



The purpose of this paper is to provide an update on developments with the Salisbury Gardens development.

No. DETAIL

1) REFURBISHMENT

- a) The building works to the upper three floors are now virtually complete and will be fully completed by the 21 November.
- b) The extensive works required as previously reported to the lower ground floor are making good progress with the stripping back of all external walls and the floor now all been recovered and re-laid: completion is expected to be within the next few weeks.
- c) There has been a slight increase in the anticipated outturn cost total of £239,000 reported to the Town Council meeting of 11 August to £241,298 as shown in the following table:

PAID TO	FOR	TO DATE	FINAL
D N Associates	Building Works	208,275	241,457
Layafloor	Carpets	7,096	11,871
Mark Weldon	Facia Boards	3,470	3,470
Total		218,841	256,798
<i>Less</i>			
	Police Works		11,250
	Other sources		4,250
	Net Total Cost		241,298

2) TENANTS

- a) Five tenants have moved in to the Ventnor Enterprise Centre rooms on the top two floors: Vectis Karma, Transport Consultants UK, PC Coaching, Liz Bull Personal Tax and Colin Boon Personal Taxation Services.
- b) Three more have signed up with two moving in on 1 December and one on 1 January: Bellwade Solutions Ltd, Autonomous Surface Vehicles Ltd and Coralesce, the last two of which are mainland businesses.
- c) The local Police and Health Visitor teams are expected to move in on 1 December.
- d) With the Town Council occupying two ground floor rooms, there are now only three of the 18 available rooms without tenants at this time.

3) CELEBRATION EVENT

- a) Planning for the 17 January event to celebrate the securing of the building for long-term service to the town is progressing, led by our Community Development Officer Julia Aratoon.
- b) Invitations will be issued soon to all residents to tour and enjoy the building between 11am and 2 pm with an official opening at some point by the Mayor and his predecessor as representatives of the two Ventnor Town Councils that have made this possible.
- c) Those who also have contributed to making this possible, including the Isle of Wight Council, supporting partners and our remarkable contractors and their teams, will also be invited to share in it.