
THE LINMERE TIMES

Spring 2024



It's all action on site this spring

bpha starts work on site

A brand-new phase of work is underway to the south of The Farmstead being led by bpha, a leading housing association providing affordable homes for communities across the country.

This parcel will provide 100 new homes, including a mixture of one and two bed apartments and a variety of house sizes. All of the new homes will be affordable, including shared ownership and affordable rent options.

bpha will also deliver three new retail units which will be handed back to the development company (HRMC) and be made available to rent, bringing exciting new amenities to our community and expanding The Farmstead central hub.

Once completed, this space will offer a direct walking route from the existing homes, through The Farmstead and across to Lidl, making it much easier to access new facilities.

Phase 1 update

We recently finished building two small check dams on the Ouzel Brook as part of a sustainable urban drainage scheme. Completing this work allows us to connect the new permissive bridleway (on the southern side of the

brook) with the existing Central Bedfordshire Council bridleway (on the northern side) and has created access to site-wide footpaths.

The bridleway will remain closed for now as we plant new trees, shrubs and reseed the green corridor, but we hope to open it towards the end of spring.

Housebuilders news

Bellway, David Wilson and Stonebond continue to build out their parcels. Bellway has completed parcel three, inspections are underway before the land is handed over to Land Trust who will manage public spaces in the future.

We have engaged contractors to progress footway surfacing along Silver Birch Avenue, Lime Tree Drive and Waterslade Way and expect this work to be completed in spring.

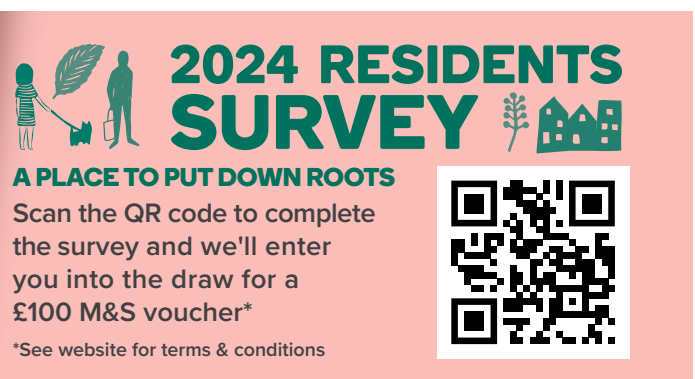
We want to hear from you!

We are launching a resident's survey so you can help shape the future of your community. We want to know what you like about life at Linmere and what you want in the future. Complete the survey to have your say. The survey closes on 29th Feb so be sure to get involved before then.



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A PLACE TO PUT DOWN ROOTS

Scan the QR code to complete the survey and we'll enter you into the draw for a £100 M&S voucher*



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There's been lots happening at The Farmstead too



New Café announcement

We are delighted to share the news a new café will open its doors towards the end of spring. It will provide a new place to meet, eat and drink in the heart of the community and is open to everybody. If you pop into The Farmstead in the next few weeks, you may see things starting to take shape inside the café.

Pop-up news

We are fitting out the remaining retail unit as a pop-up space and hope to fill it with shops and activities in the coming months. The activity and events calendar is ramping up too with everything from keep fit, to street dance taking place, come down and get involved.

Meet the team

Welcome Marlen and Emma to The Farmstead!

Marlen is our new Estates and Community Officer; she works for Land Trust who manage all the green spaces in and around Linmere. Her role is to ensure our green and public spaces stay healthy, tidy and safe and encourage everyone to connect with nature across the community.

Emma also joins the team as Marketing and Community Engagement Manager. She will be organising events and activities over the coming months, plus leading the residents' engagement events.

To reach any members of the Linmere team you can contact them on our new email and telephone details:

Email: community@linmere.co.uk

Telephone: 020 7233 6777



Latest activities and events at The Farmstead

If you are looking for something to do this spring the class schedule at the Community Hall is action packed with everything from fitness classes to children's activities. There's sure to be something to take your fancy, so come down and join in.

Class timetable

Please contact the instructor for more information and to book your place in a class.

Monday

1.45pm Preschool Phonics with Robot Reg and Ruth
Email: ruth@robotreg.co.uk

Tuesday

4.30pm Children's Street Dance with Alicia Muscella
Email: ngdance-collective@outlook.com

5.15pm Junior Musical Theatre with Alicia Muscella
Email: ngdance-collective@outlook.com

Wednesday

6.30pm Lesson in Movement - Feldenkrais Method
Email: info@lessonsinnovement.co.uk

Thursday

7pm FitSteps with Louise
Email: dancefitwithlouise@btinternet.com

7.40pm Hatha Adult Yoga with Joanne
Email: starkidsyogijo@gmail.com

Friday

9:30am Mini Phonics with Robot Reg and Ruth
Email: ruth@robotreg.co.uk

10:30am Preschool Phonics with Robot Reg and Ruth
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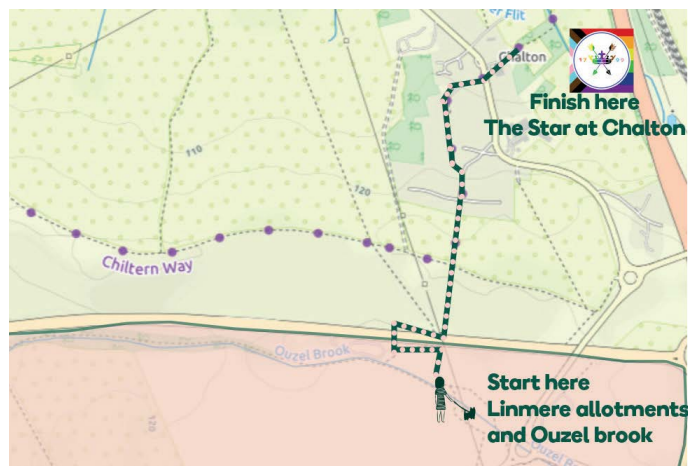
Please get in touch if you run a class or group and would be interested in using the Community Hall email info@linmere.com



Let's get outside

Walking is a great way to get all the family out and about, enjoying fresh air and the beautiful surroundings at Linnere.

If you haven't discovered them already, why not try one of our Linnere Loops. These self-guided walking routes have been tried and tested, so you can enjoy a short, medium or longer walk straight from Linnere Park. You can download a map directly from our website, if you take any photos, please tag us in them and you might even be included in the next newsletter.

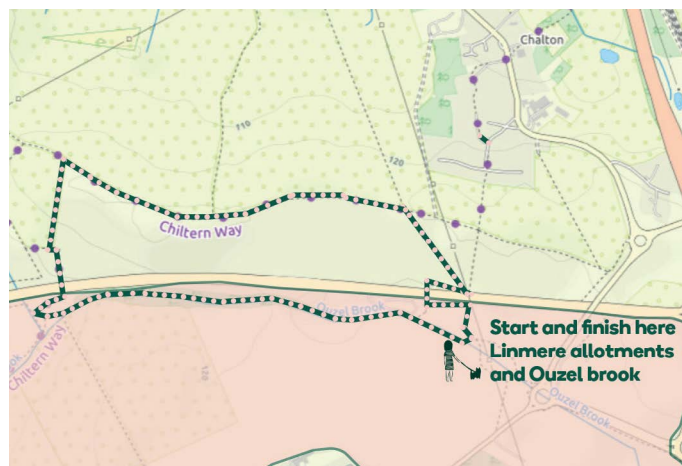


Walk 1: The Star at Chalton

A short walk to The Star pub at Chalton

Distance: 1.56 miles

Difficulty: Level 1



Walk 2: The Chiltern Way

A loop overlooking Linnere and back along the Ouzel Brook

Distance: 2.22 miles

Difficulty: Level 2

Felling more energetic or started the New Year with a fitness goal?

Why not join the running club! The club is led by Olivia, who is based at The Farmstead and meets every Friday morning. You can find all the details on the **Linnere Life Facebook Group**.

Alternatively join our **Dazone PT Circuit Class** that take place in Linnere Park. Sessions offer a mixture of cardio and weight fitness. Sessions run on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 9.45am and 6.45pm. Get in touch with Darren to book: www.bookwhen.com/dazonept



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