

## Woodland Walk Tree Maintenance



Cllr Sandy Tanner

Whilst some tree works in Hutton Poplars commenced late last year, very wet conditions led to the works being delayed. The Covid-19 outbreak has now led to further delays due to operators not being available. The Council is now in negotiations with contractors for tree surgery works and a return to work is now anticipated this winter and spring.

We will continue to keep in touch with all of the residents who are impacted. As soon as we hear any more detail on the timeline we will let you know. In the meantime we thank you for your continued understanding which is much appreciated.

Cllr Sandy Tanner

## BRINGING CRIME DOWN

NEW POLICE OFFICERS ACROSS ESSEX

Brentwood and Essex are already benefiting from additional Police Officers as part of the initiative spearheaded by Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, Roger Hirst.

Since his election as PFCC 515 new officers have been appointed across Essex - including new officers based here in Brentwood. Another 300 are planned as part of the government's 20,000 uplift programme.

### MORE GOOD NEWS :

- **Community Policing Teams** have been doubled including a new Town Centre team for Brentwood.
- **Police based at Brentwood Town Hall** showing a strong commitment to Brentwood by Essex Police.
- **Bringing Crime Down across Essex.** Anti-Social Behaviour was down by 11%; Robbery & Burglary down by 14% and Theft down by 8%. The focus now is on drug-related violence and domestic abuse. *All figures are to March 2020.*



Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner Roger Hirst



Roger Hirst with Prime Minister, Boris Johnson

## LOCALITY FUNDING

Hutton County Councillor Louise McKinlay has been able to award locality funding of £10,000 to help fund local projects across the Brentwood Hutton division. Here in Hutton North ward Louise is delighted to have submitted successful requests for the following beneficiaries:

### HUTTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

is set to receive just over £2,500 towards replacing their old boiler and also to help them purchase chairs and tables for the centre.



Louise outside Hutton Community Centre which has received over £2,500

### LONG RIDINGS RESIDENTS



Litter Pickers & Jackets for community action days

will receive funding for litter pickers and some high visibility jackets for environment community action days on Long Ridings Estate.

## Neighbourhood Action Team

Brentwood Council's Neighbourhood Action Team are responsible for undertaking a series of visits to each ward in the Borough to perform grounds works and street cleansing over and above the normal council service. This can cover Grounds Works and Street Cleansing.



Work performed by the team locally in previous visits has included :

- Varnishing Wooden Benches
- Cutting back and clearing vegetation
- Removing Fly-Tipping
- Cleaning and Repairing Signs
- Painting Railings and Posts

### CONTACT KEITH BARBER IF YOU KNOW OF SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED

If you know of such an issue that needs attention then contact Keith Barber with the details. Keith will work with Louise McKinlay and Sandy Tanner to make sure that it is included for action by the team in their next visit.



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## Protecting our community green spaces against incursions

In order to protect the open green space at Hutton Poplars from further incursions by multiple vehicles, Brentwood Borough Council approved and funded the installation of wooden protective posts around the area between Bannister Drive and Poplar Drive. This will allow local residents to enjoy the space for recreational and sporting activities as intended.



Louise & Sandy updating residents at the last incursion.



Installation of hundreds of posts by Brentwood Council



The posts should keep the green protected going forward.



Louise McKinlay with Keith Barber inspecting one of the issues that Louise has included on her list as part of the initiative.

### ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL 'POTHOLE INITIATIVE'

Essex County Council has once again given each county councillor the chance to put forward priority repairs as part of their "pothole initiative". Each councillor is able to use a repair crew in for up to 10 days. As a result Hutton County Councillor Louise McKinlay has submitted her list to Essex Highways team, having taken into account feedback received from local residents and also residents associations across her division. The work is expected to be actioned over the coming weeks and we will be reporting back to you on progress.

### POPLARS HALL AND LODGE

Brentwood Council is currently completing important maintenance work to both Poplars Hall and Poplars Lodge at Hutton Poplars. The external building works on Poplars Hall are now almost complete, and the majority of the scaffolding has now been taken down. There remains some residual work to be performed on the hall, including legionella related activities. Hutton Poplars Lodge still has some roof works and timber works to be completed which is likely to be done by November.



Louise outside Poplars Lodge

