

Development Update

TENT 1 Steering Group Meeting – 20th February 2018

Progress to date

All 44 dwellings on Phase A are at various stages of construction; all are 'wind and watertight', i.e. roofs tiled and windows installed. Phase B's foundations are progressing. Work is progressing on seven superstructures in Phase B.

The last section of road in phase B is due to be tarmacked mid-March. The roads in Phase A are being finished off progressively as and when scaffolds are dropped and service connections made.

Work on Phase D has been suspended until we receive the necessary reassurances from Taylor Wimpey that safe access will be available for residents. We are relying on Taylor Wimpey to adjust their programme so that the houses along the 2nd half of the spine road are prioritised. At present we anticipate a delay of at least 6 months. The ongoing delay in re-planning the houses affected by the oak tree is causing us most concern.

Affordable Housing

An ongoing delay in energising the sub-station and installation of electric meters is holding up completion. The first block of nine 'shared ownership' apartments are complete bar snagging and commissioning. The apartments will not be handed over to MOAT Housing Association until late March. The scaffolding surrounding the second block of nine 'apartments to rent' will be dropped next week; second fixing, tiling, etc. is progressing internally.

Seven more 'affordable houses' are at various stages of construction, the first of these, plot 34 will be handed over to MOAT late March/early April. All 25 of the Affordable Homes in phase A will be handed over by June.





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Planning

With respect to the two additional dwellings on the triangular field below the scout hut, an application was submitted mid-January to discharge the various 'precommencement conditions'. We are anxious to proceed with the construction of these two plots as soon as possible.

Sales

We currently have seven houses sold. There is a lot of ongoing interest from prospective purchasers, particularly those with homes to sell. Sales have really picked up since Christmas.

Six Fields Path

We have met KCC's PROW Officer to discuss the temporary closure of Six Fields path whilst the upgrading works between the end of Bells Lane and the junction with Three Fields path are being undertaken. The works are planned for late summer. We shall shortly be engaging with the local residents, the Scout Association, Allotment users and other Key Stake Holders to discuss our proposals. To minimise any inconvenience to residents we shall provide an alternative access through Phases A&B.



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