



# WELLESLEY TIMES

A New Neighbourhood

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## Welcome to our summer edition

We hope you enjoy reading our latest update.

Please get in touch if you have any questions or comments.



## Progress Update

It's been a busy first half of the year here at Wellesley. On our Maida Zone, we are continuing to see more residents move into their new Bellway homes with the second phase of this zone now on sale. For more details please call Bellway on 0333 577 3135.

Opposite Maida on the western side of Queens Avenue is our Corunna Zone. Our demolition contractors have almost finished taking down the former Montgomery Lines Barracks and we shall be starting work on the new infrastructure early this summer with construction of houses starting later this year.

We have also been progressing with the site of the first of two new primary schools within Wellesley. The site, at the junction of Alisons Road and Queens Avenue, is currently being cleared in readiness to handover the land to Hampshire County Council. We have also been busy constructing an extension of Steeles Road, off Queens Avenue which will initially serve the school and later in the development lead to further housing. The county council have obtained planning approval for the school and it is expected their contractors will commence building work later this year.

We recently received planning approval for our Gunhill Zone. This zone lies to the south of the development and within it we will be creating purpose-built, specially designed rental homes and apartments. We will be starting construction work in this area later this year.

There are a number of highway works that we will be implementing outside Wellesley. The main highway works will provide a slip road onto the A331 off Government Road for vehicles travelling north towards the M3. We have recently started clearing the site to make way for the new slip road. These works included clearing the trees and scrub along sections of the wooded banks adjacent to the lower part of Government Road and a section running along the A331. The actual construction of the slip road will start in the winter and will include rebuilding the Government Road Bridge over the Basingstoke Canal.

There will also be off-site highway works starting later in the summer to improve cycle and pedestrian links from Wellesley into Aldershot town centre. These works will include widening footpaths along Hospital Hill to allow them to be shared pedestrian and cycle ways. We will also carry out works to improve the crossing of Wellington Ave / Hospital Hill junction.

## Meet our residents.....

Mr & Mrs Smith from Maida Phase 1

**When did you move in to your new home at Wellesley?**  
Early March 2016.

**How did the move go, are you all settled in now?**

The move itself went really well, it is definitely worth paying that little bit extra to get the removal team to pack up for you - certainly took the stress out of it. When we first moved in it was a really nice touch for the Bellway team to meet us after we completed. There was a bottle of wine, some chocolates, user manuals and keys all laid out in the kitchen, really made it quite special. We were very excited. We are pretty much all settled in now.

**Where did you move from?**  
Only just up the road – the other side of Farnborough.

**What attracted you to Wellesley?**  
We had been looking around

on the internet for a new home for a couple of weeks and were toying with the idea of buying a new build when we came across the listings for Maida. We decided to go pay a visit to the site office as it wasn't that far away. We immediately liked the style of house and there were a number of things that ticked the boxes, we put our reservation down there and then, and we're glad we did.

**Have you seen our plans for the rest of the development?**

Yes we have. It's quite exciting being in the first phase and being able to see the site develop over the next few years. We are both really excited to be part of the Wellesley community. We think it's a real positive step for the area, and for Aldershot, well thought out and progressive.

**Is there a particular area you are looking forward to seeing/ being completed?**

We are looking forward to seeing what the Neighbourhood Centre will offer and having the new Parade Park just over the road will be good too.

## Wellesley Community Hub

We are now starting work to create our Community Hub at Wellesley. We will be converting a former garrison building into a temporary community space with a main hall, meeting rooms and storage.

The facility will be available for the whole community to use and will be in place until our permanent Neighbourhood Centre is complete.

We have teamed up with Rushmoor Borough Council's Skilled Up programme to carry out the works - a rolling programme of 4 week training opportunities, using construction based work to support Job Seekers back into employment.

We are hoping that the facility will be open in autumn this year. Keep an eye on our Wellesley website for more details and information.

## Upcoming events:

This summer sees a whole host family fun and events in Aldershot.

### Saturday's during July and August

Every Saturday lunchtime (12noon - 2pm) throughout July and August there will be a free bandstand concert in the Princes Gardens bandstand in Aldershot town centre. Pack a picnic and enjoy.  
[www.rushmoor.gov.uk/bandstand](http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/bandstand)

### Aldershot Live Music Day

This summer we are sponsoring Aldershot Live Music Day on Saturday 23 July. Featuring over 20 local bands and singers on different stages throughout the town centre. For more information visit: [www.rushmoor.gov.uk/livemusicday](http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/livemusicday)

### Aldershot Lido

Aldershot is lucky enough to have its very own Lido – open every Saturday and Sunday throughout June and then every day during July and August.

[www.rushmoor.gov.uk/lido](http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/lido)

### Farnborough International Airshow

Between 11-17th July, Farnborough will see the return of the Farnborough International Airshow. Held every other year, the event features both a week-long trade show and weekend public show. With flying and static aircraft displays, as well as entertainment, history, family area and more, it is set to be a great event. For more information visit:

[www.farnborough.com](http://www.farnborough.com)



## Contact Us

The Grainger team at Wellesley is on hand and ready to help. If you have any questions, queries or would like to find out more about Wellesley contact us by:

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