

WHAT'S GOING ON?

West Of Waterlooville community noticeboard project

Background

West of Waterlooville major development area (MDA) in Hampshire is currently under construction, with the first phase being built by Taylor Wimpey. A number of homes are already occupied, and a new community is beginning to grow. Clare Halstead and Steve Geliot were commissioned by Winchester City Council and Havant Borough Council, to develop an Arts Strategy for the West of Waterlooville first phase, and this has now been agreed and is currently in the implementation phase.

Information about the West of Waterlooville MDA can be found here: <http://westofwaterlooville.wordpress.com/>

Information about the activity of the public art project so far can be found here: <http://www.wowpod.org.uk/>

As this community becomes established, there is an increasing need for ways to facilitate communication between the residents, through the Parish Councils and Residents Association as well as the Community Officer. This might be about publicity for community events, jumble sales, charity events, keep fit etc...

The Brief

The community noticeboard project is a commission which was identified within the public art strategy and the ambition is to create attractive structures which provide this important community function. The noticeboards need to be:

- eye catching, whilst sympathetic to the landscape and architecture of West Of Waterlooville
- be very strong and vandal resistant (including fire resistant)
- a safe and practical way of managing communication capacity for 8 -10 sheets of A4 minimum

The noticeboards will be free standing or post fixed, or even use a planter/container system to stand up. The latter might even facilitate changing the location of the noticeboard/s if required.

The photographs and plans below illustrate some of the potential sites available within the development. Final choice of sites will be agreed with the project team and the developer.

We are looking for artists and makers who can bring a combination of imagination, ingenuity and craftsmanship to this project, and who can engage the local community through the design and making process. Assistance and advice can be provided with regard to the public engagement, such as helping link up with local schools and residents.

Budget: £5000, all inclusive (includes materials, installation, design fees, public engagement) for up to four noticeboards.

Timescale: The noticeboards will need to be ready for installation by March 2013

Submission process:

Please provide a written expression of interest detailing how you will approach and fulfill the brief, together with a current c.v. and a link to your website if you have one, and six carefully chosen images of relevant work, at medium to high resolution, giving an e-mail file size no greater than 10 mb. by email to:

Steve Geliot mail@stevegeliot.com

and copied to:

Clare Halstead clare@brighton.co.uk

Deadline for submissions:

5pm Friday 7th December

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to interview in late december/early january, date tbc.

We are advertising this project widely and will not be able to acknowledge each application and will only be contacting shortlisted candidates. Please accept our apologies for not being able to contact each applicant, and for being unable to provide feedback on your application.

If you have specific questions that are not covered by the details in the brief or the information available online, please do get in touch.





