

## NORTH HERTS COUNCIL

WEEK ENDING FRIDAY 11 AUGUST 2023

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# NEWS AND INFORMATION

## AGENDA & REPORTS

### PUBLISHED WEEK COMMENCING 7 AUGUST 2023

None

### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS WEEK COMMENCING 14 AUGUST 2023

None

### CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 14 AUGUST 2023

| Date                                     | Event   | Location                    |
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| Saturday 12 August 2023 @<br>from Midday | The North Herts Rugby and<br>Netball Festival | Hitchin Rugby Club, Hitchin |

### VICE-CHAIR'S ENGAGEMENTS WEEK COMMENCING 14 AUGUST 2023

| Date | Event | Location |
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|      | None  |          |

### OTHER EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 14 AUGUST 2023

| Date | Event | Location |
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|      | None  |          |



Hertfordshire County Council Services for Young People

# Consultation about our future priorities

For parents/carers and  
professionals who work  
with young people



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## RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

### \*PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted *[if applicable]*: None

#### SERVICE DIRECTORATE: RESOURCES

##### 1. DECISION TAKEN

*Agreement to suspend collection of £84,614.15 clawback in respect of the disposal of Property at 74, Woolgrove Road, Hitchin SG4 0BZ to allow settle the opportunity to comply with the terms of an exemption namely applying the proceeds towards the provision of Social Housing or Community Benefit in the District of North Hertfordshire.*

##### 2. DECISION TAKER

*Ian Couper, Service Director: Resources*

##### 3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

**10/08/2023**

##### 4. REASON FOR DECISION

To allow settle the opportunity to comply with the terms of the exemption by applying the funds to the development of Social Housing.

##### 5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

The decision is in accordance with the protocol entered into between North Hertfordshire District Council (NHDC) and North Hertfordshire Homes (NHH), now known as settle, in respect of a proposed disposal by settle of an asset transferred under the Stock Transfer. Therefore, no other alternative options are applicable.

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

Settle have been consulted regarding the level of the potential clawback payment and the details of the social housing scheme to which the funds will be applied. There is no obligation on the Council to carry out any wider consultation.

##### 7. FORWARD PLAN

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

##### 8. BACKGROUND/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 NHH changed its name to settle in May 2018.

8.2 Settle have submitted a request to agree an exemption to clawback in respect of Property at 74, Woolgrove Road, Hitchin SG4 0BZ stating that they intend for the proceeds from the

disposal to be used for the provision of Social Housing or Community Benefit in the District of North Hertfordshire. Settle are relying on exemption *xi* in the deed of covenant dated 31 March 2003 which imposes the obligation to pay clawback.

8.3 The proposed project to which the proceeds will be applied is the John Barker Place regeneration project. Whilst it is still considered appropriate to suspend payment of the clawback for three years to allow settle the opportunity to invest the proceeds into Social Housing, The Council cannot at this stage agree the specific details of the Social Housing provision as until the precise proposals for the later phases of the John Barker Place regeneration project are known the clawback cannot be committed to that project. Once the detail of the Social Housing to be provided by the John Barker place regeneration scheme is known, together with the financial modelling, then the Council will determine whether this clawback should be allocated to that scheme or an alternative scheme.

8.4 Clawback is 25% of the greater of the Disposal Gain or the Development Gain. In this transaction, there is no Development Gain to consider, so the only relevant calculation is the Disposal Gain. The clawback calculation for the property has been agreed between the parties as follows:

| <b>Property</b>                                 | <b>Disposal Gain</b> | <b>Clawback @ 25%</b> |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Property at 74, Woolgrove Road, Hitchin SG4 0BZ | £338,456.59          | £84,614.15            |

## **9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 The Service Director: Resources has delegated authority for ‘Approvals for any overage, claw back or similar arrangement pursuant to the Stock Transfer Agreement’.

9.2 The value paid by settle for the housing at stock transfer was based on its continued use as Social Housing. The deed of covenant provides compensation to the Council for property disposals by settle that are above the equivalent value at stock transfer. As the principle of this is to protect the volume of Social Housing in the District, there is an exemption that allows settle to reinvest this money into Social Housing or Community Benefit (as defined by the agreement) schemes within 3 years. The parties have entered into a protocol which governs how this exemption will operate in practice. The protocol permits the Council to suspend collection of clawback to allow settle the opportunity to comply with the terms of the exemption. As long as the request is reasonable then it should not be refused. So, this does not provide an opportunity for the Council to obtain additional funding.

## **10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 A significant amount of clawback has been suspended for use on the John Barker Place scheme. This clawback would take the total to £2,689,232.39. It has also been agreed that £1,760,000 of previously suspended clawback will be used on phases 1 and 2 of the John Barker Place scheme. Within its capital programme, the Council has also allocated £1.096 million towards this scheme. The overall value of the Social Housing within the scheme will need to be reviewed when a final proposal is in place. This will determine whether it is appropriate to confirm the use of the suspended clawback and also the use of the Council’s own

## **11. RISK IMPLICATIONS**

11.1 No security is being sought to ensure payment of the clawback in the event that the social housing scheme is not delivered. Therefore, there is a risk that settle will not have the funds to pay the clawback if they are unable to deliver the scheme. However this is considered unlikely

## **12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

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

12.2 *There are no equalities implications arising from this decision.*

**13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS**

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

**14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

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

**15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

15.1 There are no HR implications arising from this decision.

**16. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

16.1 *None.*

**17. APPENDICES**

17.1 None.

**NOTIFICATION DATE**

11/8/2018

Signature of Executive Member Consulted .....N/a.....

Date .....



Signature of Decision Taker ..... .....

**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**

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| 23/01788/FPH | Atelier Brown Ltd Mrs Rita Nunes<br>22 North End, Higham Ferrers,<br>Rushden, NN10 8JB, United Kingdom | Blackberry Barn<br>Loves Lane<br>Ashwell<br>Baldock<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG7 5HZ<br><br>Mrs Harleen Strachan - Deol<br><br>Single storey side/rear extension to connect cottage and annexe buildings and insertion of rooflights to annexe roofslope. |
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**Baldock**

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| 23/01835/TCA | Mr Christopher Smith John O'Conner<br>2 Great North Road, Welwyn, AL6<br>0PL | Land At<br>Riddell Gardens<br>Baldock<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG7 6JZ<br><br>Horgan<br><br>T1 Pine - Fell to ground level |
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**Barkway Parish Council**

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| 23/01795/FPH | Sole Concepts Limited Mr Joe DUrso<br>First Floor, 94-96 High Street,<br>Hoddesdon, EN11 8HD | 144 High Street<br>Barkway<br>Royston<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG8 8EG<br><br>Mr Nick Stuart<br><br>Single storey side extension. |
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**Letchworth Garden City**

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| 23/01673/FPH | Ms Mandy Schlote<br>33 Willian Way, Letchworth Garden<br>City, Hertfordshire, SG6 2HQ               | 33 Willian Way<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 2HQ<br><br>Ms Mandy Schlote<br><br>Rebuild of 1920's garage.  |
| 23/01775/FPH | Inigo Architecture Ltd Mr Neil<br>Hansford<br>The Firs, 81 Station Road, Lower<br>Stondon, SG16 6JN | 6 South View<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 3JH<br><br>Mr & Mrs Lilith Yu<br><br>Part single and part two storey rear extension, replace existing rear garage French window with a door and window and insertion of rooflights to existing rear roofslope following demolition of existing rear conservatory and chimney stack. |

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| 23/01779/LDCP | DesignHouse Mr Kevin Patrick<br>74 Victoria Street, Dunstable, LU6<br>3BA, United Kingdom                       | 86 Mullway<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 4BH                | Mr & Mrs Lee Chandler | Insertion of No.3 rooflights to existing front and dormer to existing rear<br>roofslope to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable<br>accommodation. |
| 23/01787/FPH  | Design & Build Architects Ltd Mr<br>Gurmehar Kleir<br>106 Letchmore Road, Stevenage,<br>SG1 3PT, United Kingdom | 21 Bidwell Close<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 1QR          | Mr Matthew Scarfe     | Front porch extension.   |
| 23/01802/FPH  | AJF Project Design Mr A Ford<br>22 Ashtons Lane, Baldock, SG7 6JJ,<br>United Kingdom                            | 12 Eastholm Green<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 4TW         | Mr & Mrs R Perrett    | Erection of detached double garage following demolition of existing single<br>detached garage, and associated extended driveway.                               |
| 23/01808/LDCP | Be Informed! Mr Charles Speakman<br>8 Broadmeadow Ride, Hitchin,<br>Hertfordshire, SG4 7ST                      | 7 Broadcroft<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 3UA              | Mr & Mrs Sunny Janjua | Single storey rear and front porch extensions. Alterations to existing first<br>and ground floor fenestrations.  |
| 23/01815/TCA  | Mr Mark Gibson 4Seasons Specialist<br>Tree Surgeons Ltd<br>19 Tansy Avenue, Stotfold, Hitchin,<br>SG5 4GJ       | 12 Aubreys<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 3TZ                | Mrs Murray            | T1 Conifer - Remove  |
| 23/01836/TCA  | Mr Tim Hewitt Eastern Landscape<br>Service Limited<br>27 High Street, Cottenham, CB24<br>8SA, United Kingdom    | 1 Baldock Lane<br>Willian<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 2AY | Mrs Morris-Smith      | 3x Limes - Remove dead /dying wood. Crown lift over adjacent garden to<br>approx 2.4m. Weeping Willow - Crown lift all round to 2.4m.                          |



23/01846/TCA Ms Sally Dawson 33 Norton Way North  
33 Norton Way North, Letchworth Letchworth Garden City  
Garden City, Herts, SG6 1BX, United Hertfordshire  
Kingdom SG6 1BX

Ms Sally Dawson

T1 Sycamore - Crown reduce height and spread by up to 3m. T2 Silver Birch - Crown reduce height and spread by up to 2m.

**Rushden And Wallington Parish Council**

23/01840/TCA Mr Jack Emmerson Rustle Barn Cottage  
14 Chiltern road, Hitchin, SG4 9PJ, Bennetts Lane  
United Kingdom Rushden  
Buntingford  
Hertfordshire  
SG9 0SN

Mr Jack Emmerson

T1 Ash - Pollard to 30%. T2 Oak - 20% reduction. T3 Chestnut - Lower canopy thin and lift, 10% overall reduction. T4 Ash - Remove dead limb. T5 Field Maple - Cut back to fence line 20% reduction. T6 Cherry - Removal of limb to a suitable point

**WEST TEAM**

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**Hitchin**

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| 23/01668/FPH | Louis Laflamme-Fillion<br>83 Old Hale Way, Hitchin,<br>Hertfordshire, SG5 1XR | 83 Old Hale Way<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG5 1XR   |
|              |   | Louis Laflamme-Fillion   |
|              |   | Alterations to existing detached garage to include raised roof height and alterations to fenestration to facilitate conversion of garage into garden room. Addition of open sided canopy at rear of garage. Erection of shed attached to front of garage and side of dwelling and detached greenhouse in rear garden |

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| 23/01727/FPH | JW Bespoke Architecture And Interior<br>Design Mr Joe Williams<br>Old hay barn, Bucks Alley, Little<br>Berkhamsted, SG13 8LT, United<br>Kingdom | 56 Periwinkle Lane<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG5 1TZ   |
|              |   | Mrs Harriet Jones   |
|              |   | Alterations to roof including hip to gable roof extension, insertion of rear box dormer including juliet balcony and rooflights to front roofslope to facilitate conversion of loft into habitable accommodation. Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing detached garage. Addition of external render to side and rear elevations and alterations to fenestration. |

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| 23/01766/LDCP                   | Jeremy Williams-Leroy Architect<br>Jeremy Williams-Leroy<br>1 The Limes, Hitchin, Hertfordshire,<br>SG5 2AY | 69 West Hill<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG5 2HY<br><br>Baker<br><br>Single storey rear extension   |
| 23/01772/LDCE                   | Ms Anastasiya Gorbunova<br>62 Purwell Lane, Hitchin,<br>Hertfordshire, SG4 0NG                              | 62 Purwell Lane<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG4 0NG<br><br>Ms Anastasiya Gorbunova<br><br>Continued use of part of dwelling as home bakery  |
| 23/01790/FPH                    | Your Plans UK Mr Harrison Eales<br>Suite A2, Stevenage, Stevenage, SG1<br>3UN                               | Sunnybanks<br>Offley Road<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG5 2AZ<br><br>Mr Garry and Janine Tame<br><br>Pitched roof over existing detached garage   |
| <b>Holwell Parish Council</b>   |   |  |
| 23/01752/FP                     | Peter George Town Planning Mr Tom<br>Donovan<br>Nine Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2<br>1GE                      | Bramble Bank<br>Bedford Road<br>Holwell<br>Hitchin<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG5 3RX<br><br>Mr & Mrs Christopher & Leona Hitchings<br><br>Erection of two detached 5-bed dwellings together with associated access<br>drive, car parking, private gardens, hard and soft landscaping following the<br>demolition of all existing detached structures |
| <b>Knebworth Parish Council</b> |   |  |
| 23/01682/OP                     | Gavin Langford Architects Ltd Gavin<br>Langford<br>PO Box 1420, Cambridge, CB1 0EN,<br>United Kingdom       | Caxton Villa<br>14 Park Lane<br>Knebworth<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG3 6PF<br><br>Stephen Hemingway And Kathie Painter<br><br>Outline application (all matters reserved) for the conversion of the existing 3<br>storey detached dwelling into four 1-bed flats.  |
| 23/01851/TCA                    | Mr Martin Oak Longacre tree surgery<br>4 Norwood Close, Hertford, SG14<br>2EX                               | Mount View<br>Gypsy Lane<br>Knebworth<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG3 6DJ<br><br>Mrs Jane Miller<br><br>T1 Oak - Remove the lowest bow and lift crown up to 7m.  |

23/01870/TCA Mr Martin Oak Longacre tree surgery Land Adjacent To Mount View  
4 Norwood Close, Hertford, SG14 Gipsy Lane  
2EX Knebworth  
Hertfordshire  
SG3 6DJ

Mrs Jane Miller

T2-T3 2 x Hornbeams - Reduce back to the boundary line.

**Lilley Parish Council**

23/01571/FPH Dr Nicola Curry 34 West Street  
34 West Street, Lilley, Luton, Lilley  
Hertfordshire, LU2 8LN Luton  
Hertfordshire  
LU2 8LN

Dr Nicola Curry

Side conservatory following demolition of existing conservatory.

**Offley Parish Council**

23/01820/TCA Bim Afolami Great Offley House  
Great Offley House, Kings Walden Kings Walden Road  
Road, Offley, Hitchin, SG53EA, United Offley  
Kingdom Hertfordshire  
SG5 3EA

Bim Afolami

T1 Lime, T2 Bay laurel, T4 Copper beech, T9 Birch, T10 Beech, T11a Variegated Maple, T11b Beech, T16 Holly, T17 Maple, T20 Maple, T21 Yew, T22 Yew - Crown clean: remove dead, damaged or diseased timber, resolve crossing branches. Crown thin: reduce congestion and improve light and air-flow through the canopy. Reduce outlying branches to restore overall shape. Reduce or remove branches interfering with buildings, access/roads or lighting. No more than 30% of existing leaf-bearing canopy to be removed overall. Cuts greater than one-third of the diameter of the parent branch, or 100mm (whichever the smaller) to be avoided.

**St Ippolytts Parish Council**

23/01794/FP Brown & Co Property And Business St Ibbs Farm  
Consultants LLP Mr William Faux London Road  
The Fairways, Great North Road, St Ippolytts  
Wyboston, MK44 3AL, United Hitchin  
Kingdom Hertfordshire  
SG4 7NL

Miss Jade Taylor

Erection of stable block including feed store, tack room and storage area

**Wymondley Parish Council**

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| 23/01848/TCA | Mrs Debra Dyall<br>2 The Boulevard , City West One<br>Office Park , Gelderd Road , Leeds,<br>LS12 6NY, United Kingdom | Land Adjacent To 1 Milksey Cottages<br>Priory Lane<br>Little Wymondley<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG4 7EZ |
|              |   | Mrs Debra Dyall  |
|              |   | T1 Oak - Fell  |

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(Including Withdrawn decisions)

**EAST TEAM**

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| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/01871/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Land North Of 68 London Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6JL<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Saunders Foxberry Developments Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 24 (Site Investigation Phase II) as attached to Planning Application 20/02507/FP granted on 04.07.2022   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/01907/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Letchworth Autoway Centre Ltd Norton Way North Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1BP<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Miss Rebecca Yates E G Group<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 22 (Environmental Risk Assessment) as attached to Planning Application 18/02900/FP granted on 27.04.2022)   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/01953/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Letchworth Autoway Centre Ltd Norton Way North Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1BP<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Miss Rebecca Yates E G Group<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 26 (Remediation Strategy) as attached to Planning Application 18/02900/FP granted on 27.04.2022)  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/02239/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Draytons Garage High Street Barley Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8HT<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr George Roche NFC Homes Limited<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 4 (Sample of flintwork) as attached to Planning Application 19/03064/FP granted on 18.11.2021   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/02966/FPH | <b>Location:</b> 5 Swan Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NY<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Ms Hailey<br><b>Description:</b> Erection of side elevation porch. Demolition of front brick boundary wall to facilitate the opening-up of entrance drive (as amended by drawing no 21187-010 B received on 15/06/2023).  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/02967/LBC | <b>Location:</b> 5 Swan Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NY<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Ms Hailey<br><b>Description:</b> External alterations to include erection of side elevation porch, new door to side elevation and new window on side elevation of single-storey rear wing. Internal alterations including formation of boot room, underfloor heating to rear single-storey section, new staircase at first floor and floor over existing staircase at second floor (as amended by drawing no 21187-010 B received on 15/06/2023). | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00476/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Land At London Road Royston Hertfordshire<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr T Hanson Hanson Services<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 7 (Window joinery details) as attached to Planning Application 22/00634/FP granted on 23.11.2022   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00477/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Land At London Road Royston Hertfordshire<br><br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr T Hanson Hanson Services<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 8 (Windows and external doors) as attached to Planning Application 22/00634/FP granted on 23.11.2022   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |

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| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00597/DOC  | <b>Location:</b> Land North Of 68 London Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6JL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Saunders Foxberry Developments Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 6 (Details of external lighting) as attached to Planning Application 20/02507/FP granted on 04.07.2022                                     | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00598/DOC  | <b>Location:</b> Land North Of 68 London Road Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6JL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Saunders Foxberry Developments Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 7 (Soft Landscaping) as attached to Planning Application 20/02507/FP granted on 04.07.2022   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00775/FPH  | <b>Location:</b> 16 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PN<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Valentino Parravicini<br><b>Description:</b> Single storey rear extension following demolition of lower rear eaves and shed (as amended by plans received on 6th July 2023).   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Refused<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023                |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00810/LBC  | <b>Location:</b> 16 Ridge Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PN<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr V Parravicini<br><b>Description:</b> Single storey rear extension following demolition of lower rear eaves and shed and internal alterations (as amended by plans received on 6th July 2023).                                      | <b>Decision:</b><br>Refused<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023                |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01049/FP   | <b>Location:</b> Monroe House Works Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1LN<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Perry Mills<br><b>Description:</b> Replace colour of existing external cladding and window frames. Replace existing rear 2no. roller shutter doors with 1no. shutter door and insertion of glazed front elevation doors. | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01226/LBC  | <b>Location:</b> Willow Cottage Bell Lane Nuthampstead Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8ND<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mrs Julia Church<br><b>Description:</b> Remove existing cement render from three sides of building and apply a lime render onto Larch laths. Retain gable end facing brickwork and repoint with lime mortar.                 | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01341/LDCE | <b>Location:</b> Hooks Green Barn Barley Mow Lane Clothall Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6RF<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr John Woodbridge<br><b>Description:</b> Retention of use of Annexe as a separate contained dwelling house (Use Class C3).  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Granted Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023     |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01350/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 35 Ridge Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1PR<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr David Bonner First Garden Cities Homes Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> RA22 2 x Conifers - Fell to ground level   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01425/FPH  | <b>Location:</b> 1 Forresters Cottages 14 High Street Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5NW<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Ms Amanda Collinson<br><b>Description:</b> Replace existing panel fencing following removal of existing hedge.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01505/FPH  | <b>Location:</b> 24 Ashfield Drive Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1GP<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Allan<br><b>Description:</b> Garden room outbuilding with decking to rear garden (as a variation of planning permission 23/00436/FPH granted on 12.04.2023).   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023 |

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| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01516/TPO  | <b>Location:</b> Land At Norton Way Nissan And Honda Norton Way North<br>Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1BL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Scott Staines Norton Way Motors<br><b>Description:</b> T1 - T17 Lime - Prune by approx 30% and crown raise by approx 3.0m from ground (description amended on 07/08/2023).  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01527/LDCE | <b>Location:</b> 47 Hampshire Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8 9FT<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Francisco Quadros<br><b>Description:</b> Retention of pergola and decking to side garden.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Withdrawn<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01540/DOC  | <b>Location:</b> Wheatley House Dunhams Lane Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire SG6 1BE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Dadley Wheatley PLC<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 4 (Cycle parking) of planning permission 23/00087/FP granted on 25.05.2023 (amended plans received 25/07/2023).  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01580/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> Coach House Cloisters Hitchin Street Baldock Hertfordshire<br>SG7 6AE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Jason Kitchener Essential Water Services (UK) Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> 2x Golden Weeping Willow - Crown reduce by 33%  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01623/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> Alington House Alington Lane Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire SG6 3NE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> David Henderson<br><b>Description:</b> Various Tree works as per schedule  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01634/SO   | <b>Location:</b> Johnson Matthey Plc Orchard Road Royston Hertfordshire SG8<br>5HE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Bidwells Jack Gandy<br><b>Description:</b> Annex building consists of three internal floors and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) equipment on the roof. A link bridge will connect the new annex building to the approved main facility (18/01764/FP) | <b>Decision:</b><br>Not Required<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01665/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 18 Campers Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6<br>3QU<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Treefellas Christopher Whyte Treefellas<br><b>Description:</b> 7x Leylandii Conifers - Reduce to 8ft  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01681/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 8 Hitchin Street Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 6AE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Adam Scoot<br><b>Description:</b> Silver Birch - Remove   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01684/EC   | <b>Location:</b> Land Adjacent To End Mead Maiden Street Weston<br>Hertfordshire SG4 7DL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Openreach Sai Kishore Praveen Kumar Thadi<br><b>Description:</b> Installation of fixed line communications mast.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01686/EC   | <b>Location:</b> Land Adjacent To Church Gate Cottage Church Lane Weston<br>Hertfordshire SG4 7DJ<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Openreach Sai Kishore Praveen Kumar Thadi<br><b>Description:</b> Installation of fixed line communications mast.   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023        |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01687/EC   | <b>Location:</b> Land Adjacent To Weston Bury Maiden Street Weston<br>Hertfordshire SG4 7DL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Openreach Sai Kishore Praveen Kumar Thadi<br><b>Description:</b> Installation of fixed line communications mast.   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023        |



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| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01744/TCA | <b>Location:</b> 67 West View Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3QJ<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr John Mohan<br><b>Description:</b> T3 Portuguese Laurel - Remove deadwood and remaining canopy pruned to shape & balance. T4 Yew - Reduce by approx. 2-3ft and remaining canopy hedge trimmed | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01756/NMA | <b>Location:</b> 29 North Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1DH<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Phil West<br><b>Description:</b> Remove front rooflights (as a non-material amendment to planning permission 23/01245/FPH granted on 18.07.2023).   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Agreed<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023       |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01780/TCA | <b>Location:</b> 21 High Street Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8EA<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr. William MacKay<br><b>Description:</b> Mature Birch - Reduce 4m height  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01781/TCA | <b>Location:</b> Land At Sollershott Hall Sollershott East Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3PN<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Marlene Gray & Yasmin Kate Pattison For and on beh<br><b>Description:</b> 5x Pine - Fell   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023 |

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| <b>Application No:</b><br>22/02064/FP  | <b>Location:</b> Land To The South Of West Lane Offley Hertfordshire<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr & Mrs K Heaney<br><b>Description:</b> Erection of one detached 6-bed dwelling and ancillary works (as amended by plan nos. P116G, P117E, P118F, P119F, P120D, P121D , P122D, P123C, P127B received 22/2/23)   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00396/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Burford Grange Bedford Road Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3XG<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Neil Farnsworth CALA Homes (North Home Counti<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 13 - Fire hydrants (relating to planning permission 19/01106/FP granted 06.02.2023)  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00397/DOC | <b>Location:</b> Burford Grange Bedford Road Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3XG<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Neil Farnsworth CALA Homes (North Home Counti<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 15- Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation (relating to planning permission 19/01106/FP granted 06.02.2023)  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/00934/FP  | <b>Location:</b> 125 London Road Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6EX<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr R Miah<br><b>Description:</b> Change of use of existing ground floor betting shop to drinking establishment and hot food takeaway   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Withdrawn<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023              |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01003/FPH | <b>Location:</b> Brookside 1 Green Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0BU<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Russell Blackman<br><b>Description:</b> Single storey side extension with accommodation in roof space and addition of two rooflights to existing front roof slope to facilitate conversion of existing loft space into habitable accommodation following demolition of existing side conservatory.         | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01008/LBC | <b>Location:</b> Knebworth House Knebworth Park Old Knebworth Knebworth Hertfordshire SG3 6PY<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> n/a Knebworth House Education and Preservation Tru<br><b>Description:</b> Repairs and stabilisation to two sets of external steps within the sunken gardens to the west of Knebworth House. To include taking down and rebuilding the existing steps along with new foundation works. | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023    |



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| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01022/DOC | <b>Location:</b> 1 Priory Lane Little Wymondley Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7HE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> D&G Properties London Ltd<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by Condition 10- Written scheme of investigation (relating to planning permission 21/02383/FP granted 30.01.2023)  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>03/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01055/FPH | <b>Location:</b> 22B The Avenue Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Ross Armstrong<br><b>Description:</b> Part two storey and part single storey side extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory and detached double garage (as amended by plans received 27 June 2023).  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01060/FP  | <b>Location:</b> Ashe House Cooks Way Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 0JE<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Alex Calvert Ashe Construction<br><b>Description:</b> Installation of solar panels to existing south and west elevation roofslopes and fenced battery storage to north elevation (amended plans received 13/07/2023).   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01194/TCA | <b>Location:</b> Greenfields Cattery 1 Willian Road Great Wymondley Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7ET<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Allard<br><b>Description:</b> T1 Norway Spruce - Fell. T2 Wild Cherry - Fell. T3 Purple Leaved Plum - Crown reduce height and spread by up to 3m. T4/T5 - Sycamore/Ash - Reduce overhanging branches back from car park by up to 4m and the crown to match   | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01266/FPH | <b>Location:</b> 6 High Street Graveley Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7LB<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr And Mrs Logan<br><b>Description:</b> Part two storey and part single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01288/AD  | <b>Location:</b> Land Adjacent To Oaklea And South Of Cowards Lane Codicote Hertfordshire SG4 8UN<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Soraya Jolly Croudace Homes<br><b>Description:</b> Retention of two non-illuminated freestanding signboards and two flagpole signs   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01323/S73 | <b>Location:</b> Little Orchard Nursery Rabley Heath Road Codicote Welwyn Hertfordshire AL6 9UA<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> . Wheatley Group Developments LTD<br><b>Description:</b> Variation of Condition 2 (revised plans including installation of roof mounted solar panels) of planning permission 21/03043/FP granted 22/02/2022 for erection of three detached 4-bed dwellings following demolition of existing building including creation of vehicular access off Rabley Heath Road. | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01385/FPH | <b>Location:</b> Thistley End Thistley Lane Gosmore Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7QT<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Ben Mason<br><b>Description:</b> Two storey side extension, two storey front extension with open porch, front dormer, rear dormer, rear solar panels, new pitched roof to single storey front element, removal of rear balcony, new and altered openings  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01430/DOC | <b>Location:</b> 28 London Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7NG<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Frank Girgenti<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by condition 7 (Material Samples) of planning permission reference no.22/03062/FP granted 08.02.2023   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023    |

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| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01461/FPH  | <b>Location:</b> 21 Fishponds Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1NR<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Paul Xavier<br><b>Description:</b> Insertion of two front rooflights and rear dormer window including length doors to facilitate loft conversion into habitable accommodation                        | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01463/FPH  | <b>Location:</b> Wandonbury Wandon Green Lawrence End Road Peters Green Luton Hertfordshire LU2 8PH<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Duncan Read<br><b>Description:</b> Single storey rear extension   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>09/08/2023 |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01481/TPO  | <b>Location:</b> 21 Pirton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 2BD<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Mike Pulford<br><b>Description:</b> Removal of one Beech tree   | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>08/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01545/DOC  | <b>Location:</b> The Lord Lister Hotel 1 Park Street Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AH<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Ms Toni Nye Keystage Housing<br><b>Description:</b> Details reserved by condition 5 (Carriage entrance gate) of Listed Building Consent reference no. 22/00171/LBC granted 26.09.2022 | <b>Decision:</b><br>Approval of Details<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01584/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> Agnell House Bendish Lane Whitwell Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8HX<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> S Koball<br><b>Description:</b> T1 Lawson Cypress - Reduce height by 50%. T2 Apple - Fell. T3 Holly - Fell. T4 Ash - Reduce canopy by 3-4m and clear all phones lines.                 | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01627/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 32 Old School Close Codicote Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 8YJ<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Robert Charles Gayton<br><b>Description:</b> Ash - Crown reduce by 25% to 30%.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01703/TPO  | <b>Location:</b> Copford House 40 Royal Oak Lane Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QT<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr William Spencer<br><b>Description:</b> T1 Lime, T2 Maple, T3 Ash - Reduce by approx. 25-30%.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>Conditional Consent<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023    |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01707/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 12 Chiltern Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9PL<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Jack Emmerson Rustle<br><b>Description:</b> T1, T2 - Hazel coppice - 30% reduction  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01754/LDCP | <b>Location:</b> 104A Bearton Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1UF<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Mr Ioan Rees<br><b>Description:</b> Insertion of rear dormer window, side obscure window and 3no front rooflights to facilitate loft conversion into habitable accommodation                            | <b>Decision:</b><br>Granted Permission<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>04/08/2023     |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01759/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> Highbury House Highbury Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9RU<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Scott P & R Management Services<br><b>Description:</b> T1 Norway Maple, T2 Beech - Prune to reduce overhang by approx 2m.  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |
| <b>Application No:</b><br>23/01784/TCA  | <b>Location:</b> 8 Storehouse Lane Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9AB<br><b>Applicant Name:</b> Shaw<br><b>Description:</b> T1-T5 Beech - Crown reduce height and spread by upto 3m on lateral branches and 2m on top of crown  | <b>Decision:</b><br>No Objection<br><b>Decision Date:</b><br>07/08/2023           |

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**Application No:**  
23/01791/TCA

**Location:** 5 Three Closes Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QW

**Decision:**

**Applicant Name:** Mrs Apyl Goodwin Settle

No Objection

**Description:**T1 Mature Silver Birch - Crown reduction for approx 30-35%

**Decision Date:**

07/08/2023

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# PRESS RELEASE

**PR 3795**

**09 August 2023**

## **Hitchin will sparkle this Christmas thanks to North Herts Council grant**

Hitchin BID has been awarded a total of £2,000\* following recommendations from North Herts Council's Hitchin Area Forum on 04 July 2023. The grant will go towards the cost of replacing the Christmas lights to improve the festive display in 2023 and beyond.

Tom Hardy, Hitchin BID Manager said: "We are pleased that North Herts Council have recognised the importance of our Christmas lights in the town centre. They play an important part in the vibrancy of the area during the festive season and this grant will go a long way to ensure the lights are enjoyed for years to come."

Cllr Alistair Willoughby, Executive Member for Community & Partnerships, who approved the funding under delegated decision, said: "The BID provides a stunning festive display each year. It is fantastic that we can support them to continue doing this and I look forward to seeing Hitchin lit up again this year!"

Cllr Ian Albert, Area Forum Chair, added: "Christmas is a special time for our towns. This grant will provide a much-improved light display for Hitchin during the 2023 Christmas period and beyond. This, in turn, will support the retail and hospitality sector during what is one of their most important trading periods."

Local Area Forums have taken over from our Area Committees. They cover five areas of North Herts – Hitchin, Baldock, Letchworth, Southern Rural and Royston – and take place four times a year. The new Forums are designed to be less formal and more welcoming to encourage more community participation. They generally start at 7.30pm with community grant applications and then themed discussions will take place from around 8pm. Each Forum makes recommendations for funding, and then the Executive Member for Community & Partnerships makes a decision under delegated powers.

The next Hitchin area Forum will take place on September 5th at Christchurch, Bedford Road, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 1HF – 7:30pm.

\*subject to completion of the necessary formalities

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