

Clifton Road News



From your local Labour team: Peter Chowney, Tania Charman & Jeremy Birch

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Speckled Wood: Decision Time

After several years of preparations, involving four rounds of consultation and delays brought about by changes in government



rules, the council's Development Management Plan is about to be considered by a planning inspector at an 'examination in public'. As part of this inquiry, the inspector will decide whether the council's proposals to preserve much of the woodland as open space are approved, or whether it will remain designated for housing.

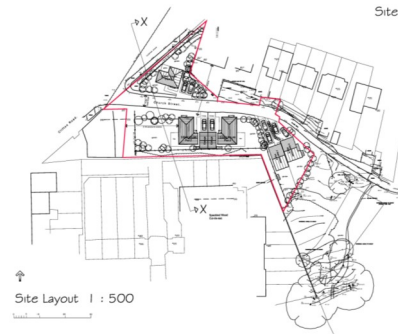


Cllr. Tania Charman

Tania Charman said: "I really hope the inspector agrees with us that the land should be preserved as open space. Although over 3,000 people objected to the land being used for housing, the main landowner in the woodland has objected

to the proposal. But this woodland has been used by local people for many years, and access problems, which can't be overcome, have prevented any development. We need to make sure its future is secured for the community." The examination in public will take place at Horntye Sports Complex during November and December. For details, see the Hastings Council website. For information about Speckled Wood, see: www.tressell.org.uk/speckledwood.htm

Church Street Development



The small site at the end of Church Street (outlined in red) is owned by the Homes

and Communities Agency (HCA). The HCA has now submitted a planning application for a development of six homes on this site.

Peter Chowney said:

"This site on the edge of Speckled Wood is zoned as housing land in the council's proposed Development Management Plan, but we have concerns about the planning application submitted by the HCA. In particular, they intend to build a house on the green triangle at the junction of Church



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Street and Clifton Road, which seems too prominent and too close to other houses, so we'll be opposing this when the application comes forward. A couple of homes alongside the old workhouse housing development could be acceptable, but what the HCA are proposing is squeezing too much in, in my view."

To find out more about the application, go to:

www.tressell.org.uk/stoppress2.htm

Sarah Owen is Labour's candidate to be MP for Hastings & Rye at the general election next May. Sarah says:

"I was born and bred in Hastings, and have worked here, so I understand the kind of problems experienced by local people every day in Tressell ward. If I'm elected, I promise to fight for a fair deal for all, to protect the NHS and public services, and for the necessary resources to continue the regeneration of Hastings."

Find out more about Sarah at www.sarahowen.org.uk, or leave her a message on: 01424 424125



Dog mess and litter?

You can report any street cleansing or refuse problems on 01424 451077.

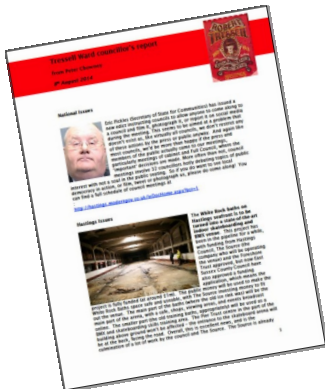
e-mail: refuseandrecycling@hastings.gov.uk



Crime and anti-social behaviour?

You can contact the Safer Hastings Partnership by e-mail at: communitysafety@hastings.gov.uk. Or you can contact one of the Community Support Officers for Tressell Ward directly: Chi Yau (07770 443014) or David Gibbins-Jones (07787 685787). They work shifts, so leave a message if he isn't on duty. And you can also phone 101, the police non-emergency number. But don't forget, if you see a crime in progress, ring 999!

For all other issues involving Hastings Council, phone 01424 451066, and just say the name of the person or department you want to contact, or the problem you want to report. You will then be put through to the right person.



Tressell Councillors also produce monthly reports:

- On Tressell Ward issues (from Cllr. Tania Charman);
- On Hastings Borough Council issues (from Cllr. Peter Chowney);
- On Tressell & Old Hastings county council division issues (from Cllr Jeremy Birch).

If you would like to receive these by e-mail, contact Peter Chowney.

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