

Wellesbourne and Walton District Council Report – August 2022

123+ Waste Collection

The new waste collection goes live from 1st August and if anyone has not yet received their food waste bins, please can they contact me. With effect of this date, food waste will be collected weekly, dry recycling and subscribed green bins fortnightly and grey bins every three weeks.

As part of the new 123+ waste collection service SDC has launched an App to help residents get bin collection reminders, find out what you can put in which bin and much more about other services using the App. This can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play by searching www.stratford.gov.uk/app

Allotments

A meeting was held with Sir Jeremy Wright QC MP with the allotment holders in July and Sir Jeremy has agreed to write to the Planning Inspectorate to highlight the errors made by the independent examiner. Whilst I drafted a letter, with the approval of WWPC, to go to the Planning Inspectorate highlighting the issue, I have been subsequently advised by the Head of Development Services that the best course of action is to seek confirmation from the Coventry Diocese that they are withdrawing the site as a potential development opportunity.

He also highlighted that the NPPF Paragraph 74 referred to in the Neighbourhood Development Plan is now actually Paragraph 99 which he advises protects the allotments.

99. Existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields, should not be built on unless:

(a) an assessment has been undertaken which has clearly shown the open space, buildings or land to be surplus to requirements; or

(b) the loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or

(c) the development is for alternative sports and recreational provision, the benefits of which clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use.

In the meantime, I have submitted a response to the SAP Public Consultation demanding that the Allotment Site be removed and excluded from the SAP.

Wellesbourne and Walton Flood Alleviation Forum

I have circulated the presentation of the plans to tackle the flooding issue, emanating from fields in Moreton Morrell and discussed with the respective parish council and they are just awaiting further details in respect of the scheduling programme and costs before considering a donation/grant to this cause.

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