



Former Wisley Airfield Community Newsletter

April/May 2021





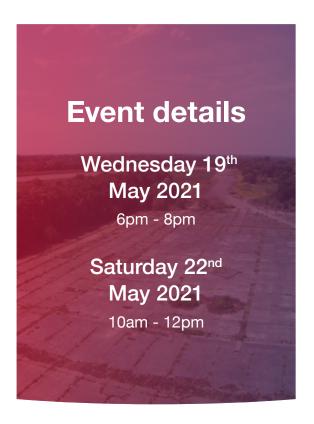
Third chapter of engagement

Following our targeted stakeholder engagement to review our cycle proposals, we have now issued invitations to our third round of public consultation. Our two consultation events will be held on **Wednesday** 19th May (18:00 - 20:00) and **Saturday** 22nd May (10:00 - 12:00). You can sign up to attend on our website via www.wisleyairfield.com/engagement.

This will present a valuable opportunity to inform our proposals ahead of our submission of the outline planning application later this year.

If you have not reviewed our consultations from July or November 2020, we would encourage you to view the webinars on our website via www.wisleyairfield.com/library.

We are also in the process of organising our third and final Design Review Panel event with Design South East to be held at the end of May.



Transport engagement

Throughout April and May, we have been holding targeted stakeholder engagement sessions focused on the offsite cycle route proposals from the site. These sessions involve inviting community stakeholders and technical experts to review our proposals with our transport consultants, in an open, workshop-style meeting. If you have any thoughts or comments relating to the cycle routes, please contact your parish councillor or speak to the team directly by emailing community@wisleyairfield.com.

In addition, these forums have helped us to develop our cycling proposals ahead of the third round of public consultation when everybody will have the opportunity to review and provide feedback on the proposals.

Timeline

July 2020

Chapter One - First
Community Consultation
Events held

September 2020

Launch of Community Liaison Group

October 2020

Submission of the Stub Road and Roundabout application and Enabling Works application

November 2020

Chapter Two - Second Round of Public Consultation Events

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Team Feature

Each month, we will feature an article from a different member of the Taylor Wimpey team and its Design Team, focused on their area of specialisation. This month, Dr Rebecca Brookbank, Technical Director & Principal Ecological Consultant for EPR, welcomes the spring.



Dr Rebecca BrookbankTechnical Director & Principal
Ecological Consultant for EPR

Spring is now definitely 'springing', so it is the time of year that ecologists begin to get excited about getting back out into the field for surveys after winter hibernation!

Ecological Planning and Research Ltd (EPR) has been carrying out surveys at the Former Wisley Airfield for many years, collating extensive information about the habitats and species present. The information that our ecologists have collected through hours of surveys across the site has allowed us to form a clear picture of the ecologically important features that are present on site and in the surrounding area.

Since wildlife, by virtue of its name, moves around and changes, we are constantly updating surveys so that we always have up to date information about the features of nature conservation value on site. We have already carried out an update badger survey across the site, so that we know where active badger setts are, and we have carried out further surveys for breeding birds, reptiles, and bats, amongst others.

As you may be aware, we are proposing a large Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) as part of the former Wisley Airfield proposals, and this will make an important contribution towards the biodiversity net gain we are targeting across the site. The SANG will be complemented by extensive green spaces and landscaping across the wider site, creating a large, interconnected network of habitats that can support a diverse assemblage of flora and fauna.

Additionally, we hope to create what has been coined by Buglife as a 'B-line' across the former Wisley Airfield site. B-lines are 'insect superhighways' weaving through the British landscape to link existing and newly created wildflower-rich habitat stepping stones for our bees and butterflies, but also a host of other wildlife. Our B-line is on course to become the largest addition to Buglife's exciting and innovative project, which aims to conserve the UKs critically important yet declining pollinators.

We are looking forward to discussing our ecological proposals further in the upcoming third round of public consultation.

Many thanks,

Rebecca

December 2020

Second Design Review Panel

January and February 2021

Continued Community
Liaison Groups and continued
stakeholder engagement



May 2021

Third Round of Public Consultation Events and third Design Review

Quarter 2/3 2021

Planning application submission





Illustrative image of how the SANG could look at the former Wisley Airfield

Community Liaison Group activity

We would like to thank our Community Liaison Group members for giving up their time to discuss and review our proposals with us. Their feedback has been invaluable so far and we hope that they have represented you, as their residents, accurately.

Please do continue to liaise with your representatives as we near the application submission and visit our website www.wisleyairfield.com if you require any further information.

Keeping Wisley Airfield Secure

Our specialist on-site security team, Kestrel Guards, have been working on the former Wisley Airfield site to prevent any antisocial behaviour. If you wish to contact the security team to notify them of an incident, then please use the contact details below:

Kestrel Guards - 24hour Control Room

Call 02380 666 760 or email wisley@kestrelguards.co.uk

Please do not approach anyone on the site, instead contact our security team to log an incident and they will do their best to make sure any issues are dealt with appropriately.

Contact

If you have any questions about the information provided in this newsletter, please contact us on:

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