

Welcome to the July edition of my e-Focus in which I update local residents on news items, council meetings and planning applications in the Alamein ward. As before if you no longer wish to receive these e-Focus newsletters please contact me on len.gates@andover.co.uk and I will remove your email address from the circulation list.

First story for July must be that, after a long campaign by many people, Andover now has its own town council. Regular readers will know I have supported this for many years and I'm pleased to see it now place. I'm especially pleased to see twelve of the nineteen members are not existing councillors but people new to the job who will broaden representation and accountability across the town. I look forward to working with them, especially with the new councillors for Alamein ward Barbara Carpenter and Kevin Hughes.

The Askalot shop has been given permission to continue for a further three years with extended opening hours allowing it to provide a better service local residents. I look forward to it's continuing success and closer links between it and the Alamein Community Association.

On 20th July a three day public enquiry opens into the proposed re-routing of Smannell Road. I have submitted an objection to this proposal and will be backing the parish council's call to keep the existing road open.

Another Trajan Walk/Hadrian Road residents meeting took place on 12th June. I am pleased to report that, thanks to police action, incidents of anti-social behaviour have reduced and there has been progress on a number of other issues. The next meeting will be on 4th September.

The long awaited report on local buses will be submitted to the council's scrutiny committee early next week and will include calls for improvements to existing services and further work to find funding for Sunday services.

I have recently finished a survey of traffic on Icknield Way and submitted it to the planning and highways authorities asking for a review of existing traffic calming and future plans for the road. The existing traffic calming is unacceptable, I look forward to their response.

Cllr Len Gates, Alamein ward, Test Valley Borough Council

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<http://lengates.mycouncillor.org.uk/>

<http://www.nwhampshire.libdems.org.uk/>



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been submitted in the past month. If you wish to see more details or comment on them go to <http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=5600>

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| 10/01241/FULLN | 27/05/2010 | Phase 1A Access Road Of Icknield Way East Anton Manor Farm | Construction of access |
| 10/01263/FULLN | 01/06/2010 | Purbeck House Little London Lane Little London SP11 6JE | Single storey front extension |
| 10/01265/FULLN | 02/06/2010 | Plot 233 Augusta Park East Anton | Erection of dwelling (amended scheme) |
| 10/01316/FULLN | 09/06/2010 | Plot 43 Augusta Park East Anton | Erection of dwelling (amended scheme) |
| 10/01440/FULLN | 21/06/2010 | Park House East Anton SP11 6AB | Two storey side extension |
| 07/02044/COND7A | 22/06/2010 | The Mill Little London Lane Little London SP11 6JE | Previous condition - Mitigation Scheme |

THIS MONTH'S BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Test Valley council meetings this month are as follows. Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings of the council. To view the agenda of the meeting, go to

<http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=201>

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| 05.07.10 | Licensing sub-committee | Upper Guildhall, High Street, Andover. | 09:30 |
| 07.07.10 | Overview & Scrutiny Committee | Council Chamber, Dutton's Road, Romsey | 17:30 |
| 08.07.10 | Standards Committee | Council Chamber, Dutton's Road, Romsey | 17:30 |
| 15.07.10 | Northern Area Planning Committee | Conference Room 1, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover | 17:30 |
| 20.07.10 | Planning Control Committee | Council Chamber, Dutton's Road, Romsey | 17:30 |
| 27.07.10 | Licensing Committee | Council Chamber, Dutton's Road, Romsey | 17:30 |
| 28.07.10 | Cabinet | Council Chamber, Dutton's Road, Romsey | 17:30 |

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL, OTHER MEETINGS and EVENTS:

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| Smannell Parish Council | Mon 5 July 19:15 | Smannell & Enham School, Smannell |
| Andover Town Council | Thur 8 July 19:00 | Upper Guildhall, High Street, Andover |
| Enham Alamein Parish Council | Wed 14 July 19:15 | Enham Tea Rooms, Enham Alamein |
| Smannell Road Public Enquiry | Tue 20 July 10:00 | The Lights, West Street, Andover |
| Alamein Community Association | Tue 20 July 18:15 | King Arthur's Hall, King Arthur's Way, Andover |