

# SOUTHWICK NEWS



**W**elcome to Southwick News. These regular newsletters will keep you updated on the future of the Southwick Estate, opportunities to get involved, and more.

Over the coming weeks and months we will be in touch with information and updates on the progress of the project, but in the meantime you can contact us with comments, queries, ideas or suggestions.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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## CONSULTATION UPDATE

**W**e are now part of the way through our series of consultation events on the future of the neighbourhood. We appreciate your views, comments and involvement. It's really important that as many of you as possible get involved to make sure your views are listened to and considered.

We held pop-up events in October and November to gather residents' views on general ideas of options for the future, and had a number of resident working group meetings. We also knocked on doors to make sure we were speaking with as many residents as possible.

We gathered lots of useful feedback, including ideas about how to solve

current challenges on the estate and the importance of making sure maintenance issues are tackled and managed well in the future. Views gathered have been wide ranging and full of variety, including those in favour of repairs, keen for an entire rebuild, or preferring a partial redevelopment.

We are now looking towards the next stage, using your feedback to put together some more detailed options for the estate. More events, drop-in sessions and door knocking will be organised to give you the chance to have a look at the options in more detail, tell us your views, suggest ideas or raise concerns. We want to hear what you think and need you to be involved, so make sure you have your say!



## MEET THE TEAM: INTRODUCING JEANETTE

**J**eanette Kenyon recently joined the team as Adur & Worthing Councils' new project manager for the Southwick consultation process.

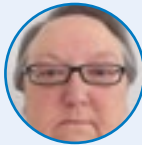


Jeanette is a Housing Development and Regeneration specialist and has

worked on a wide range of council and housing association regeneration projects in the past. She said: "I am really looking forward to meeting local residents and getting to know the area. I'm keen to ensure engagement with residents and stakeholders on the options for the estate is open and far reaching."

## MEET THE TEAM: INDEPENDENT TENANT AND LEASEHOLDER ADVISORS

**W**ith help from our Resident Working Group members, Adur District Council has selected New Mill Consultants to act as your independent advisors. While the council pays their fees, they are completely independent and here to help you with any questions you have about the consultation process.



The team is made up of Christine Searle MBE and Rob Lantsbury Bsc, and the pair has been advising residents together for 15 years. Christine has been an active Housing Association resident for 30 years and

Rob has a background in housing management spanning 35 years. They have advised and supported residents through several regeneration projects, including many stock options appraisals – the process that Southwick is going through now. Christine and Rob are both very happy to be appointed and look forward to meeting many of you over the next few months.

Please feel free to contact them at any time using the details below:

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## DISCUSS A REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE ISSUE

Neil Erridge has recently joined the team as Estates Surveyor to oversee the maintenance of the Southwick Estate. There is a dedicated repairs and maintenance email address for the Southwick Estate and the team will respond quickly to requests. Please send all repairs concerns to: [southwickestaterepairs@adur-worthing.gov.uk](mailto:southwickestaterepairs@adur-worthing.gov.uk).

## JOIN THE RESIDENT WORKING GROUP

The Resident Working Group was established in September 2021 and meets on a regular basis in the Southwick Community Centre. Members have a direct link with the project team, receive regular progress updates, and have opportunities to ask questions, and have their say. The Resident Working Group is essential in helping us understand residents' - both tenants and leaseholders - priorities for the future of the Southwick Estate. We welcome you to join us! To express your interest, please get in touch with a member of the team by emailing: [community@thesouthwickestate.co.uk](mailto:community@thesouthwickestate.co.uk).

## HAVE YOUR SAY

Find out more or get in touch with the Resident Liaison Team.

[www.thesouthwickestate.co.uk](http://www.thesouthwickestate.co.uk)

[community@thesouthwickestate.co.uk](mailto:community@thesouthwickestate.co.uk)

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## RESIDENTS' BRIEF

We are working in partnership with the Resident Working Group to produce Residents' Objectives. The objectives set out what you want to achieve for the future of the Southwick Estate, so we need your help to put these into priority order and make sure we haven't missed anything.

Please could you complete the survey by visiting:

[www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HG7J72C](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HG7J72C)



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you are interested in helping to create and shape events for your community, we would love to hear from you! Any contribution, however big or small, is welcome.

We will help you start your journey and connect you to like-minded neighbours, so get in touch with us today.