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SPECIAL ALERT

Your *last chance* to have your say on the new houses

You may have seen the developers' signs going up. Barretts and David Wilson Homes have now purchased the site, and have put in detailed plans for their site compound and first 238 houses.

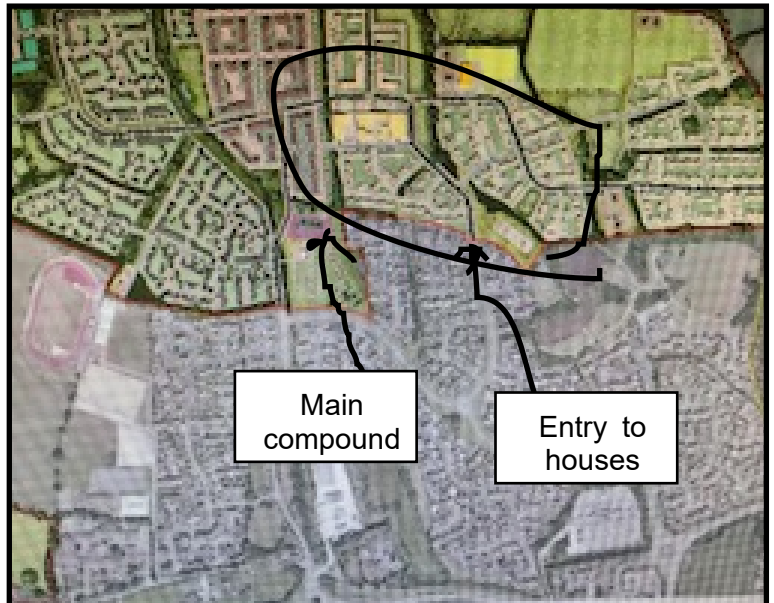
They plan to start building in the spring right behind existing houses. So this is now REAL.

PROBLEMS WITH THESE PLANS

They got outline consent two years ago. We all opposed that as residents and councillors. But now this is about trying to make sure the new housing does as little damage as possible to our community. We've already given the developers a list of problems we could spot. Now we need your help in looking at the plans carefully and pointing out the problems YOU can see, to help us try to get the developers/planners to change the plans.

Key features of what the developers want to do include

- their main site compound for up to 10 - 15 years to be in the field at the current end of Randolph Avenue, Close to the back of Pear Tree Hey. (Left hand arrow)
- Access to the show homes, and at least the first 238 houses from Leechpool Way (right arrow)
- The first 238 houses to be immediately behind Pear Tree Hey, Dryleaze and Meadowmead. (Circle on the plan)
- 35% 'Affordable' housing (but that is not what you and I would call affordable for young families trying to buy their first home, , although it will include social rented housing)
- Terraces of housing backing onto existing housing.
- Houses will block the current footpath through the fields from Randolph to the Park
- A new northern access to the park, right at the narrowest part of the park, just north of the lake.
- Two new small play areas, one in the field behind Meadow Mead.
- No proposals (yet) for wheelwashing.



**DON'T WAIT TIL AFTER
CHRISTMAS TO COMMENT
- that could be too late.**

The legal deadline for comments is before the end of the holidays. So we need to act NOW as residents.

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What can you do?

Make sure YOU comment on the planning applications

Please don't wait until after Christmas - we need to get our comments in NOW . The developers have said they are going to deliver a letter to some homes telling them about the application - make sure that you don't only tell them what you think. Put your comments in to the planners who actually take the decision. Go to Southglos.gov.uk, search 'planning applications' then look at two applications: PK17/5388/RM (David Wilson Homes) and PK17/5389/RM (Barratt Homes). Please comment on both.

Tell us your views too

Let us know what you think as well please - by email or drop us a note. If you email and tell us you want us to keep you up to date with local news, we can then keep you up to date in the future And it means we can push officers and developers to listen to you

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There is some good news....

We've got the developers to agree that

● ALL OVERHEAD POWER CABLES WILL GO

Between summer 2019 and summer 2020 they will be put ALL the overhead power lines underground, including the one across Eastfield Drive, right through to the power substation.

- The developers agreed to meet with town councillors face to face before - so we could tell them what we knew would worry you and ask them to make changes. They are still thinking about our comments, so it is possible they will change the plans if YOU back us up by putting in your comments.
- The developers have agreed to have a regular liaison group with the Town Council and single point of contact so if you raise problems with us we can get hold of someone with authority quickly.



YOSC TRAFFIC

Thanks to residents who told us they were having problems with YOSC competitors turning up in their streets, because Satnavs were wrongly directing people there. We tracked the problem down - the wrong post code was on line for YOSC and had been for years. The authorities have now corrected this, though it may take a while for all the websites to catch up. BS37 7LB is the correct one.

Rat running on Randolph Ave & Eastfield Drive

People are rat running through Brimsham Park to avoid the lights at the Peg Hill / Goose Green Way junction. Residents spotted the problem and alerted us. We've asked officials to investigate to see if there is a way to stop it.

BRINSHAM FIELDS PLAY AREA & POND

As your councillors, we've secured funding to add new equipment to the play area in the park. Thanks for all your ideas. Contractors have been appointed and we hope to get it done by the end of March. Thanks to a grant and the great work of the Friends Group a new conservation pond was officially opened last week. If you would like to help plan the future of our park please get in touch as the Friends Group welcomes new volunteers.