

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Q – why do we have a Community Council**

A – Before the Waverley Community Council (WCC) commenced, the area was under two parish councils: Orgreave and Catcliffe. Monies were being collected through the council tax system and in some instances not proportionally spent on the residents in Waverley. Rotherham Borough Council undertook a review of the situation in the Spring of 2018. Nearly 75 per cent of people consulted (which included Orgreave, Catcliffe and Waverley residents) decided a new parish council should be created. Moving with the times and dropping the word parish, Waverley Community Council was born.

### **Q - when will the GP centre be delivered?**

A - The GP surgery will be delivered as a standalone project and the first phase of the local centre development. The CCG are currently in the process of finalising the business plan for this and a new building layout is being drawn up by Harworth. It's anticipated that plans will be available in the coming months once the business case has been approved by the CCG and layout plans agreed. Harworth have advised that they will provide further updates over the next 8 weeks and that there is a lot of work going on in the background to move this forward.

### **Q - I've heard the retail centre will be half the size is this true?**

A - Due to current market conditions in the retail sector the total floor space within the local centre is being reviewed. Harworth are still committed to delivering a quality local centre that will deliver the local amenities required for Waverley and the Advanced Manufacturing Park including GP Surgery, local shops, restaurants, cafes along with additional community facilities and a gym.

### **Q - When will we get shops and local amenities?**

A - Plans are currently being drawn up to design the local centre and once formulated, Harworth will provide an update to the community.

We need a community centre to start activities and get the community together

Harworth are very much in agreement with this and work is currently underway to look at the possibility of providing a community centre as a temporary facility until a permanent building is built. This is very much in the early stages of planning and Harworth are working with Waverley Community Council and Well Rotherham to look into the feasibility of a scheme.

### **Q - what will happen to the play equipment in the small park**

The play equipment in this location was always a temporary park and will still be removed when the development starts in this part of the site. However, further play parks will be

built as part of the larger parkland that will be created through the centre of the Waverley community. In the meantime, the temporary park is still accessible and maintained by the Land Trust as part of the Management Company.

**Q - Could we use the land for something in the meantime?**

The land is not really suitable for any use in its current state but this is where Harworth are investigating the potential to have a temporary community facility prior to work commencing on the medical centre.

**Q – why am I paying a maintenance charge?**

A – As part of your decision to buy a house on Waverley you will have been informed that there is a maintenance charge. More information about this charge can be found [here](#).

**Q - The road outside my house has pot holes, who do I contact?**

A – it depends, there are many factors to consider. Who is responsible for your road? Is it the developer, Harworth Group or Rotherham Borough Council (RMBC)? Once you have established the responsible organisation using the maps, please then use the contact list.

**Q- Why is the grass on the estate cut to different schedules?**

A – again it depends on who is responsible for maintaining the grass on the verges and other open spaces. In some instances, the developer is responsible for the verge until it is passed to the Land Trust or RMBC. Once you have established the responsible organisation using the maps, please then use the contact list.

**Q – why is the hedge outside my house not trimmed regularly, and why is it cut at a different time to my neighbours?**

A – by law hedges should not be trimmed between March and September. This is to encourage wildlife, especially birds during the nesting season. Thus, hedges are usually cut late autumn or early spring. Again, it also depends on who owns the hedges. All developers and home owners are not permitted to remove the hedges for up to five years.

**Q – When will my road become adopted by RBC?**

A – Roads can only be adopted in Waverley, if the previous connecting road is already adopted. Roads must be put forward for adoption to RMBC after the last house in the developers parcel of land is sold. However, if there are issues with the road – surface/ drainage etc, these must be put right first.

**Q -When will the path to Catcliffe will reopen**

A - Path to Catcliffe should re-open Spring/Summer 2020.

**Q – We need a post box, where will Royal Mail position it?**

A – in discussion with Harworth Group, it has been agreed that the new post box will be positioned on the corner of Lescar Road near the super bin. It will mean that it is also close to the new school as well. Royal Mail have agreed to site the postbox as requested. We await its installation.

**Q – Why is my cul-de-sac without street lights?**

A – In cul-de-sac's with properties of 5 or less, the developer is not under any obligation to provide street lighting. This information would have been in the planning application. However, there is nothing stopping residents from adding an outside light to their property.

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