

**Borough Councillor's Report  
To Worplesdon Parish Council  
8 August 2019**

1. Now that GBC and Thames Water have agreed the terms for the replacement Water Treatment plant, SARP (Slyfield Area Regeneration Project) will proceed, but it will take approximately 6 years before the new plant is in operation. Phase 1 of the project will be to provide new allotments near to the Post Office building, then the existing allotment site will provide approximately 15 houses. SARP is now named 'Weyside Urban Village'.

2. I attended a meeting in July regarding a proposal to open a specialist centre at Worplesdon Primary School. The specialist centre will be operated in partnership with Freemantle School in Woking and the Primary School. Only a few people attended the meeting and the consultation period closed on the 19<sup>th</sup> July. It is anticipated that a planning application will be submitted shortly and that the specialist centre will start taking admissions in September 2020. I was advised that a public planning meeting had been held on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

3. There have been a number of Enforcement notices issued by GBC for the following:

- Keens Lane Development
- 1 Fairlands Avenue
- Budgens store, Fairlands
- Burger stall at Worplesdon Place Hotel – this was due to close on the 6<sup>th</sup> August.

4. I have received complaints about dangerous and inconsiderate parking on yellow lines around the shops in Fairlands. I have contacted GBC Parking Office who will investigate and carry out enforcement.

5. A Planning Application for change of use from a private swimming pool to commercial use to provide swimming lessons at Bushy, Backside Common, Wood Street Village has been recommended for refusal by the planning officer.

6. On the land adjoining Cobbett Hill traveller site a container has been installed to block the access to the site. This land was formally owned by Merrist Wood College. GBC have been requested to investigate this matter.

7. At the Full Council meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July there were 4 motions:

- To declare a Climate emergency
- To support a Plastic Free Guildford campaign
- To commission a second QC about the Local Plan
- To look at a Town Centre master plan.

All these motions were approved.