

Ward Update

<p>Highfield</p>	<p>I am aware of unpaid carers in Highfield who are caring for family across Dacorum and struggling to meet needs due to properties not meeting need. One case has seen an individual lose quality of life completely due to having no independence left caused by the inaccessibility of her flat. This is obviously affecting the health of the whole family as the levels the family including children under 16 are having to go to to maintain the safety of their beloved family member are above and beyond.</p>
<p>Hemel Hempstead Town</p>	<p>On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, several councillors met up in Hemel Town Centre to pick up litter. We had a positive response from residents who were pleased to see us taking action.</p> <p>The bulk of the litter was, sadly, cigarette butts, including a huge quantity around the seating area just off Bridge Street (outside Boots). It was suggested that some residents spend hours each day hanging out and smoking in the area. This might be a good opportunity for some action by the smoking cessation team, either in person or with posters placed around the area.</p>
<p>Bennetts End</p>	<p>Bennetts End Active hosted a very well attended and successful Women &amp; Girls Festival of Sport &amp; Physical Exercise at Coronation Fields on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The event was opened by the High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, Annie Brewster JP and was attended by the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Catherine McAreevey.</p> <p>Bennetts End Surgery continue to socially prescribe physical exercise to patients and classes are run at HealthyUGym (Bennetts End's female only Gym), the Bennetts End Community Centre and on Coronation Fields itself. The Surgery Overflow Car Park continues to be dangerous, caused by the break-up of the substrate and following fall by one of the patient's of the surgery in March, a scan revealed a small fracture of the patient's foot a few days ago.</p> <p>Correspondence continues with Dacorum Borough Council on this most pressing issue to re-surface the car park. My constituents and the surgery staff and patients, who come from various wards in the Borough hope for the work to be agreed and completed by the beginning of the coming Winter.</p>