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Judicial Review

The final stage of the Judicial Review on the original application for the 205 new homes in East Hoathly took place in the High Court at the Royal Courts of Justice, London on Tuesday, May 24th, 2022. The Judge will now deliberate on the decision but we will not know the outcome for a couple of months as the Judge sitting the case has a murder trial to go on to adjudicate.

Jubilee Tea

The organising for Village Concerns' Jubilee Tea Event at The Gate House on Sunday, June 5^{th} between I-6pm is going very well with an enthusiastic response. Just to remind you all, tickets for this quintessentially British afternoon are on sale at the Village Stores, or by emailing us direct, at a cost of £10 for adults and £5 for children under I4. Each ticket holder will be entitled to a scrumptious cream tea or tea & cake, a chilled glass of sparkles (soft drink for children) and a chance of winning a fabulous prize in our Jubilee Tombola! In addition to the items included in the ticket price, there will be plenty of tea, soft drinks and fizz available to purchase by the glass and bottle.

In order for us to fully cater for everyone, we would be extremely grateful if guests could rsvp to villageconcerns2016@gmail.com

Work on the Hesmond's fields

Villagers may have noticed work going on in some of the fields on the land for the 205 new homes. This is more than likely archaeological surveys because these were set out by one of the Consultees:

"No development shall take place until the applicant has undertaken a programme of archaeological works in accordance with the written scheme of investigation which has been submitted and approved under this application."

"No phase of the development hereby permitted shall be brought into use until the archaeological site investigation and post - investigation assessment (including provision for analysis, publication and dissemination of results and archive deposition)"

"The proposed development is of archaeological interest due to its location adjacent to a medieval and post-medieval village, as well as being within a landscape that has been utilised from the Mesolithic period onwards."

"In the light of the potential for impacts to heritage assets with archaeological interest resulting from the proposed development, the area affected by the proposals should be the subject of a programme of archaeological works. This will enable any archaeological deposits and features that would be disturbed by the proposed works, to be either preserved in situ or, where this cannot be achieved, adequately recorded in advance of their loss. These recommendations are in line with the requirements given in the NPPF (the Government's planning policies for England). The application is also supported by the submission of a Written Scheme of Investigation for trial trench archaeological evaluation,"

This is from ESCC Archaeology Team.

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