

Planning submitted

Chrysalis has recently submitted to Ashford Council the applications for detailed planning permission for the early phases of the development, including the estate improvements.

All residents will have received a letter from the Council containing details of the planning process. The Chrysalis submission has taken into account comments made by residents during the recent consultation events, as well as comments made during earlier stages of the PFI process.

Full details of the applications and how residents can comment as part of the planning process will be found in the Council's newsletter which you will also receive as part of this mailing.

The plans are available for inspection at the Civic Centre. Chrysalis also have copies of the plans available for inspection at the temporary office located on the car park near to the Parish Rooms.

The role of the Chrysalis staff at the office is purely to provide information about the planning applications. Any comments and observations residents wish to make should be made to the Council.



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SECTION 2: SITE 9



SECTION 2: SITE 10

The Chrysalis office is currently open every Wednesday and Friday between 10am and 2pm.

This is an important step that brings us closer to the day when Chrysalis will be able to make a start on the regeneration programme at Stanhope.

Applications have been submitted for:

- Landscaping and public realm works: areas 1,2, 3, 4
- New housing development: sites 8,9,10 (Luddenham, Bredgar and Ackerley)
- New housing development: sites 3/3a (new retail centre, legacy building).

Consultation results

Chrysalis would like to thank everybody who came along to our consultations events or who took the time to speak to our staff when they carried out door to door consultations with residents in Stanhope.

We have been asking what everybody would like done with the green areas by their houses. We can just tidy them up, put in extra car parking or revamp the entire area putting in shrubs, trees, fencing, seating etc and make a more private garden area.

277 residents completed questionnaires and of these 135 wanted the green areas left as they are, 89 wanted private

gardens and just 27 wanted more car parking. We will try and accommodate resident's wishes, however, this may not always be possible and a compromise may have to be made.

The results of this consultation exercise have now been incorporated into the planning applications.

Whilst talking to residents we have picked up that many of you love living on Stanhope and will be able to help us with fundays and future activities.

Thanks for making us feel so welcome!

The Bishop of Dover visits Stanhope

The Bishop of Dover, The Right Reverend Stephen Venner paid a visit to Stanhope on Thursday 12 October to discuss our plans for the future.

Together with Reverend Ian Garrett the Bishop spoke with Moat staff and Palma Laughton, Chair of the Parish Council.

The Bishop was interested to hear that we will be providing shared ownership properties and private owners would be able to use the repairs facility and had the option to improve their homes.



New office opens

The temporary Chrysalis office is now open every Wednesday and Friday from 10am until 2pm.

The Hut, as it is known by staff, is located in the car park by the Parish Rooms in the middle of the Stanhope estate.

You are welcome to call in if you have any queries or just to find out how things are coming along.

We also have a telephone line now, if we are not in the office, please leave a short message and your phone number and we will get back to you.

There is a post box on the Hut too, so you can also write to us.



The Hutline
01233 647396

Getting involved ...

... a number of you have said that you would like to get more involved, so why not come along to the Stanhope Tenants and Residents Steering Group?

The meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at the Parish Hall at 7pm

At the next meeting on Monday 6 November we will be looking at how people would like to participate and receive information as well as what types of events residents would like to see happen.

There will also be an opportunity to see the video of the visit to the Manchester PFI.

We are also looking to hold a workshop to see what skills are needed to run a successful residents group, which will take place later this year.

It would be really great to see some new faces especially those of you who are Ashford Council tenants.

Two new faces for Stanhope

We would like to introduce you to two new members of staff who will be working at Stanhope.

Firstly, Jan Henry joins us as the Community Development Officer on 23 October 2006.



Jan has worked for Shepway District Council's housing department in various roles since 1989 including an Estates Management Officer, a Repairs Officer and a Technical Support Officer dealing with disabled adaptations and Right to Buy Surveys. Her last position was in the policy and strategy side of housing which includes tenant participation and resident involvement.

Jan enjoys meeting and getting to know people and she is really looking forward to working with the residents of Stanhope on such an exciting redevelopment project.

Allen Griffiths will also be joining the team as a Housing Officer.



Allen has been with Moat since December 2004 when he joined the Home Ownership Team as a Home Ownership Officer looking after an area stretching from Reculver in the East to Greenwich in the West and encompassing estates in Canterbury, Ashford, Maidstone, Orpington and Bromley.

Allen says he enjoys the day-to-day challenge of problem solving that housing management brings and looks forward to the opportunity of being able to utilise all his skills in order to meet the diverse and interesting mixture of day-to-day problems that no doubt will present themselves for solving, once the project gets fully underway.

Visit to Manchester PFI

On Thursday 5 October staff from Chrysalis and Ashford Council joined residents from Stanhope to spend a day visiting the Manchester PFI, who are three years into their project.

The group heard how Plymouth Grove a notorious estate where nobody wanted to live just a few years ago has been transformed into Grove Village a highly desirable area with improved housing and retail facilities.

Matt Jones, Operations Manager of Grove Village Consortium explained to the group that by designing out crime and employing active housing management techniques to tackle anti-social behaviour has seen a 29% reduction in crime in the last 12 months.

The group also heard from Dave Thomas, chair of the Tenants and Residents Association about the monitoring arrangements that have been put into place.

The day proved to be very interesting and gave an opportunity to learn from an already successful PFI project.

For those people who were not able to visit the PFI a short video has been made of the highlights of the day and will be shown at the next Stanhope Tenants and Residents Steering Group meeting on Monday 6 November.



A big thank you to everyone who attended the summer funday



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