



July 2024

# Chairman's Blog

We hope you are all enjoying the summer holidays, we look forward to hosting our summertime activity day once more, although this time at Christ Church on Watling Street due to the continuing building works at Phillimore Rec. Aldenhams Parish Council (APC) is grateful to the Revd Oliver Blease and his team for their kind welcome in letting us use their facilities to ensure this free family day could go ahead. We hope to see many of you there!



Cllr Helen Jones

## John Apthorp CBE



APC is deeply saddened by the passing of John Apthorp CBE and extends heartfelt condolences to his family.

John Apthorp CBE supported the local community generously over many years. He was a great supporter of the Radlett Centre and gave donations to APC, helping us provide free public celebrations, never asking for recognition, simply wanting to make his community happy.

In 2017, APC awarded John Apthorp CBE the Freedom of the Parish Award, the highest honour for a local citizen, in recognition of his support.

His loss is immense, but he will be remembered for his kindness, integrity, and tireless efforts to make a difference.

## Green Flag Award 2024



APC is delighted to announce that Phillimore Recreation Ground has been awarded the prestigious Green Flag Award for the fourth consecutive year!

A huge thanks to the whole team for their dedication and hard work to help achieve this magnificent award and for all the lovely messages we've received from residents.

## New Co-opted Councillor Elected



APC is happy to announce that William Susman was co-opted, at the Full Council meeting on 22nd July. As our newest councillor, William brings a wealth of local knowledge and expertise to the Council having worked and lived in

the area for over 30 years. He is a Chartered Surveyor, married to Natalie and has two grown up children. APC looks forward to working with him.



## Café Project Update

APC is pleased to advise that works have progressed well over the last month. The timber frame has now been completed and the windows and doors have been installed. Over the course of the next month most of the works are internal, installing floor insulation, underfloor heating, electrical works and closing up the walls. Please do take care when walking by the site entrance as many delivery vehicles are coming in and out of the site. You can find regular updates of the progress on our website [www.aldenhams-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenhams-pc.gov.uk).

## Free Summer Event!

APC's Summer Event this year is taking place at Christ Church Field on **Monday 12th August**. This community event is completely free, including entry, face painting, petting zoo, inflatables, crafts and lots more! No registration required but please do call the office on 01923 856433, to reserve a parking space for blue badge holders. The only thing you will need money for is food and drinks but please do feel free to bring your own picnic. Please note children must be supervised by a parent or adult at all times. For full details of the event please visit [www.aldenhams-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenhams-pc.gov.uk).

