

North Baddesley Annual Borough Report 2019/20

At the TVBC borough election in May 2019, Simon Cross, Celia Dowden and Alan Warnes were elected to represent the ward of North Baddesley. Following changes from the Boundary Commission in 2018, 300 houses from Valley Park are now included in the North Baddesley borough ward.

Climate Change Emergency

In September 2019 the borough council declared a Climate Change Emergency and set up a cross party group of councillors and officers to develop an Action Plan, detailing what we can do to eliminate our carbon footprint.

The Council was not 'starting from scratch', officers helped to identify processes and projects already implemented by the Council to reduce emission. Seven work streams looked at all areas of the council and short, medium and long term goals identified. We will encourage the Council to work with our communities and partners to provide their own experiences and knowledge to identify opportunities for making the Borough carbon neutral.

South of Romsey Town Centre Project.

Everyone is being invited to have their say on what the area south of Romsey's town centre may look like in the future. The second stage of the public consultation on what the area, which includes Crosfield Hall and the bus station, may look like was launched in February. Some of the ideas being proposed includes a new green shopping space on Broadwater Road, opening up access to the Fishlake stream and a new location for the Aldi supermarket. The draft masterplan options have been formed after feedback from the first stage of the consultation in 2018 and the citizens' assembly in November last year.

To take part online visit www.romseyfuture.org.uk/consultation Or telephone TVBC 01264368000 to request a questionnaire to complete.

Coronavirus – Covid -19.

The Coronavirus pandemic has created unprecedented times, which we all have had to respond to. Test Valley Borough Council has been working with Unity and volunteer groups to set up the emergency arrangements in response to Coronavirus.

In North Baddesley there is:

North Baddesley Covid 19 Support Group - Telephone: 07517 452 340 or 07598 900 763

The ward councillors want to thank all those involved, the officers and volunteers, for their dedication and tireless work.

As councillors we are working with the Test Valley Resilience team, disseminating essential information down through the community and promoting key contact numbers – for all types of support.

We are responding to emails/phone calls and reassuring the public. As community leaders we have been identifying our vulnerable residents and signposting volunteers to appropriate groups. And identifying and arranging long term storage venues for food to deliver to vulnerable residents. We will do everything we can, work as a team supporting our communities through this national crisis.

A quote for these times

“These are dark clouds but they will move on, the blue sky never leaves.”

Cllr Celia Dowden

TVBC - North Baddesley Ward.