

## **Local Updates**

**Parking issues (Loxwood School)** – A resident has contacted Charles and I asking for something to be done about the parking and dangerous driving around Loxwood School. I have agreed on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April to meet but raised the limitations of our powers at District Council level to get this resolved.

**Townfield** – Due to come to planning committee in April but was withdrawn due to new surface water flooding maps being released by the EA. Likely to come back to committee in June.

**Annex Council Tax Premium** – Charles has been supporting a resident in Ifold to resolve an issue with their council tax premium which was applied to their annex.

**Loxwood Joust** – Charles and I attended a site visit with the owners of the Loxwood Joust to hear about plans this summer. It was great to see the site and hear about how they plan to run things this summer. Wonderful to have this community event returning for another year.

## **CDC Wide Updates**

**Planning and infrastructure bill** – On 11<sup>th</sup> March the Government published the Planning and infrastructure bill. The headlines from the Government's statement that accompanied the bill are as follows:

- Home and infrastructure to be built faster
- Energy security to be bolstered, with Britain becoming a clean energy superpower
- the Bill is key to building 1.5 million homes and driving up living standards
- the bill will speed up decision making and remove unnecessary blocks to delivery

**Local plan** - The local plan examination is continuing. Following receipt of the post-hearing letter from the inspectors, which outlined the key changes necessary to make the Plan sound, the Planning Policy Team are taking the Main modifications to the Local Plan 2021-2039 to cabinet on the 1<sup>st</sup> April and to full council on 8<sup>th</sup> April for approval to go out to consultation.

## **Surgeries**

Cllr. Gareth Evans is currently drafting dates for the next round of district council surgeries and will post these when they are ready

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