

East Anton Resident Newsletter



Neighbourhood Survey

Thank you to all residents who returned the Neighbourhood Survey attached with your last newsletter. We had a good response and this has enabled us to get a better understanding of the make-up of East Anton, Augusta Park and the issues that are important to you. We will be posting a summary of the results of the survey on line shortly. The winner of the 3 day Valley Leisure pass has been drawn.

Housing occupations

Official figures obtained from Taylor Wimpey show that at the end of September 958 properties were occupied at Augusta Park. This includes private homes, MOD and housing association properties.

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Augusta Park Community Association

The Augusta Park Community Association (APCA) is an organisation run by a board of trustees who are all residents of Augusta Park. They are volunteers who believe that building a community will improve the lives of all here. Their mission is “to turn a housing estate into a community” and their slogan is “Get Involved!”.

The New Community Centre at Augusta Park

As many of you will have noticed the new community centre for Augusta Park is nearing completion, APCA hope to have the keys early next year (2015).

The centre is going to be a huge asset to this community and APCA are developing plans for how they can make the most of it. They are already receiving enquiries for room bookings and from groups who are interested in using the space.

Keep an eye on their website and Facebook group for more news.



Augusta Park in Bloom 2014

Thank you to all those who got involved to make this years Augusta Park in Bloom was even more spectacular than last year.

Tallest Sunflower Winner

Congratulations to **Paul Sherwood** for growing the tallest sunflower – a massive 235 cm (7' 8.5")!

Best hanging Basket / Container

Congratulations to **Sue Nosworthy** who was awarded the prize due to care and attention and the pleasure they have brought to so many on Augusta Park.

Best Front Garden

Congratulations to **Carol Lock** who had beautiful colours and foliage and a great blend from one theme to another in her garden.



Special mentions to Julie Wilkinson, Louise Taylor, Heulwen Jones, Stuart Randall and Gwen Ball for all the effort they put in and the beautiful spaces they created.

All winners were awarded a £50 Homebase voucher, which were kindly donated by Homebase.

Best Street

The Best Street was a hard decision, Cowslip Way did a great job, but once again the winners were Romney Road, who had wonderful community spirit.

Other events on Augusta Park

APCA are planning Christmas events, a Centre Opening and more Quizzes. Please keep an eye on their Facebook group for more information.

To keep in touch and find out what is going on, visit the APCA website at www.myaugustapark.org.uk and register for our mailing list and join the APCA Facebook group.

What's on at Augusta Park?

Every Monday (Term Time)	9am - 10.30am	Explorer Toddlers The Tardis Room, Endeavour School. For parents and toddlers. £1 weekly, refreshments served.	Contact Adventure Preschool, preschool@adventurechildcare.co.uk
Every Monday	3pm - 5pm	Community Centre Drop In Temporary centre on East Anton Farm Road. Pop in for a coffee and a chat, to ask any questions or queries or receive information	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Monday	7.30pm	Beginners Running Group Meet outside the Community Centre. All welcome.	Facebook: Augusta Park Runners
Second Tuesday Of the Month	1.30pm-3pm	Parent Support Group For parents of Children with additional needs to meet, chat, with occasional speakers and activities. Supported by Adventure Preschool. At the temporary Community Centre.	Contact preschool@adventurechildcare.co.uk or kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Wednesday	10am-12noon	Augustians At The Community Centre. Group for Over 50 year olds for coffee, chat, craft, talks and trips. £1 weekly.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Wednesday	10am-12noon	Community Centre Drop In Temporary building on East Anton Farm Road. Pop in for a coffee and a chat, to ask any questions or queries or receive information	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Wednesday	7.30pm-9.30pm	Chatty Crafters At the Community Centre. Meet with other crafters to share ideas and learn new things. Age 18+ £2 fortnightly membership	Facebook: Augusta Park Community Association (APCA) or kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Wednesday Every 4 Weeks	6.15pm-7.15pm	Beat Surgery At the Community Centre. Pop in to meet and speak to your local beat offices about any questions or concerns.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Thursday	7.30pm	Beginners Running Group Meet outside the Community Centre. All welcome.	Facebook: Augusta Park Runners
Every Thursday	7.30pm	Augusta Park Runners Meet outside the Community Centre, all runners welcome.	Facebook: Augusta Park Runners
Every Other Thursday	10.30am-11.30am	Health Walks Free to attend. Meet at the Community Centre, walks lasts approximately 1 hour.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Other Thursday	4pm - 5.30pm	Youth Drop-In At the Community Centre. For 7-16 year olds to meet, chat and play some games.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Other Thursday	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Kids Craft At the Community Centre. For primary school children to come and make and create. Light refreshments provided. £1 per child.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Thursday Every 4-6 Weeks	7.30pm-9.30pm	Reading Group (coming in new centre) At the Community Centre. Meet for an evening of books, chat and wine. Books are provided to read inbetween meetings. £1 weekly.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Other Thursday	10.30-11.30	Toddler Walks (Coming Soon) Meet at the Community Centre; all children must be accompanied by an adult, lasts approximately 45 minutes.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Friday	10am-12noon	Community Centre Drop In Temporary building on East Anton Farm Road. Pop in for a coffee and a chat, to ask any questions or queries or receive information.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Friday	2pm-3.30pm	Bumps and Beyond For pregnant mums and those with children under 1 year of age. Meet at the temporary community centre.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Friday	10.30am-12noon	Family Forces Coffee Morning At the Community Centre. Meet for a coffee, cake and chat. £1 for refreshments.	Contact Kristina Choules kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Occasional Weekends	Various	Augusta Park Community Association (APCA) Events & Litterpicks	Facebook: Augusta Park Community Association kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk
Every Sunday	7.30am	Augusta Park Runners Meet outside the Temporary Community Centre, all runners welcome.	Facebook: Augusta Park Runners

This calendar is collated by Kristina Choules, please email kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk or call 01264 368622 / 01264 310458 if you have further information.

Community Group Updates

Youth Group

There is a Youth Group for 7-16 year olds which meets alternate Thursdays 4pm-5.30pm. We will **not be able to continue to run this group without volunteers**. These volunteers would not need to help every week as we aim to create a 6 weekly rota of leaders. You can be DBS checked and trained and will not be working alone.

Please contact Kristina if you think you would be able to help, even on an occasional basis. When we are able to use the new community centre we hope to split the age group and move



the timing to later in the evening.



The Augustians

Thank you to members of The Augustians (The Over 50's Group) for making 17 Christmas boxes which Andover Foodbank will distribute to local children this Christmas who may not otherwise receive any Christmas presents.

Please note that all groups will stop over Christmas between the 22nd December and the 5th January for the Christmas break unless otherwise advised.

Kids Craft Group

There is a Kids craft group for 4-11 year olds which meets alternate Thursday 3.30pm-5pm. There is a high demand for this group and we are already at full capacity with the child to adult ratio, we thank parents for their patience and understanding while we work out the best way to deal with this demand.

We have very kindly had a number of volunteers come forward to be on a rota for this group but we do still need more. Again, we would not expect you to help every session.

Please contact Kristina if you think you would be able to help even on an occasional basis.

Family Forces

The Family Forces Coffee Morning has recently changed day, it will now be running every Tuesday 10.30 am – 12noon. If you are a forces family member then please do come along for coffee, cake and a chat. There is some child friendly craft for children too.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Members of the Community ran a Macmillan coffee morning at the temporary community centre recently. There was a cake sale of delicious home made cakes, and a bric-a-brac stall. The residents raised £215 for the charity Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you to all who came along to support the event and to those who donated money, bric-a-brac or time. A special thank you to Wendy Elderfield for organising and running the event.

Lantern parade

St Paul's Lantern Parade 2014 will be held on Saturday the 13th of December. Leaving Roman Way School at 4.30pm.

Please meet Test Valley Brass Band at Roman Way school for 4.15pm. The band will play Christmas carols /songs whilst leading the parade down through Roman way and along Smannell road finishing at St Paul's for a short service. During which we will hang our Angel decorations on the Christmas tree.

Mulled wine and minced pies will be served after the service.

Augusta Park residents can meet directly at Roman Way School or can walk together to the parade, leaving the temporary Community centre at 3.45pm. We will then pause at the entrance to The Chariots soon after 4pm for any other residents to join us there. We will then continue to Roman Way School to start the parade with everyone else.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Roman Way School- The whole school will be making lanterns on Thursday the 11th of December during school hours. If your child attends Roman Way, your lantern will be kept safe and handed back to you at the school before the parade begins.

If you are unable to make any Lantern Making Workshops, please feel free to make your own lantern and angel decoration. If you don't have time to make one, bring a torch and join in. There may be spare lanterns on the day.

Please ensure you wrap up warm, wear reflective bands or brightly coloured clothing as it will be dark.

Big Brew Fundraising Event

There was also recently a 'Big Brew' SSAFA fundraising event organised and run by residents at the temporary Community Centre. SSAFA is a charity which provides practical, financial and emotional support to those who are or have served in the forces and their families. The 'Big Brew' raised money for this charity by selling beautiful cakes and refreshments. Thank you to all who came along to this event and to those who made and donated cakes. Thank you to Fiona, Kay and Katie for organising the event which raised over £75.

Dog Watch Scheme

The Dog watch scheme is volunteer run project supported by the Neighbourhood Warden aimed at involving the eyes and ears of dog walkers, joggers or anyone else interested in keeping the Augusta Park development a great place to live. Rubbish, graffiti, dog fouling or any other issues that need to be reported and acted upon will be the focus of this scheme and volunteers will be given awareness about how to report concerns. As a **registered volunteer** you will be provided with monthly reports regarding the issues highlighted and actions taken. This will also be shared with APCA.

Details of volunteers will not be disclosed to anyone other than the Neighbourhood Warden acting as the scheme coordinator so reports can be made in confidence.

In the future, community events such as responsible dog ownership, keeping yourself and your valuables safe and secure and activities to target hotspot areas could be run.

To find out more about this scheme and to share any ideas you may have please come along to an open evening on Tuesday 9th December 6.30-8.00 at the temporary community centre where Kat will be available to answer any questions you may have.

For more information contact Katarzyna Slawska the Neighbourhood Warden on wardens@testvalley.gov.uk

Safer Neighbourhoods team

Beat 3 (Augusta Park, Roman Way, Smannel, Enham and Little London) has a new PCSO.

PCSO Chloe Dunmall will now be covering our Beat, she can be contacted through the 101 number or by chloe.dunmall@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



Neighbourhood Watch

We are looking for more Neighbourhood Watch coordinators, especially on The Romans and Chariots developments. You would attend 6-8 weekly meetings with the other coordinators, report local issues to the relevant authority and receive information from the Neighbourhood Watch area coordinator. If this is something you would be interested in then please contact either Kristina or PCSO Chloe Dunwall.

Local Information

The planning application for the northern local centre (the area in between the temporary community centre and the new community centre) has been refused. You can see the officer report and the decision notice giving the full reasons for refusal on Test Valley Borough Council's website by using the "View Planning Applications" link on the homepage and searching for the reference number 14/01309/FULLN.

A resident consultation regarding the possible application for a care home on the site where the temporary community centre is took place on November 4th 2015. A number of residents came to speak to the developer, who is likely to submit a formal planning application to Test Valley Borough Council soon.

The bench at Texel Green had its hoarding removed in October and can now be viewed. This bench was created by an artist with inspiration from children from Endeavour school and our very own Augustians (the over 50 group). We are hoping to hold a small



opening of this bench soon. Contact Kristina for more details.

The play area behind the new Community Centre is almost ready for use. As the development grows further play areas will be built which will include equipment for a variety of age ranges. Two Multi Use Games Areas (MUGA's) will also be provided with the first situated in the central open space south of Smannell Road and the second next to the Sports Pavilion.

What to put in your brown bin

 Yes please!	 Paper	 Cardboard	 Any plastic bottle	 Food tins & drink cans	 Empty aerosols
 No thanks!	 Shredded paper	 Gift wrap	 Plastic packaging	 Food & drink cartons	 Glass

Test Valley Borough Council Place your recycling clean and loose in your brown bin **NO CARRIER BAGS OR BLACK SACKS PLEASE!**

If you would like one of these stickers, or a replacement one then you can collect them from Kristina at the temporary community centre.

One for the kids: There is a free children's recycling quiz and pencil which you can pick up from the community centre. If you complete this quiz and return it to me you will receive a small recycling stars prize.

Travel Plan

Parking

Please, please, please use your allocated parking spaces to park your vehicles! There have been reports of cars parked close to junctions and roundabouts, causing restricted vision and cars parked on pavements and road sides which make it difficult for pedestrians to walk and cross the road safely, this can be especially dangerous for children. Residents with buggies or wheelchair users have often been forced to walk on the road which is unsafe. Bin collection has also not been possible on certain roads due to bad parking. Emergency services such as fire engines could also find it difficult to access some roads/houses where residents have



parked inconsiderately. Vehicles parked on pavements which are causing an obstruction should be reported to the police using the 101 number.

Car Sharing

Car sharing is when two or more people share a car and travel together. Car sharing is a simple way to cut the costs of fuel and parking, cut congestion and pollution, and cut the stress of driving.

Why not obtain your free account today, connecting you to like-minded individuals, wishing to see a reduction in traffic in Hampshire as well as reducing travel costs.

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- **(Monday - Friday, 9:00 - 5:00)**

For more information regarding the Community Travel Plan please contact Kristina.

Cycle vouchers

New homeowners are eligible for a £50 cycle voucher from the developers to spend on cycling accessories at Halfords (one voucher available per home). For details contact Kristina.

Health Walks

Walking is a fantastic way to keep active and healthy and is a great way to meet other residents and have a chat. Health Walks enable you to see the beautiful countryside and the surrounding area.

Health walks run bi-weekly at Augusta Park on Thursday mornings at 10.30am leaving from the temporary Community Centre. The walks last approximately 1 hour and are led by a trained Health Walk Leader. These walks are completely free, very social and are suitable for those who do little activity.

Please wear comfortable footwear and bring a waterproof coat and a bottle of water. Other Health walks around Andover and the surrounding area can be found at www.testvalley.gov.uk.

Road adoption

Roads on Augusta Park have started to be adopted; you can view the adopted roads database from Hampshire County Councils website: <http://roadenquiries.hants.gov.uk/roadproblems/highwaymanagement/AdoptedRoads.aspx?/>

If you have any issues with adopted roads or areas you can report these issues to Hampshire County Council through this address: <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/index/transport/roadproblems.htm>

My Journey

My Journey offers you travel information, advice, top tips and more on travel choices in your area. You can find cycle routes, walking maps, public transport links and information, inspirational real life stories and local events and courses information at www.myjourneyhampshire.com.

East Anton subsidised bus pass scheme

Developers at East Anton have funded 'Andover Area Mega Rider' subsidised bus passes for new households, which cover the Andover town area. The bus passes cost £10 and last for 3 months, contact Kristina for details about the scheme and an application form.

Disposing of rubbish



If you would like to report any litter or environmental issues please text 'love' to 60060 explaining what you've seen and where. Or go online at www.testvalley.gov.uk/love. For information on waste and recycling in East Anton visit www.testvalley.gov.uk/eastanton

TVBC collect kerbside rubbish from Augusta Park properties on Fridays, alternating between household waste (black bin) and recycling waste (brown bin). Please leave your bin at the edge of your property by 7am and bring back onto your property as soon as possible once emptied, to help keep the neighbourhood looking tidy.

Music and more at The Lights

Andover is fortunate to have a professional arts and entertainment venue at its heart. Owned and managed by Test Valley Borough Council The Lights offers a year round programme of visiting professional artists from all genres including top comedy, excellent theatre, stunning dance and of course live music by named artists together with some great tribute acts.

With the Christmas season almost upon us the venue will be welcoming Santa's Little Helper, which tells the tale of Albert Tuttle and his adventures with Father Christmas on Christmas Eve. This fabulous family show runs from Wednesday 3 to Saturday 6 December with morning and afternoon shows making it a perfect outing for little ones.

In contrast fans of popular 80s music are sure to enjoy 80s Mania, a fully costumed show celebrating

the era, its music and fashion! Then a swinging time is promised by The Rat Pack Christmas Show, and sure to be equally popular is Holly at Christmas, from Buddy Holly and the Crickets.

Almost sold out, but with limited availability, are three very special Sing-a-long-a showings of Disney's Frozen on Tuesday 23 December.

Finally, the season wouldn't be complete without a magical ballet and this year the Vienna Festival Ballet return to The Lights with their colourful production of the Nutcracker. Look out for the Sugar Plum Fairy everyone!

To find out more about what's happening at The Lights, to buy tickets, or join the mailing list visit www.thelights.org.uk or call the Box Office on 01264 368368

Let's switch on the lights for Christmas!

Test Valley Borough Council begin the town's official countdown to the Christmas with the annual Christmas Lights Switch-on event in Andover's High Street at 5pm on Friday 21 November. By this time the BIG TV will once again have manoeuvred carefully into place in front of the Guildhall so that young and old can enjoy a great view of the evening planned entertainment on the main stage.

Taking the role of presenters this year will be Tony and Steph from The Breeze, who will be introducing the evening programme of performances from local artists and choirs including The Long Overdue Theatre, Chasing Daisies, Portway Glee Club, John Hanson Community Choir and of course the one and only Father Christmas.



At 7.30pm the countdown will take place culminating in the big switch on of the town's Christmas Lights, provided by Andover Town Council, followed swiftly by the Chantry Centre Firework Display.

With rides for the children plus festive attractions and some great food outlets including roast chestnuts, hog roast and bratwurst the evening will kick start the festive season in style.

Make a date in your diary - Friday 21 November, 5pm to 7.30pm Andover High Street.

Enham Alamein Parish Council invite you to the

CHRISTMAS TREE SWITCH ON AND LANTERN PARADE

Friday 28th November 2014

6pm Carols and Lanterns
with children from Smannell and Enham School
Enham Alamein and Enham Trust Clients

Lights on 6.30pm

Outside the Cottage on the Green

Free Mince Pies and Mulled Wine



TO TAKE PART IN THE LANTERN PARADE, ASK IN THE POST OFFICE OR CALL LIZ COSGROVE ON 01264 345848

IT'S PARTY TIME!

Children's Christmas Parties

Tuesday 2nd December
Landale Wilson Hall



UNDER 6
4.00pm - 5pm

AGES 7-11
5.30pm - 7pm

Come along, have lots of fun and meet Father Christmas!



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Free tickets from Enham Alamein Village Shop, Enham Trust Reception and Smannell and Enham School

Snowflake Trail and Christmas Shopping Village

Saturday 6th December
10am - 4pm
Enham Alamein

£4.00 entry per child (includes gift from Santa)

Follow the trail to visit Santa in his grotto
Visit the Christmas Shopping Village selling luxury festive gifts
Lots of games and prizes to be won!
Featuring Andover Town Band
John Hanson Community Choir



To book, or for more information contact Yvonne Campbell
T: 01264 345800
E: yvonne.campbell@enhamtrust.org.uk



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Enham Alamein Village Christmas Lunch

Thursday 11th December

12.30pm
Alamein Workshop
Resource Centre, Enham Trust

£5 per head
Advance booking essential
Three courses, mince pies, coffee

Raffle | Carols | Table Service

Email diana.smith@enhamtrust.org.uk



Client's Christmas Carol Concert
 Christmas Carols, Mince Pies and Festive Cheer
Tuesday 16th December 2pm
 In the Alamein Workshop

➔ **Plus not to be missed** ➔
 EB and EMT Christmas special performance

Andover Light Orchestra

Conductor - Kevin Riley
 Leader—Karen Snook

Thursday 18th December
 7.30pm start

The Shoosmith Centre
 Enham Alamein
 Tickets £3 each

Playing all of your favourite festive tunes
 With carol singing,
 mulled wine and a festive raffle

Tickets are available from:
 The reception at Enham Trust,
 The Enham Alamein Post Office,
 The Enham Charity Shop and The Andover Light Orchestra

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You are invited to
 a service of
 Carols and Readings
 to celebrate Christmas

Sunday 14th December
 St Georges Church,
 Enham Alamein

3pm

All Welcome

If you require a lift, please contact Rev Val on 01264 748055
 by Sunday 23rd November

YOU please HELP WITH OUR
 street collection ON Saturday
 20th December?

LIZ LUNN
 01264 345800

Resident newsletters

Residents are reminded that they can view the quarterly resident newsletters and access local information on the East Anton page of the Council's website by accessing www.testvalley.gov.uk.

Kristina can email or post you a newsletter on request or they can be collected from the Community Centre.

Information for residents



Community Notice Board

Information about local activities and events is displayed in the notice board situated at the children's play park at Hedgerow Walk.



How to get in contact

Residents can contact the Planning Policy Team with any planning queries regarding the new neighbourhoods in Andover. 01264 368000 / planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk

Please contact Kristina Choules for local information and queries about any community activities or for local information. 01264 368622 / kchoules@testvalley.gov.uk