

Issue 3



New Horizons

a community consultation

Come along
in January
and you could
win £25 of
vouchers



Sentinel 

The future of Freemantle, Taverner and Westray

Your say on what you want

Thank you to everyone who came along to our consultation events in November and congratulations to our prize draw winner, Mr Ellis of Taverner Close, who won £25 of shopping vouchers.

We had some great feedback at the events and online too. If you were unable to make the events you can check out the plans and see a summary of the feedback in this edition of the New Horizons newsletter. You can also get more information by visiting our website www.sentinelha.org.uk/newhorizons.

The design options shown at the consultation are included here in order of preference together with a summary of what you've told us so far.



Preferred option

What you like:

- That the open space is more accessible to the wider community
- That houses face onto the green space making it feel safer
- That all ages of young people can be catered for with the open areas

What you don't like:

- That the increase in the number of roads could cause traffic problems



Other options

What you like:

- That there are more new homes
- That the green space is well used and mature trees are kept

What you don't like:

- That there are too many homes
- That too much of the open space is used



What you like:

- That most of the open space is kept
- That fewer homes would be built
- That there would be less disruption to wildlife

What you don't like:

- That the open space would still be underused
- That the design doesn't address the problems with anti-social behaviour in the park and woodland





What you like:

- That it keeps the small area of green space

What you don't like:

- That it doesn't deal with anti-social behaviour issues with motorbikes accessing the green area
- That it doesn't give better access to the open space for the wider community



What will happen next?

The preferred option was most popular with 40% of you who came along to the events.

Our next step is to involve residents in a Residents' Design Team and we are delighted to say that 17 people expressed an interest in this exercise.

The Residents' Design Team will meet with our architects, Ken Scaddan Associates and our development team in December to help finalise an overall plan ready for wider consultation in January.

We'd like your views once again and are inviting you to come along to the final neighbourhood plan consultation in January. We hope you are able to join us at one of the following three drop-in events where we will present our final plan for the area:

Oakridge Hall for All

Monday 23 January **4pm – 7pm**

Wednesday 25 January **10am – 1pm**

Saturday 28 January **10am – 12pm**

Answers to some of your frequently asked questions

1. What is the timescale for the consultation?

We have a strict time limit on the funding for this project which means that any regeneration work for the area must be completed by 2015.

Our community consultation began in September and will last until January 2012. At the end of this a final plan will be produced based on your feedback, then developed into a planning application to be submitted to Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC) by spring 2012.

2. When would any building work start?

If approved any work could begin on site as early as Winter 2012 with new building commencing in early 2013. Any new homes could be ready in 2014 with the whole development completed in 2015.



3. What is shared ownership?

Shared ownership means that instead of raising a full mortgage on a new home, you buy a share of it and pay a subsidised rent on the other part to Sentinel. In most cases you start with a 40% share and if your income increases over a period of years you can buy more shares and increase your equity in the home, even purchasing it outright when you can afford it.

For more information about shared ownership please contact our Homescape Team on 0800 195 5515 or email Homescape@sentinelha.org.uk

4. Will there be garages with the new houses?

Garage provision for some of the new homes hasn't been ruled out, but further design work and discussions with BDBC planners is required before this level of detail is determined. Adequate levels of parking will be provided with the new homes but the overall number will be agreed in discussion with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council planners.

Within our design for the new homes, we will provide generous storage space; sheds are usually provided for houses (but not flats) and cycle and bin storage will also be required.



Predicted timeline

December and January

We'll meet with the Residents' Design Team and hold a final neighbourhood plan consultation on your preferred option

February 2012

We'll feedback to you in the fourth New Horizons newsletter

March 2012

We'll meet with the Residents' Consultative Group and put together our final planning application

April 2012

We'll feedback to you in the fifth New Horizons newsletter

Winter 2012

Work is scheduled to begin on the regeneration and to complete by Spring 2015



Our commitment to residents

We will continue to keep you informed and involved in the planning and redesign of the neighbourhood at every stage. These newsletters will keep you updated on progress and more information can

be found on our website. Our neighbourhood and development team are happy to answer your questions or speak to you about any concerns you may have, so please do get in touch.

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