

Greetings from your local Conservative Team for Shepperton Town ward. Here is an update on some local issues you have raised with us

Planning

Residents in Manygate Lane have been beleaguered by building issues which we have constantly brought to the attention of Spelthorne's enforcement team. These have also had an impact on additional roads in the area. The picture shows a feature brick wall being demolished and replaced with wooden fencing to the complete dismay of local people. When this came before the planning committee as a retrospective application for authorisation of its unauthorised demolition, all 3 councillors were able to support residents and oppose it. Vivienne spoke on their behalf while Colin and Robin -as planning committee members - were also able to vote. The committee delivered a unanimous refusal.



Illustration of the remains of the original wall retained following a stop notice and the lower wooden fencing replacement.

Planning enforcement

We are aware of ongoing enforcement procedures in respect of the stables on Chertsey Road which are giving some residents cause for concern. A planning issue for this is the restriction of openness of the green belt.



Installation of barrier posts on Duppas Park

Traveller incursions onto Lower Halliford Green and Bishop Duppas Park will be prevented by the solid posts along the perimeter.

Grants to support our local community groups

We have supported a wide range of requests during this term of office. These include –

Shepperton Youth Club - currently run on a voluntary basis - garden furniture for their outside area.

Defibrillator in the village centre

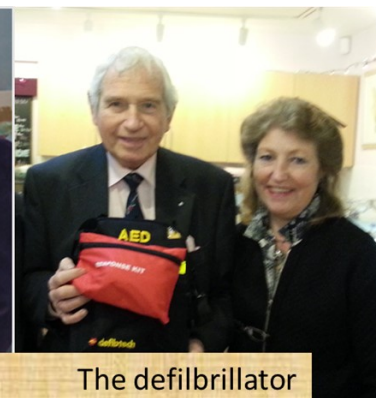
Bowls club – new patio

Shepperton Village Conservation Group for High St flower beds and pocket park.

Shepperton Allotments Society for new toilets



At Men in Sheds



The defibrillator

See over

Community grants ... continued

Thamesmead School for the purchase of musical instruments. The school's initiative is to inspire the students to be interested in music and perhaps take up a rewarding lifetime hobby. Students will have use of the instruments the community grant was used to buy free of charge for a year.

If you belong to a local community group and need some help, please do get in touch with us.



3 of the instruments our grant award helped to finance

Gravel Extraction opposed

Watersplash Farm Gravel Application

For ten years now, we have along with residents been fighting the Gravel application from CEMEX at Watersplash Farm by Walton Bridge Road.

This opposition from your County Councillor Richard Walsh and your three Spelthorne Borough Councillors, Robin Sider, Vivienne Leighton and Colin Barnard continues today and we have every hope with the support of Shepperton residents and the Environment Agency to stop the extraction of gravel and the refilling of the site with inert waste, until proper environmental precautions are in place to stop flooding and ensure our underground water is not contaminated.



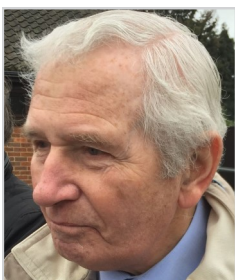
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