



Park Gate & Priory Park – Autumn 2012

Wrangle over Peters Road homes site extra access



PLANNING approval for 49 houses was given to Highwood earlier in the year.

This approval included several conditions in the interests of residents of Peters Road, Brook Lane and Chichester Close.

Councillor Brian Bayford said he understood that Taylor Wimpey, who want to develop the remainder of the site for 207 units, were negotiating to acquire the Highwood site.

This is only to include Taylor Wimpey housing designs and will NOT affect the conditions already approved for this site.

Access to the 49 homes will be from Peters Road and bollards are shown between the Taylor Wimpey and Highwood sites (also marked emergency access route).

Access to the TW site will be from Lockwood Road only and TW's current scheme would be subject to similar conditions which restricted access to the 49 houses from Pe-

ters Road.

Some residents questioned whether a second access can be provided from Lockwood Road and Councillor Bayford discussed this with the planning officers and highways engineers.

Another access from Lockwood Road could be tricky, as no issues had been raised by either our highway engineer or the County's regarding the single point of access.

It could also impact on the green strip within the site along Lockwood Road, which is presented as an ecological corridor.

Details of the Taylor Wimpey site are still being discussed with the planning officers and it is not known yet when the final details will be submitted to the Planning Development Committee for consideration.

Should any residents want to comment on the current proposals your councillors will be available to advise and meet you if required.

Coldeast final stage

THE FINAL elements of the Coldeast development was approved by Fareham planners.

Full consent was given to build 168 dwellings, 40 sheltered units, restoration of the Mansion House and use of woodland open space.

Outline approval was given for community facilities, including sports pitches, pavilion with changing rooms and community meeting room.

There is also space for allotments, a cemetery and new access from Barnes Lane.

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NEWS ROUND

Cash grants available

County Councillor Seán Woodward has a sum of around £10,000 available for grants to local organisations in his Sarisbury Division (Sarisbury, Swanwick, Burrige, Park Gate, Whiteley and Priory Park).

He would welcome applications from local residents.

The schemes supported need to be for items of equipment as opposed to running costs.

Mowing problems

One of the wettest summers on record has affected our grass cutting schedules.

Normally, it takes the mowing team 10 days to work their way across the Borough.

A combination of warm and wet weather meant that the grass grew again by 6-10 inches in a very short time, so mowing had to be done again in as little as 3-5 days.

So they and cleansing staff, who worked overtime and across the Bank Holiday weekend to ensure everything was spick and span for the Jubilee celebrations, are to be congratulated.

Death of Alderman Godrich

Mike Godrich, who represented Locks Heath as ward councillor for 19 years, has died.

He was a former mayor and was admitted to the roll of Honorary Aldermen after he retired in 2010.

He was a founder member of Locks Heath Day Care Centre.

Coffee aroma

The aroma of fresh coffee now wafts around Locks Heath District Centre after Fareham Mayor Councillor Dennis Steadman opened the new Costa Coffee shop.

Medical loans move

The date for the move of the Red Cross Medical Loans service from Fareham Health Centre to Fareham Community Hospital, Brook Lane, Sarisbury SO31 7DQ has now been confirmed as December 1, 2012.

They bowled the judges over



Congratulations: To Priory Park-based Lockwood Bowling Club who hit the jack with a gold award in the Fareham in Bloom contest.

£666,000 Lottery grant to transform historic brickworks

BELIEVED to be England's only surviving steam-driven brickworks, the Bursledon site has been given a lifeline thanks to a £666,300 Heritage Lottery Fund grant.

Bursledon Brickworks, a complex of Grade II* listed industrial buildings near the River Hamble, is set to undergo an exciting transformation.

Although of national and international heritage importance, the current site does not do its fascinating story justice.

At its peak, the site produced 20million bricks a year and was at the forefront of new technology. Saving and rejuvenating this special place is crucial.

Alongside conservation works to the buildings, the project will include exciting and extensive learning activities which will encourage people to get involved.

The interpretation will be improved helping to recreate the brickwork's original atmosphere and give people an insight into what life looked like to those who worked there and made bricks prior to industrialisation.

An important aspect will be the chance to employ key people to help run the museum including a curator, learning officer and a volunteer coordinator. The roles will be part time but very important to fulfilling the overall vision for the site.



Dementia home to open in Park Gate to meet rising demands

A 60-BED dementia home is being built in Botley Road, Park Gate.

The three-floor timber-framed building with cream brick cladding should be completed early next year.

Park Gate Councillor Marian Ellerton, who has been watching progress and visited the site recently, said:

"It will prove an excellent facility and a great asset to the area."

The building will have a variety of facilities for the residents including a hair salon, a library and an open restaurant area for visitors that will also serve as a social space.

As parking space is at a premium in Park Gate there will be ample vehicle places within the grounds for staff and visitors.

The garden will have wide paths

and wheelchair access, a sensory garden and a gazebo.

Marian Ellerton added: "With retirement age population projected to grow by 44% by 2026, it is clear that Fareham will need a new dementia care facility in the future.

"The need for community care will increase, and whilst some facilities already exist it is small compared to the level of need that will be required.

"It is predicted that local need has risen to 3,000 over the past 5 years for patients suffering from dementia."

Footnote: Dementia affects 820,000 people in the UK. The fact file (right) shows the prevalence of cases. Figures supplied by Alzheimers Research UK.

AGE	MEN	WOMEN
65-69	2.17%	1.1%
70-74	4.61%	3.86%
75-79	5.04%	6.67%
80-84	12.12%	13.5%
85-89	18.45%	22.76%
90-94	32.1%	32.25%
95-99	31.58%	36.0%

•Every dementia patient costs the economy £27,647 per annum

•By contrast, every cancer patient costs £5,999



Visiting: Councillor Marian Ellerton looks at progress on the new building.

Sweet singing in the new choir



TRA-LA-LA, tra-la-la... Do you sing in the shower? Then why not give your vocal chords a real work-out?

You don't have to be a Katherine Jenkins or a Rolando Villazón to join in at the newly formed Western Wards Community Choir.

It costs £18 a term to join the choir which aims to encourage adults over 18 in the Western Wards to come together and sing.

Vocal teacher Erica Maggs will lead the choir and no previous singing experience is needed.

All you need is enthusiasm and a sense of fun.

The choir meets Mondays at 7.30-9pm at Park Gate Primary School and if you want to know more, contact Rebecca Kingsland at Park Gate Primary School, Northmore Road, Park Gate SO31 6LX, phone 01489 575444.

Fine attraction to Holly Hill Park

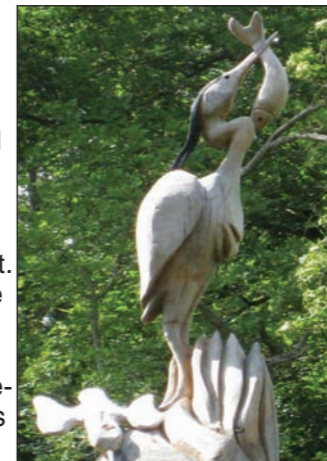
READERS may remember an article in an earlier InTouch that included a picture of a tree that had been partly felled in Holly Hill Park for safety reasons.

Pupils at Sarisbury Infant School suggested ideas for a carving that could be made out of the remaining trunk.

Isle of Wight wood carver Paul Stivell set to work and this is the result of his wonderful art.

The picture shows the carving on top of the trunk and the fine detail of the heron with a fish in its beak.

No wonder it is a great attraction in this lovely park, which won a gold award in this year's South and South East in Bloom competition.



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Fareham's housing demand stays high despite recession

THE SLOW-DOWN in housing development is temporary.

Demand for housing remains high and developers continue to confirm existing sites and to seek new sites for the future, says Park Gate Councillor Brian Bayford.

Fareham is in the process of updating its Borough Local Plan with two distinct elements:

1 Plans for the new community in North Fareham

2 Rest of the Borough

North of Fareham will be a completely new development; the rest of Borough figures for 2012 to 2026 indicate around 2,000 new dwellings, some of which are already started or have detailed planning approval.

Brian Bayford added: "Actual numbers delivered year by year will vary considerably depending on the economy."

Pool option in Locks Heath centre revamp

A REPORT from planning consultants that outlines the potential for significant regeneration of the Locks Heath Centre has been received by Fareham Council.

The Council commissioned the work and set three main priorities:

- New swimming pool and leisure facilities
- Improved food retail offer
- Improved viability of the overall centre



The report indicates options to provide a new large food store, a new swimming pool and leisure facility and the potential to co-locate existing community and youth support facilities.

Park Gate Councillor Marian Ellerton said improvement of the retail offering and viability of the centre was very important to residents in the Western

Wards.

She said: "Delivery of the new swimming pool and leisure facility will be wonderful and the potential to co-locate community facilities in a new purpose-built building would just be a great extra."

Consultation on the proposals will run from mid-October to mid-November.



YOUR voice in Westminster
by MARK HOBAN
MP for Fareham



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Tough new job for Fareham MP in Government reshuffle

In September's Government reshuffle, Mark was promoted to Minister for Employment at the Department for Work and Pensions.

Mark, who was previously at the Treasury, said: "Whilst unemployment has

been falling in recent months, we need to do more to get the long term unemployed back into work.

"My task is to push forward existing government schemes to help as many people as possible. It's a new challenge for me and one I relish."

Just two days after his promotion, Mark announced that the private sector had created an amazing one million new jobs since May 2010.

Local success story

NATS, with over 3,000 employees at Swanwick and



Whiteley, is one of Fareham's most successful businesses.

Mark, pictured with coordinator David Pulman during a recent visit, learned about their key role in keeping London's skies clear during the Olympics and their success in exporting their expertise to 28 countries, which led to NATS' CEO, Richard Deakin, taking part in a trade delegation to Brazil led by David Cameron.

He'd rather face Jeremy Paxman

Children at Ranvilles Junior School put Mark through his paces during a recent visit to the school.

Mark said: "I've had some tough interviews on Five Live and Newsnight, but children aren't afraid to ask you challenging questions.

"They would give Jeremy Paxman a run for his money!"

