

Many thanks to all of you who completed the Housing Needs Survey earlier this year. The survey showed a need for affordable housing and 93% of respondents also supported the development of a small number of affordable homes for people from or connected to the parish. Orwell Housing Association (OHA) are now revising their plans based on the needs identified by the survey and will hold a joint 'drop in' consultation event on Monday 9th December between 3 and 7pm in the Village Hall Foyer to present the scheme to residents and to answer questions. East Suffolk District Council officers will also be present to register residents' interest for the new homes and to explain the application process. OHA will submit their planning application to the District Council following 9 December consultation.

Suffolk County Council (SCC) has funds to enhance existing bus services and has invited applications from parishes for new services where demand can be proven and has the potential to be self-financing in the longer term. The Parish Council accordingly ran a survey in the village shop which has shown that there is significant interest in a bus service to Leiston, Saxmundham and Halesworth. The Parish Council will therefore make a submission to the SCC. Residents may still submit interests by sending an email to the Parish Clerk on [clerk@westletonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@westletonparishcouncil.gov.uk).

The next Sizewell C Northern Transport Forum will be held on 6 November. Please contact the Parish Clerk ([clerk@westletonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@westletonparishcouncil.gov.uk)) if you have questions you would like to be asked at the meeting.

The October Parish Council surgery will be on Monday 28 October - 10.30-11.30 in the Village Hall Foyer. November's surgery will be on Monday 25 November. Please do feel free to attend to ask questions or raise matters with Councillors. These are also opportunities to raise questions for the SZC Northern Transport Forum.

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