



Pilot Field Area RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Pilot Field Planning Permission (and Tilekiln) is approved



On 1 June the Planning Committee considered the planning applications for a football stadium and two 3G pitches at Tilekiln and a housing development on the Pilot Field. PFARA has worked hard in recent months to compile a range of many valid reasons why these proposals should not go ahead. See our website for more details.

The Tilekiln decision was made first. Peter Bailey (Chair of PFARA) and Meya Evans (ward councillor for Tilekiln and Deputy Council Leader) both gave presentations against the proposal but it was approved unanimously following recommendation from the Planning Officer.

Similarly for the Pilot Field housing development proposal, presentations objecting to this were given by Peter Bailey and our two local councillors, Rob Cooke and Mike Turner. However again the proposal was recommended for approval by the Planning Officer and there was only one vote against it.

Hope is not lost

Despite these decisions, the council still must agree to sell the lands to the developers. Bearing in mind the statement from Paul Barnett (leader of the Council) before the local elections, namely that the decision had been made to keep both areas green in line with the Council's Green policy, this would be a major turnaround if they now decided to sell.

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PFARA Membership form 2021-22

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Please return this form and your subscription to: 41 St Helens' Down TN34 2BG
or **make a bank transfer to:** Bank Account: Name: Pilot Field Area Residents Association, Type: Business, Sort Code: 402318, Account No: 41056263,
Description / Reference: state post code and house no. eg TN34 2BG 345

Next steps

The PFARA Committee is asking its supporters to email (or write to) councillors to remind councillors of their manifesto promises (by all parties) before the recent elections not to sell the lands at Tilekiln and Pilot Field for any developments. Even if it is just a couple of lines just say why you want the two sites to remain green. Councillors say that emails/ letters from individuals carry weight. If enough response is shown in favour of not selling these sites then this may convince the councillors to stick to their original promises.

LOCAL COUNCILLORS CAN BE EMAILED AT;

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OUR EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Also alternatively, you could email all councillors at members@hastings.gov.uk or write to them at **Muriel Matters House, Breeds Place, Hastings, TN34 3UY**

Anti-Social Behaviours

It appears that recent incidents may have died down, but any concerns can be raised at <https://www.sussex.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb/report-antisocial-behaviour/>

If you have raised 3 separate concerns in the last 6 months and do not feel they have been dealt with you can follow it up here - <https://www.hastings.gov.uk/community-safety/community-trigger/>. As the police said at a recent meeting, please report anything no matter how minor it might seem. This will help them to prioritise their work.

Helenswood/Mount Denys Site

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the Pinehill & Mount Denys site has been extended to include the strip of ex-Helenswood land that is not part of Flagship School. There are no current updates on this site beyond us having made enquiries of the Council about whether HBC has approached the Dept. of Education to request change of use of the land and how the site became placed on the Brown Field Site Register by HBC.

The timeline for the Hastings Local Plan, the document that outlines the Council's intended development sites, has been revised again by the Council. The Pre-submission Draft Plan, considering the January-March 2021 round of consultation, was due to be published in June 2022. It is now anticipated to be published, and consulted on, winter 2022/23. We will update you once this process moves forward.

Highways/Verges

At the request of PFARA, and with the help of Cllr Turner, an extra 'no HGV' vehicle sign has been placed at the junction of Ochiltree and Pilot Roads. This should reduce the number of HGV's unwittingly turning left out of Ochiltree and having to dangerously reverse once they find it impossible to navigate the unmade part of the road that meets with the Ridge.

We have made a request via Cllr Turner, and directly via HBC, that the strip of trees near the corner of Pilot and Ochiltree Roads be better, and more regularly, managed. During recent winds large branches fell onto Ochiltree Road and these are now piled up on the verge. No reply has been received from HBC/highways yet and we have followed this up with Cllr Turner and will update residents again in due course.

Annual General Meeting

PFARA's next AGM will be held at St. Barnabas Church in Hoads Wood Road on September 24th at 10am. More details to follow and all residents are welcome.

Keep in touch

Make sure you keep up to date/in touch through our website at www.pfara.org or via email at pfarassociation@gmail.com or **07432 863622**

Subscriptions for 2022

For existing and new members please renew/pay the annual subscription of £2 which also entitles you to vote at the AGM! See details below.

And finally

The secret knitter of this area did another wonderful creation for the Platinum celebrations!



Thank you for your support and interest. Together we can make a difference!

Peter Bailey
Chair, PFARA