

## Mackworth Parish Council Chairman's report 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Mackworth Parish Council have been busy dealing with planning and footpath access issues during the year.

There have been problems with litter of large items at Markeaton Lane, Brun Lane and Ashbourne Road by the lay by at the bus stop. The AVBC community warden has visited the sites and a camera has been put up in field by Ashbourne Road with CCTV and this appears to have solved the problem. The other two sites were not suitable for this and litter has been removed.

There have been numerous incidents with drug dealing, anti-social behaviour and thefts to properties at Langley Country Park Estate. Sally Price a safety officer at AVBC attended meeting with residents, Cllrs. McCormack, Orton and clerk to inspect the site. It was established that lack of concrete bollards in the centre of footpaths enabled vehicles to drive down. The boundary fence at the side of Skitteridge Wood would not stop anyone from entering Water Tower. The open space play areas were not safe and trees planted on edge of the development had died. There were health and safety issues with overflowing litter bins and dog poo bags being left on open spaces. Sally Price took photographs and will report back. This is an ongoing problem that has to be dealt with before the site is completed and handed over to Management Company.

Councillors met with the planning team from Redrow and Pegasus group regarding the second phase development on Radbourne Lane from the Water Tower to Ashbourne Road. There will be 2 new access points to new development from Radbourne Lane. Radbourne Lane will be widened and there will be formalised parking for vehicles. It was pointed out that there were problems with Langley Park open areas, and footpaths must not be wide enough to accommodate vehicles. A meeting was held to discuss S106 funding re Phase 2 on Radbourne Lane. A request was made for a Community hall to be included. If this was not possible the use of hall in new school to be built. The footpath between A52 and Mackworth Village to be widened, improve the car park at All Saints Church and replace noticeboard in Mackworth Village.

Councillors asked for the following to be considered before outline planning is permitted:

1. The increase in vehicles on Radbourne Lane is going to affect everyone and the Parish Council feel that the speed limit should be lowered to 30m.p.h. The same applies to Ashbourne Road between Mackworth Village and Kirk Langley, as there are 2 bus stops fairly close together which affect visibility and access. There have been several incidents, as vehicles travel too quickly on A52 as the speed varies between 40 and 50 m.p.h. and a consistent speed of 40m.p.h. or less would be suitable.
2. As there have been problems with security on Langley Country Park it is important that the developers fit quality secure locks on patio doors.

3. Any footpaths must have bollards included, and not be wide enough for cars to drive on as has happened on Phase 1 on Radbourne Lane.
4. The proposed open space must include a fenced dog free play area for children.
5. A belt of trees on North and North West of the site to shield the new houses from the A52 and the Commercial Vehicle site.
6. The boundary surrounding Skitteridge Wood needs to be secured to avoid repeated reports of anti- social behaviour and riding around on stolen mopeds. This is still happening despite being reported to the Police.

Mackworth Parish Council have written to M.P.to request update regarding increasing broadband facilities in area. Patrick Mc Loughlin replied that after contacting Digital Derbyshire it appears that Mackworth will be included in the next tranche of work, but no date has been set.

There have been concerns regarding the response of local Police to any incidents. Clerk has written to Police Commissioner to request that Parish is moved into Derby South Division as Parish is on border. This has been turned down and it appears that nearest Police response team would attend incidents regardless of division they are in.

A new noticeboard has been fitted on Ashbourne Road opposite Mundy Arms and a new grit bin with rock salt has been fitted in Jarveys Lane.