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| To: | Oxford City Housing Ltd Shareholder Meeting |
| Date: | **17 March 2020** |
| Report of: | Jane Winfield, Regeneration and Major Projects Service Manager  |
| Title of Report:  | Quarterly Progress Report relating to Barton Park Development  |
| Summary and recommendations |
| Purpose of report: | This report provides an update into the activities of Barton Oxford LLP over the quarter to 31st march 2020. |
| Recommendation(s):There is a resolution to: |
|  | Note the contents of the report.  |

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| Appendices |
| Appendix 1 | Not for publication - sales and marketing.  |

**Introduction and background**

1. This is the fourth report to the Shareholder and Joint Venture Group covering the period since the previous update in November 2019.

**Progress Update**

**First Phase**

1. The scheme is for 237 units .There have now been a total of 136 occupations of which 60 are social rented properties purchased by Oxford City Housing (Investment) Limited. A further 87 are planned during 2020 (34 social rented) and the final 14 (all private sale) in 2021.

**Second Phase**

1. Works continue at pace and good progress has been reported. The site has fared well bearing in mind the levels of rainfall in recent weeks. Redrow still expect the first 20 units to be complete in late summer 2020, of which 12 are expected to be social rent. The overall programme is for 55 completions in 2020 and 152 in 2021. Final confirmation of the detailed programme from Redrow is awaited.

**Future Phases**

1. Delivery of further phases involves sales and marketing of land parcels, the information is commercially sensitive and further details are contained in the not for publication confidential appendix.

**The Pavilion**

1. It has been agreed that the freehold Pavilion and Sports pitches will be transferred from the LLP to the council at the earliest opportunity. This is in accordance with the S106. This will enable the council to enter into a subsequent lease with the users of the pavilion and provide clarity on responsibilities and standards of maintenance for the facilities. In the meantime the LLP has entered into a service agreement with the council to carry out the maintenance and compliance functions for the building.

**The bus link and bus service**

1. The county council have confirmed that a service will commence from the end of March 2020, operating between the site and the John Radcliffe (to allow onward connection) at a frequency of 2 buses per hour on Mondays to Saturdays between 7am and 7pm.  The service will be free to users.  This is an interim service with the longer term solution for the site envisaged to start from September this year, once the road connection has been completed.  County have the option of extending the interim service by 3 months if the road connection has not been completed by September.
2. The ANPR cameras will be installed by 31 March 2020 and fully operational by the beginning of May 2020. This means that county will able to clear the bus link barriers away in the week commencing 23 March 2020 to allow for the road surface to be cleaned. This should allow for bus operation to start on 30 March as planned (this should negate the need for an extension to the interim bus service.
3. County will carry out a Stage 3 Road Safety Audit and final snagging inspection in the week commencing 30 March 2020, once the bus service is operational.

**Financial Implications**

1. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

**Legal Implications**

1. There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

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