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**EARLEY TOWN
COUNCIL**

COUNCILLORS AGREE STATEMENT ON BULMERSHE SULV

At the Meeting of Earley Town Council held on Wednesday, 14th October, Councillors considered a Draft Joint Statement drawn up by representatives from Woodley and Earley Town Councils in support of the protection of the Bulmershe Site of Urban Landscape Value (SULV). The two Town Councils have consistently striven to try and ensure that this green gap between the two settlements is maintained.

The Policy Statement being considered is intended to be used as the basis for any submissions to the Local Planning Authority and, if necessary, the Planning Inspectorate.

The Statement has been produced to reaffirm the joint Town Councils' wish to ensure that there is no further erosion of the Bulmershe SULV. This will be achieved by:

1. Jointly and vigorously opposing any planning applications which seek to build on any part of the SULV.
2. Calling upon Local Borough Councillors to ensure that such applications are listed.
3. Ensure that representatives of Woodley and Earley Town Council attend any local planning authority Planning Committee Meetings at which such applications are to be discussed.
4. Reaffirming to the Borough Council's Executive Member for Planning and the Local Planning Authority, the Joint Town Council's opposition, to any plans to encroach on the Bulmershe SULV.

At the meeting of Earley Town Council, these principles and statement were agreed. In addition, the following motion was passed:

"Woodley and Earley Town Council will continue to work together to protect the Bulmershe Site of Urban Landscape Value, as defined in the current Local Plan, and will oppose any planning applications, which seek to encroach on or erode the area and also oppose any other proposals which would impact on the areas designation of a site of urban landscape value."

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