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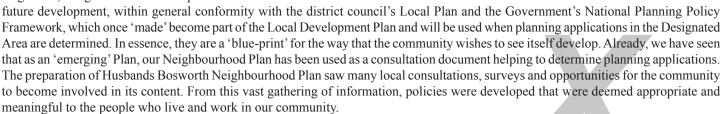
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YOUR VOTE COUNTS

The Localism Act 2011 offered residents the power to shape the future of their communities by putting themselves at the heart of a new planning system. Under the Act, councils and local people are offered the opportunity to make decisions about the impact of many aspects of future development, including its design, character and location, on their community.

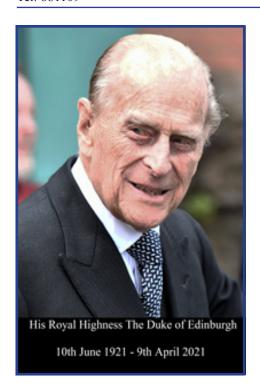
Husbands Bosworth Parish Council made the decision to embrace these new powers and during 2017 an advisory group was formed to produce a Neighbourhood Plan. Over the following $2\frac{1}{2}$ years a document was drawn up, which would help to direct development across the whole parish over the lifetime of Harborough District Council's Local Plan (up to 2031).

In general, Neighbourhood Plans provide a local framework for



The Plan, as it stands, represents the view of part of the community. It has been approved by Harborough District Council but now needs to be presented to the whole community in a Referendum, and a vote made as to whether it should be adopted or not.

The community of Husbands Bosworth will have the opportunity to make their views known on Polling Day, Thursday, May 6th. Copies of Husbands Bosworth Neighbourhood Plan are available to view at: https://www.harborough.gov.uk/downloads/file/6396/husbands_bosworth_neighbourhood_plan_referendum_version_2_june_2020 or by prior arrangement with the Parish Clerk, 2a Mowsley Road. Tel: 881109



HRH THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH

You don't need to be a royalist to recognise the dedication that the Duke of Edinburgh had for the role that was thrust upon him



and for his unstinting commitment to Her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family. His influence was felt over an incredible range of spheres, especially his patronages of almost 1,000 charities, most of which focused on disadvantaged sections of society, offering opportunities for furtherance and fulfilment. His often controversial views on matters of environmental and social significance sometimes over-stepped the admittedly ill-defined lines of his 'job description' but always stirred wide and healthy conversation and debate.

Through it all the Prince never sought to promote himself or his own ideals - content to set a spark for others to carry.

FACE VALUE...

There are a lot of villagers who have gone out of their way to help the community cope with the incredible vicissitudes of the past year. Some have been thanked, others have been doing great things quietly behind the scenes.

On behalf of the village we would like to take this opportunity say a big thank you to those who quickly recognised a need for communication at the very on-set of the lockdowns, Hannah Irons, who set up the *Husbands Bosworth Village* and *Husbands Bosworth Buy and Sell* Facebook pages and Julieann Hallissey who set up the WhatsApp *Hus Bos Chat* help groups.

Whilst it may appear that these pages and groups look after themselves, it is the administrators who keep an eye the content of the posts and ensure that everyone is civil, playing fair and sticking to the rules...



BUGLE POSTBAG

Editors' Special Note

I would like to extend my sincere thanks on behalf of the Bugle Team and the community to Jason Green who has recently joined the 'Two Heathers' in the Wombling crusade to clear the grass verges on the approaches to the village. The trio have made it their special mission to clear the verges on the A4304 between Theddingworth and Bosworth - look out for the big red bags of another successful haul on the roadside!

POLICE FILE



CENSUS FORM SCAM

Police have received a spate of reports relating to text and email messages stating that a mistake has been found on their census return and suggesting that they may be liable for a fine for fraudulent activity. Recipients are directed to a bogus census website and invited to review the information on their return. A couple of pages in, the recipient is asked for bank account details to enable a fee to be paid.

We advise you do NOT respond to these text messages, and be mindful these may also appear as emails.

At no point will you be asked for personal details, your national insurance number, passwords, bank account details, or your credit or debit card numbers, nor any payment requested.

You will not be called for information about the census, unless you've made an appointment with the Census Contact Centre or made a query or complaint.

Remember the golden rule...

NEVER click on links in unsolicited texts or emails.

Suspicious texts should be forwarded to #7726 and suspicious emails forwarded to report@phishing.gov.uk

DOG-NAPPERS

It seems that the publicity and public awareness surrounding organised crime dog thefts has slowed down the incidences nationally. However, both Northamptonshire and Leicestershire police have noted a small number of isolated cases of dog theft, and attempted dog theft, which appear to be opportunist crimes by persons 'jumping on the band wagon'. Dog owners should be aware of these incidences and be vigilant of suspicious activity when exercising their pets in public areas.

BRUNTINGTHORPE TRAFFIC

Cox Automotive have recently taken over the car storage facility at Bruntingthorpe and have introduced a revised Traffic Plan, which directs site traffic away from the A5199 and along a designated route to M1 junction 20 in order to avoid problems at the pinch-points in Husbands Bosworth and Welford. All operators, including car transporter drivers using the facility are required to abide by this ruling.

Cox are urging local villagers to 'police' the compliance of the HGV traffic servicing the facility and have established a line of contact to record any movements and lodge complaints. Complaints should include the nature of the offence and direction, time of offence, transporter branding, registration number and ideally a photograph. The operators should respond within 5 days and will take disciplinary action against drivers and hauliers that break the rules. <code>tptcomplaints@bruntingthorpe.atlassian.net or 0116 2799323</code>.

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BOSWORTH IN FOCUS

BOSWORTH GARDEN IN MAY

With the longer, warmer days it's a great time to sow seeds and keep on top of feeding, mulching and weeding. Water in the early morning or dusk to conserve water and stop leaves being scorched by the sun.

Seeds

Sow herbs such as chives, dill and parsley, and sunflowers, nigella, nasturtium and wildflowers like scabious, poppy and cornflowers directly into prepared beds.

Sow undercover: foxgloves, aquilegia, delphinium, lupin, sweet william and wallflowers for flowers next year.

Flowers

Allow spring bulb foliage to die back naturally and give the clumps some liquid feed to ensure a good display next year.

Tie sweet peas to encourage them to climb.

Create hanging basket displays, plant summer bedding and plant freesias and gladioli bulbs for flowers through summer.

Harden off half-hardy plants by leaving them outside during the day and bringing them back under cover at night for 7 - 10 days before planting outdoors.

Feed your container plants and refresh the top compost in permanent pots.

Vegetables

Sow sweetcorn, cucumbers, courgette, pumpkin and squash undercover.

Sow beetroot, lettuce, swede, spring onions, Swiss chard and spinach directly into prepared seed beds.

Direct sow beans and peas or start them off inside to stop mice finding them.

Plant brassicas and leeks into their final positions.

Transfer tomato seedlings into grow-bags or beds in your greenhouse. Plant tomatoes outside towards the end of May.

Fruit

Feed your strawberries and fruit bushes and straw the base of strawberries to keep the slugs away from the fruit.

Hang pheromone traps around your fruit trees to stop moth damage.

Hannah Edge bosworth.bulbs@gmail.com

WILD ABOUT BOSWORTH

Common Gorse - Ulex Europaeus

Gorse, Furze or Whin (in Scotland) is an evergreen shrub of the *Fabaceae* family. A patch grows next to the pond in the Millennium Wood. It's a legume that's characterised by sharp needle-like leaves and thorns and vivid yellow, coconut-scented flowers

A notable feature of gorse is the range of uses our forebears came up with for the plant. Its branches and roots are extremely flammable and burn with an extremely hot flame. Hence, their use as natural firelighters.

A bundle of branches tied to a stick makes an effective broom. The same bundle tied to a heavy stone and lowered down a chimney scours soot deposits.

It was chopped into small pieces and fed to

cattle as high protein winter fodder. Harvesters of the plant were called "furze collectors." Gorse wood, though small, is non-toxic and was used to make culinary items such as spoons. The colourful flowers are edible and can be added to salads or infused as a tea. They were also used as a yellow dye agent, notably when decorating Easter eggs. Lastly, a sprig of gorse added to a bride's wedding bouquet symbolises fertility.

The flowers feed nectar loving insects, and small birds seek shelter amidst the tangles of gorse branches, especially during spells of bad weather. It's an invasive plant, that's difficult to eradicate. The seed pods split in hot weather and eject two or three black seeds which remain viable for decades. So, even after grubbing out mature plants, new ones will soon take their place.

The peak flowering period is April and May, though it can flower any month of the year. Which sheds light on the charming folklore saying: 'Kissing is out of fashion when the gorse is out of blossom'.

Mike Chanter

LUTTERWORTH ARCHERY CLUB

Lutterworth Archery Club has a shooting range located between North Kilworth and Walcote and is reopening after closure due to COVID-19 restrictions. We are a small friendly club, open to members of all ages from 8+ upwards and have just been awarded the Archery GB 'On Target' Community Club of the Year award for 2020.

Members have access to the range 7 days a week. Coaches and experienced archers are available to help new members progress. If members wish to take part in competitions, the club encourages this at all levels within the friendly and supportive atmosphere.

We are looking to re-start our recruitment for new members, in particular juniors and will be holding COVID-safe beginner courses throughout the summer. If there are any budding archers out there or anyone who just wants to try archery, please register your interest for a beginner's course by e-mailing courseadmin@lutterwortharchery.org.uk and we will let you know when the next available course is taking place. You can also visit our website at www.lutterwortharchery.org.uk. If you have any queries you can contact us at chairman@lutterwortharchery.org.uk

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As we noted in last month's *Bugle* article, the Historical Society Facebook page has been humming with lively banter concerning the photographs that we've been featuring recently relating to the village's past football team glories. Judging by the numerous triumphant team photographs that we hold in the Archive Collection and the anecdotes that have come forward, the teams over the years seem to have been particularly successful in the local leagues.

This month we thought that we should redress the balance a little by featuring the village's prowess in another sport - from when the village could boast a bowls team. Husbands Bosworth Bowls Club seems to have been equally as successful as the football, judging from this photograph, glinting with shiny silverware.

Behind the trophies and the 'Sunday Best' it is interesting to note the old village families who are represented here...



Jack Trolley • Jack Thraves • Jack Knight • Don Holton • Bert Bonney • Sidney Alloway • John Adnitt Bernard Malkin • Horace Stanyon • John Turner • Bill Hancock • Horace Woolmer • John Gent • Jim Dixon George Silverwood • Tom Cooper • Bill Millward • George 'Pip' Bale

NEW HIGHWAYS WEBSITE

Leicestershire Highways have developed a new easy-to-use website offering clear guidance on the options that may be appropriate to address a particular highways issue.

Search for 'Leicestershire Highways A Roads to Zebras' at leicestershirehighways.org.uk Eventually the site will include other key functions of the department providing a one-stop shop for road, waste and environment information and guidance.



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SCOUTING IN BOSORTH

1st Kilworth Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts are looking forward to meeting again in person, which we will start doing in May, after almost 14 months of weekly *Zoom* meetings. As meeting indoors is currently not allowed, we'll be running all of our activities on the field, keeping everyone socially distanced and safe.

The other big task we face is finding new Beavers Leaders. After eleven years of commitment as Section Leader, Nic Anderson will be leaving her role in July. She's done a fantastic job of running the section, putting together an excellent programme of exciting activities, including during this past year, and we're really going to miss her. So we're looking for two or three parents to step up and take up the baton, beginning as soon as possible so that they can learn and train with Nic over the next three months. As we're hoping to return to face-to-face meetings in May, much of that will be in person. Beavers meetings are held Thursday evenings 6.00pm to 7.00pm. We know everyone leads busy lives, but to volunteer a few hours a week makes a big difference in these young people's lives. If you are interested, please contact me: kilworth@southleics-scouts.org. uk. If we are unable to find anyone to take over, then Beavers will have to shut in September. It's not an option we want to take, but we can't do it without people stepping up and dedicating their time, so we greatly appreciate those willing to make the commitment.

Charles Lauder Jnr.



MORE BOSWORTH IN FOCUS

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Friend of our Historical Society, Dr. Len Holden of Market Harborough Movie Makers, has recently uploaded a couple of his films onto *Youtube*.

'A Very Grand Union' is about the Old Grand Union Canal, from Foxton to Norton Junction, where it joined the Grand Junction Canal. The film relates the building of this section of the canal and the commercial troubles it experienced in the late 19th century and early 20th century.

The film also contains a digital visualisation of the Foxton Incline Plane, showing how it worked.

The canal witnessed a national revival in the 1950s, with a resurgence of canal use as a leisure activity led by the Inland Waterways' Festival of Boats in Market Harborough in 1950. The link also includes a 'short' featuring this event.

https://youtu.be/vFJRPD9tZgk

MILLENNIUM WOOD

If you go down in the Woods today...

The Woodland, originally the site of an open-hearth brickworks and pastureland, was laid out in 2002, has been the focus of greatly increased use during the past year and the pathways were beginning to look a little care-worn and in need of attention. Work has started on an upgrading, resurfacing and extension scheme for the pathways, which will, once completed, open up more of the site for visitors to explore and offer a greater appreciation of the wildlife.

NEW HOMES COMING SOON...

The new development offering Affordable Home Scheme homes on the Bosworth Grange site off Welford Road is now coming 'on stream'. NCHA are offering four affordable two and three bed semi-detached homes, which will be available this summer. These homes are available for purchase with 50% Shared Ownership, perfect for first time buyers and those looking to get a helping hand on to the property ladder.



Prices: 3-bedroom semi-detached house £130,000 for a 50% share

2-bedroom semi-detached house £105,000 for a 50% share

Key selling points;

- Characterful new community, designed in keeping with the rest of the village
- Walking distance to local amenities, including pub, shop and primary school
- NHBC 10 Year New Home Warranty
- Contemporary kitchen with integrated oven and hob

What is Shared Ownership?

Shared ownership gives first time buyers and those that do not currently own a home the opportunity to purchase a share in a new build property. You buy a percentage, and pay rent on the rest. NCHA owns part of it — but you're living there, you decorate it, and you decide when to sell.

Buying a percentage means a smaller deposit and smaller mortgage. Look at it as a helping hand on to the property ladder.

Who Qualifies?

Anyone who does not currently own or part own a property and has a household income of less than £80,000 per year can apply.



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Patricia Hobson

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CAR PARK MAINTENANCE

During the week commencing Monday, May 10th, the Parish Council is planning some maintenance work at the Recreation Ground car parks, both the Play Area car park and the one at the Pavilion. For this reason they will both be closed for several days.

The Play Area Car Park will be locked from early evening on Sunday, May 9th, and the Pavilion Car Park, will not be available. For Health and Safety reasons, no pedestrian access will be allowed through the Play Area Car Park, but if you wish to use the Play Area, the Skate Park, Tennis Courts or the Recreation Ground, then access is still available via the pedestrian gate by the Pavilion. Be warned that it may be very noisy and dusty! The Dog Walk, however, will not be accessible via the Pavilion, since dogs are not allowed on the Recreation Ground. There may be some disruption for 3 or 4 days that week although, if all goes to plan, the work should be completed in two days and we should have improved car parks to show for it.

AFFORDABLE RENTAL PROPERTIES

NCHA are offering six new rental homes within the Bosworth Grange development. These will be available for Affordable Rent in the autumn via Harborough District Council.

Register your interest at www. harborough.gov.uk.





PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Minutes of the virtual meeting of Husbands Bosworth Parish Council held on Tuesday 6^{th} April 2021

Present: Four Council members, no members of the public

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Matters Arising

- ■Following previous concerns on the condition of the pathway to Theddingworth, Council was dismayed that it had apparently been declassified and would not be maintained. Clerk was asked to write to LCC and seek clarification.
- ■Clerk was still awaiting a response from Snowdon Homes regarding the work to the Playing Field ditch.

Finance

■March Bank Statements and Cashbook reconciliation and Year End Summary were presented for noting.

Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

■Council noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum will take place on 6th May. It was agreed to draw parishioners' attention to this event by social media platforms, in the *Bosworth Bugle* and a flyer.

Pavilion

■Garage Conversion - Clerk was seeking information on possible planning issues.

COVID Funding

i. Millennium Wood

A grant to carry out restoration and extension works has been applied for

ii. Skate Park and Play Area

Future options for the Skate Park, including design and materials are sought iii. Dog Walk

It was agreed to purchase 6 trees to be planted along the fence line

iv. Play Area Car Park

It was agreed to level and dress the car park as a temporary measure

v. Christmas 2021 Lights

Festive lighting options for the oak tree on The Green were discussed

Butt Lane Bridle Path

- ■Council agreed to monitor the flooding problem now that a drainage channel had been dug Scout Hut Lease
- ■Clerk advised he had yet to receive a copy of the completed lease. Council agreed to a 'lease holiday' for the 2020/21 since the facility had been usused due to COVID restrictions

SID REPORT

Readings from the Speed Indicator Device

Leicester Road

Period: 24.03.21 - 31.03.21

Vehicle movements: 5359 Av./day: 766

Average speed: 33.11mph Highest recorded speed: 61mph

High Street westerly

Period: 31.03.21 -07.04.21

Vehicle movements: 9990 Av./day: 1427

Average speed: 26.73mph Highest recorded speed: 55mph

High Street westerly

Period: 7.04.21 - 14.07.21

Vehicle movements: 10749 Av./day: 1536

Average speed: 26.51mph Highest recorded speed: 52mph

High Street easterly

Period: 14.04.21 - 21.07.21

Vehicle movements: 12284 Av./day: 1755

Average speed: 25.61mph Highest recorded speed: 68mph

LOCAL OFFICERS

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Any Other Business

- ■Recreation Area hedge Council noted a number of holes, which make the area insecure. Further investigation of options were needed **Allotments**
- ■Clerk noted the current demand in the village and the low turnover of existing allotments and asked permission to open discussion with LCC with a view to taking over more land to extend the allotment site

Cycling Club Event

■Welland Valley Cycle Club asked permission to use part of the Playing Field for an event in August. Council felt that as the football season will have started this would not be possible.

Ditch at rear of Welford Road houses

■Clerk was asked to contact a contractor to view the options available and costs for the remedial work required

The next meeting will be an AGM meeting followed by an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting. This will a virtual meeting and will be held on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.30pm.

A full copy of the Minutes can be viewed or downloaded at: www.husbandsbosworthpc.org.uk or by request to the Parish Clerk.



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FROM THE RECTORY

I was impressed by the funeral of HRH Prince Philip at the lack of eulogy about him and the fact that the service consisted primarily of readings and prayers and music, much of it taken directly from scriptures. The fact that he had chosen most of the content of his service for himself speaks as much as anything about his faith and trust in God. Psalm 104 which was sung by the choristers, and which he had asked to be arranged in celebrating his 75th birthday, and the reading from Ecclesiasticus both speak eloquently about God's hand in the created world. They speak of the way in which God provides for humankind and for the animals alike, and it hints at the partnership between God and people as we take what God provides to make bread and wine and oil. After 99 long years, his parting message to us is to look to God. His interest in conservation of our world which was seen throughout his life, and his service both to the Queen, our nation, the Commonwealth and his family, all speak of the need to play an active part in making community and in preserving what God has given. This was the funeral of a man of faith which had been lived out in service. We pray he may rest in peace, his earthly work complete and the glory of heaven before him. At the local level we have recently lost other men of faith in recent weeks as we mourn the passing of Father Owen O'Neill who had retired as the Roman Catholic priest at Market Harborough last year and who had served the Catholic community which met at St Mary's Church here in Husbands Bosworth for many years. Personally I found him to be the loveliest of men, so kind and welcoming.

We have also lost Lloyd Jones, a stalwart of the Methodist Church in the village here for over 50 years, only moving to join the congregation at All Saints after the Methodist church closed, and being faithful in attendance and worship there as long as his health allowed. Lloyd, we will miss your faithful presence and your smile.

Then we have lost Rev. Bob Hutchings from All Saints Church, who has battled with poor health these last few months but has served the Church of England as a priest and served the benefice in many ways producing the *Hexagon* magazine for a number of years. Bob, you remained faithful to the end, may you hear your Lord's 'well done'...

These three were also men of faith, whose company we enjoyed, and we pray they too will enjoy the glories of heaven. So, to all you younger men and women of faith, they are handing the baton on to you, to run the race of faith in this place, to keep the light of faith alight and to remain steadfast. May their example be an inspiration to us all and we thank God that we had the opportunity to know them. May you, all four, rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen. *Liz* ₽

Parish Notices

Albert Lloyd Jones

of Butt Lane Died March 31st 2021 Age 97

Robert (Bob) Hutchings

of Highcroft Died April 18th 2021 Age 76 R.I.P.



Hexagon Benefice

BENEFICE SERVICES

2nd Benefice Communion Service at

9th Benefice Communion Service at Arnesby

16th Benefice Communion Service with baptism at Husbands Boswroth

23rd Pentecost Benefice Communion Service 10.30am at Theddingworth

30th Benefice Communion service at Mowsley

Contact: Rev.Liz Bickley 880351 Senior Churchwarden: Di Jones 880741

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Robert Constable-Maxwell 880361 Canon Chris O'Connor 462359



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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 3rd EARLY SPRING BANK HOLIDAY [Editor's Note: YAY!]

Tuesday, May 4th Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm

(This meeting will be conducted as a virtual meeting - see Parish Council website for details)

Thursday, May 6th Polling Day & Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

Monday, May 31st SPRING BANK HOLIDAY [Editor's Note: Double YAY!]

Friday, June 18th Mobile Library (PLEASE NOTE; There will be no mobile library visit in May)

Saturday, June 19th Millennium Wood work-party, 9.30am

Sunday, August 29th Horticultural & Craft Show

Action for Children live music event



LOCAL PLANNING NEWS

The following applications have been submitted to Harborough District Council:

- ■21/00488/FUL Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation & install larger window to ground floor rear elevation, 17 Fernie Court
- ■21/00657/TCA Works to tree (fell), 4 Hillcrest Lane
- ■21/00683/CMA Extraction of sand and gravel and importation of inert material to achieve a beneficial restoration of the site along with wider landscape enhancements (County Council Identity Number 2021/CM/0041/LCC)

Recently determined applications:

- ■21/00167/FUL Approve (C) Erection of stables, removal of 3 timber stables and re-siting of lunge pen, Lavender Lakes, Leicester Road
- ■21/00369/PCD Approve Bowbridge Homes (Husbands Bosworth) Ltd Discharge of Condition 20 (Verification of No Contamination) of 18/01320/FUL, Land Adj Knights Close
- ■21/00386/TCA (Approve) Works to trees (fell), 5 Bell Lane
- ■21/00150/LBCApprove (C) Installation of two replacement windows to the front elevation, 11 Church Street, Husbands Bosworth
- ■21/00220/TCA Approve Works to trees, 54 Bell Lane,

Current applications may be inspected during normal working hours at the Council Offices, The Symington Building, Adam & Eve Street, Market Harborough.

Planning applications and other aspects of local government can now be viewed on-line at www.harboroughonline.co.uk

CALL FOR SITES

Harborough District Council has recently launched a 'Call for Sites' for land with development potential, not as a consultation but an information gathering exercise.

The submission of a site and any assessment outcome will not change a site's eligiblity for development but it may be a useful source of potential sites in the preparation or review of Neighbourhood Plans.

We are inviting the submission of information about potential development sites relating to a wide range of uses including garden villages or new settlements, strategic development areas, housing, employment, and retail. It is important to note that previously submitted or assessed sites will not be carried forward into the new Land Availability Assessment, meaning that all sites will need to be submitted with up-to-date supporting information. Guidance notes are included throughout the online form to aid users, along with some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) to help in the successful online submission of sites. At this stage we are only seeking the submission of sites with development potential. Opportunities to identify sites or land for protection will come later.

We are expecting all sites to be submitted using the newly developed online form. In developing the online form, we have done our utmost to ensure that it is reliable, intuitive and easy to use as well as aiding the assessment process. There is a facility within the form to plot site outlines online or to attach site maps and further information to aid the assessment of sites. The forms saves users progress in the form automatically to prevent loss of data caused by connection loss or interruptions. There is also a 'Save & Exit' facility to allow those wanting to submit sites to break off and come back to the form later.

Given the position regarding lockdown and working from home, we would really appreciate any help you can give us in letting your local community and your contacts know about the Call for Sites.

More information about the Call for Sites along with guidance about submitting sites is available on the Council's website: https://www. harborough.gov.uk/callforsites. Should you receive any enquiries about the Call for Sites from local residents or landowners, they should be directed to the website for help. However, if you or a member of the local community have any further queries please free to email planningpolicy@harborough.gov.uk. Alternatively, you can ask to speak to a member of the Strategic Planning Team by contacting Customer Services on 01858 828282.





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