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News from your local Lib Dem team Cllr Ruth Dombey, Cllr Marlene Heron and Cllr Steve Penneck

## Architects need to think again

### Councillors oppose plans for school in Rosehill Park

Ruth, Marlene and Steve attended the drop-in meeting on 3 April and have also met the developers about the plans for the new school on the disused artificial pitch and part of the tennis centre.



The current school designs are unacceptable, say Lib Dems

developer to produce a scheme more in keeping with the parkland setting.

We understand and support the need for a new school, and understand that the proposed location, while not ideal, is the best that can be found, but feel our children deserve better than that proposed. Following our representations, the developers have agreed to think again about their proposals and delay the planning application beyond May.

We believe the current plans are unacceptable and are urging improvements to place the building towards the back of the site; to improve the layout and design of the building and to clarify parking and access arrangements. We are asking for the plans to be substantially revised before a planning application is submitted – we will be opposing the plans as they currently stand. We are asking for the government appointed

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### Next local Committee

7pm on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at Holy Family Church Hall, Sorrento Road, Surrey, SM1 1QU

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Securing our parks is a priority

### Parks safeguarding including Sutton Green

Following a series of unauthorised encampments on Council land last year, we successfully applied for an injunction to increase Council powers. There will now be a programme of protective works to parks.

These include extra safeguarding for Chaucer Gardens and Rose Hill Park. Sutton Green is a particularly exposed site, visible from the High Street, and extra security measures will be sensitively deployed. Further details on all these items are on our web site.

## Parking Consultation update

Thank you for your parking consultation responses. We currently expect the Council to publish results at the end of May, together with revised proposals which will take account of residents' concerns. Officers proposals were:

- An extension of the town centre CPZ into the rest of Collingwood Road, and into Stayton, Dibdin, Marlborough, Blenheim, Hallmead and Vermont Roads;
- A separate CPZ in Aultone Way, Woodend and Greenhill;
- Free parking bays with single yellow line restrictions in the roads to the east of Rose Hill

Parking remains a concern for many people, with pressure from St Helier hospital, commuter parking and people visiting the town centre. This will only get worse over future years as further town centre redevelopment takes place. If it is not tackled now, the opportunity will be missed.

We are continuing to call on residents to make sure we understand their concerns. There will be a further statutory consultation on the final proposals in the early summer with any scheme implemented after the summer holidays.