



Marlowe Road

Community Newsletter

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Welcome

to the twelfth edition of the Marlowe Road Community Newsletter. After a short delay to the anticipated start, **we are pleased to confirm that the regeneration works are back on track with start on site due for September 2016.**

Waltham Forest Council and Countryside Properties remain committed to getting this exiting project restarted with £160m of investment and the delivery of 436 new homes, including 168 new homes for social rent and shared ownership.



Proposed view of the redevelopment



Update on Childrens Play area and basketball court

The new start date for the regeneration of the estate has meant that the very popular children's play area and the basketball court will remain open throughout the summer holidays. We are anticipating that works to deliver the replacement temporary play area planned for the Shernhall Street end of the estate will commence shortly after start on site. More details will be provided nearer the time.

Update on the car parks

We are pleased to confirm that the car park around Northwood Tower and the one adjacent to the Post Office will remain open for an indefinite period. This means that residents from Northwood Tower can continue to utilise the car park until further notice.

A reminder that the free first permit for eligibility to park in the Wood Street North controlled parking zone, is on offer until 31 July 2016. The free permit is being subsidised by Countryside.



Staying on in Marlowe Road

Council residents who wish to remain on the estate during the build and move into new accommodation are invited to contact Amanda Gibson on 020 8496 5405 or pop into the project shop during open times to confirm their future housing requirements if you have not already done so.

A scale model is available to view to better understand the locations of the new blocks and houses.



Decant update

All secure tenants who wish to move away from the estate permanently receive priority on the housing register to bid for properties of their choice where we have homes available. For those of you who do not wish to move away from the estate, you can remain in your current home and move into the newly built accommodation once they are completed.

Whatever option you choose, please remember to get in contact with Amanda Gibson, if you have not already done so, to discuss your rehousing options.

So far **91** tenants and leaseholders have moved away from the estate into new homes of their choice. All of the resulting void properties are currently being used as temporary accommodation for applicants on the Councils' housing waiting list. Using the void properties in this way means that the Council are able to ensure that the estate maintains a sense of community throughout the build as well as meeting its obligations to reducing homelessness in the borough.



Leaseholder buyback update

32 homeowners have accepted buy back offers from the Council of which

23 property sales to date have been successfully completed.

Project shop opening times during summer 2016

The Project shop open times are changing **throughout August:**

Wednesday	03 August	CLOSED
Wednesday	10 August	CLOSED
Wednesday	17 August	CLOSED
Wednesday	24 August	CLOSED
Wednesday	31 August	OPEN 2pm to 5pm

From September 2016, the project shop will be open on **Monday mornings only from 9am until 1pm.**

We will no longer operate a Wednesday opening.

Please contact us!!

The project shop, situated at 168 Marlowe Road (site of the old police station)

Staff from the Councils Estates Regeneration team, Housing Management and Allocations are available to answer queries and provide advice.

* Revised service during August. From September 2016, we will be open **Monday mornings only** from 9am until 1pm.

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