

HS2. Confirmation of the Phase 2b route through Warrington- the Golborne Link.

This route has been revised on the West side of Culcheth Village, moving to the South West of the Linear Park and South of the Taylor Business Park. We have always opposed and will continue to oppose the whole Link. The reason is that it is of no benefit to our villages or to Warrington itself and has an unacceptable adverse impact on residents and business.

For information go to www.gov.uk/government/news/hs2-route-to-the-east-midlands-leeds-and-manchester-set-out-by-the-government or www.gov.uk/hs2 or go to our Parish website. There has been a launch of two consultations on route refinements:

The first one refers to moving the rolling stock depot from Golborne to Crewe. This depot was one reason for the Golborne link.

The second is on proposed property compensation and assistance schemes.

There has also been a Safeguarding Direction for the route which protects it from conflicting development.

Residents within a certain distance of the route received letters after the November announcement. There are more stages to go through. A Hybrid Bill will go to Parliament in 2019 together with an opportunity to petition Parliament.

We will continue to work with CADRAG and others affected by the route and will keep residents informed.

Culcheth Library

Thank you for writing letters, signing petitions and attending meetings. A group has now been formed to discuss the options for the library. If anyone wants to join the group please let one of your councillors know.

Speed Indicator Devices

The positions of the first two will be on Broseley Lane in Culcheth and on the A574 Warrington Road near Jennet's Lane in Glazebury.

Warrington Local Plan Review -Regulation 18 Consultation.

The Local Plan Core Strategy was adopted by the Council in July 2014. It is the Statutory Development Plan for the Borough. It included 500 new homes a year with a reference to 1,100 new homes on the Omega site. A developer challenged this in the High Court and, as a result, although much was unaltered, the housing figure had to be revised.

This present consultation which ends on December 5th is about the scope and the process of the Review. It includes looking at reassessing the Green Belt boundaries and the provision of land for housing and employment, together with the level of housing development. This is the first stage in the review.

Culcheth and Glazebury Christmas Market.

Thanks to those who took part and those who supported us. This is part of a "buy local" campaign which will continue next year.