

## **Gartree Division - County Councillor report**

### **Brookfield Gardens**

Waterloo Housing is the landlord for the Brookfield Gardens property on the corner of Binleys Lane and Church Road and it has been used for residential sheltered accommodation. However, due to low take-up of the accommodation, Waterloo Housing made contact with Leicestershire County Council and offered the property as they preferred it be retained for social housing.

The County Council purchased the property this Spring and the remaining six tenants are in agreement with Waterloo Housing to move to alternative accommodation. Waterloo Housing will then no longer be involved as the project moves forward.

The County Council's Adult Social Care has a strategic commitment to increase the opportunities for the people that they support to be able to live within the community (as opposed to residential care) with an appropriate level of commissioned support.

Great Glen Parish Council and I have been informed about the project since February and we have received further information as the project has progressed.

The completion of this project, which is anticipated to be in 2019, will see the development of 20 flats into a Supported Living scheme that means the right level of support will be provided to enable adults with a range of disabilities to live within the community.

A public information event by Adult Social Care has been confirmed for 6pm on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July in the Youth Centre. Adult Social Care managers from the County Council will be available to explain the proposals and answer questions from the public. I encourage any residents with concerns and questions to attend this event to ensure the project is fully transparent.

### **Speeding on the A6**

Over the past few weeks the police have had a mobile speed trap on the bypass between Great Glen and the Kibworths. A number of motorists have had their speeds measured as well over 70mph; several over 100mph, and one person clocked at 122mph! Needless to say the speeding drivers will have been prosecuted, and those speeding in excess of 100mph should face court, be fined heavily, and have their licences taken away.

The County Council is starting a 12 month trial and enforcement costing £500,000 to install average speed cameras at a few locations (Sharnford, Walcote and Measham in June) in the county, and devices on the A6 Harborough Road and Glen Road, Oadby will be installed later this year. At present, funds generated through camera fines are retained by HM Treasury, therefore the council have asked the Government to consider allowing any revenue to be retained by local authorities to cover the capital cost of the average speed cameras, after which the revenue would revert to Government. This would enable further roll-outs of this type of enforcement measure across the county. Following the trial, the county council will look to widen out the camera programme, should this proposed new approach to funding be supported by the Government.

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