# Sutton North CCUS News from your Lib Dem team

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# New secondary school

In previous editions of Focus we have explained why the new school on the ex Sutton Hospital site in Belmont will not be sufficient for the growing number of secondary school pupils in the borough by 2020.

As a result we need to identify another site for a second new school.

After extensive searches for a suitable site, the Council believes that the only available location for another secondary school and nearest to the area of greatest need is the disused all-weather pitch in Rosehill Park.

Your local ward councillors recognise that there are serious issues to be addressed, not least the impact that such a school would have on the rest of the park along with associated problems with traffic and parking.



Any planning application would have to come up with solutions to all these issues.

But in the meantime the Council has to agree to grant a lease of the land to the Government's Education and Skills Funding Agency in order for plans to be drawn up and a planning application prepared. The Strategy and Resources Committee will decide if this lease should be granted and if agreed, we will let you know more about the planning application and when it is likely to be discussed.

## New refuse collections

The Council has to make huge savings imposed by the government which is why it has handed over its in-house contract to contractor Veolia.

We know that there have been some problems with the implementation of the new contract. In most roads the new service is working well but we know that there are still some roads where the service is not up to standard.

Marlene, Steve and Ruth are determined to ensure that everyone receives a good service from the new contractor. Please do contact us if you have any problems.

### Local updates

The Council is consulting residents about a Quietways proposal that will encourage cycling, and also improve road safety along Benhill Wood Road, Elgin Road and Grennell Road.

Please respond with your ideas. There will be a further consultation when draft proposals for improvements have been drawn up.

We recently took a detailed look at the road safety issues in Collingwood Road, and are consulting residents in the area.

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Your local Councillors hold a surgery every Saturday from 11am until 12 noon at the Salvation Army Hall on Benhill Avenue (excluding August)