

Highcliffe Residents Association.

Dear Resident,

The Highcliffe Residents Association would like to share some information which may be of interest to you.

The land which lies between Jesmond Avenue and the Medical Centre, the Day Centre and up towards the Premier Inn has recently been returned to the ownership of the Company who originally developed the properties in Jesmond Avenue and who at that time expected to build on both sides of the road.

A compulsory purchase order for the proposed by-pass scheme interrupted the development, leaving an air of uncertainty over the area.

The by-pass scheme has now been abandoned, and in accordance with the law, first refusal on purchase of the land goes to those who originally owned it.

Fast forward to the present time and, Brentland, a company owned by the original builders, in association with Dorset County Council, intend to finish what was started all those years ago.

We will all be disappointed at the loss of woodland and the lovely outlook that it provided, this was always going to be inevitable, but the uncertainty which has affected the area will now be lifted.

An initial clearance of some vegetation began on Monday, to enable a topographical survey to take place, concerns have been raised as to the extent of felling, my exchange of emails with the Tree and Landscape Officer is reproduced separately.

Highcliffe Residents Association has been asked to join in the consultation process which will influence the choice of properties and improvements to the local infra-structure when the planning application is made. We hope for sympathetically styled houses, improvements to access and parking facilities for the Medical Centre, and for access to our own premises, namely,

The Old School, 254 Lymington Road, Highcliffe, BH23 5ET.

If you would like to be kept up to date with information on the above, and other developments in the area, Cobbs Camp, Stuart Road and Roeshot Hill, all of which we consider controversial, please view our website <http://www.highclifferesidents.co.uk>. Our next members meeting is at the above address on March 21st 2016 at 7pm, by which time we hope to have more information, please come along and join in.

If you would like to support us in our work on all of the above, and with the Highcliffe Centre Partership lobbying for repair of Culmore steps, improving the High Street, Repairs to the pavements, Parking problems, and many other local matters, please subscribe to the Association by leaving your name, address, email and telephone number in the mailbox at The Old School, or use the "Contact" tab on the website.

Warm regards

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