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#### **Your Newsletter**

Living on a growing development means there is always lots happening. This Newsletter provides the latest community news, information on events and details on how you can get more involved. This edition includes a summary of what residents told us in the Pride in Old Park Farm Community Survey more information was a top priority! It also includes events and special offers for you this Christmas so please take a minute to look through, if you don't you might miss something important!

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## Berewood Primary School celebrates Official Launch with the Community

On 6<sup>th</sup> November, Berewood Primary School opened its doors to celebrate the official launch of the new Academy, part of the University of Chichester Academy Trust. Joined by the Mayor of Winchester, Councillor Eileen Berry; the Mayor of Havant, Councillor Marjorie Smallcorn; the Bishop of Portsmouth and 150 guests, the local community joined together for a fantastic celebration assembly – the children gave a wonderful performance retelling the story of Berewood before helping the Mayor of Winchester officially cut the ribbon.

The opening of the School is a key milestone in the development of the new West of Waterlooville Community. Along with Coffee mornings offered by the local Church we are excited to announce the launch of "SPLAT", Parent and Toddler groups which will be run by Happy Valley Children's Centre and are starting at the School in the New Year. We hope this will benefit those with young families living on the development and we look forward to meeting many of you there.





For more information, visit www.berewoodprimary.co.uk.

Have you got an idea for a Community Project? The West of Waterlooville Advisory Group has allocated £500 to help projects in Old Park Farm so if there is something you want to do for the community or are a member of a group based on the development then get in touch with Tony Daniells, the Clerk on 023 9225 1484 or clerk@denmeadparishcouncil.co.uk to see if you qualify for a grant from this fund.

If you have an idea but don't know where to start, please contact your Community Officer who will be happy to help!

# Old Park Farm Residents Association News: Notice of Dissolution

Back in September OPFRA held their AGM, where both Jessica Fyfield from Trinity and PSCO Rebecca Williams were welcomed guests. The outgoing Chair, Mrs Chris Caine offered thanks to the outgoing Committee: Carol, Secretary; Caroline, acting Vice Chair and Alan, retired Vice Chair; André, current Treasurer and Paul, retired Treasurer; and to the other committee members, Hayley, Mr Chris, Teresa, Jen, and Emily. Finding new members is often a challenge for volunteer groups. Sadly, as no new members came forward to take on the committee roles for OPFRA the decision has been made to dissolve, or disband the group. Much was achieved by the members who volunteered their time to benefit the growing community and thanks go once again to Mrs Chris for her hard work and commitment in driving OPFRA forward throughout 2013/14.

**Moving Forward** - A group of former OPFRA members are still keen to bring residents together and to find a new way to work in the community but to do this we need to know what you think. Please take a minute to answer a few questions so we can work out what's important to you. You can find the short survey by typing this link -

**www.surveymonkey.com/s/X9WLXP2** or by emailing your views and thoughts directly to the group: friendsofoldparkfarm@gmail.com. Thank you!

# CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN WELLINGTON PARK!

**Carol Singers from** 

#### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH IN DENMEAD**

accompanied by

#### **DENMEAD BRASS BAND**

invite you to an

#### **OUTDOOR CAROL SERVICE**

on

#### WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER FROM 6.00-6.40PM

at

#### THE GREEN OPPOSITE SICKLE WAY

Everyone welcome – it's free, please come and join us!

Music and words provided - bring a torch or lantern!

Mince Pies and Sweets all round!





# Old Park Farm Christmas Coffee & Cakes Your Invitation

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 10.00-12.00pm.

Residents are invited to the Old Park Farm Christmas Coffee & Cakes at The Cornerstone, Mead End Road, Denmead PO7 6PZ. With free refreshments for all and crafty activities for the children why not pop along, and bring your neighbour! This is a community event so children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, please contact the Community Officer, Jaime Bridges (see over)

**Everyone Welcome!** 



#### Have you seen signs in Denmead for 'Sundaes' but wondered what it's all about?

Sundaes, the exciting new Ice Cream Parlour and Coffee Lounge recently opened at the Cornerstone, formerly the Mead End Pub. The building is now owned by Denmead Baptist Church who are carrying out a programme of refurbishments to create a vibrant, exciting and flexible space open to the whole community and Sundaes is the first part of the journey!

Sundaes is a great place to meet friends – it is popular with young people who can enjoy the football table and have a game of pool, everyone is guaranteed a warm welcome! The Cornerstone is the nearest Community Building to Old Park Farm and the Christmas Social is the first of many future Community Events we hope to host there – why not pop in on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and enjoy a complementary drink?

### Parking – important information, please read.

We have seen an increase in the number of complaints concerning parking and in damage being caused to vehicles trying to access parking areas. This can be an issue in new areas as they become occupied, but is also reported in other areas where people have changed where they are parking their vehicles. Parking arrangements will have been explained when you moved into your home, if you are unsure please call into the Sales Office and speak to Karen who will be able to help.

By parking considerately and respecting your neighbours it is possible to reduce much of the frustrations and tensions that are being experienced.

#### Please:

- \* Do NOT block access to parking areas, junctions or driveways. Cars and walls are being damaged as cars struggle to pass.
- \* Do NOT Park in Homezones or on shared surfaces.

  These are designated no parking areas and access is being restricted.
- \* Ensure your visitors are parking considerately over the festive period.











### "A Warm Welcome & a Very Happy Christmas!"

The Development has grown quickly over the past few months, a very Warm Welcome to all those who have recently moved in! I am the Community Officer for the West of Waterlooville Development area, working for both Havant and Winchester Councils. I work with residents, developers and other agencies to help build a community people are proud to be part of.

One part of my role is to ensure residents are up to date on what is happening across the developments. I recently set up a new Facebook page to provide up to date and accurate development news, info on meetings and events and other important news (see right). There will continue to be regular Newsletters for those who don't have access to Facebook, and the West of Waterlooville Blog is also regularly updated — www.westofwaterlooville.wordpress.com.

We often hold community events, our next one being a Christmas Coffee & Cake Social at the Cornerstone on December 6th (see left). It would be really good to see some new faces so don't be shy, come along and say hello!

"Is there a mosque planned for the development?"

"Will there be a new doctors surgery?"

"What are the building works by London Road?"

"How many houses are there actually going to be?"

A large housing development brings many questions. Now you can find answers...



# West of Waterlooville Development News

We have set up a Facebook Page to help residents receive up to date information on news and community events, plus information on planning applications, build progress and to share opportunities to get involved and have their say. This page complements the existing Blog westofwaterloovillle.wordpress.com

For information on local events and activities in the wider Waterlooville area you can also visit our sister page "Community Development in Waterlooville"

Both pages are managed by the Communities Team at Havant Borough Council so you can be confident that the information is reliable and accurate. Inappropriate comments will be removed, see the Pages for more information.





For any questions about the development, or if you aren't sure who you need to contact, start with your Community Officer:

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### **Useful Contacts**

Winchester City Council 01962 840 222

www.winchester.gov.uk

Havant Borough Council 023 9244 6019

www.havant.gov.uk

Denmead Parish Council: 023 9224 7947

www.denmeadparishcouncil.co.uk

Community Officer – Jaime Bridges jaime.bridges@havant.gov.uk 0772 007 6272

> Radian - General Enquiries 0300 123 1 567 Out of Hours Emergencies 0800 783 8937

> > Trinity - 0845 345 1584

Police (Emergency): 999

Police (NON Emergency): 101

NHS Direct (NON Emergency): 111

## Its Panto time again so here's a very special offer for Residents!

We have a limited number of tickets available for the Theatre Royal Winchester Performance of Sleeping Beauty Pantomime on January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm for just £5 each, plus enjoy the FREE bus there and back.

These tickets can only be booked by contacting the Community Officer before Thursday 11th December 2014 so act quickly! To Book, please email jaime.bridges@havant.gov.uk.

Tickets are offered on a first come first served basis to residents of Old Park Farm (proof of address may be required). Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult over 18. For more details on the transport please see advert on the left.