

### Districtwide Community Updates

- The North Herts Heroes 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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

#### The Community Partnerships Officer Update

- met with local organisations to build connections and support, this includes Resolve and Settle.
- continues to co-ordinate the Jackmans network group. This is a very active network group, with organisations connecting with the Jackmans Community Centre to help support activity for residents.
- continues to co-ordinate the newly combined Grange/Norton/Wilbury network group and to increase members in the network.

**Citizens Advice North Herts – Letchworth Volunteer Community Researchers**

Citizens Advice are looking for volunteer community researchers from Wilbury, Jackmans, Westbury, or Grange to interview local residents and uncover what makes our community great and what could be improved.

Could this be you? Get in touch with Citizens Advice to find out more details through this link:

[Letchworth Volunteer Community Researchers - Citizens Advice North Hertfordshire](#)