

Notes from the Brampton Cross Meeting held at Alconbury Memorial Hall 7pm on the 23rd September 2025

The meeting began with an introduction by Alconbury PC chair Tracy Gilbert outlining where things are to date and the responses from other PCs back to them, she then asked Cllr Ian Gardener to highlight things that he has received from his position as the areas County Cllr at meetings with HDC and others such as CCH, and pointed out that there are some real concerns around traffic issues with this and other developments close by being agreed and considered as the impact will have huge consequences on all surrounding villages and road systems.

He also mentioned that following the call for sites by HDC some that have been approved, some that may be approved will also have an impact on travel disruption to all the local and major road infrastructures causing even further disruption for Emergency service attendances as well as School busses within the whole of these Parish areas.

There will be a meeting on 16th October between 4-7pm in Alconbury at which each parish representative will make a response to Endurance about how this development will affect their village, starting with the furthest village away and then working towards the proposed Brampton Cross development the majority of which is in Alconbury Parish boundary and a small section in Ellington Parish boundary.

It was agreed that each village will give a 5-minute presentation on Power Point or from its verbally prepared notes, and these will be available for Endurance to take away from the meeting to ensure that they have clarity of the concerns raised by each village by its impact of this development.

We have a HASTAG meeting on the 6th October and Alconbury PC will need our Parish Council's suggestions of what will impact Buckden, from Environmental impact, Air Quality impact and Road impact issues from this proposed development and anything else that we as a Parish Council feel we should raise. We only have a 5 minute slot as does every village so this will take 90 minutes, giving Endurance 90 minutes to respond or anything else they want to bring to the meeting.

A general discussion was had on what the proposed site may be used for and its possible environmental issues caused by the use of the site such as EVs and batteries and Risk Assessments from what may well be on site from all the emergency services in their attendances and timings etc, etc.

One Parish has had someone produce traffic information data on their local roads and the incidents that have caused issues to them. This is something that we should use with regard to the Buckden Roundabout problems as NH have not been forthcoming on movements etc during the A14 and Black Cat improvements (Not an improvement for us in Buckden?). so, anyone with knowledge in these matters would help me present our 5 minute input along

with a Power Point (Which I have not done since retirement, but I am sure that with help I can get this completed.

Other assistance in information finding on these other points and contacting HDC planning expressing concerns for Buckden would be really helpful and also the same in contacting and raising concerns on village roads with CC Highways when major routes are closed etc. Also raising concerns with National Highways with similar concerns (I have already done this through them and our MP) but if others can do likewise then is not just one voice raising the points of concern.