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NEWSLETTER. MARCH 1980

MASSIVE PROPOSED NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN AND AROUND GRAVEL PIT AT REAR OF THE AVENUE/COWPER CRESCENT

Three separate applications have been made by Court Homes Ltd., for planning permission for up to 18 acres of new housing development in and around the gravel pit to the rear of the Avenue. It is understood that the proposed development would involve the partial destruction of Molewood woods.

Letters of objection for all three applications should be addressed to the Director of Planning for East Herts District Council, Wallfields, Peg Lane, Hertford, and to local District Councillors, and should be received by 14th March 1980. Members of MRA Committee would like to hear members' views on this proposal to help decide the most appropriate course of action.

GRAVEL EXTRACTION AT WARE PARK FARM

On February 18th, the County Council discussed Redlands' new planning application, the meeting being attended by two MRA committee members. As a result of a motion put by Councillor Forrester the decision was deferred until after East Herts District Council meet on 23 March to discuss this matter. It was felt that since such widespread concern had been expressed by local residents, more time should be given to assess the situation, and to hear the views of EHDC.

The key issue was said to be the continued operation of Waterford washing plant beyond the terms of the original planning consent for the nearly worked out pits. Council Officers were instructed to seek Redlands' agreement either to move the washing plant to the site of the new pit or to use a cross-country route for their vehicles. Either solution would eliminate the need for gravel lorries to use Saccombe Road.

Councillor Dare pointed out that the effect of the proposed new pit on the water table was far from clear and suggested that the application be refused on those grounds alone.

The Council Planning Officers have unfortunately recommended that the application be granted. The Councillors themselves, however, seemed less well disposed towards the application. For this reason, it would be most useful to address any further letters of objection directly to the councillors in the Flanning Sub-committee, C/O County Hall, Hertford. Their names are: Dr. A. Anderson, G. Bonwell, Dr. J. Dare, J. Forrester, J. Higgins, F. Halley, K. McKechnie, Dr. C. Nemeth, L. Parker, A. Roy, and Mrs. E. Willden.

DEMOLITION OF FOOTPATH BETWEEN SACOMBE ROAD AND WATERFORD

Redland Aggregates Limited have applied to the Ministry of Transport for permission to re-route the footpath which goes from Sacombe Road, between two gravel pits to Waterford. The new route would be along Sacombe Road and cross next to Vicarage Lane. This move is associated with Redlands' desire to maintain usage of the Waterford Washing plant. Existing permission stipulates that the plant be removed within 12-months of the completion of workings in the pits.

Letters of objection to the footpath closure should quote reference 525335/1/06, and be addressed to:

The Minister of Transport, C/O Office of the Regional Controller (Roads and Transportation),

Eastern Region, Heron House, 49/51 Goldington Road, Bedford, MK40 3LL.

Letters of objection must be received before 6th March 1980.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The social evening on the 6th February was well attended. A delightful and historic set of antique slides were shown depicting Hertford from about 1860, contributing to the success of the evening.

FIELD NEXT TO MOLEWOOD PIT

A complaing has been received about children playing in the field next to Molewood Pit. The wire fence separating the field and the pit was found cut giving horses access to the edge of the pit. This is very dangerous both to horses and to children. Any recurrence may result in police action.

GARDENS

Is your garden a bit too much for you to manage? Some people like gardening - others don't. We wonder how many people there are on the estate who would like someone to come and manage a bit of their garden for them. Also how many people there are who would like some extra garden space.

We would like to bring these two groups of people together. Why not drop us a line if you have some garden to spare, or if you would like to hear from someone who has some spare garden and we will publish both sets of names in the next edition of the newsletter. The rest (including any financial or produce sharing arrangements) is up to you.

If you are interested, get in touch with Tim Cox, 8 Lys Hill Gardens (Hertford 54880).

BENGEO YOUTH CLUB

The Bengeo Youth Club is, at present, catering for about 100 young people each Wednesday evening in the Church Hall, Duncombe Road. There are two clubs, Junior 11 - 13 year olds, 7-8.15 p.m., Seniors 13-21, 8.30-10p.m., the age limit from Juniors to Seniors is not arbitrary, if friends prefer to attend the same Club they can do so. Mrs. Judy Stewart of 3 Lys Hill Gardens is the enthusiastic Youth Leader, backed by her husband, Andy, and Pat and Keith Sulston.

Snooker, Pool, Table Tennis, Darts are available, also a T.V. which can be adapted to a video game. The next large purchase is, hopefully, a panasonic cassette player.

If anyone would care to see the Club please do visit any Wednesday. A warm welcome and a cup of coffee is guaranteed.

Forthcoming attractions

Bierkeller - 29.3.80 - Danesbury School, 8 p.m. tickets £2.50 inclusive of drinks and food. Tickets available from the Management Committee.

Football - it is planned to hold a tournament one Sunday afternoon in April - star players have agreed to attend. Please support the Club by buying a programme.

TYPIST WANTED

An opportunity has arisen for a small amount of paid typing work at irregular intervals in connection with Molewood Residents' Association. The work will be done in the typist's own home and on their own typewriter (preferably electric). Anyone interested contact Marilyn Stevenson, Hertford 57169.

YELLOW PAGES

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