

Sutton North FOCUS



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Planning Permission refused for school on Rosehill Park

Councillors fight for a better deal for our area

Sutton's Planning Committee has refused permission for the new school in Rosehill Park. The committee agreed that the Tory government's proposal for a new school was unacceptable.

The Committee were aware of the pressing need for a new school in central Sutton and that the location on the park, although not ideal, was the best available option. However they were concerned with the design of the building, the traffic, road safety and parking impact, the impact during the construction period and air quality.

Speaking at the meeting, Cllr Steve Penneck said: 'We need a development that the community will recognise as an inspirational community asset that will add value to the park. Instead of this we have a design that the applicant describe themselves as a '4-storey Superblock'.'

We are disappointed that, despite these important concerns, all the Conservative councillors voted to approve the application. We are waiting to hear if the Government-appointed developer will appeal the decision. Keep an eye on our ward website and Facebook page for further updates.



We think that the school design should blend in to the park

Reducing traffic, improving air quality, creating stronger communities

Sutton Council is bidding for funding to reduce the need for residents to use their cars to access Sutton town centre and to create stronger neighbourhoods.

Tell us what you think of your area – what needs improving? Do your local streets feel safe? Would your child like to walk, scoot or cycle to school? Is rat-running traffic a problem on your street? Are you worried about air pollution? Is it easy to access Sutton town centre? Do you need secure cycle parking?

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Surgery dates: Every Saturday from 11am to 12 noon at The Dolphin, 316 High Street, Sutton, SM1 1PR (excluding Aug and public holiday weekends).

Improving safety crossing Angel Hill

The scheme to put a pedestrian crossing at the junction with All Saints Road has been delayed as various utility companies need to put in alternative arrangements.

We will keep you updated on this on our website and are pressing for it to go ahead as soon as possible

Aultone Way area residents' parking latest

Following consultation, the residents' only parking scheme for Aultone Way, Woodend and Greenhill is likely to be slightly modified to meet concerns raised by people living in the area.

The days of operation could be reduced to exclude Saturdays. Although non-resident parking on Saturdays is a problem at the bottom of Aultone Way, it is not elsewhere and residents have told us that a Saturday restriction would have a big impact on family visits.

Concern was also raised about the position of carers, and councillors are pressing for changes to be made to carer permits to make this easier. Please check our website for further updates of when the scheme will come into operation.

