/12/2022
Application No: 22/02941/TPO	Location: 2 Beech Way Blackmore End St Albans Hertfordshire AL4 8LY Applicant Name: Mr Michael Graham Description: Silver birch - Reduce by 30%	Decision: Conditional Consent Decision Date: 02/12/2022
Application No: 22/02945/DOC	Location: Ickleford Primary School Arlesey Road Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3TG Applicant Name: Mrs Sass Pledger Hertfordshire County Council Description: Condition 2-Roofing works (as discharge of condition relating to Listed Building Consent 22/00558/LBC granted 27.07.2022)	Decision: Agreed Decision Date: 06/12/2022

PRESS RELEASE

PR 3729

5 December 2022

Do you know a North Herts Hero?

Do you know someone special in your community who has gone above and beyond and made a real difference in the district of North Herts?

Someone who has dedicated their life to helping others or recently made a big impact on a person, family or group in the community? Someone who has improved the health and wellbeing of people in North Herts? An eco-warrior or maybe an exceptional young person?

We want to hear from you as we launch North Herts Heroes 2023, formerly the Chair's community recognition awards. North Herts Heroes is sponsored by Willmott Dixon, Cala Homes, and The Comet.

The deadline for nominations is **8 January**. Please seek permission from the person you are nominating. They don't have to live in the district but the work they carry out must largely benefit residents of North Herts. Judging and filming of winners' stories is due to take place later in January and February, with a ceremony in early March.

Winners will receive a beautiful, engraved trophy and gift voucher.

The judges of the awards include:

- Cllr Sam North, Chair of the Council
- a representative from North Herts Council for Voluntary Service (NHCVS)
- Georgia Barrow, editor of The Comet, as media sponsor
- a representative from Willmott Dixon as sponsor
- a representative from Cala Homes as sponsor

Cllr Sam North, Chair of the Council, said: "Recognising North Herts Heroes is a fantastic way for the council to thank and show appreciation of some of the special people in the district who go out of their way to help others and make a difference. We know people don't do it for the glory, but it's important for the community to acknowledge their contribution, and it inspires others to think about how they may also help others.

“Last year’s winners blew us away, I can’t wait to read your nominations and meet with winners next year.”

The award categories are:

Caring Award

Do you know someone who has really gone the extra mile over the past year? Maybe someone has helped do your shopping week in, week out, supported you through a tough time or gone above and beyond for the community. Help us celebrate them.

Dedication Award

You might know someone who has dedicated their time on a regular basis for many years to help their community, the sort of person who is just always there to help out, come rain or shine. This is the sort of person we are looking to celebrate with this award.

Green Award

Has a person or group made the community a better place to live? Has someone been key in organising litter picks, gardening projects, tree planting, walking buses or community recycling drives? This award is for them.

Health Award

Has one of your friends shared healthy recipes or started a walking club? Has a PE teacher gone above and beyond their usual role? Does someone spring to mind who has really supported others to get their mental health back on track? We’d love to celebrate them.

Young Star Award (19 or under)

Do you know a young person who has contributed to their community, inspired others or given back? Someone who has transformed their own life, overcome challenges to reach their goal or positively impacted the lives of others? Let’s give them the recognition they deserve! We will be emailing all schools about this category.

For more information or to nominate someone please visit www.north-herts.gov.uk/heroes

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For more information please contact Anna.Cotton@north-herts.gov.uk / 01462 474403.

PRESS RELEASE

PR 3730

05 December 2022

Have your say on the regeneration of the Churchgate Shopping Centre

North Herts Council recently acquired the leasehold for the Churchgate Shopping Centre and ahead of drawing up proposals for the site, would like to invite residents and businesses to take part in its initial consultation to get their views on what they would most like to see in the centre.

The consultation can be found here: www.north-herts.gov.uk/churchgate. It opens on 5 December for two months, closing on Sunday 05 February 2023, and will only take a few minutes to complete.

Plans are also underway to open a Churchgate Communications Hub. The Hub will be a unit within Churchgate itself and will provide a centre for the community to meet the team, meet Councillors and find out more about the project so far (and as it matures). Look out for an announcement regarding the opening of the Hub in the coming weeks!

Following this initial consultation, the council will coordinate a tender process in a bid to appoint a developer to work alongside the council throughout the regeneration process and create a series of proposals for the Centre. The community will have the opportunity to be a part of the process and share their views throughout 2023.

Cllr Keith Hoskins, North Herts Council's Executive Member for Enterprise and Arts said:

"Feedback and input from our communities about how their local town centre works for them is invaluable. Whilst we have big ambitions to improve the Churchgate Shopping Centre, this only works if the result is welcomed by the very people who use it regularly.

"Hitchin is a wonderful market town with a huge amount of potential and this investment will help improve the offer for residents and attract people to the town centre

Cllr Ian Albert, Chair of North Herts Council's Hitchin Committee, said: "We have a real opportunity here to get this right so I would urge as many people as possible to take part in this initial consultation. We can't promise we'll be able to do everything, but your ideas will help us shape our vision."

Throughout 2023 the council will be asking for feedback from our communities, including current Churchgate tenants, and other stakeholders such as Hitchin Market.

Be a part of the Churchgate journey from today by having your say! www.north-herts.gov.uk/churchgate

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Soft play coming to Letchworth

A brand new soft play facility is being built at [North Herts Leisure Centre](#) on Baldock Road following a public consultation.

Over 1,000 people responded to our survey in August, with overwhelming support for the proposal, which will have a toddler and junior area, plus provision for parties. There will also be seating and refreshments available.

The new facility will be an extension of the centre and convert two of the four squash courts and changing rooms located in the same area. While we appreciate this will lead to a reduction in the number of squash courts and changing space available, the remaining two squash courts and changing rooms offer adequate provision based on usage data.

91% of respondents to the survey either strongly agreed or were inclined to agree that the proposal would be a positive addition to the facilities at North Herts Leisure Centre. 66% of respondents indicated that their family would be likely to use a soft play facility at the leisure centre at least fortnightly, or more frequently.

Councillor Steve Jarvis, Executive Member for Environment and Leisure, said: "Introducing a soft play facility at North Herts Leisure Centre will enhance the range of leisure facilities on offer, providing a dedicated play space for families with toddlers and young children within the local area. The new facility will enable more people to use the centre, aiding the recovery of leisure facilities after the Covid pandemic. It's a great investment in our leisure portfolio for the benefit of all residents in the future."

Lee Medlock, Operations Director from Stevenage Leisure Ltd (SLL), which manages the council's leisure facilities on the council's behalf, added: "We are delighted to be working in partnership with North Herts Council on this exciting project, which will increase the range of activities on offer to our community. We are confident that the addition of the soft play facility

to North Herts Leisure Centre will provide a fun and exciting opportunity for children to play and increase their physical activity levels.”

The soft play facility is due to open for the Easter holidays next year and will cost £250k, with £100k being reallocated from the planned refurbishment of the changing rooms which will now be part of the conversion.

There is also a new slide and squirting snake in the children’s pool at North Herts Leisure Centre – check them out: [Pool timetable](#).

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