West of Long Due Hanborough Homes

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This newsletter is an update on our proposals for land to the south of the Witney Road to the west of Long Hanborough. The proposals for up to 169 new homes, a mix of starter, family and affordable homes, were submitted to West Oxfordshire District Council in August 2014. Since this point we have been working closely with local education providers, the GP surgery and First Great Western on issues raised as part of the public consultation.

Pye Homes has now submitted a revised plan for consideration, with the main physical change being provision for a new Doctors surgery in the village. The proposal includes land for a new surgery building to cater for current and future residents, as well as parking and landscaping. The Blenheim Estate has tried to tackle these issues in a proactive manner in partnership with Pye Homes, flexibly looking at land ownership in and around Long Hanborough to try and address existing issues for residents. This can only be provided as part of a wider, long term scheme to ensure that facilities can expand and provide benefits to new and existing residents.

We hope that you find this newsletter useful, if there are any further questions or comments you can call us on 0800 148 8911 or email feedback@pyehomeslonghanborough.co.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

A new Doctors Surgery

Following submission, we have been examining how to facilitate better provision of healthcare in Long Hanborough. The current surgery is very constrained, with a lack of options for expansion. Any expansion would remove existing parking spaces which are well used by patents and staff.

Working with the Eynsham Medical Group, who run the surgery, we have created space on the new application site for a spacious new surgery, with ample parking, more room for existing patients and a modular building that will be designed to grow with the population. There are a range of ways this could be delivered and the Blenheim Estate will work with the surgery on these. The new surgery will have more parking spaces, a better clinical environment, close proximity to the bus stop and a new access. Space for the surgery will be secured as part of the revised planning application, with the detail to be determined at a later date.

Increasing primary school capacity

The current Hanborough Manor Primary School is close to capacity and also on a constrained site. Working with the Blenheim Estate and using its neighbouring landholdings, we have been working with the school to look at how it could expand using the contributions it will receive as part of the proposals – and where this could take place.

The Academy Partnership and the County Council are now comfortable that expansion at the school can be completed without the need for land currently used as public playing fields and that this expansion can be funded from planning application contributions alongside funding via the county. On top of this the proposals bring forward new playground/ sports provision to the south of the school.

A new car park for the station

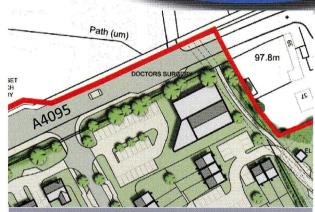
Following on from our initial consultation, the train station has become increasingly popular with commuters. The Blenheim Estate will therefore be bringing forward a new 48 space car park next to the station.

We are also looking at longer term solutions, including liaising with Stagecoach, to strengthen the public transport network funded by contributions from the planning application.

Investment in public transport

We have been working with Oxfordshire County Council and looking at the impact of the development on the local road network and have agreed a contribution of £181,000 towards public transport improvements serving Long Hanborough which will contribute towards the wider network improvements planned for key routes into Oxford and other towns in the surrounding area.

Investing in Long Hanborough



Location of the new GP surgery



