

12th July 2022, District Councillors' Report to Churchill & Blakedown PC.

From Cllrs L. Jones, M. Hart, I. Hardiman.

WYRE FOREST ISSUES:

Following the WFDC adoption of the Local Plan, several planning applications on sites now removed from the Greenbelt have been received; land at Blakedown, Wribbenhall, Stourport's Coniston Crescent, Lea Castle and Woven Oaks to name but a few!

A District Council By-Election was held on 16th June, following the resignation of a Health Concern Councillor. This seat was won by the Conservative Candidate. This means that the Progressive Alliance who presently run the District Council are a minority administration with 16 members whilst the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats have 17 in total.

The District Council have started a consultation on their proposals for a new three-storey residential building for short-term accommodation units. They are looking to build it at the corner of Castle Road and New Road in Kidderminster. If approved, it will help the District Council meet a growing demand for temporary accommodation and save money on external accommodation.

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