

Save Hervey Road Sports Field

WHAT WE HAVE DONE!

Since the successful and well attended public meeting in June at the Holburne Community Hall, the Steering Group have continued to meet monthly to take the campaign forward. Here is an update:

- The Friends of Hervey Road Sports Field has been set up and the constitution sent to the Council.
- A Community Bank Account has been opened to accept donations/ fundraising for a fighting fund.
- There has been regular correspondence with the Council and our MPs.
- Advice and support has been obtained from Sport England, the Open Spaces Society and Fields in Trust (FIT).
- Traffic counts over several weeks have been conducted at both ends of Hervey Road during peak times.
- Field use has been monitored.
- Potential demand for the field with restored facilities is being ascertained from local clubs. Already several clubs have sent us letters of support and expressed a desire to use the field.
- An ecological survey/data search has been conducted on the field.

The Council still maintains that no decision has yet been taken about the relocation of Willow Dene School to Hervey Road. They state that there is currently a large funding gap. They have refused our requests under the Freedom of Information Act for information on the 7 other possible sites for the school. We continue to appeal against this decision.

We have recently written to the whole Council Cabinet setting out again our key objections to developing the sports field, and offering to work with them to raise funding to restore the facilities and return it to full use as a sport and recreation amenity for the local community, clubs and schools. The Council have replied that they need to decide the future of Willow Dene School first and hope that progress can be made in the near future.

The Council have agreed to consult local residents prior to a planning application as well as the normal consultation during planning. However it is important that we maintain our campaign to have the Hervey Road Sports Field *removed as an option for development*.

WHAT YOU CAN DO!!

Continue to WRITE/PHONE/EMAIL members of the [Council Cabinet](#) to remind them of our opposition to the loss of the sports field and to ask them to improve and restore the facilities and get the field back into use as soon as possible for the benefit of the local community.

You can email us at campaign@saveherveyroadsportsfield.co.uk

If you want to raise points/ to donate or help in any way Contact Susan Proudfoot, 82 Hervey Road, Annie Hart 26 Eastbrook Road or Alison Perry 116 Hervey Road

Meeting June 2007



Training Aug 2007



Abandoned Court

