

Independent Living

Houghton Regis Central

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Welcome to the fourth edition of the Houghton Regis Central (HRC) newsletter. These newsletters will help keep you up to date with the development of HRC, the council's new independent living scheme.

Tender update and starting on site

It is our intention to start on site in February 2019. This is later than we originally planned, but it is important that we make time at this stage to get the finer details right, especially given the scale of the development and the size of the investment.

To ensure we appoint the best contractor who can deliver the highest quality of work, we have decided to go out for expressions of interest again to gather as much interest from the market as possible. We will then need to assess each application robustly before appointing a builder. This process will take time to complete and has delayed our initial ambition and desire to be onsite this summer.

Once the tender process has been fully completed we will be in a position to confidently appoint a contractor by the end of the year and plan to get on site in February 2019.

As part of our work to ensure we get the best contractor for the project we have also made some minor amendments to the planning application to ensure we get the best value for money and make every penny count.

These minor changes will not compromise the quality of the build but will ensure the scheme remains affordable for future residents, is able to meet their needs, and remains attractive for the local community and residents.

Giving Houghton Regis Central its permanent name

Houghton Regis Central is the working name for the development but it won't be the permanent name that we use in the future. As part of the process for choosing a permanent name we want to involve the community within Houghton Regis in choosing a name for the development. We will let you know how you can get involved as soon as we can.



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