

# Work set to begin at pub

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WORK is set to begin on developing the site of a former public house turning it into luxury apartments and homes.

A transformation of the former Fox and Crane site on Weddington Road is set to take place very soon.

Rumours were circulating that AR Cartwright Ltd, who had acquired the site after the pub closed down, had sold the land.

But Andrew Cartwright from the construction firm, confirmed to the Nuneaton News that the grounds were still owned by them and work was set to begin very soon.

Planning permission was granted for the site by Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council back in November last year.

This will see the former pub building extended and turned into six luxury apartments and then a further 18 houses created on the grounds.

Andrew Cartwright said: "We still have the site, recently we took down the sign and replaced it with one of our own.

"We have now got planning permission and intend to convert the existing building into apartments.

"The old extension will be coming down and a new extension created and that will form six apartments and then the rest of the site will be developed with homes in the grounds.

"We got planning approval in November last year and although we have no timescale, work is set to begin very soon.

"Anyone who would like further information about the site and the development can contact our offices."

The Fox and Crane pulled its last pint more than a year ago after it closed in January 2008.

It continued trading over the Christmas period of 2007 and then shut down. AR Cartwright Ltd snapped up the land for development.

The Fox and Crane was known to many in Nuneaton as Weddington Grove and it first became a public house in 1934.

The building was once a private house that was part of the Weddington Estate.

For further information about the Fox and Crane development can contact AR Cartwright Ltd on 024 7638 5912.

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