



East Anton (Augusta Park)

Planning Applications

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

Occupations

The developer carried out a survey of occupations on 5th January. 50 homes were occupied which comprised 30 private plots and 20 affordable units. The MOD has not yet moved any soldiers into the 52 Annington units although Hampshire County Council Children's Services Department is expecting the first five families to arrive in February. A further 17 affordable units are expected to be handed over to Sentinel Housing Association by the end of this month and it is anticipated that a further 10 private plots will be occupied by the end of February.



Affordable Housing

The next set of 17 affordable units (for general need rent) will be handed over to Sentinel Housing Association by the end of January, together with 9 shared ownership properties.

Community

Interviews for the Community Worker post took place on 22nd January 2010. The appointed person will be in post by 100 occupations and will be based on site in the temporary community facility (proposed location within the local centre site).

Transport

The temporary alteration to the Stagecoach bus route Star 1 commenced on Monday 4th January 2010, serving a new temporary bus stop on Icknield Way. To date, early indications suggest around 12 passengers board here on a daily basis (there is no indication where these passengers originate from). However, the snow disruption after the Christmas period saw a decline in bus patronage in the town generally. Hampshire County Council and Stagecoach intend to do some monitoring once there are 100 occupations on site.

The completion of the bus arch linking Cricketers Way and River Way (due at 100 occupations) will be the trigger for an extension to the existing Star 1 service. Once in use, the existing bus stop north of the link on River Way will be relocated to alongside the link to provide access to the bus. A further existing stop, on Smannell Road opposite the former school, will be made redundant as a consequence of the link. Hampshire County Council will (in conjunction with TVBC) sort out the stops and organise publicity and maps at the stops to inform the public of the forthcoming changes.

Provision is being made for a bus stop, hard standing and footway to the temporary stop along Icknield Way and for the new proposed stop that will serve Parcel J. The new stop serving Parcel J will not be completed until the bus arch is open.



Education

An application for the temporary primary school has been granted planning permission by the Hampshire County Council Regulatory Committee. The school will be located on the northern primary school site and opened either at Easter or September 2010, depending on the level of occupations.

Public Open Space

Landscape works for the central open space area to the northern side of Smannell Road have been completed. A children's play area will soon be installed which will 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.

