Alton Area Regeneration News

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This newsletter is produced by Wandsworth Council and Redrow Homes to help keep you informed about the regeneration of your estate.

Introducing Redrow Homes

I would like to introduce Redrow Homes, which has been chosen as Wandsworth Council's development partner to deliver the Alton Area Masterplan.

The partnership combines Wandsworth Council's commitments to the estate with Redrow Homes' experience of building high quality homes and also a strong, cohesive community with a wide range of local amenities and supporting infrastructure.

Redrow Homes is an award-winning developer dedicated to creating homes and communities where people are proud to live.

Redrow Homes shares Wandsworth Council's vision for the Alton estate and want to ensure that the regeneration plans are a success. As part of this commitment we are holding a public exhibition from September at Roehampton Library to give you the opportunity to see the draft proposals, discuss our ideas, and give us your thoughts.

You are also warmly invited to come along on 29 July to the Feel Good Festival on Danebury Avenue Green to meet Redrow Homes, where you can also find out more about ways to get involved.

Best wishes,

Cllr Ravi Govindia Leader of Wandsworth Council





Liz, a Redrow painting and decorating apprentice

Jobs and training

The council's Work Match service is now available at Roehampton Parish Hall to help local people into employment.

Staff will know about local vacancies, help with writing CVs and covering letters, applying for jobs, and preparing for interviews.

Work Match also delivers the New Routes to Work training course for people low in self-confidence or long term unemployed.

Booking is currently by appointment only, so please contact (020) 8871 5191 to do so or email wandsworthworkmatch@wandsworth.gov.uk putting the word Roehampton in the subject line of your email.

The Feel Good Festival returns on 29 July – for more information, see overleaf





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Free debt and money advice in Roehampton

Do you need help with rent arrears, or debt from Housing Benefit or Council Tax? Come along to free advice sessions at the Western Area Housing Office, Holybourne Avenue, Alton estate.

Confidential advice is available on issues such as rent arrears; money management; and debt, for example from Council Tax, sales catalogues, loan sharks, store cards and utility bills.

No appointment is necessary, and local residents are invited to come along between 10am and 4pm on 31 July; 29 August; 30 September and 27 November to find out more from the council's financial inclusion team.

Tenants who have used the service have found it very useful. Last month a Roehampton resident in rent arrears and struggling to afford basic essentials due to a family illness attended a session.

He said: "There is no way I would have known what to do – I am so happy this help was also at my doorstep, as I live in Roehampton and would not have been able to commute to the town hall."

The sessions are part of the council's Aspirations programme, which aims to improve life chances through a range of support services including financial advice; youth mentoring; employment and training initiatives; as well as cultural and sporting opportunities.

The Aspirations programme works in tandem with the council's housing estate regeneration plans to help local people prosper as their physical environment is enhanced. It also harnesses the benefits of new development in the borough, ensuring that jobs, training opportunities, cultural programmes and funding are focused on communities with the greatest needs.

You can contact the team directly on 020 8871 6953 or email your enquiry to: financialinclusion@wandsworth.gov.uk

Working with you

During the coming months we look forward to working with you and listening to your views on ways of making the regeneration a success.

If you live on the Alton estate, you will continue to receive Alton Area Regeneration News. We will also be keeping you and the wider Roehampton area up to date through future newsletters with the latest information about the proposals, upcoming consultation events and ways you can stay involved.

The newsletter and further information will be made available online at our dedicated project website, which will be launched this autumn.

Feel Good Festival

The annual summer event takes place on the afternoon of Saturday 29 July on Danebury Avenue Green, from 12-7pm.

Food, sports activities and music are all set to feature, with this year's sponsors including Redrow Homes, the Roehampton Club, and Wandsworth Council.

The organisers, Regenerate, are looking for volunteers to help with setting up, catering and hospitality, stewarding and clearing away afterwards.

If you'd like to help out, please contact Mari Day on (020) 3195 9607 or by email at mari@regenerateuk.co.uk

Information and consultation

Affected households in the regeneration area are being contacted over the summer to discuss their housing needs.

Also from September, Roehampton Library will host a public consultation to help shape draft proposals for the regeneration based on the masterplan. Members of the Redrow Homes development team will be in attendance to answer your questions.

Architects Hawkins Brown will also hold a series of workshops on various aspects of the design involved in the regeneration – look out for further information.



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Join the conversation on Facebook and Twitter



For regular updates join the Alton estate regeneration group on Facebook, or follow @AltonMasterplan on Twitter.

Get Out Get Active!

The intention of Get Out Get Active is to establish regular sport and exercise in community venues across Roehampton. All sessions are aimed at beginners. Dust off your trainers and give it a go!

Free men's swimming:

Tuesday 12.30-1.30pm Putney Leisure centre, SW15 1BL Free Lunchtime lane swimming, for men 30+

Sporting memories (for people aged 55+):

Manresa clubroom, SW15 4LY Thursday 11-12.30pm Free A fun, social session that includes discussing sporting memories, free tea and coffee and mild-to-moderate physical activities. For 55+

Dodgeball (for young people aged 10-16):

Ashburton Youth club, SW15 6XD Tuesday 6.30-7.30pm Free Give this fun, addictive and easy to play game a go at Ashburton youth club. All young people welcome.

For more information, please contact Emma on 020 8871 8712 or email etoft@enablelc.org

WHAT'S ON: Minstead Gardens

Over 50s choir and line dancing:

Come along to the Minstead Gardens sheltered housing clubroom to take part in some fun activities and make new friends.

Every Monday, 1.30-2.30pm, an over 50 choir get together to sing songs from the swinging sixties – it costs £1 per session and includes expert tuition, with tea and biscuits. No experience is necessary!

Every Thursday, line dancing classes take place, 10-11am for beginners, and 11-12pm for those more experienced. Sessions cost £2.

For more information, contact Elaine Curley or Simone Farr, at Wandsworth Council's sheltered housing services community development team, on 07956 248057.

Your ward councillors

The Alton estate is in Roehampton and Putney Heath ward.

Surgeries take place on the second and fourth Saturday of every month, from 11am to 12noon, at Roehampton Library, 2 Danebury Avenue, SW15 4HD.

Your Roehampton and Putney Heath ward councillors are: Cllr Jeremy Ambache jambache@wandsworth.gov.uk Cllr Peter Carpenter pcarpenter@wandsworth.gov.uk Cllr Sue McKinney smckinney@wandsworth.gov.uk

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