

Augusta Park (East Anton)

Housing Occupations

Latest figures obtained from the developers' sales offices showed that as of end October 2011, a total of 515 homes were occupied at Augusta Park.

Affordable Housing

Latest figures from Sentinel Housing Association show that a total of 229 affordable homes are either occupied or waiting to be allocated to tenants.

Community

Temporary Community Centre

Call in for a chat, we provide information to residents about the development, local facilities, services and community activities in and around Andover. The Community Centre is situated on East Anton Farm Road at the corner of Sunflower Way.

Weekly Centre Opening Times – September to 23rd December 2011

	10am – 12pm	Informal drop in
Monday	2 – 4pm (fortnightly w/c 12th Sept')	Police Beat Surgery
	6 – 8pm (fortnightly w/c 19th Sept')	Police Beat Surgery
Tuesday	12 - 2pm	Pop in for a lunchtime cuppa
Thursday	1- 5pm (fortnightly from 1st Sept')	Sentinel Housing Drop in
Friday	11.30 – 1.30pm	Informal drop in
Saturday	10am – 12pm (1st Saturday of the month)	Informal drop in

Regular Activities

- **Parent and Toddler Group**
1st Monday every month, 1.30 – 2.30 at Spring Meadow Children's Centre, Smannell Rd
- **Health Walks** Fortnightly on Thursday's, 10 - 11am, from 1st Sept'
- **Family Forces Group**
Weekly on Wednesday's, 1 - 2.30 at Spring Meadow Children's Centre, Smannell Road
- **Parents Coffee Group** Held monthly, @ Endeavour School.

A laptop is available for residents to use at the centre for enquiries and local information.

Halloween Event – October 27th



Over 150 residents braved the rain and wind to join in Halloween games and activities at Augusta Park during Half Term. Many children came in spooky fancy dress and brought carved pumpkins which were judged and prizes given. Hot food and drinks helped keep everyone warm.

The event was hosted & sponsored by Sentinel Housing and supported by TVBC. Sentinel Housing will be working with TVBC on their upcoming Christmas events at the Community Centre.

A Child's handbag was left at the Halloween event - if it belongs to you please collect from lost property at the community centre - thanks.



Health Walks

8 & 22 Dec 2011

All welcome for an hour long walk to help fitness and meet new people. Please wear suitable footwear and bring a waterproof coat (if necessary) and a drink.

We leave from outside the Community Centre at 10am.



School Parents Coffee Group

The School Travel Plan was discussed at the recent Parents Coffee Group, Endeavour School. Keeping children safe on their way to and from school is a priority with consideration given to local residents, parking and access. A consultation with parents is currently underway with Endeavour School and HCC.



Reading Group

We'd like to establish a local reading group in the New Year.

The first meeting will be held on Wednesday 25th January at the Community Centre, 1pm – 2.30pm. If you enjoy reading and would be interested in joining this group please join us or contact Sharon for information.

We now have a selection of books for residents to borrow at the Community Centre. Please call in to choose one from our Lending Library, then return after reading.

Resident Survey

Residents have been asked to complete a survey to provide local feedback regarding the development, which will help TVBC understand the views of local people.

Thank you to all residents who have completed and returned a survey - we appreciate your time.

The findings from the survey will be available via the TVBC New Neighbourhoods website once collated.

Completed surveys were entered into a prize draw with two lucky residents winning a shopping voucher and tickets to a show at The Lights local theatre.



Disposing of Rubbish

TVBC collect kerbside rubbish from Augusta Park properties on Thursdays, alternating between household waste (black bin) and recycling (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.

Rubbish can also be taken to the Household Waste Recycling Centre at Scott Close on Walworth Business Park.

Some types of bulky waste can be collected from your property by the council, contact 01264 368000. There is usually a charge for this service.



Following requests from residents and comments given via the resident surveys, a glass and a foil recycling bin are now situated at the community centre for people to use. This is a temporary measure until the permanent recycling centre is established on the south side of Smannell Road, once the local centre is developed there.

You can also recycle used batteries and plastic milk bottle tops at the community centre as well as collect British Heart Foundation clothes donation bags

The 'Green Guide to Recycling' is a pamphlet, from TVBC, to provide information, advice and guidance on how you and your family can reduce your waste. It is available, free, from the community centre or request a copy from Sharon.



Litter Pick

As part of the Love Where You Live campaign, five residents of Augusta Park put on their rubber gloves and armed with Litter Pickers joined the development worker, Sharon Goodridge and neighbourhood warden, Sam Knight, to clear rubbish from an open space area and residential road on the development.

The area didn't turn up too much litter but unusual rubbish collected included a baby's dummy, fire work case and car hub cap!

Stacey Stephens from Sentinel and Cllr Alexander Brook also came to help which was much appreciated.

A 2nd Litter Pick was held on Monday 14th November, when residents helped clear litter from the open space areas around the development.

The next Litter Pick is planned for Monday 12th December, meeting at 12.30pm at the Play Park, Hedgerow Walk. Please join us if you can to help keep the area litter free. Details from Sharon.



Christmas at East Anton



Christmas Activities and Craft

Monday 19th December 2011, 10.30 - Noon, at the Community Centre.

Free event for children age 4 – 11years and their parents/ carers
To book a place please contact Sharon.

Evening Get Together

Tuesday 20th December 2011, 7 - 9pm at the Community Centre.

Residents at Augusta Park are invited for mulled wine and mince Pies, carols and chat.
RSVP Sharon 01264 368622 sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk

Health Walk

Thursday 22nd December 2011 at 10am at the Community Centre.

Meet for an hour's walk followed by a coffee and mince pies.

Festive Door Wreath/ Window Decoration Competition

Residents are invited to enter this competition to win a Christmas Hamper (sponsored by Sentinel Housing). Let Sharon know if you'd like your festive door wreath/window decoration to be entered in the competition.

Judges will walk to your house to view your festive decoration and the best will be announced at the **Evening Get Together on Tuesday 20th December.**



East Anton Subsidised Bus Pass Scheme

Residents are reminded that 'Andover Area Mega Rider' subsidised bus passes are available for new households, covering the Andover town area. To date, 103 vouchers have been issued, including renewals.

An application form and details about the scheme can be found on the TVBC website or from Sharon Goodridge. Once completed the forms need to be taken to Beech Hurst offices with a cheque or debit card payment of £10 (unfortunately cash payments cannot be accepted).

One pass is available per household and the £10 fee is payable per quarter.

Stagecoach buses are able to offer residents of Augusta Park a further 10% discount on bus passes once their yearly subsidised bus pass scheme has expired, followed by a 5% discount for the second year. Details explaining how residents can take up this offer will be provided when residents apply for their last quarterly bus pass.



Cycle vouchers

New homeowners are reminded that they are eligible for a £50 cycle voucher to spend on cycling accessories at Halfords (one voucher available per home). For details contact Sharon.

Parking

Residents are reminded that every household has allocated parking spaces and should use these to park their vehicles.

Cars parked on pavements make it difficult for pedestrians to walk safely and can be dangerous especially for children. 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 telephone number.

Education

Endeavour School

The permanent school building is still on track and due to open in January 2012. Currently there are 103 pupils on roll at Endeavour School.

Recreation & Open Space

In order to officially name the open space areas and community parkland on the Augusta Park development, residents were asked to submit their ideas for names.

Unfortunately not many suggestions were received from residents however TVBC local members will choose the most appropriate name which will be announced shortly.

THANK YOU for cleaning up after your dog.

Residents are reminded to ensure they clear up any mess from their dogs. This will help keep the development mess free and safe, especially for small children. Litter bins are situated on open space areas around the development for the disposal of bagged, dog mess.

Thank you to all responsible dog owners who already clear up after their dogs. 'Scoop the Poop' bags are available free from the community centre.

It is actually an offence not to clear up after your dog and owners may receive a spot fine from an authorised Council officer of £80 or up to a £1,000 fine in court.

If you have seen a person not clearing up after their dog please call Test Valley Borough Council on **01264 368000**.



Information for residents

Community Notice Board

A notice board displaying local information can be found near the children's play park at Hedgerow Walk. Please walk by to find out what is going on locally in the neighbourhood.

Newsletters

Residents are reminded that they can view the monthly newsletters and access local information on the New Neighbourhoods page of the Council's website via the following link: www.testvalley.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=8801 (or via the Housing, Health & Community Service homepage).

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



Contact us:

Residents can contact the Planning Policy team on:

01794 527816 / planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk with any planning queries regarding the New Neighbourhoods in Andover.

Please continue to contact Sharon (East Anton Community Development Worker) for local information and queries about any community activities or for local information **01264 368622 / 01264 310921 / sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk**



Picket Twenty

The first homes have now been occupied at Picket Twenty. The development will deliver 1200 new homes overall.

By the time that 50 homes are occupied, a Community Worker will be in post and a temporary community centre will be located at the site.

The new roundabout off the A3093 has been completed and is now open.

Construction works are continuing on the new housing and access roads. Pedestrian/cycle links, linking the new development and areas beyond, i.e. Harewood with Micheldever Road, (and therefore into Andover Town) are in place.

Building of a new school at Picket Twenty will commence in the Summer of 2012 and is scheduled to open in September 2013.