

The Gilston Area Community Forum

Welcome to the
Gilston Area Community Forum

18th February 2026



Agenda – Chair Cllr Vicky Glover-Ward

18:30 – 19:00

- Drop-in sessions

19:00 – 19:10

- Welcome & Introductions

19:10 – 19:20

- Update from East Herts

19:20 – 20:15

- Updates from developers

20:15 – 20:25

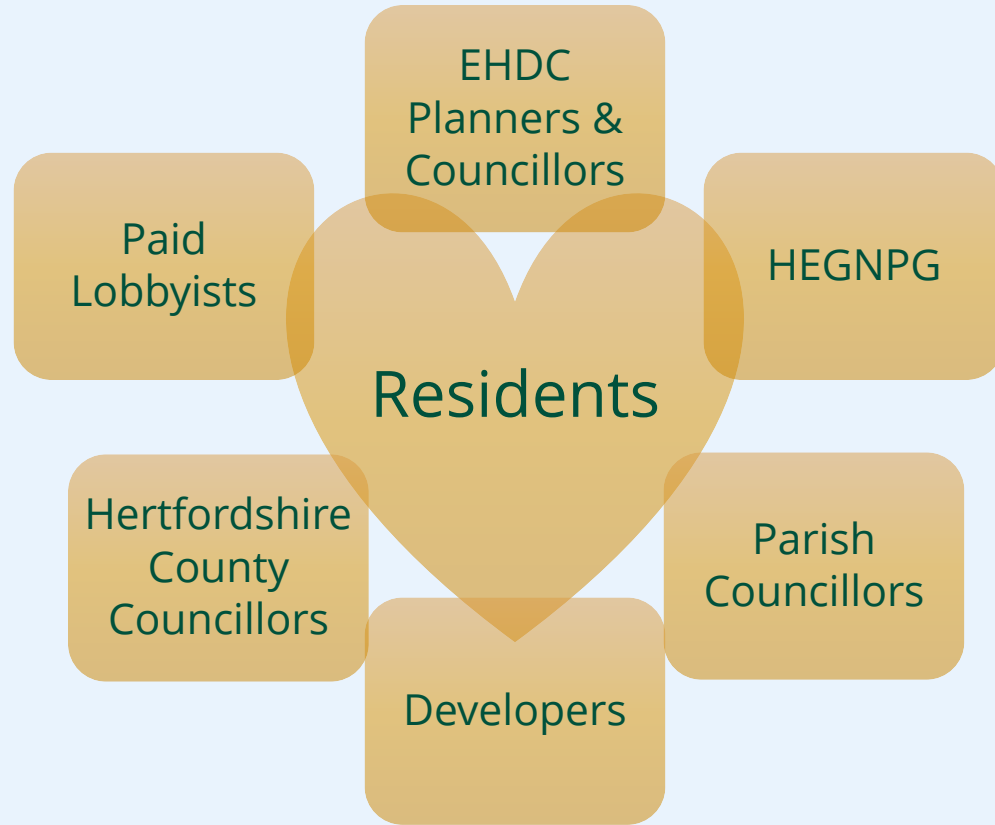
- Q & A

20:25 – 20:30

- Close & informal discussions



Who's Who?



How We'll Work Together

- All participants to act in a fair and responsible manner
- Treat all people with respect
- Listen to others
- Allow equal opportunity and time to share views
- Not use inflammatory language or aggressive behaviour
- Focus on comments on the topic for discussion
- Questions at the end of the presentation

We will be taking pictures and filming to publish on the Council's website. If you do not wish to be filmed or photographed, please let one of the team know, and likewise, if you would like to contribute, also let us know.

Community Forum Information

- Dates are all on the website
- A tracker showing all answers to the questions from the last CF can be downloaded from the website
- <https://www.eastherts.gov.uk/planning-and-building/gilston-area-community-forum>



EHDC Updates

July - August

- 1st Education Review Group Meeting
- Technical sessions on SLMP matters (heritage, drainage)
- Draft Village 1 Masterplan shared for comment to CWG
- EHDC feedback to V1MP
- Stewardship Group IOBP submitted
- Gilston Area Monitoring Framework approved by Exec and Council – Interim Tracker published on website

September - October

- Claim Renewal Hearing 18th September
- Judgement on Claim Renewal – permission refused
- Appeal of Judgement submitted to Court of Appeal
- 2nd Education Review Group Meeting
- Technical discussions on V7MP (highways, drainage)

EHDC Updates

November

- Court of Appeal judgement – claim dismissed 20th November
- NMA to V1-6 to add Implementation Works phase
- Implementation Works condition discharges
- Stakeholder Liaison Group
- Technical meetings on V7MP and SLMP (LLFA & Highways)

December - January

- V1-6 outline implemented on-site
- 3rd Education Review Group
- V5 & 6 MP commences – full day workshop and feedback
- SLMP re-submission – HGGT JC Member Briefing
- Annual Monitoring Report drafted and approved via NKD
- Site Wide Local Labour, Skills and Business Action Plan submitted
- Technical meetings on V7MP and SLMP (LLFA & Highways)

2026 at a glance

SLMP
amendments
discharge of
SLMP related
conditions

Planning
Conditions
for Crossings

Submission
of V1MP and
related
conditions

Discharge of
Village 7
Masterplan
and related
conditions

Discharge of
Village 1
Masterplan
and related
conditions

Crossings

Roadworks start in March/April –
CSC North & ESC west

Construction Access to V1 and
V7

2026 at a glance

Reserved
Matters
Applications

Transport
Review Group
(TRG)

Commercial
Delivery and
Employment
Review Group
(CDERG)

S106
Monitoring of
obligations,
Community
Forums

Village 5 & 6
Masterplan
preparation
Dec 25 – Sept
26

Village 2
Masterplan
preparation
starts mid
2026

Monitoring

S106 obligations

Annual Report

Update from Harlow and Gilston Garden Town

Paula Hirst: New Director



First Ave STC




UKHSA



Other HGGT Sites

Developer Presentations

Close and Informal Discussions



What themes or
issues would you like
to discuss in future
sessions?

Thank you

Next Steps:

- Comments Tracker
- Actions taken
- Agenda prepared
- Next Forum: Spring 2026 date to be confirmed
- Contact us:
community.forum@eastherts.gov.uk

