



Marlowe Road

Community Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to the ninth edition of the Marlowe Road Community Newsletter. It's been a very busy few months since the last edition. A number of consultation events have taken place over the last few months and the project is on track with the first phase starting in January next year.

Consultation Update

As well as the public meeting held on 7th January and the coach tour on 14th February, we have been very busy organising consultations for the wider community. On 28th January 2015 we held a meeting where we invited 11 local schools, 6 nurseries and 6 churches to come along to see the architect's presentation of the development plans. We have also created an activity for the students to become involved in what they would like to see in the completed multi use games area (MUGA).

On 11th March we held three focus group meetings and invited all of the businesses along Wood Street to attend to have a look at the plans for the development and share any concerns that they might have.

Parking consultations are underway to establish current demand for parking on the estate. Residents will be asked to tell us how many cars they currently park on the estate which will give us a better understanding of the needs of residents. The results of this will feed into the development plans. The parking consultation for residents who live on Marlowe Road Estate ended on 26 March 2015. Parking consultation for residents of Northwood Tower ends on Friday 17th April 2015. If you currently live at Northwood Tower and have not yet responded, there is still time for you to participate in the consultation. Please send your completed reply slip to us using the pre paid envelope provided or you can email jacqueline.franklin@walthamforest.gov.uk confirming whether you currently use the car park and if yes how many vehicles you usually park there. You can also pop into the project shop to provide your reply in person.

Project Milestone	Anticipated timescale
Cabinet – developer contract approval	March 2015
Planning submission	May 2015
Start on site	March 2016
Completion	September 2021



Sketch of plaza entrance from Wood Street



Sketch of plaza playground

Minutes of the Steering Group

Following the 8th January meeting, it was decided that all residents would receive a copy of the minutes produced at every meeting from now onwards. You would by now have received the minutes produced from that meeting and hope that it made an interesting read.

Public Meeting

Over 50 residents attended the consultation on the new Marlowe Road and Plaza redevelopment plans earlier this month. The presentation by Countryside, the preferred developers, and the models showing what the area will look like when the development is finished helped to give residents a good insight into the ideas and plans that have been put forward. Addressing the meeting, Cllr Limbajee said: "The Council's vision is for a new town centre building on the success of the Plaza and improving the area for everyone. We hope to transform this estate into a real community where people want to live, shop, play and relax."



Coach Tour update

28 residents from Marlowe Rd spent the morning at Countryside's latest development, Highmead in Edmonton. The coach trip was organised to provide residents with an opportunity to see an example of the type of materials to be used, room sizes and quality of finishes they can expect when the works to redevelop Marlowe Road Estate are completed. Residents were shown around a 2 bedroom show flat as well as a 3 bedroom town house and were inspired by what they saw on the day.



Leaseholder buy back update

We have completed the sale of 4 properties to date with a further 2 expected in the coming months. Of all the leaseholders 14 have expressed a preference to remain on the new estate.

All empty properties continue to be used for temporary accommodation.

Project shop Easter opening times

The project shop will be closed on 6th April 2015 and reopen again on the afternoon of the 8th April 2015. The project shop will be closed again on Monday 13th April 2015.

Project shop

The project shop is staffed by members of the regeneration project team (and a representative of Ascham Homes every last Monday of the month) and is located at 168 Marlowe Road (the old police station). The team at the project shop can give

information about the project and assist with any queries on the development as well as decanting and bidding for new properties. We also have literature about the proposed development by Countryside and a scale model.

The current opening times are:

- Monday morning 9am to 1pm
- Late night opening every last Wednesday of the month from 2.00pm to 7.00pm (and 8pm by appointment only).
- Wednesday afternoon 2pm to 5pm

Please contact us!!

If you would like more information on how to get involved, please contact us:

Jacqueline Franklin on **020 8496 5162** about consultation and getting involved

Amanda Gibson on **020 8496 5405** about decanting and leasehold/freehold queries

Meera Kumar on **020 8496 5592** about the development proposals

Julia Gilbert on **020 8496 4926** about commercial property queries

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