

WESTMILL PARISH COUNCIL

4 School Court
Westmill
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14th September 2017

East Herts Council
Planning Department
Wallfields
Hertford

Dear Sirs/Madam,

Westmill Conservation Area 2017

We refer to the Westmill village conservation report and proposals produced by John Bosworth in 2016-2017.

Our Parish Council have reviewed and considered these proposals and are in agreement with the review as outlined in the draft document.

The consultation period expires on the 18th September, so we assume after EHC have taken any other comments submitted by parishioners into consideration, a final paper will be produced.

The Parish Council have not been copied on any written comments made by parishioners, therefore if there are any of concern that are been considered by EHC, we would appreciate been made aware of these.

We assume a final conservation paper will then be produced for Westmill and ratified by EHC management, after which we would appreciate receiving three copies to be held in our WPC files for future reference.

Yours sincerely

Bernadette King
Clerk and RFO
Westmill Parish Council

John,

Thank you for coming to Westmill last night to share your draft conservation report for the village.

I believe most people attending found it interesting, but it would appear we have stirred up a 'hornets nest' in proposing to take out of the present conservation area the four properties in Wilstone. It seems likely that the Parish Council will have further discussions with these residents over their concerns for your proposal, as they appear to feel very strongly about being taken out of the conservation area.

I will discuss this proposed change with my fellow councillors and then respond formally to you on this proposal.

Could I also please raise the point that the revised conservation border appears on the map to cut through the middle of my rear garden at The Berries, Westmill, (next door to Watford House), as opposed to running along my property border which is up to the track that belongs to Watford House. This track is shown on the map as to the north and West of my land.

I would be obliged if you can take a look at this?

I also noticed that the village pump is referred to as having 6 posts which should read 5 posts.

Thank you for your considering these matters.

Regards.

Michael

Westmill Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan

Comment Form

Your comments are sought on the Westmill Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan. These should be made in writing and either sent or emailed to the address below by 12 September 2017. Alternatively you can leave this form tonight. Any comments submitted will be publically available but will exclude personal details. If you wish to discuss the document further please contact the Council's Conservation Team on the number below.

Conservation Area: Westmill	
Name:	DAVID MILLS
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Comments: Somewhat surprised there was no mention of Church House in your document - 5/6 individually listed buildings - disregarding 'shooters' it wasn't there 40 years ago - Church House is the nearest building to the church with its Saxon arch - so it's fair to assume there would have been a dwelling on the site going back centuries? The property, like a lot of similar houses has been totally architecturally bastardised over time. But I've been told some of the structural goes back five hundred years at least, possibly more, as it is made up of certainly four, possibly five individual dwellings merged into one! At the back south wing, which used to be three thatched cottages, there is a very old wooden mullioned window that would have been unglazed also which in 1967 we went onto main drainage, a first century Roman Legionnaire's Buckle, as authenticated by the British Museum, was dug up!	
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