

Welcome to Moor Park (1958) Ltd UPDATE Issue 49– 24 April 2025

Batchworth Neighbourhood Plan - Referendum 1st May 2025 ...

As Moor Park residents, you will have received your voting forms for 1st May 2025, not just for County Council Elections, but also to vote on whether the Batchworth Community Council Neighbourhood Plan should be adopted. If it is, then the Plan will help Three Rivers District Council decide planning applications in our area.

The Plan lays out a vision and set of objectives aimed at encouraging development which preserves and enhances our area's natural assets, identity, infrastructure, and facilities in future years. The aim is to facilitate development, not stop it.

One of the many policies contained in the Plan is the principle that good design is a key aspect of sustainable development and in the creation of better places to live and work. The Plan includes a design code which aims to deliver locally distinctive development of a high quality that protects, reflects, and enhances the local character of our area. Such planning policies are of increasing importance given the number of new dwellings which the Government is requiring local councils to deliver and the likelihood of the encroachment on our Green Belt of new development.

We would encourage Moor Park residents to take the opportunity to take part in the Referendum on the Batchworth Community Council Neighbourhood Plan on 1st May 2025.

Click <u>https://www.batchworth-ecc.gov.uk/the-community/neighbourhood-plan/</u> for more information and to read the draft plan.

Issued on behalf of Moor Park Residents Association

Estate Managers Report ...

Parking

Parking tickets may be issued to anyone found in breach of any of the following rules:

Tickets are issued electronically via an App, a physical ticket will not be visible on the windscreen of the offending vehicle.

One of the Estate's rules is that there is very little on-road parking. Although most of the Estate roads are private, traffic regulations apply in Moor Park, as elsewhere. There is no right, even for residents, to park on Estate roads. The general restriction applies across the Estate, parking is limited to occasional visitors.

This restriction is shown on signs at Estate entrances and reinforced by additional signs throughout the private roads.

To maintain the Estate's ambience, you are **not** allowed to park regularly on the road outside your property or across the verges. Parking on the grass verges is not permitted because of the damage it causes and obstructs the footpaths for pedestrian access. Green emblem holders may park occasionally on Estate roads with prior permission from the office, if this does not cause obstruction or inconvenience to other

residents. Some areas have been designated with specific permissions, such as the section on lower Russell Road, where green emblem holders may park regularly, should space be available.

Visitors should be encouraged to park within your driveway. If this is not possible, they should park in a manner that does not inconvenience your neighbours, either by blocking a driveway or by making access to a driveway difficult. All visitors should indicate clearly which property they are visiting.

During building operations, part of the consent from Moor Park includes temporary permission for contractor parking on Estate roads, limited to a maximum of two vehicles. This is for the duration of the building works. Wherever possible, builders' vehicles should be parked on the construction site itself.

On Main Avenue, Astons Road, North Approach, South Approach, and Wolsey Road, where there are single and double yellow lines, parking is governed by an HCC Traffic Regulation Order that is enforced by TRDC. The parking restrictions are clearly displayed on the parking restriction signs. The restrictions are distinguishable by the absence of the larger signs describing the ticketing arrangements.

Knight Security Update...

March Overview

We are pleased to share an update on the positive progress made throughout March, reflecting the team's continued commitment to maintaining a safe, secure, and well-managed estate for all residents.

Enhanced Patrols and Increased Visibility

Throughout March, our Security Team has maintained a strong and consistent presence across the estate through regular mobile and foot patrols. This proactive approach enables us to swiftly identify and respond to any potential concerns, reinforcing the safety and peace of mind of all residents.

To further enhance our visibility, we have activated our amber patrol lights while in motion around the estate. In the event of an incident, these lights will flash to signal an active situation—serving as a clear warning to residents and visitors alike.

If there are specific areas you would like us to focus on during patrols, please do not hesitate to contact the Security Team. We are more than happy to incorporate your suggestions into our patrol planning.

Weekend Contractor Oversight

We have placed particular emphasis on monitoring contractor activity over weekends to ensure compliance with the agreed 13:00 finish time. Any breaches are documented and shared with the Estate Office for appropriate follow-up with property owners.

Following discussions with the Board and Estate Office, we have also begun mapping the roads where extended contractor activity is occurring. While GDPR prevents us from sharing exact addresses, this information is being reported directly to the Estate Office.

In some instances, our officers will remain at specific locations to ensure contractors conclude their work on time. This may occasionally delay our response to other calls, but weekend contractor compliance remains a top priority. If you witness or hear any unusual activity during these times, please contact the Security Team immediately.

Tackling Illegally Parked Vehicles

We continue to take a firm stance on illegally parked vehicles that pose safety and accessibility risks. In March alone, our team issued over 59 notices and compiled comprehensive reports—including photos and precise locations—which have been forwarded to the Estate Office for further action.

Targeted Road Block Operations

Residents may have noticed the implementation of temporary Road Blocks on Sandy Lodge Road in recent weeks. These were strategically set up to intercept vehicles flagged on our ANPR system for unauthorised

cut-throughs. While these operations may cause brief congestion, they are essential for deterring noncompliant traffic and upholding the integrity of the estate.

We are currently assessing additional locations across the estate for future Road Block activity and, following risk assessments, will invite residents to participate. We will share further details on the selected sites and the effectiveness of these operations in due course.



Gatehouse Presence

To enhance support and visibility, the Security Team has been asked to increase their presence at the Gatehouse during peak times. While Road Block operations may temporarily require officers to be elsewhere, each operation necessitates a minimum of two team members, we remain committed to maintaining a presence at the Gatehouse whenever possible. If you require assistance, please feel free to approach the team during these periods.

We are grateful for the continued support and cooperation from residents, which enables us to carry out our duties effectively. Please know that the safety and well-being of the estate remain at the heart of everything we do.

Knight Protection Response Centre

The Knight Protection Response Centre operates around the clock, providing continuous overwatch and ensuring the estate remains secure throughout the night. Staffed by a team of highly trained and experienced operatives, our Response Centre plays a vital role in safeguarding both residents and property when on-site security personnel are off duty.

During overnight hours, when estate barriers are secured, our officers actively monitor all access points and camera feeds. We manage and respond to any unauthorised attempts to enter the estate, refusing access where appropriate and escalating matters if required. At the same time, we ensure authorised access is granted smoothly to residents, approved visitors, and emergency services as needed.

If you see or hear anything suspicious at night, please contact the Response Centre immediately. Our team is on hand to provide real-time support, guidance, and, where necessary, coordinate with local law enforcement.

Your safety and security remain our top priority. With Knight Protection's Response Centre watching over the estate 24/7, you can rest assured that help is always close at hand.

Local Events...

A list of upcoming local events that residents may find of interest.

Mental Health Awareness Week, May 12th ...

The Batchworth Community Council is proud to participate in this year's Mental Health Awareness Week. BCC is hosting various events throughout the week, encouraging residents to take care of both their physical and mental health. Please see the attached flyer and details below for more information.

Mini Wellness Retreat - the day is funded by Batchworth Community Council, so a completely FREE event for the community. The day begins at 10 am with a session of Yoga with Cathy till 11:15. We then go on to energy healing with Lara @lifeflowgaia on Insta (also one of our lovely market stallholders, Begin Again), 11:30 am till 1 pm. After lunch, we have a sound bath with Nataliana @soul_soundjourneys (again, she has a stall called Soul Sisters at our monthly market) from 1:30 pm till 3 pm.

To reserve your spot please email: <u>admin@batchworth-ecc.gov.uk</u> and spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis.



We are so excited and hope the event will be of great benefit to those who attend!

Moor Park Residents Annual Golf Competition and Dinner at MGPG, Tuesday 10th June Moor Park Summer Picnic- Sunday 22nd June Moor Park Christmas Fair - Sunday 7th December