SHEERWATER

REGENERATION PROJECT UPDATE DECEMBER 2018

Dear Resident

Since our last newsletter, works behind the scenes have been progressing well. The most significant development is that revisions to the original planning application have been submitted to the Planning Authority.

I know the changes to the new planning application seem complex, but it has been done to take into account feedback from residents. There are three areas of improvement to the scheme. Firstly, increased informal green space. Secondly, additional car parking. Thirdly, an increased housing provision for care of the elderly.

It's disappointing that work has yet to begin on the leisure centre and swimming pool which I had hoped would be underway by now. We are working through a number of issues that will enable us to commence next year. It is still my intention to deliver the new community facilities before we deliver the new homes. We have already successfully delivered both the new access road into Sheerwater which has increased employment opportunities, and the replacement athletics track at Egley Road which the club moved into during October. Watch this space for more information.

Communication is key to any successful project and I'm always keen to hear your views on how we're doing. If you have any

feedback on any aspect of the project, whether it be on how we're keeping you updated as the project progresses or how we're dealing with you as a resident, please email me at CllrDavid.Bittleston@woking.gov.uk

And that just leaves me to wish you all a very happy festive season and a prosperous New Year.

Cllr David Bittleston Leader of Woking Borough Council

Fly-tipping:

Whether it's an old sofa, leaking washing machine or a saggy mattress, we ask that you don't dump it on the street and blight our community.

Instead dispose of your bulky waste responsibly at the local tip or through Joint Waste Solution's bulky waste collection service. For more information about the services, please visit www.jointwastesolutions.org

Help us to make sure Sheerwater remains a clean and pleasant neighbourhood by disposing of your waste responsibly.

Fly-tipping is an offence for which you could face a hefty fine.

For more information, please visit www.woking.gov.uk/flytipping

Supporting residents on the move

Many tenants within the regeneration area have already decided to move to alternative accommodation within the Borough.

Council tenants living within the regeneration area who are yet to engage with us should contact the Sheerwater Housing Support Team on 01483 743870 or email sheerwater. tenants@woking.gov.uk as soon as possible. This is to ensure that tenants receive the help and support available to them.

So far 94 of the 120 homeowners have sold or agreed to sell their properties.

The vacant properties left behind have had doors and windows secured with metal panels. This is a safety and security measure so that properties do not get vandalised and become unsafe. Regular patrols of the area are being made to ensure the estate is well maintained and kept tidy.

If you are a homeowner who is yet to have their property valued, we would urge you to contact Frazers Surveyors, who are acting on behalf of Woking Borough Council, before it's too late. To arrange your property valuation, please contact Naomi Gould on 01483 730909 or email naomi@frazers.co.uk



Sheerwater Reserves and Youth Teams

It's good news for Sheerwater FC's reserve and youth teams as they will continue to play their games at Sheerwater Recreation Ground until the end of the season.

From the beginning of the 2019/20 football season, both teams will play their home games and train at Woking Sportsbox on Egley Road.

The recently opened leisure centre and sports pitches, located next to Hoe Valley School, offers facilities that are second to none that will inspire Woking's next generation of sporting superstars.

News for MASCOT

There's great news from MASCOT, as it's been announced that the group will soon be moving to a new home within St Michael's Church! Details are yet to be confirmed.

The group, which supports local communities in a variety of ways, is a great way to get involved in your community so why not pop in to their office on Dartmouth Avenue and say hello!

Get involved

There's some great dance activities to get you moving in Sheerwater at the beginning of 2019!

Dance Woking will be running two fab new dance sessions – Girls Only Dance Club and Performance Parkour.

For more information, including when and where these sessions will take place, keep an eye on their website, www.dancewoking.com



Community celebrates festive season with lights switch-on and carols

The local community came together as one to celebrate the switching on of Sheerwater's Christmas Tree lights on Wednesday 5 December.

Crowds enjoyed carols from members of St Michael's Church congregation along with mince pies, hot chocolate and spiced apple juice.

In addition, the Sheerwater Together group remembered members of the community who are no long with us, so look out for Christmas decorations honouring them.

Need information about the Sheerwater Regeneration Scheme translated?

Email Catharine.Okon@woking.gov.uk or call 01483 743869 for assistance.

Czy potrzebujesz przetłumaczenia informacji o Programie Regeneracji Sheerwater? Wyślij wiadomość pocztą elektroniczną, aby uzyskać pomoc; Catharine.Okon@woking.gov.uk lub zadzwoń pod numer 01483 743869

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Contact us

Tenants

Any queries you may have regarding your tenancy or our plans for Sheerwater, please contact Sheerwater Regeneration Housing Support Team on 01483 743870 or email sheerwater. tenants@woking.gov.uk

Homeowners

To have your property valued by Frazers Surveyors, please contact Naomi Gould on 01483 730909 or email naomi@frazers.co.uk

Housing association tenants

If you have any queries regarding your tenancy, please contact your housing association directly.