

PROJECT PINEWOOD



A NEW HOME FOR BRITAIN'S CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

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KEEPING YOU IN THE PICTURE

Pinewood Studios and Iver parish council open Black Park Link Path to the Community



Black Park is now only a short walk from Iver Heath. At the request of Iver parish council, Pinewood Studios has created a new footpath linking Iver Heath to Black Park which is to be opened on 25th April at 11.00am by representatives of the Studios and the Parish Council.

The new footpath provides a direct route across Pinewood Studios' land from Pinewood Road (near Park Lodge Farm) to Taylor's Gate in Black Park, enabling the residents of Iver Heath to enjoy everything Black Park has to offer without having to drive there.

The new Black Park Link Path is open to the public with the permission of Pinewood Studios every day except Christmas Day during the hours of daylight. Opening and closing times are at the Studios' discretion and are published on notice boards at each entrance.

Now that the days are longer and spring has officially sprung we hope that you will enjoy this new local amenity.

Project Pinewood Update

'Project Pinewood' was announced in November last year. This launched the process to evolve a vision for the development of our land which lies to the east of Pinewood Studios. In January we appointed a project team to develop our concept into a formal proposal which will be the subject of extensive public consultation. We have also made presentations to our local parish and district councils.

In order to allow sufficient time to undertake survey work and consult on our proposals, our current programme anticipates the submission of an outline planning application in autumn this year.

The first public exhibition of our proposals will be held at Pinewood Studios in July, which will give you the opportunity to make comments and suggestions about our plans and voice any concerns which you may have. Your views will be a matter of record and will be taken into account in our planning application.

CURRENT NEWS

Quantum of Solace, the 22nd Bond film produced by Eon Productions, returns to Pinewood from locations abroad to complete filming in time for its release date on Friday 31st October.

New series of My Family and The Weakest Link are being made in our television studios.

A new headquarters for Technicolor is now being built on the west side of Pinewood Studios and is due to open at the end of the year.

Our Vision

Project Pinewood will be the first purpose-built living and working community for the arts, crafts and creative industries, interacting with the world-famous film and television production facilities at Pinewood Studios.

The proposals for Project Pinewood include atmospheric streetscapes in generic architectural styles set in landscaped open spaces potentially comprising woodland, waterways, gardens and recreational areas used for both filming and by the community. Welfare, retail, education and training facilities are also proposed to ensure that Project Pinewood is properly integrated into the local area.

Upcoming Surveying Work

As the starting point for the design process we have instructed surveys to be carried out on the proposed site of Project Pinewood

The first of these was a topographical survey to establish the levels of the land. In order to understand how the proposal may relate to the wider area, the topographical survey extended to land immediately adjacent to that proposed for Project Pinewood. This survey will be complete by the end of April.

Ground investigation works comprising bore holes and trial pits will be undertaken only on land owned by Pinewood Studios, to take water samples and to test ground conditions. This work is expected to take place between mid April and mid May 2008 although further monitoring work may be required after this time.

An ecological survey commenced on 17th April and will last around two weeks.

There will be other surveys necessary to assess the existing characteristics of the site and inform the design of Project Pinewood. We will endeavour to notify the community of the timing and nature of these studies.

Our Commitment to Community Consultation

We are now starting a process of local community engagement and are setting up a consultation programme.

We intend to hold a workshop in May to be attended by a range of local stakeholders, including members of the parish councils, who will represent the local community. In addition, we will hold a public exhibition where we will invite a wider audience to learn more about our proposals, including the options, process and timing. We will keep you informed of when these events will take place through this newsletter and the Project Pinewood website. Pinewood is proud of its long-standing relationship with Iver Heath, Iver and Fulmer and many people who work at the Studios live locally. It is important that Project Pinewood is able to bring benefits to the local community as well as to the wider creative industries. We are keen to hear your views and we welcome your involvement in the planning process.

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