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**Ebbfleet United celebrate winning league
with open-top parade and family fun day**

Crowds cheered victorious Ebbfleet United through the streets on Sunday after they were crowned champions.

The team secured promotion by winning the Vanarama National League South a few weeks ago, but at the weekend supporters and the people of Gravesend came out to cheer their success as the team made their way through town on an open-top bus.

The route took them to their home ground – the Kuflink Stadium in Northfleet – for a family fun day where players posed for photos and signed memorabilia for fans.

Their success means they will play in the National League next season.

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The bus parade from Community Square, Gravesend, ended with a family fun day at the Kuflink Stadium to mark Ebbfleet's promotion to the National League

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20230393 - Boughurst Farm, Leywood Road, Meopham, Gravesend, Kent, DA13 0UD - Demolition of existing workshop and storage building and construction of a new car port, workshop and storage building with associated landscaping, turning and visitor parking areas

20230423 - Bailiffs House, Camer Park, Camer Road, Meopham, Gravesend, Kent, DA13 0XT - Application for Listed Building Consent for the conversion of agricultural barn into a 2 bedroom dwelling with new driveway

20230400 - 38 Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 1BA - Application for Listed Building Consent for the conversion of the property into 2 x 1-bed and 1 x 2-bed residential flats

DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF A CONSERVATION AREA

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20230383 - 1 Cheyne Walk, Meopham, Gravesend, Kent, DA13 0PF - Erection of new wall to boundary facing Whitehill Road and new deck area

Anyone wishing to make representations about this application should do so by writing to me at Civic Centre by **26 May 2023** quoting the application number.

Wendy Lane (BSc Hons, MSc, MA, MRTPI), Assistant Director (Planning)
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Notice of Application for Planning Permission

NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 15 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015

KCC/DA/0056/2023 - Proposed development at Stone Pit 1, Cotton Lane, Stone, Dartford, Kent DA9 9ED.

Land Logical Dartford Limited is applying to Kent County Council Planning Applications Group for planning permission for a Section 73 application to vary Condition 2 of planning permission DA/18/485 to extend the time in which to complete the infilling and restoration of the site until no later than 31 October 2023.

The proposed development affects a public right of way.

Details of the application can be viewed on Kent County Council's website at www.kent.gov.uk/viewapplications

We accept comments online via the direct link on the County Council's website or by email to planning.applications@kent.gov.uk. You may also write to Planning Applications Group, Kent County Council, First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX although we would strongly encourage you to submit comments online or by email at this time due to ongoing hybrid working arrangements.

We accept comments within 15 days from the date of this notice (19 May 2023). Please quote the application reference number (KCC/DA/0056/2023) and note that comments may be drawn to the attention of Council Members, the applicant and other interested persons and may include publishing on the Borough Council website.

Sharon Thompson
Head of Planning Applications Group
Kent County Council
Dated: 4 May 2023

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The effect of the Order would be to authorise the overnight closure of the road connecting the anti-clockwise exit slip road (leading from the A282) to the westbound carriageway of the A206 at M25/A282 Junction 1A (A206/B2228).

This measure would be in the interests of road safety while contractors working on behalf of Kent County Council undertake carriageway repairs and all associated works.

It is expected that the work would last for approximately 1 month starting on or after Thursday 1st June 2023. The overnight closures would take place between 22:00 and 05:00 (maximum periods). Please consult National Highways website for further details.

The Order would come into force on 30th May 2023 and have a maximum duration of eighteen months, ceasing when the works are complete.

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Fleet's latest legends?

Double vision for skipper

CLASS OF 2023 CAN JOIN CLUB GREATS

By Matthew Panting

Ebbfleet manager Dennis Kutrieb feels his players deserve every accolade they get for their title-winning season.

The Fleet finished 20 points clear of second-placed Dartford in National League South after signing off in style last Saturday with a 5-0 win over already-relegated Hungerford at Stonebridge Road.

The crop of 2023 put on a show in front of a bumper home crowd which included a host of former Fleet favourites, invited back to the club for their annual reunion.

"Maybe Fleet fans will speak about these players in 20 years, I don't know," said Kutrieb. "It's always good to have legends here, players that have played here."

"It's always nice but you have to make sure that everyone is on the same page if it's not going in the right direction as well because it's football."

"We could start the next season with five defeats in a row so no one will speak about records and what we have done then."

"We need to keep this momentum into next season, even the fans who are so enthusiastic and being happy with us."

"That's what I always try to bring across to the players as well. We've created something this season but it's not just that, look at how much joy the players were involved in."

Kutrieb reckons the current crop of Fleet favourites enjoy their football more than most sides.

He believes there are many factors that have all added up to make an exciting team that scored a club-record 110 league goals and finished up with 103 points.



All-time Fleet record scorer Steve Portway presents 2022/23 top scorer Dominic Poleon with his golden boot - as well as an award for reaching 50 club goals. He's still got some way to go to break Portway's tally of 152 goals. Poleon was voted player-of-the-year by the club's fans and also picked up the players' player award, as well as goal of the season for his stunning strike in the televised win at Slough

Picture: Dave Plumb/Ebbfleet United FC

"I see so many games of football - League 2, National League, National League South - and there are not many teams where the players come off the pitch and say 'I really enjoy what we are doing here'," claimed Kutrieb.

"They do it because it's their job, they do it because it's a football club where they try to earn some money or make an impact to make a move somewhere else - do they really enjoy what they're doing?"

"We can see from our group that they were enjoying themselves and that's what I try to create, that they enjoy to be on the pitch, to train and play games in this environment with a great stadium, good fans, outstanding owner, amazing CEO who tries to make everything happen for us."

"This is an environment where the manager likes to play football, not just kick it long."

"All these things, they contribute to being successful as a

team and the boys are really enjoying it. That's a big compliment to us as a club and me as a manager, they really like it."

The Fleet boss was - almost - suited and booted for the final game of the season as he ditched his usual tracksuit for trousers and shirt and tie, along with a jumper.

It was Kutrieb's way of paying tribute to his players for their achievements this season.

"I think just because of the occasion," he said.

"I wanted to pay the boys my credits because they delivered so outstandingly this season," he stated. "I've told them 100 times but what can I do, I can tell them 101 times or I can make sure that I'm dressed up."

"If I went to a nice place or paid someone credit, or dressed up for an interview, whatever it is, I would always be dressed up."

"I wanted to pay my players that credit and congratulate them for having a great season."

Ebbfleet captain Chris Solly loved seeing their title success from both sides of the fence.

It was a third career promotion for former Charlton stalwart Solly and a second league title, but his first as part of the coaching set-up.

Having that added insight to the hard work that goes on behind the scenes made it extra special for Solly.

"It's right up there for me," he said. "From a personal note, obviously I'm closer to the gaffer and I haven't experienced this success and seen both sides of things."

"I've been close to him all season and have seen that side, the coaching and the effort him and Chris Franks have put in."

"Then to play week in, week out, in the position I'm in at the middle of the back three I have the best view. Some of the football our boys produced has been unbelievable."

Fleet spent most of the season at the top of National League South - their title success being a matter of when rather than if they'd win the league.

That might have taken an edge off the celebrations but Solly was keen to point out how good their season was.

"I was trying to say that to the squad a few weeks back as it felt a little bit of an anti-climax the way we did it because our lead was so big," said Solly.

"But the message from me to the players was you've got to enjoy this, because you don't know when it's going to come again, if it does."

"I think the last two or three weeks the boys have started to realise that what we've achieved is very good."

It was the Fleet's unbeaten run from the turn of the year that made the difference - a sequence that seemed unlikely after the way they dipped over the festive period, losing twice to rivals Dartford.

"That blip maybe helped us looking back," reflected Solly.

"The level of training was still exactly the same, the effort was the same, and we made it clear as a group that as long as we kept doing the right things, we'd get that win and the confidence would come back."

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