

30 July 2010



East Anton (Augusta Park)

Occupations

Latest figures obtained from the sales office showed that as of 30th June 2010, a total of 205 homes were occupied at Augusta Park. This figure includes 102 affordable units and 36 MOD properties.

Affordable housing

The first official handover celebration to mark the completion of half of the affordable homes (contracted and currently under construction) with Sentinel Housing Association took place on 15th July. The event was well attended by representatives from TVBC and Sentinel, as well as the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). To date, Sentinel have taken over 91 completed homes for affordable rent, including 8 suitable for wheelchair users, and 20 homes for shared ownership which are either sold or reserved. These homes are helping those in need of affordable housing and all meet Level 3 of the Code for Sustainable Homes (as required by the HCA) and have many energy saving devices. The event provided an opportunity to talk to new residents and have a look around a sample of the new homes.

Sentinel Housing Association are conducting a study, led by their Climate Change Officer, on the different technologies that are being employed by developers at Augusta Park to meet Level 3 of the Code for Sustainable Homes. The aim of the study is to learn more about the different technologies, the energy benefits and customer experiences. The study is expected to last for a year and will help to inform Sentinel about which technologies work best.





Community

The first community event at Augusta Park took place on Saturday 26th June where the Mayor formally opened the play park and promoted the new cycle routes in the area. To celebrate this event and to coincide with National Bike Week, a family bike ride was held which took an off-road route around the area and demonstrated how local people can access facilities by bike. Bryant Homes donated a £50 cycle voucher which was won in a raffle by a local resident.

The temporary community facility has been installed at the junction of Pasture Walk and Sunflower Way. The final works are in the process of being completed and the facility will hopefully be open for use by residents and service providers during August.

For details on events at Augusta Park:

please contact Sharon Goodridge (East Anton Development Worker) **01264 368622** or **sgoodridge@testvalley.gov.uk** or pop in and see her when the temporary community facility is open.

Transport

The Public Inquiry into the Section 247 Stopping Up Order for part of Smannell Road took place during the week of 20 July at The Lights, Andover and the outcome is awaited. Works to the Enham Arch Roundabout and A343 Corridor were due to commence this summer but have been delayed until at least January 2011.

Education

The new temporary school, Endeavour Primary School, is now in place and will open in September 2010. For details on admissions please contact the Hampshire County Admissions Team on 0845 603 5623.

Picket Twenty

Outline planning permission has been granted for 1200 new homes at the site and so far details have been approved for 256 dwellings. Works to provide a roundabout on the A3093 at the access to the site are due to commence in August 2010.

For more information please contact Sarah Tose (Planning Policy) on 01794 527812 or Sharon Goodridge (East Anton Community Development Worker) on 01264 368622.