

Sutton Villages Update

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Ward Priorities

Make the most of our Local Parks and Green Spaces
Help Local Groups to fight Poverty and Boost Skills
Support Kids and Parents with our “Starting Well” Service
Work with the Police to make Local Streets Safer
Create Better Support for Carers & the Elderly

Members Budgets

Member budgets were introduced to enhance the ability of councillors, as democratically elected representatives, to improve the quality of life and wellbeing of their local communities

Each Councillor has a total of £5,000 per annum to be distributed to worthy local projects. Constituted groups with a bank account can apply for funding. Further advice, terms and conditions and application forms can be found [HERE](#)

Councillor Surgeries

If you have a particular issue or need some advice, Councillors hold regular Drop In Surgeries. These are:

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Sutton Village Updates

Remembrance Day – Future Events

Due to changing commitments, Cheshire Constabulary can no longer staff all of the events across the borough. Catering for all the marches is staff intensive and costly when roads are closed.

Latest Update: Further discussion will take place after this event to look at how we can continue in the future.

Cygnets Close/Hallfield Park – Residents Parking Scheme

The two applications were submitted for Residential Parking Schemes.

Latest Update: Both applications were rejected with reasons provided. Hallfield Park already has yellow lines in place around the access point into the shops (lines are enforceable). Cygnets Close has private parking for residents. If evidence can be provided, showing examples of the parking obstruction at the entrance, Highways will consider whether further restrictions are warranted. **(This is being done)**

A41/Chester Road/Wetherby Way – Crossing Points

The new crossing over Wetherby Way and the A41/Chester Road has now been completed. Concerns have been raised regarding the lack of safety barriers on the crossing points. There is a strong feeling that the barriers make the central areas a safe zone and funnel pedestrians through the crossing. The barriers also help individuals with sight impairment and ensure parents with small children can cross safely.

Latest Update: Highways have provided a response to Councillors regarding the new design used on crossing points (no barriers). A further crossing point close to Burleydam is also having the rails removed after they were photographed lying flat on the island.

Station Road Junction Improvements

Junction improvements will include changed to lights, crossings and lane entering Red Lion Lane. Work has started and will continue up to the works embargo (Dec). Work will restart again in January with an expected finish date of end of March.

Latest Update: The works are nearly complete (ahead of schedule).

Ledsham Road/A41 Junction Improvements

This will include the removal of the dedicated, left turn filter lane from the A41 into Ledsham Road. In addition there will be changes to the crossing points, a newly designed, pedestrian controlled crossing and the long awaited addition 15 on-street parking bays.

Latest Update: Work is now expected to start on the Ledsham Road Junction and the central part of the village in January 2020, with completion in April.

Village Centre - On Street Parking

Additional on street parking bays will be added to the centre of the village (both sides of the A41). We are hoping that these works will be delivered at the same time as the Ledsham Road Junction Improvements. By default, the removal of the left hand lane will provide room for the on-street parking

Seacombe Park - Football Pitch Drainage Improvements

The football pitches have always suffered with drainage issues. Funding from the Ledsham development (Green spaces element) is being used to improve drainage. This will take several weeks; with the pitch out of use for approximately 12 months (establish/repair time).

Latest Update: Work had started but due to excessive waterlogging on the fields, it has been put back until middle of March 2020. A press release has gone out regarding this delay.

20mph Zones (Year 4)

There will be many roads in the area being surveyed for 20 zones. Roads that meet the criteria will become 20 zones within this financial year.

Latest Update: Consultation Period

Daffodil Bulb Planting

Member's budgets have been used to purchase 2000 daffodil bulbs. These have been added to green verges across the ward. Much of this has been done by Streetcare, PALS and the WI who kindly offered to assist in the planting.

Whetstone Hey BT Phone Box

We have contacted BT who confirmed they have no plans to decommission this phone box at this time.

BT Telephone Exchange – Little Sutton

A request to cut down the buddleia tree and clean up the area of land has been made. In addition, questions regarding current use/plans.

Great Sutton Village – Entry Signage

A request has been made today asking Highways to price up Great Sutton Village signage (Entry Signs) for junction of Old Chester Road/Whetstone Hey and somewhere appropriate at the other end (Please Drive Slowly). In an ideal world this could be added at the same time as implementation of a 20 zone. Cost will be in the region of £400 each including fitting.

Latest Update: Waiting for Highways advice

Ongoing Developments

Sutton Way Boulevard

This project runs alongside the Sutton Way Regeneration Project (above) and will see a new shared pedestrian and cycle path on both sides of the road from the A41/Chester Road. To ensure we have the 3m width, we will see the removal of and replacement of the hedges on both sides of Sutton Way. The new hedge will be slow growing birch (this has no thorns). Project will take approximately 1 year to deliver (seasonal due to planting requirements)

Latest Update:

The project started on 25th November 2019. A press release has been done. We anticipate this will be delivered in sections.

Sutton Way Flats Regeneration Project

Planning has been agreed for the delivery of a Regeneration Project at all 10 Sutton Way Blocks. The improvements will see Internal and external improvements with 3 of the blocks being partially demolished and replaced with new housing. Works will take approximately 3 years

Latest Update: The budget has been approved by Cabinet and Council and we are sorting out the legal agreements. Hopefully a start date will be announced by the end of the year

Ledsham Development

[16/05464/REM](#) Planning granted for residential development of up to 2,000 homes, up to 400 sqm of retail floor space for a local shop, a new primary school, a community building, a new linear park, playing fields and other public open space, new allotments, together with new accesses, streets and other related infrastructure

Latest Update: The project continues with approx. 140+ homes built and sold to date. Rerow have agreed to pay 30k to the LSVCRAG to continue their work

Great Sutton Village Hall and Surrounding Area

[18/04408/FUL](#) This will be a significant project for the area with the demolition of existing buildings and erection of a Village Hall, scouts headquarters and medical centre including a range of healthcare facilities with retail pharmacy and cafe with associated car parking and improvements to existing football pitches. Project timetable unconfirmed.

This project has provided us with an opportunity to look at, and improve the road layout of Old Chester Road. Our aim is to make the road safer, slower and of benefit to the local residents and business community.

This has a wider impact in relation to parking:

Whetstone Hey Shops (2 hour bays)

Whetstone Hey Road (we withdrew yellow lines at request of residents)

Latest Update: The Planning Application was successful and has been agreed by CCG and NHS England. We anticipate work starting in Spring 2020