

Sharnbrook Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Newsletter

ADVANCE NOTICE -

The Sharnbrook Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation will be coming through your letterbox very soon!

Our Neighbourhood Plan group has been working very hard to finalise its draft plan over the past few months.

You will be receiving a letter showing you how you can access our Draft Neighbourhood Plan document through the Parish Council website, www.sharnbrook-pc.gov.uk, and links to the online consultation which will be on Survey Monkey.



Sharnbrook Neighbourhood Plan

It really helps us if you can complete the survey online, as all the paper copies have to be manually entered, and as this consultation will require more written answers, you can imagine the extra work involved.

However, **if you are not online**, you can contact the clerk on 01234 782827 and request a hard copy of the document, and a form to complete. This will be delivered to your address and you will be able to return it to various designated locations across the village.

WE REALLY NEED YOU to respond to the consultation as soon as possible so that we can move forward to the next stage. The consultation will run for six weeks, and we will process all your responses as we receive them, so please don't all leave it until the last minute! Thank you all in advance for your input.

Flyers from Developers may appear through your letterbox. They are simply part of their public consultation, and will contain links to their websites and information regarding the various options they propose across the Parish. We suggest you await the arrival of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan before responding to any consultation.

Local Plan Review - Issues and Options Consultation

As a condition of signing off the current Local Plan 2030, the Inspector insisted that Bedford Borough Council conduct a Local Plan Review within three years of the LP2030 being "made".

You should by now have received a poster from the Borough Council, but if not, you can find all the details of the Review here <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/news/Latest-News/2020-06-19-bedford-borough-local-plan-review/>

It is **VERY** important that you read the document and respond in order to try to protect Sharnbrook from even **more** unwanted development.

Yelnow Lane Development

As you may be aware, the site at the end of Yelnow Lane received planning permission for a small development of circa 50 dwellings. We have now received a note from the developer as follows:

"**Following** the reports of vermin in the pile of fly-tipped material that we had gathered together earlier in the year - the heap was removed as soon as the field became dry enough for a grab lorry to access the site. You may have noticed that the site has recently been flail mowed to ensure it remains tidy.

This week, a 20 tonne excavator will appear on site under the direction of Crestwood Environmental Consultants. They are conducting the archaeological trial trenching required before development can take place as part of the planning permission. This work is being conducted under a WSI (Written Statement of Investigation) which has been fully agreed and signed off by BBC. The trenches (approx 16 of them) are only as deep as the top soil covering on site - typically between 30 & 60 cm. They will be 'open' until archaeological interest can be confirmed as present (which will require recording) or absent. The trenches that are 'blank' should be backfilled by the end of the week. When personnel in Hi-Viz jackets appear it is important that you know that development is not starting. The recent high winds saw the Willow tree adjacent to the adjoining property drop a large bough. The owners have asked us to reduce the tree - which will be assessed for nesting birds prior to any work being carried out by a suitably certificated tree surgeon. The pollarded tree will look pretty stark for a while but it will re-grow. This work will be carried out in the next 7-14 days and once again it is important that village residents know that 'they are not sawing all the trees down'."



VE Day and VJ Day 75th

Anniversary Memorial

To commemorate VE Day and VJ Day, some residents have been working on a booklet as a mark of respect to the former residents of Sharnbrook who died in the first and second World Wars.

This free booklet will be distributed to all households over the summer months. We hope you enjoy it.



Unfortunately there will be no archaeological dig this year due to Covid-19. Work Parties have been suspended during the pandemic, however they hope to start again soon. Many residents have been enjoying the area during the

lockdown. If you haven't been for a while, why not see if you can spot some wildlife or unusual plant life while you are there.

Don't forget to take any litter away with you, and keep your eyes peeled for updates on social media and the notice-board.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

We will be holding a community litter pick on Saturday 12th September!

Come along to the Parish Office at the back of the Scout Hut between 10am and 1pm to collect your equipment and join in the fun! Bring a mask!

Keep Sharnbrook Tidy!



You can contact the Parish Council via the Clerk

Email clerk@sharnbrook-pc.gov.uk

Phone 01234 782827 (answer machine)

Via Twitter— @sharnbrookpc

Via Instagram—sharnbrookpc

Via Facebook—Sharnbrook Parish Council



Also check out our NEW WEBSITE - www.sharnbrook-pc.gov.uk where you can find agendas, minutes, check meeting dates, village events and more! Sign up for alerts!

Bulky Waste

Advance Notice - The Bulky Waste collection is planned for 10th and 11th October 2020 **subject to Covid-19 restrictions**. Look for updates nearer the time.

Collection will be from the following sites:-

Saturday 10th October, 2020

Top end of Station Road	8.30am - 9.20am
Home Close	9.30am - 10.20am
School Approach, off Odell Road	10.30am - 11.00am

Sunday 11th October, 2020

Stileman Way	8.30am - 9.20am
Loring/Lodge Road	9.30am - 10.20am
School Approach	10.30am - 11.00am

RURAL BULKY WASTE SERVICE FOR THE COLLECTION OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Please help us to provide a safe and efficient service by following these guidelines:

- ☐ This service is provided for household waste only – business or commercial waste will not be accepted.
- ☐ Comply with any instructions given by the driver in charge.
- ☐ Place waste directly into the vehicle or container provided. Do not leave your waste on site if the vehicle is not present. Fly-tipping is a serious offence attracting substantial fines.
- ☐ Don't throw waste into the containers from a distance.
- ☐ Act in a considerate and responsible manner without 'queue jumping'.
- ☐ Please remember not to do anything that would endanger you, other users or Council staff.
- ☐ Don't attempt to dispose of business waste or unsuitable materials as the driver will refuse to take these. Users could be liable to prosecution if they load any such materials.

Unsuitable Materials

Please do not bring the following materials for disposal via this scheme:

× Acids × Asbestos × Batteries × Clinical Waste × Medicines × Fluorescent Lamps × Gas Cylinders × Lead Sheeting × Oil × Paraffin × Petrol/Diesel × Creosote × Toner Cartridges × Plasterboard/gypsum × Tyres × **Fridges & Freezers**

These hazardous materials require special disposal by law. For guidance on how to dispose of these items please contact the Environment Agency on 03708 506 506.

Alternative Council disposal methods:

- ☐ Household Waste Recycling Centre, Barkers Lane, Bedford will accept oil, tyres and batteries as well as normal household waste. For further information please contact 01234 718013 (Commercial waste is not accepted at this recycling centre).
- ☐ Bulky Waste and Fridge/Freezer collection service operated by Bedford Borough Council. For further information please call the Environmental Services Helpline on 01234 718060 (charges apply).

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE OR REJECT ANY UNSUITABLE ITEMS i.e. hazardous, large or overweight items that are deemed likely to cause injury to employees, members of the public or cause damage to vehicles.