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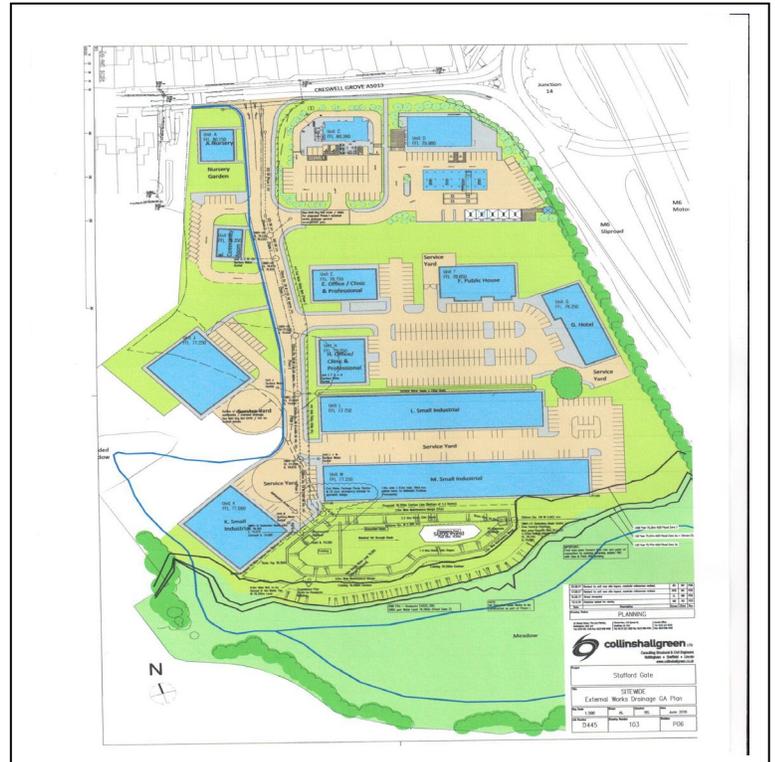
## Creswell Grove Application Is Back On The Agenda

The application to develop land at Junction 14 of the M6, off Creswell Grove, is back on the agenda following a case in the High Court.

Earlier this year, developers met with the Parish Council and local residents at a public meeting following the submission of the application. Both the Council and local residents made it clear to the developers at that stage that they opposed the application and representations were made to the Borough Council that the land in question was not in the Council's Local Development Plan. The Borough Council agreed and indicated that they would refuse the application on that basis.

Developers, Strawsons, subsequently put the application on hold and took the Borough Council to the High Court on the issue of the Local Plan. They were subsequently successful and the application has now been taken off hold and will go forward for a decision.

There are two applications. Firstly, an 'Outline' application for the whole site (see plan opposite). This application is asking for general permission to develop the whole site. The developers would then need to submit a 'Full' application for actual development. This comes under application number 17/27028/OUT. Secondly, there is also a 'Full' application for the 'erection of petrol filling station, ancillary shop, and drive-through coffee shop with access, parking and landscaping.' This application is for the road frontage and would give full permission to build. This comes under application number 17/27029/FUL. The Borough Council are asking for responses to the consultation from members of the public by **Thursday 21st September 2017**.



The Parish Council are opposed to the applications and have already written to the Borough Council's Planning Department outlining our objections. However, it would be very helpful if local residents could also write to the Council with your concerns.

You can do it in writing to Mr M Alford, Planning Department, Stafford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford. ST16 3AQ. Alternatively, you can go to <http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/>, and by following the link through Planning, you can comment online.

For residents in Creswell Grove and Wilkes Wood, who we think will be most likely to want to respond, we have attached with this newsletter a copy of the Borough Council's guide to making a neighbour comment on planning. If any residents in Marston Grange or other parts of the Parish would like a copy, please contact the Clerk or one of the Councillors, whose details are overleaf.

### Important Bus Services Consultation

Staffordshire County Council is currently asking for your views on the bus journeys it currently subsidises in Staffordshire.

All bus journeys in our county are operated by either private bus companies or by voluntary and community groups and over 90% are not subsidised by the county council. However, the rest are subsidised by the county council, including services in Creswell Parish. The outcome of the consultation could have a big impact on your local public transport.

The county council say themselves that "Many councils have stopped subsidising bus travel altogether- we are not doing that. Although there will be less money to subsidise bus journeys next year, £1.3 million will still be available." This is good news, but means that we must make the case for local bus services in Parishes such as ours.

If you'd like to take part, please go to:

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transport/publictransport/buses/Bus-review/Bus-review.aspx> or get a printed copy of the consultation at local libraries or the County Council. If you're struggling to get one, please contact one of your Parish Councillors. We have also delivered copies to many residents already.

Please take part by midnight on **Sunday 17 September 2017**. Decisions on bus services in the future will be made based on the outcome of this consultation.

### Garden Bonfires

**Over the summer, there have been some instances of Garden bonfires getting out of control. Please have consideration for your neighbours when planning a bonfire. Please also ensure that you have water handy should matters get out of hand.**

### Fly Tipping

We have had some instances of fly tipping recently. If you see any, please, if you can, take pictures of anything that may be useful, such as addresses or company details etc., that may help identify the culprits. If you see anyone fly tipping, please try to take down vehicle details. Please pass any information onto the Parish Clerk, who can in turn pass it onto the appropriate officers at the Borough Council. However, please don't start rooting through the waste. You don't know what could be in there.

**This year's second amenity visit is on 7th October.  
The refuse lorry will be parked in Wilkes Wood from 10am-12pm**

Following the elections earlier in the year, Creswell Parish has a new County Councillor. His details are:

**Councillor Jeremy Pert**

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Our Member of Parliament remains the same. His details are:

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