

March 2012

The future for Woodford Aerodrome will be revealed

Although it seems to have been quiet over the last three months and news has been scarce, Harrow Estates have been working hard behind the scenes to develop a comprehensive background vision for the future development of the site. This will be revealed to the public in two public events scheduled for the end of May:

Dates for your diary: Friday 25th May 2012 Saturday 26th May 2012 Times: 2.00pm – 7.00 pm Venue: Woodford Aerodrome Poynton Civic Hall

We understand that there will be a display of the proposed master plan with representatives from Avro Heritage, Harrow Estates, Stockport Council and East Cheshire Council present for discussion. More details are available in the "Woodford Review" issued by Stockport Council here.

We would encourage local residents to attend. There may be an opportunity to make comments on the day but please feel free to feedback any appropriate comments, positive or negative to info@woodfordcommunity.co.uk to enable the WCC Committee to represent local residents' interests effectively.

Recent background: The sale of the BAE Woodford site to Avro Heritage Ltd, a holding company part owned by the JCB heir Joe Bamford, was completed in December 2011. This was followed by a joint venture arrangement with Harrow Estates, part of the Redrow Group, who are specialist brownfield developers with expertise in regeneration and residential master planning. We understand that part of the site has been purchased by Redrow but that plots may be made available to other developers.

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It's all go for SEMMMS

Dates have been set for the construction of the £290m A6 to Manchester Airport relief road using the new £1.2bn infrastructure fund agreed as part of the Greater Manchester City Deal with Government last week. The project is being led by Stockport Council, together with Cheshire East Council and Manchester City Council. The proposal for the 10 km dual carriageway was adopted into Government transport policy in 2001 but has waited until now for the necessary funding. It will extend the current 4 km A555 on the eastern side to the A6 at Hazel Grove and the western side to Manchester Airport and the A56 spur road resulting in a 10 km long two-lane dual carriageway. It is expected that a public consultation on the proposals for the scheme will take place over the next few months, leading to a planning application being submitted before the end of the year. A contractor will be appointed during 2013, with a start on the ground for autumn 2014. The road is planned to be open to traffic in early 2017.

More details are available at South East Manchester Multi Modal Strategy website.

According to the SEMMMS website, a new feature is a pedestrian and cycle route for the whole length including retrofitting to the existing 4 km section of the A555.

It is believed that proposals have been put forward to name the completed relief road "The Queen Elizabeth Way".

After 40 years in the planning!





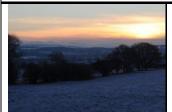
Visit the Woodford Community Council Website for more information on the area.

Woodford Community Council is organizing another 'Clean Up Woodford' day on SATURDAY, 9 JUNE 2012

Join us for a couple of hours to pick up litter and help to keep our environment tidy and litterfree. Volunteers should meet at the Woodford War Memorial Community Centre just before 10.00 am.



Let's keep Woodford tidy!



It's not too late to enter our 2012 Photographic Competition!

The closing date for receipt of entries in our photo competition on the theme *Winter Sun* has been extended to **Sunday**, **15 April 2012**.

The prize for the winning entry – as determined by a panel of independent judges - will be a meal for two at Olivers Restaurant. (www.oliversrestaurant.co.uk). See the Competition page for full details.

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