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UNITARY AUTHORITY PROPOSALS RELEASED

The Government is proposing a single unitary Council for the whole of Buckinghamshire.

■ The Secretary of State, Sajid Javid, recently announced in parliament that he is "minded to" implement Buckinghamshire County Council's proposal to replace the existing five councils in Bucks with a single, county-wide unitary.

The four District Councils in Bucks put forward an alternative proposal for two unitary Councils. This proposal recognises key areas of difference for the communities in the north and the south, such as the economy, jobs, growth and housing markets. It also means that the Council will be more locally situated.

There is now a period until 25 May 2018 during which those interested may make further representations to the Secretary of State and can give their view.

You can make your view known by emailing sajid.javid.mp@parliament.uk.

The final decision will be subject to Parliamentary approval so you can also email local M.P. Steve Baker at steve.baker.mp@parliament.uk.

**WHAT
DO
YOU
THINK?**

News from Terriers and Amersham Hill ward

WORK TO STOP TRAVELLERS AT TERRIERS COMMON

■ Following the illegal encampment on Terriers Common by travellers for the past two years, Cllr Tony Green demanded that the District Council did something to make the land "traveller proof". The Council are arranging for a ridge of earth, or bund, to be built around the edge of the common to stop anyone being able to tow a caravan onto the land.

When complete, the earth mounds will be seeded with grass and will blend into the landscape. A similar exercise was carried out



further down Totteridge Lane a few years ago when Totteridge Common became an annual campsite for travellers. This has been completely successful on that common and it is anticipated that bunding the common at Terriers will be equally successful.

TOTTERIDGE REC IMPROVEMENTS

■ Following a consultation exercise last year, The District Council will be carrying out improvements to the Totteridge Recreation ground. These will include a new path around the recreation ground and the installation of outdoor fitness equipment. It is believed that improving the facilities will lead to an increase in people using the facility.

There are also plans to build a community building which will provide a small hall for local organisations to use for meetings and functions.

TERRIERS FARM DEVELOPMENT BRIEF APPROVED

Wycombe District Council has approved the development brief for Terriers Farm after its consultation process.

The development brief does not specify how many properties should be built or lay down what they should look like. Instead it gives guidance on aspects such as design of homes, the height of buildings and the amount of parking that should be provided for the homes that are built. It states that buildings should be predominantly of 2 storeys.

The development brief states that there should be at least two accesses to the development, one from Kingshill Road and one onto Amersham Road by the junction with De Havilland Drive.

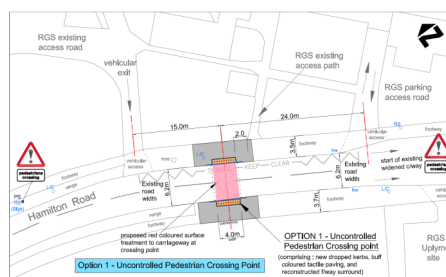
The brief does not state what mix of housing should be built but does specify that 40% of the housing should be affordable in line with the

Council's current policy. Also specified is the requirement to provide open space across the site with facilities to cater for all sectors of the community. The development will be expected to provide a high quality sports and recreational hub linked to the adjacent playing fields and facilities at Hazlemere Recreation Ground. It should include provision for two grass youth pitches, one for under 16's and one for under 18's, plus a 3G all weather sports pitch of a size suitable to stage adult football matches.

Your local Councillors will be keeping a close eye on any proposals that come forward for this site and will do their best to ensure that the development brief is closely followed. They will oppose any attempt from developers for planning permission that does not meet the agreed brief.

CROSSING IN HAMILTON ROAD TO HELP RGS STUDENTS

Councillor Arif Hussain has obtained agreement from the High Wycombe Local Area Forum for a contribution of £9,744 towards an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing in Hamilton Road to give a safer crossing for students, staff and other users of the playing fields between the school and the playing fields and car park. This funding comes from Bucks County Council and the Royal Grammar School will have to find the remainder of the £25,000 cost.



News SNIPPET

GREEN BELT SITE PROPOSED FOR DEVELOPMENT

A field, currently in the Green Belt, off Glynswood near the junction of Green Hill and Hughenden Road, has been proposed by the Council for removal from the Green Belt. This would allow developers to build houses on the site. Local Councillors Tony Green and Sarfaraz Raja have both made representations to the inspector against these proposals.

In their representations they have stated that the area north of Glynswood acts as an important barrier to stop expansion of High Wycombe into the surrounding AONB. Allowing development within this area would risk views from Hughenden Park and the Chilterns AONB.

YOUR CONSERVATIVE TEAM FOR TERRIERS AND AMERSHAM HILL



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