

Districtwide Community Updates

- Since launching the 2025 North Herts Heroes Awards, the winners have all been contacted and filming is underway. The Awards ceremony took place at the Chair's Civic event on Friday 28 February. Films about the winners are now available to view on the [Council's YouTube channel](#).
- Holocaust Memorial Day was on 27th January and to commemorate this we created a short film, with readings from Councillors and Community Faith Leaders. It can be watched through this link [Holocaust Memorial Day 2025](#)
- Co-ordinating various local and district wide Network Groups including Youth Action, Food Provision, Arts and Culture and Green and Growing Group.
- Coordinating voluntary support response to Asylum Seekers based in North Herts.
- Continuing to facilitate NHC Councillors' Community Surgeries.
- Sharing and disseminating information on social media and to mailing lists, keeping in touch with the community, voluntary, statutory, and non-statutory agencies.
- **Sustainability Strategy 2025-2030 Survey briefing**
In May 2019, the council passed a climate emergency motion. This declaration asserted the council's commitment toward climate action beyond current government targets and international agreements. We also declared an Ecological Emergency in July 2023 to recognise the seriousness of ecological crisis and ensure that nature recovery is a priority for the council.
Sustainability is one of our four priority areas of the [Council Plan 2024-2028](#). To align with this key priority, we are replacing the existing [Climate Change Strategy 2022-2027](#) and developing a wider Sustainability Strategy. This strategy will encompass many areas of sustainability, including emissions reductions, climate change adaptation and biodiversity.
This survey will give you the opportunity to give your thoughts on the following proposed topics and associated actions.
 - Net Zero by 2030 for the council's emissions
 - Net Zero district by 2040
 - Biodiversity
 - Adaptation*The [survey](#) for this is live on our website and is running until **5pm on 31 March**.*

Area Community Updates

- Continuing to attend Parish Council meetings to make closer links with the parishes and local groups.
- Met with members of Pirton's Souper Wednesday, learning more on how the group runs and looking forward.
- Attending a 'ground breaking' ceremony for the new Pirton pavilion, who received funding towards the project from North Herts Council.
- Pirton Sports & Social Club received £10,660 from the **North Herts Prosperity Fund (NHPF)** towards new folding tables, stackable chairs, trolley, picnic benches, barbeque and storage shed.
- Please feel free to arrange any meetings or ward walks with the Community Partnerships Officer to learn more about local groups and issues in your area.