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The Clerk
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Dear Sir/Madam

Keeping you informed – A287 Farnham Road Improvement Project

Martin Grant Homes is currently getting underway with delivering Albany Park, a new residential development in Church Crookham, Hampshire. When completed, the scheme will provide 300 new homes of which 120 will be made available through shared ownership and affordable rent, as well as new community facilities and public open spaces.

Planning obligations attached to the planning permission for us to build Albany Park – known as the Section 106 Agreement – will unlock nearly £5 million of improvements to directly benefit the wider community in and around Church Crookham.

The Section 106 agreement also requires us to carry out improvements to the A287 (Farnham Road) / Redfields Lane junction before the first homes are occupied. This involves installing a major new roundabout to replace the existing Redfields Lane junction.

Overview of roadworks being carried out

We recently started initial construction of the roundabout off the highway in the field adjacent to the junction. We expect to progress to the next stage of the works programme over the summer, which is when we will start work on the existing highway. As work on the existing highway progresses, we will need to occupy different parts of the road to build the roundabout and then realign it with the existing roads.

We anticipate this work will be completed by Autumn 2022, by which time the new road configuration will be in place and two-way free flow traffic fully reinstated on the A287.

For the majority of our construction programme the A287 will remain open for two-way traffic albeit at reduced speed. However, we will need to use temporary traffic lights towards the end of the works when we have to tie in new and existing roads. The traffic lights will be necessary to ensure the safety of road users and the construction team. This will be the only time during the construction programme when temporary traffic lights are required and we will ensure this is for as short a period as possible.

All roadworks and any associated temporary traffic management systems will be clearly signposted for the duration of the project to ensure road users are clear about what's happening, temporary changes to the road layout and/or temporary traffic measures in place.

This is a complex, major construction project. All the work being undertaken has been approved by Hampshire Highways at Hampshire County Council, who will continue to oversee the programme for its duration and conduct regular site inspections to sign off construction as works progress.

Buxted Construction has been contracted by Martin Grant Homes to carry out the road improvements and roundabout installation in the manner set out in the Section 278 agreement made with Hampshire Highways. Buxted Construction is an experienced firm with significant expertise in delivering major infrastructure and civil engineering projects such as this and has been approved by Hampshire Highways to carry out these works.

Keeping you informed – ongoing communications

We are committed to providing local people with advance notice of any changes associated with road use as our work progresses. We will write directly to those individuals, businesses and organisations living in or operating from properties in immediate vicinity of the site to provide updates; continuing to keep everyone updated throughout the project.

We'll also be working with local elected members, the media and the County Council to communicate any changes to road use and/or provide updates on traffic conditions relating to the works as widely as possible.

Where to find out more about the roadworks being carried out

Information about the project can be found on our website: www.A287roundabout.co.uk. The 'News' section will be updated regularly to provide people with the latest information about works being carried out, along with details of any temporary traffic management systems being put in place.

In addition our community relations team is also available to provide more information and answer any questions about the project. The team can be contacted directly by telephone on **0800 804 4049** (between 9am and 5.30pm, Monday to Friday) or by emailing communityrelations@A287roundabout.co.uk.

Next Steps

We will write to you in advance of work commencing on the highway to let you know the dates and details of the work taking place and any associated temporary traffic management systems that will be required.

Should you need any assistance, or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact the community relations team on the contact details provided above.

Yours faithfully



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