

# Blacket Newsletter: 7th February 2008

## **Communications 1: The Website**

The new Blacket website is scheduled to go live this week at [www.blacketedin.org](http://www.blacketedin.org) With an illustrated history section - to which contributions are invited - plus info on the Association, Neighbourhood Watch, Planning and Local Facilities, we hope the Blacket website will become a standard resource for new and existing residents and a useful means of sharing relevant material. Comments and suggestions will be welcomed via the site.

## **Membership of the Blacket Association**

While on this occasion this printed Newsletter is being circulated to all premises within Blacket Place and Avenue, Mayfield Terrace, Dryden Place and Alfred Place, we know some residents are not yet members of the Association or have let their membership lapse. If you are one of these and want to join or rejoin, the annual fee is £5 and there is a membership form on the website, or you can simply contact Ian Lewis, our Treasurer at 27 Mayfield Terrace.

## **Communications 2: Emailing You**

As discussed at the last AGM, the second part of the Association's strategy for improving information flow, is the compilation of an email register covering those within Blacket who are content to receive Neighbourhood Watch alerts, future Blacket Newsletters or other relevant Association communications, in this way. If you would like this service and have not already returned a form, can you please complete and submit the tear-off slip below, so we can try to ensure you are kept fully informed in the future?

## **Alfred Place Development Site**

Information about a proposed new development of sheltered housing and a Nursing Home on the site of the former Rowans Nursing Home was circulated in November from drawings and information provided by the architects. Affected residents expressed considerable concerns about the size, height, layout and inappropriate design & materials of those proposals and a meeting with the architects & site owner was held in December to express & discuss the issues.

The architects undertook to consider the comments and modify their proposals where possible, and we understand that revised proposals are being considered by the owner. Until these proposals are known it will not be possible to assess how far they address the concerns raised. A group of residents, led by Austin Flynn from Alfred Place, has been formed to actively engage in the further consultations. Further information will be made available on the website, but if you wish to contribute to the discussions please forward me your email address to pass on to Austin Flynn.

Ian Carter Secretary, 7 February 2008