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# East Anton (Augusta Park)

### **Planning Applications**

A planning application to provide a temporary community facility on the northern local centre site is still progressing. There are two ongoing applications to divert public footpaths (FP714 & 712). Building works are progressing well within Phases 1A and 1B.

#### **Occupations**

The developer confirmed that as of 21st February there were a total of 61 occupations on the site. We are awaiting an update regarding anticipated move in dates for the Ministry of Defence personnel. The developer anticipates 100 occupations to be reached during April.

### Affordable housing

Within Phase 1A, Sentinel Housing Association are expecting a further 39 units to be handed over for occupation by the end of March, two of which are flats suitable for wheelchair users. Within Phase 1B, 32 affordable homes are expected by June 2010.

TVBC's Housing Development Officer and Sentinel Housing Association have discussed holding a celebratory event at Augusta Park involving the community, Members and possibly the Homes & Communities Agency and other government bodies.



## Community

Sharon Goodridge has been appointed as the new Community Worker and will start on 15th March. She will be part of the Housing, Health & Communities team and will be working 18 hours per week. She will be based at Beech Hurst offices until the temporary community facility has been provided at Augusta Park (due at 100 occupations).

#### **Transport**

Works to the existing railway arch at Cricketers Way/River Way to enable buses to use the route are expected to start on 5th April for 12 weeks to 25th June. The completion of the bus arch works will be the trigger for an extension to the existing Star 1 bus service which will serve parcel J.

Cabinet has agreed the administrative procedures and fees involved in issuing subsidised bus travel to new residents, which will be available in the new financial year.

# Education

The temporary primary school, which was granted planning permission 14th January, is expected to open in September 2010.

### Public open space

Landscape works for the central open space area to the northern side of Smannell Road have been completed and boundary planting around the playing fields has also taken place. A children's play area will soon be installed within the open space area to be managed by TVBC.



## **Picket Twenty**

Outline planning permission has been granted for 1200 new homes at the site and so far details have been approved for 203 dwellings. An application for a further 56 units is currently progressing. The development has not yet commenced.

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