

Mrs Alison Cartwright
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Wyre Forest Rural District Councillors
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Date : 9th May, 2022

Dear Alison,

Churchill and Blakedown Parish Council Meeting – 10th May, 2022

Please find herewith our District Councillor's report to the Parish Council. We would be grateful if you could circulate this report to the Parish Councillors and that it is read out at the meeting, if we are not present.

Local Issues

We have been dealing with the usual routine casework, reporting litter and fly tipping on the main A roads and along the country lanes.

We have reported the damaged Deansford Lane street nameplate for repair.

We have reported the 'fly tipping' on land off the A456 between Perriford Lane and Hurcott Lane which is on private land to WFDC for them to raise with local landowners.

Wyre Forest Issues

Most residents in Council Tax Bands A-D should have received their £150 rebate now.

In respect of the WFDC's draft Local Plan, there was a special meeting of Cabinet which approved this on 26th April and then a special meeting of Full Council that same evening to approve or not approve the Local Plan.

The Plan was approved by 14 votes to 13, with 4 abstentions and 2 members declaring interests and not voting. We did not support the plan and all spoke against it and specifically referenced Blakedown, as whilst we accepted that green belt land would have to be released we felt that the Progressive Alliance were using a higher number of dwellings per annum than needed and if they had reduced this and the percentage of over supply we could have had circa 500-800 less houses over the 20 year period of the plan. This would have seen a lot of the other sites removed and certainly Blakedown which was never in our Plan when we led the Council. This of course means the land at Station Yard has been approved for a car park and the field for the proposed 50 houses has been removed from the Greenbelt and also land earmarked for a car park on a date in the future, even though WCC do not require this,

The Plan period runs from 2016-2036.

If you have any issues you would like us to deal with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Keep safe.

With our very best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. J. Hart', with a horizontal line underneath.

Cllr. Marcus J. Hart

Cllr. Ian D. Hardiman

Cllr. Lisa J. Jones

Wyre Forest Rural Ward Councillors