Consultation on new homes for Purbeck

Purbeck District Council (PDC) has started a new consultation as it is looks at how it can best meet Purbeck's housing needs. A consultation document and questionnaire should have been delivered to every household in Purbeck including of course those in Arne Parish.

Furthermore a company called Public Perspectives will conduct a telephone survey. This will take place during February and March. Households will be selected at random and anyone who receives a telephone call from Public Perspectives is encouraged to take part.

Drop-in events will be taking place around the district, enabling people to discuss the consultation with the Council. The details are:

Saturday 3 February	10am to 4pm	The Purbeck School, Wareham
Saturday 10 February	10am to 4pm	Emmanuel Baptist Church, Swanage
Saturday 17 February	10am to 4pm	Lytchett Matravers Village Hall
Thursday 22 February	3pm to 6pm	St Dunstan's Church Lounge, Upton
Saturday 24 February	10am to 4pm	D'uberville Centre, Wool
Saturday 3 March	10am to 4pm	Scout Hut, Bere Regis
Saturday 10 March	10am to 4pm	Moreton Village Hall

In addition to these events, PDC has arranged an infrastructure drop-in event which will take place from 2pm to 5pm on Thursday 1 March in the Council Chamber at Westport House, Wareham. This event will offer an opportunity for residents to speak with representatives from infrastructure providers such as Dorset County Council and the NHS.

The information gathered through the consultation will help Purbeck District Council update the Purbeck Local Plan which is used to determine planning applications. The Plan sets out where larger housing development and shopping and commercial development can go whilst protecting the district's special environment.

A copy of the consultation document and further information will be available from Monday 29 January on the Council's website at <u>www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/Purbeck-local-plan-review</u>