Brickhill Borough Councillors Update April 2020 From Wendy Rider and Charles Royden

We wish you all a very happy Easter

Rooksmead Parking

We are delighted to report that construction of the new parking provision will finally commence on 16 April. This was



delayed due to objection on the planning permission and more recently the severe bad weather. We believe that this will help alleviate the severe problems caused by parking on muddy areas. There are still parking difficulties along Rooksmead of which we are aware and this will need further consideration.

White lining

There are several areas where we have requested white lining to be improved, including the mini roundabouts on Brickhill Drive and the car park at Brickhill Drive shops. Now that the worst of the cold weather seems to be over we expect that the council will be able to get on top of this.

East West Rail

We attended the online presentation by East West Rail on Wednesday which now starts their second informal consultation. Several routes are proposed which show the track running beyond the country park and woodland away from the urban area and we will seek an extension of the existing country park to the north to provide additional green space facilities and tree planting. We have received a response from East West Rail which is attached.

School Parking

There are ongoing difficulties around schools and we have requested additional enforcement and use of CCTV to get n top of dangerous parking by parents which is placing the lives of children in danger. There has been substantial enforcement and fines issued

Park safety

With the start of the Easter holidays and the next step in the Government's COVID-19 roadmap allowing outdoor gathering of either six people or two households, the Council is reminding local residents to enjoy their parks responsibly. Parks are a fantastic community space, providing room to exercise, get some fresh air, and have a much needed meet up with friends and family. With everyone still being asked to minimise travel, the Council is expecting many people to be enjoying their local park over the Easter holidays and is reminding visitors to use the parks responsibly.

- Please do not litter- use the bins provided, and if they are full between emptying due to the increase in visitors, please take your rubbish home with you.
- Park toilets are open- please remember to social distance when using them, and wash/sanitise
 your hands regularly.
- Continue to follow social distancing guidance between households to keep everyone safe.

As your local councillors we will continue to work hard and keep you informed through regular deliveries of FOCUS, surgeries and our website where you can sign up for our Brickhill newsletter.

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