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**REPORT TO KIMPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 2023**

Fly-tipping

Between April 2022 and March 2023, NHDC recorded 839 Fly-tipping investigations and I can confirm that 54 Fly-tipping incidents have been recorded in Kimpton for that period. At a Meeting of Full Council on Tuesday 18 April I requested information about the Council's response to Fly-tipping from the Executive Member for Recycling and Waste Management. I also asked the following supplementary question: *With record levels of Fly-tipping in North Hertfordshire under this Labour and Liberal Democrat administration and with these figures only set to increase further as resident's waste collections are cut, can the Executive Member tell me what proportion of the apparent money saved by cutting bin collections will go towards preventing Fly-tipping in our District?* I was quite surprised to hear the Executive Member state that it's "quite unlikely" we will see an increase in Fly-tipping in North Hertfordshire when this cut is implemented, as Officer reports have stated they expect to see an "uplift" in the number of Fly-tips in North Hertfordshire. I will continue to push for more action to be taken to address Fly-tipping in our community.

Update on London Luton Airport Expansion

The proposals to expand London Luton Airport (LLA) and increase its capacity from 18 million passengers per annum to 32 million passengers per annum have passed the latest stage of assessment and will now undergo detailed examination by the Planning Inspectorate. We are still waiting to receive the report of the Public Inquiry that is examining proposals to increase the passenger capacity of the Airport to 19 million per annum and to change the day and night noise level limitations in order to accommodate this. I will continue to work closely with Bim Afolami MP and other colleagues to oppose this unnecessary and unsuitable expansion.

Attending Hertfordshire Constabulary Surgery in Kimpton

I was delighted to join Officers of Hertfordshire Constabulary at a Surgery last month where I spoke with a number of residents about issues including Fly-tipping, Speeding and Illegal Parking on Junctions. I'm pleased to report the next surgery will take on Friday 28 April from 10:30 until 12:00 in the Dacre Rooms.

Taking part in the Annual Kimpton Litter Pick

It was wonderful to join the over 60 volunteers who took part in the Annual Kimpton Litter Pick. My thanks go to all those who gave up their time to help clean our community and to David and Katy in particular for their efforts in organising this event.

Calling on the Leader of the Council to Resign

At a Meeting of Full Council on Tuesday 18 April, Councillors debated a motion to remove the Leader of the Council from Office. During the debate, I called on the Leader to do the honourable thing and resign after she deliberately breached the Code of Conduct. It was disappointing to see Labour and Liberal Democrat colleagues condone these deliberate breaches and fail to hold her accountable for her actions.



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