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Cc: Daniel Carter ; Boughton Aluph Eastwell Parish Council ; Westwell,
Brabourne, Smeeth & High Halden
Parish Council ; Kennington Parish Council
Subject: Eureka Park - Site S20 Ashford Local Plan

Dear Councillors,

I wanted to just give you a brief update on the emerging proposals from Quadrant Estates in respect of the Eureka Park site that is allocated as site S20 in the Local Plan.

We had a further pre-application meeting with Quadrant and their consultant team earlier this week where we discussed the latest set of plans and thoughts they have for developing out the site. We have re-iterated with them that the site policy in the Local Plan is the starting point for our consideration of any proposals and in our opinion, the balance to be struck between residential and commercial development on this strategically important mixed use site is of great importance in informing the basis of the more detailed design and layout considerations to come.

However, I wanted to let you know (as parts of the site cover all of your wards in some way), that Quadrant are intending to launch a public consultation exercise on their emerging ideas very shortly. We are told this will involve a leaflet drop to around 700 households in the vicinity of the site, including along parts of Sandyhurst Lane, as well as inviting Parish Councils and community groups to feedback via a website being created for the proposed development. I expect you will also be contacted directly by Quadrant too.

We have also been asked to start thinking about setting up a Design Review Panel session and subsequent Members Briefing session when the time is right and hopefully the scheme has evolved some more. Late July/ early August has been discussed for the first of these but will obviously be dependent on availability, etc.

I will try to keep you updated as matters progress but if you have any queries, please let me or Dan Carter know.

Regards,
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