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Dear Councillors

**RE: LAND NORTH OF WITHYCOMBE FARM, WEST OF EDINBURGH WAY, BANBURY
400 DWELLINGS, ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND NEW VEHICULAR
ACCESSES**

I write as matter of courtesy to advise that Bloor Homes, having received the outline planning permission for the new housing development to the west of Bretch Hill on the 8th March 2016, will be moving the project forward.

The intended programme of work is outlined below for information:

- Design Code -establishing design guidance-submitted to Cherwell District Council – March 2016.
- Ecological refresh carried out and further work under way February /March 2016.
- Archaeological Investigation programmed for March /April 2016 (geophysical survey followed by trenching exercise in accord with the County Archaeologist's requirements).
- Submission of reserved matters (details) of the first phase of development (110 units) and conditions discharge material March /April 2016.

Once the details have been approved and conditions discharged work will commence on site (hopefully in the Summer) with construction of the new access off Bretch Hill, followed later on by the secondary access off Edinburgh Way which has to be in place prior to the occupation of any dwellings.

You may be aware that the Council has secured investment in infrastructure and the local community through its adopted Local Plan, the outline planning permission and the associated Section 106 Agreement which includes provision of:

- Affordable housing- including a specialist scheme for the elderly.
- Creation of western parkland green buffer open space with play areas, footpaths and planting.
- Health contribution.
- Off-site Indoor Sports Contribution (Woodgreen Leisure Centre).
- Thames Valley Police contribution.
- Public Art Contribution.
- Employment Site.
- Recycling Contribution.
- Sunshine Centre Contribution.
- Education Contribution.
- Library and Museum Contribution.
- Public Transport and Highway Infrastructure Contributions.

All these items will be provided in phases as the new homes are constructed and occupied. I hope the update note is of interest to you and should you have any queries I would be happy to respond.

Your sincerely
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