

and deliver SHARP.

The “questions & answers” raised are set out in Appendix A for the benefit of the 20 business owners and those who could not make either meetings. Please note we will organise another meeting for the private-rented tenants in January.

■ MS Oakes Ltd’s building operation at 1 – 2 Paget Road and the site compound at Beach Coach Station will be closed from 22 December to 7 January 2007. MS Oakes Ltd and T Gill have been instructed to keep both sites safe. During this time, there should not be anyone on site – except timber treatment between 2 and 7 January. If you spot any problems please call Mark Oakes on 07881-815202 or report to the Emergency Services.

■ Finally, on behalf of SHARP Team, we wish everyone a

Merry Xmas & a Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year.



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■ SHARP Board on 28 November gave the go ahead for the following work to start as part of Year 1 Programme (2006/7) :-

<p><b>23 quality flats for sale/ rent</b> to be created from 5 empty properties – 65 Wellesley Road, 15 Euston Road, 6, 12 &amp; 13 Paget Road.</p>
<p><b>22 residential/ commercial property frontages</b> to be renovated - 15 to 26 and 102 to 111 (consecutive) Wellesley Road.</p>

Subject to final discussions/ agreement with the owners (Planning Permission in one case), work to some will start in the New Year with the others to follow in February/ March 2007. We will make every effort to finish the frontage works before the peak holiday season.

■ Apart from making decisions on major plans and expenditure such as above, SHARP Board keeps an eye on the Project to make sure it stays on track

and maintains progress to deliver what has been promised. The Board is made up of five members :-

Councillor Sue C Lawley	Project Executive, Cabinet Member for Social Policy
Councillor Bert Collins	Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Mike Taylor	Ward Councillor
Malcolm Bird	Tourist Board
Mark Burns	Head of Housing Needs & Welfare Services

■ Things are also shaping up on other fronts :-

▣ Building work on Pilot 1 – 2 Paget Road has started. The operation will tell us essential work not easily revealed by surveys, problems that may arise, pricing, and, the best way to do the work in occupied premises. This will benefit the rest of the programme and help minimise disruption to residents.

This means we are on track to open our new Area Office and Show Home at 1 – 2 Paget Road in March 2007. It will be so much easier and convenient for you

to meet us and play your part in the planning and delivery of SHARP.

▣ The Contractors' (MS Oakes Ltd and T Gill) site compound on Beach Coach Station is now almost complete and operational.

▣ SHARP Team is now fully staffed – with the recent arrival of Michael Tabbitt (Contract Administrator) and Bill Smith (Project Accountant). Mike will soon be approaching owners to discuss how their property could be improved.

▣ With the Property Survey complete, the findings are being examined to establish the scale of work required for the area as a whole, and thus, how much grant we could afford to offer individual properties. The Survey has also given us the information we need to put the Year 1 Programme together. (See above)

▣ We are calling on residents interested in taking up a career/jobs in construction to lookout for "Build Great Yarmouth" - a new training initiative developed by Norfolk Guidance Service, in

partnership with SHARP, Construction Training Specialist, T Gill and MS Oakes Ltd. If popular, it could develop a pool of skilled labour to meet the recruitment needs of contractors including those involved in Great Yarmouth's major projects over the next few years.

■ We wish to thank all those who came to meet us on 2 November (business owners) and 9 November (property owners).

Due to poor timing, quite a few of the 20 business owners at the first meeting felt they did not have enough time to ask questions. We would like to offer our sincere apologies and another session in January as a follow-up.

Learning our lessons from the first meeting, we changed the agenda and presentation for the second – allowing an hour for "questions & answers." As a result, the response was very positive. Almost all of the 25 property owners in attendance contributed to a very constructive discussion and a few have expressed an interest in helping us plan