

Northstowe Community Update

October 2016

What's happening on site?

Construction of the first homes at Northstowe began in earnest at the beginning of September as [Bloor Homes](#) moved onto site. Foundations for the first 16 homes have been started. In total ninety two homes, ranging from two to five bedrooms, will be developed on the plot adjacent to the B1050. The sales and marketing suite is due to open in November with first occupations being planned for March 2017. House buyers can now register interest with [Bloor Homes](#).



Completion of the excavation of the Hatton's Road attenuation ponds is expected by the end of the month. Over 200,000 m³ of earth will have been moved as part of these works over the last six months. Drainage works will then commence with completion planned for end December.

Earthworks, sewer systems and other road infrastructure works are expected to be substantially complete, weather dependant, by end December. Utility works will continue into the first quarter of 2017. All the Phase 1 land parcels will soon be ready to welcome the remainder of the housebuilders on site. Work on the public square and other areas of open space will commence next year.

Planning

The District council has been busy in pre-application discussions over the past few months with all the housebuilders who have acquired parcels of land in Phase 1 of the development including [Barratt](#), [Linden](#), [Taylor Wimpey](#) and [Bovis](#). The housebuilders have also shared outline plans with Longstanton Parish Council at recent meetings.

Taylor Wimpey have submitted their application for 40 homes on the smaller of their two parcels of land. This will be open to public consultation shortly giving all interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed site layout and look and feel of the new homes. Submission of the remaining applications is expected over the coming months with a view to many of the housebuilders commencing on site in the first quarter of next year.



Plans for the local centre square for Phase 1, the waterpark and greenways were approved at the end of the summer and Gallagher have now submitted their reserved matters application for the Western Park parcel of land which includes sports pitches, open space, land for allotments and a community orchard along with associated foot and cycle ways on the Western edge of Phase 1.

The application is currently open for comments on the [SCDC Planning portal](#).

Hatton Park Primary School move

Pupils and teachers from Hatton Park School in Longstanton moved into the brand new Pathfinder building and are enjoying their first term in their temporary home for this academic year. There have been some teething issues during drop off and pick up. CCC, Gallagher, the parents working group and school management team have been working together to ensure appropriate measures are taken to provide a smooth and safe journey to school for the children and to ease any issues.



Community News

HCA have commissioned Cambridge Archaeological Unit to undertake phase two archaeological works and excitement is building to see what will be uncovered. As part of the works, HCA will be organising community events and visits to give local people an opportunity to get closer to the history of the site. Keep an eye on the Northstowe website for details www.northstowe.com



The **Community Forum** was held on October 19 in the community wing of the new school building for the first time. Gallagher and HCA gave updates on the Phase 1 and Phase 2 work programmes. Linden presented their plans for one of the largest Phase 1 parcels covering 271 homes. Other topics covered included traffic monitoring and the cycle and pathway network for Phase 1. [Find out more](#). The **next Community Forum** will be on **18 January, 7 - 9pm** with the informal **drop-in session from 6pm** at the Pathfinder School

Other information:

Survey work and construction of the project compounds for the A14 upgrade commenced over the summer. Main construction is due to begin in November. Highways England organised local public information events during September and October. [Find out more](#)

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