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Focus on Finkley

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Finkley Road improvements update



By the time you get this letter the road improvement works at Finkley should be complete. A concerted campaign by County Councillor Robin Hughes, District Councillor Len Gates and Parish Councillor Nigel Gooding has resulted in Hampshire County Council putting in place a permanent solution for Finkley including local flooding and the exit to the Finkley storage depot.

Councillors Robin Hughes and Len Gates pictured above before the work.

Speed reduction programme for Finkley “20 is plenty”

Parish Councillor Nigel Gooding pictured below has kicked off the campaign to reduce the speed through Finkley to 20 MPH. Nigel Gooding pictured below speaking today said “Hampshire County Council are making it difficult to reduce the speed through Finkley, however at the last Parish Council I have managed to establish that we should make a case to Tory led Hampshire County Council to extend the current Smannell 30 mph zone to Finkley and once that is in place include Finkley in the parish wide drive for 20 is plenty”

We will update YOU on our ongoing campaign to reduce speed through Finkley.



East Anton development update



Local residents have been asking for an update on works at East Anton. Councillor Len Gates (pictured left) has supplied an update

“As part of our commitment to keep you informed we will be issuing regular newsletters on the progress of the development and how it affects you. At present the developers have outline planning permission only which means they cannot yet start building houses but can start on

the infrastructure of the area. House building on the southern end of the site will start when Test Valley approves the detailed plans later this year.

Southern Water contractors have now finished water main work to serve the MDA at the Smannell Road open space. We have contacted council officers about the poor quality of the re-instatement of the field and this will be repaired by council staff.

Contractors are currently working on the roads within the site and work on the first roundabout access opposite Venice Court will start on 13th October. All local residents will be notified and signs will be erected along Icknield Way advising of the works. Once building does start landscaping and tree planting to screen the site will also start.

Sign the "Fair deal for Andover Lloyds TSB Jobs"

North West Liberal Democrats, who two weeks ago launched the campaign for “A fair deal for Andover Lloyds TSB jobs” have stepped up their campaign to protect Andover jobs following a reply from Lloyds TSB:

www.petitiononline.com/Jobs2008/petition.html

Speaking today the campaign organiser Nigel Gooding said “Despite the drastic fall in Lloyds TSB share price last week it is clear that Lloyds TSB have friends in high places. With the government now taking shares in both Lloyds TSB and HBOS it follows that Lloyds TSB will get a strong lead from Brown and Edinburgh MP Alistair Darling on keeping jobs in Scotland and ensuring the merger takes place. We recognise the issues raised by the merger but it is essential that Lloyds TSB staff in Andover get a fair deal”

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