



## **Barton in Fabis Parish Council Newsletter June 2009**

### **BARRATT DEVELOPMENTS PLANNING APPLICATION SUBMITTED**

Barratt Homes submitted an outline planning application to Rushcliffe BC on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June. This is similar but not identical to the scheme exhibited recently in Clifton, and includes proposals for thousands of houses, industrial development and a new Park and Ride for an extended tram line (much of the industry and the Park and Ride is now planned for Gotham Hills/Glebe Farm – the most visually intrusive site possible for impacting on the village). They are not planning to send details to all Barton residents.

The Rushcliffe web site at [www.rushcliffe.gov.uk](http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk) says it will take at least three weeks for the application to be verified, so we do not expect to receive a copy of the application until July. Eventually the application will be available on the Rushcliffe website under reference 09/01025/OUT.

The policy of the Parish Council has always been to oppose these proposals, and we hope that we can call on everyone who is interested in protecting the village and wider parish from these proposals to object too. We will be holding an open meeting to discuss the proposals, and provide advice on how to object. We hope that Rushcliffe Borough Council will reject the plans – if they do, it is likely that Barratts will appeal, and there may eventually be a Public Inquiry, as there was with a similar application they submitted for Sharphill Wood.

There is a website with additional information at [www.nottinghamgateway.com](http://www.nottinghamgateway.com) which includes details of the submission and information on changes to the scheme. There is also a free phone number 0800 169 8766 that residents can contact for further information.

### **Regional Plan – Partial Review**

The Regional Plan for the East Midlands was published in March and is available at [www.gos.gov.uk/goem/planning/regional-planning/](http://www.gos.gov.uk/goem/planning/regional-planning/). It sets out the long term strategy for the region and identifies the scale and distribution of new housing. There will be a partial review and an options consultation will run from 30 June to 6<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Manor Road Flood Bank**

The Environment Agency still cannot get their act together and there is no firm date for work to start on completing the flood bank and new road. Early last year they told us it was urgently necessary to strengthen our flood defences but after the initial enthusiasm the project ground to a halt. We continue to press them to get on with it.

## NET

The government has approved the extension of the NET and the City and County now have the necessary legal powers acquire the necessary land and to build and operate NET Phase Two.

The government has provisionally agreed to fund a proportion of the costs but the balance needs to be secured locally. The Conservatives now have a majority on the County Council and their likely policy when they take over is not to support the NET as they do not consider it to be either desirable or affordable. We wait and see.

For further information contact the NET office on ☎ 0115 915 6600 or email [tram@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:tram@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

## Best Kept Village Competition

The village has entered the Best Kept Village Competition this year, judging could be any time now, no advance notice is given but if you can find time this weekend to improve the appearance of the village, every little helps.

## Small Environmental Improvement Scheme

Rushcliffe BC operates an annual Parish Planting and Landscape scheme where they make a financial contribution towards the cost of planting trees and shrubs in the parish. Grants are also available towards landscape schemes including site clearance and ground works.

There are some conditions attached but the Parish Council is keen to receive ideas for planting and landscape schemes from residents. Please let any member of the council or the clerk your ideas.

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