

#### November 2022

Dear Neighbours

## **Manor Farm West Horsley Development**

I am writing to give you an update on the current construction works Thakeham are undertaking at Manor Farm. We are committed to keeping residents fully informed of our development.

### **Current Works**

Another section of Phase 2 has been tarmacked; this will give additional onsite car parking. Timber frame construction carries on through Phases 1 & 2, with oversites nearing completion on Phase 1 and with deep drainage and infrastructure continuing on Phase 2. Due to the unprecedented recent rainfalls, we are monitoring the water levels in Ben's Wood and will be increasing the use of road sweepers.

We are due to lay mains and drainage in between Footprints Nursery and the cottage opposite. Access through East Lane to Long Reach, by the nursery, will be restricted for a period of 6 weeks. Drivers may not be able to cut through our development for some, or all of this period. We apologise in advance for inconvenience whilst the work is being carried out.

Thakeham recently organised a litter pick up in Ben's Wood, we will continue to do this periodically throughout our time at Manor Farm.

Concerns have been raised about the site boundaries and boundary treatments on site are currently being assessed. We are working closely with West Horsley Parish Council to ensure that, where possible, the views of residents are considered. All boundary work will be performed outside of the bird-nesting season.

### **Access through Manorwood**

Please can we remind all drivers that the speed limit on the site is restricted to **10 mph**. There are still some vehicles travelling faster than this. Also, please use the designated routes which are designed to ensure that pedestrians and cyclists are not put at risk from vehicle and plant movements.

## **Food Bank Drop Off**

Thakeham Homes are collecting items for a Christmas foodbank, the drop off point is just outside the gates, where we invite anyone who wishes, to kindly drop off their donations. All items will be donated to <a href="Wokingham Foodbank">Wokingham Foodbank</a>, the collection day from West Horsley is <a href="Tuesday 6">Tuesday 6"h December</a>.

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If you wish to donate, we would be very grateful for any of the following items:

**Chocolate Coins Tinned Ham Savoury Biscuits** Chutney/Pickle **Christmas Pudding Christmas Napkins** Packet of festive Biscuits **Tinned Fruit** Yule Log Box of chocolates Jam/Preserves **Long Life Fruit Juice** Six Mince Pies **Packet Dried Stuffing Mix Festive Crisps Tinned Fish Tinned Custard Fruit and Nut Mix Christmas Cake Selection Box Washing Up Liquid Christmas Crackers Tinned Meat Pie Small Packet Washing** 

Powder

Wokingham Foodbank would greatly appreciate any donations you are able to give helping the less well-off. Find out more about their work here <a href="https://wokingham.foodbank.org.uk/">https://wokingham.foodbank.org.uk/</a>

# **Community Benefits & Corporate Social Responsibility**

We have been delighted to support Raleigh School PTA with their ongoing playground fundraising activities and have donated funding for two pieces of equipment recently installed in the playground.

Thakeham have also participated in a recent Careers Fairs at the Howard of Effingham School and George Abbot School to support and inspire future generations to join our industry sector. As well as activities to support unemployed people via Guildford Job Centre Plus and training course talks at Guildford College.

In December, Thakeham are proudly supporting the Cherry Trees Hospice with a sponsorship donation for Santa's grotto and providing a team of staff volunteers to set up their annual Christmas Market event, held on Saturday 26th November.

Thakeham are committed to minimising waste with sorting, at source, of scrap materials and recyclables. In addition, if anyone would like wooden pallets please get in touch as we have plenty give away, otherwise we send them to a pallet recycling company. A dovecote is being installed on site as well as a duck house on the pond. When we do renovate the ponds, please be assured that the fish will be humanely moved somewhere safe.

#### **Further Information**

Much interest has been shown in our new homes; the Marketing Suite is open to visitors at the Long Reach end of the development, or visit Thakeham Homes Website or click here.

We are in regular touch with West Horsley Parish Council; please check their website for the latest information. For any concerns contact them or myself on the contact details below.

Best regards
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