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Planning Permission for 170 Homes on New Road REFUSED

On 18 May, SODC's Planning Committee made a courageous decision to REFUSE planning permission for 170 homes on the Green Gap. The decision was unanimous. The Committee were convinced by the passion and unanimity of the objections from local people in both Didcot and East Hagbourne and by the planning arguments so cogently presented at the meeting.

The engagement of the very many people who packed the meeting at Didcot Civic Centre and those who contributed hundreds of reasoned comments during the consultation period were a big factor in the Committee's decision and this is a victory for all of you. Equally important, though, was that rational planning reasons for refusal were so clearly and forcefully presented.

Special thanks are due to Mind the Green Gap for both mobilising and organising the opposition and for the deep and knowledgeable evaluation of the planning arguments. Of course, it may not be over yet - the developers may appeal - but we are convinced there are good reasons to reject an appeal and for now we can celebrate.

As always, please follow events at www.mindthegreengap.org



Neighbourhood Plan Parish Survey

A big thank you to the 70 people who participated in our Launch Meeting on 6th May. Your comments have all been written up and are being collated and studied. The next step is for us to carry out a formal survey of housing needs in the Parish. Each household will receive a questionnaire asking for information on your family and your current/future housing needs plus additional information needed in preparing the plan.

We aim to circulate the questionnaires during June.

A strong Neighbourhood Plan is our best defence against speculative housing developments - we hope you will all contribute by completing the survey.

More information on the website: <http://easthagbourneplan.net/>



The Future of our Bus Services

Things are looking brighter for our bus services and we are hopeful that before we go to press we will have confirmation that some commercial service will continue on the 94/95 route after the current contract ends on 20th July 2016. We are still working with neighbouring villages to keep the 131 service to Wallingford on Fridays.

As noted previously, service 92 (from Green Close) should not be affected.

CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The following planning application has been received since the last edition:

P16/S0808/O

New house adjacent to 96 New Road.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be at

7.30pm on Thursday 9th June in East Hagbourne Pavilion.

Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at www.EastHagbourne.net

Table Tennis message is valid until further notice.



Table Tennis

FREE TABLE TENNIS EVENINGS in the Pavilion at Great Mead on
Wednesday evenings 7:30-9:30pm.

No experience necessary - all ages welcome, just turn up at 7:30pm

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