

Focus

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on Rodborough

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including Lightpill, Kingscourt, Dudbridge and Rodborough Common

WALLBRIDGE CONSULTATION - NOW YOU SEE IT, NOW YOU DON'T!

Gloucestershire County Council is holding a consultation on the future of **Wallbridge**, asking whether people would prefer the road past Travis Perkins to be reopened to one-way traffic, or kept as a pedestrian and cycle access from Rodborough to Stroud. **Christine Headley** likes it as it is and would like it made permanent, together with landscaping making it an attractive entrance to Stroud for residents and, eventually, canal-users and has responded accordingly. Unfortunately, the timescale was too short to allow a *Focus* alerting residents in time to encourage individual replies.



CORE STRATEGY CLOSER TO BECOMING LOCAL PLAN

Stroud District Council has announced the dates of public consultation events for its forthcoming Local Plan. Residents, businesses, community groups and anyone else with an opinion are asked for their views on basing 3,200 new homes and enabling up to 6,400 jobs between six main locations, among them the Stroud Valleys and Aston Down.

Information boards will be up at the Stroud Town Council offices in London Road between Monday 6 February and Sunday 26 February, at Minchinhampton Library between Monday 20 February and Friday 3 March, and at Ebley Mill between Monday 6 February and Friday 16

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March. There will also be drop-in exhibitions locally at the Brimscombe and Thrupp Social Centre on Wednesday 22 February and at the Sub Rooms on Thursday 1 March, both between 3pm and 8pm,

Display boards and drop-ins will also be conveniently placed for residents closer to the four other sites involved, an expansion of Hunts Grove, Sharpness, west of Stonehouse, and near Cam & Dursley station.

However, nothing can be guaranteed - the old MEB site on Dudbridge Hill was zoned for housing in the last local plan, and progress is proving to be extremely slow.



Christine Headley on the MEB site

LOCAL ACTION

■ **Chandos Road bus stop** Having seen the picture of the new bus shelter by Sainsbury's, some residents in the Stringers area would also like to sit down while they wait for a bus. Christine Headley has passed this on to Stroud District Council, who own that particular bus shelter, but doesn't expect it to be refurbished in the near future.

■ **Dark Lane** The storm drain at the top doesn't seem to be up to the task. Christine Headley has asked the County Council to make sure it's clear so that it takes away the spring rain from the Common, rather than making it run down - and damage - the lane.

■ **Church Place** Christine Headley has asked the County Council to repaint the yellow lines, which are becoming faint.



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