

Application made to regenerate Roehampton!

Our last newsletter provided information on the exhibition showing the latest plans for regenerating Roehampton. This took place from 14-31 July.

A number of very useful comments were received and these were all carefully considered before finalising, and submitting, a planning application earlier this month.

The proposals represent an exciting opportunity to improve and enhance Roehampton and will give a considerable boost to the area in terms of shopping, housing, community uses and employment opportunities as well as improving the overall appearance of central Roehampton.

The proposals include:

- a) a new landscaped public square for outside community events and perhaps a small market, similar in size to the existing 'green', with active street frontages to all new buildings around this public space;
- b) a new medium-sized food supermarket designed to ensure that a lot more local expenditure on food shopping is retained within the area. It will generate greater footfall in Danebury Avenue which in turn will generate more business for the smaller traders who will occupy the other retail units;
- c) new retail units for existing traders to move into before their existing premises are demolished;
- d) a new library, café and community facility to be positioned at the focal point of existing streets (ie, the junction of Roehampton Lane, Roehampton High Street and Danebury Avenue) to encourage visitors from the north and south of Roehampton Lane;
- e) the overall amount of residential accommodation to increase from the 87 residential units there at the moment to 281 units;
- f) approximately one third of the units would be affordable housing to provide a choice and mix of housing in the centre of Roehampton and so as to be able to offer current residents in the area the opportunity of moving back into the finished development;
- g) two thirds of the housing to be provided would be private housing, in order to improve the overall mix and choice of housing in Roehampton. If practicable, the council will investigate options to assist local residents to acquire units in the completed scheme;



Artist's impression of the new landscaped square with the library, and its café, in the background.

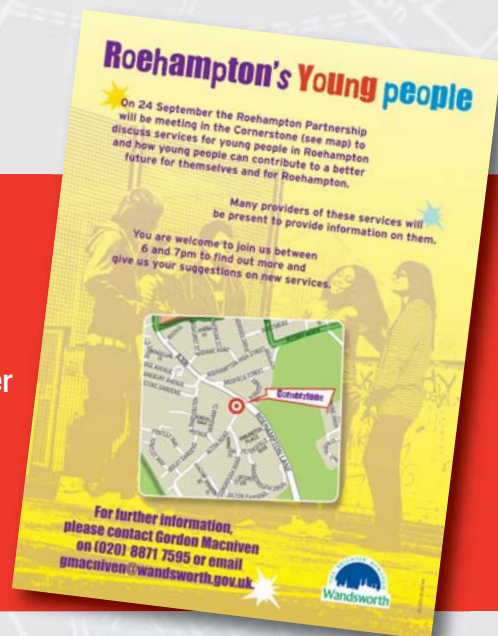
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- h) new residential units would have private amenity space and access to shared communal space. Additional amenity space would be provided by balconies;
- i) a secondary public space would link this development with the new sports centre and university;
- j) the boys' club would be relocated to a position close to the Roehampton Sport and Fitness Centre and University to maximise the potential for sharing facilities;
- k) the amount of employment generating space would triple;
- l) other employment generating space (including a health centre, if this is required by the Wandsworth Primary Care Trust);
- m) all new commercial units would be serviced from Danebury Avenue and the new supermarket would be serviced by means of an enclosed loading bay from Danebury Avenue with no reversing required on Danebury Avenue;
- n) domestic refuse collection would be from street frontages;
- o) buildings would rise to a maximum of six storeys and the new blocks would follow the existing urban grain along Danebury Avenue and step down at the edges to reduce the impact on day-lighting;
- p) all parking would be provided at basement or at first floor level; and
- q) buses will continue to run through the square but the impact would be reduced by a 'home zone' treatment to the surface.

We expect a decision on the application in January and will, of course, keep you updated.

Roehampton Partnership

The Roehampton Partnership meets about four times a year to discuss a range of matters relating to Roehampton. They held a very successful 'special' meeting on the evening of 24 September to discuss services for young people in Roehampton. The first part of the meeting, held at the Cornerstone, was open to the public and many came along to find out more about the services that are available and to make suggestions for new ones.



Roehampton regeneration office

In order to assist the regeneration process, and to provide a local presence, Gordon Macniven, the Roehampton Regeneration Manager, will be opening an office at 166 Roehampton Lane (the SureStart building) this month. He can be contacted there on (020) 8789 4458 or at the Town Hall on (020) 8871 7595. His email at both locations is gmacniven@wandsworth.gov.uk. Please get in touch if you have any queries relating to the regeneration programme or any other aspect of life and work in Roehampton.

Enterprising Roehampton Awards

Wandsworth Council and Roehampton University are organising this year's awards and are very grateful to www.knowledgeconnect.org.uk (an innovation support programme, providing mentoring and financial assistance to small businesses) for their sponsorship. This newsletter contains a nomination form and a fold-up freepost envelope. We now need nominations for local individuals or businesses that you think deserve recognition for their enterprise. Closing date for receipt of nominations is 24 October and the awards will be presented at a ceremony to be held at Roehampton University on 18 November. Please spend a few minutes completing a nomination!

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The Enterprising Roehampton Awards were inaugurated in 2007 to recognise and reward entrepreneurial activity in Roehampton. Please nominate businesses or individuals you think are worthy of such recognition. You may make nominations in as many categories as you wish. The closing date for nominations is **24 October 2008**.

1. Community

(eg, a person/organisation contributing to the wellbeing of the community)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

2. Education

(eg, a school that has shown entrepreneurial spirit/inspirational learning opportunities)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

3. Sport

(eg, a successful sports team or individual sportsperson)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

4. Environment

(eg, a business or individual helping the environment)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

5. Catering

(eg, a café or pub serving excellent food)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

6. Young Entrepreneur

(eg, an enterprising young business person)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

7. Best Customer Service

(eg, a shop or business that provides excellent customer care)

Name and contact details of your nominee

Reasons for nomination

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