

Housing and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee

15th November 2018

Alton Regeneration Update







Report Overview

The report provides an update on the Alton Estate regeneration scheme and asks the committee to:

- Note the consultation and phasing update and progress of the hybrid planning application by Redrow Homes which is due to be submitted in January 2019
- Note the latest financial position on the scheme.
- Agree to reallocate £548,000 of capital expenditure to support the provision of Youth Services in Roehampton.







Background

October 2012 Consultation begins on proposals for Roehampton.

October 2014 Council approves the Alton Area Masterplan following 18 months of extensive consultation.

September 2015 Council decides to begin procurement of a development partner.

October 2015 Roehampton Supplementary Planning Document is adopted by the Council after

consultation.

January 2017 Councils selects Redrow Homes as development partner.

June 2017 Regeneration Agreement with Redrow signed.

July 2017 Preparation starts on the hybrid masterplan and a detailed planning application.

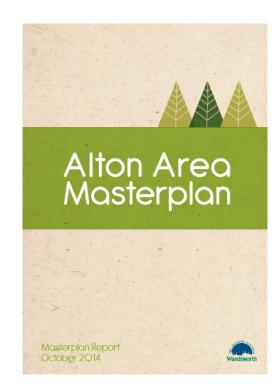






Council's Masterplan Principles

- Improve the two local centres (Danebury Avenue and Portswood Place).
- Replace poor quality homes
- Improve community facilities at the two local centres
- Provide new job and training opportunities
- Improve connections through the estate
- Repair streets, public spaces and pedestrian links
- High-quality landscape through the estate
- Reveal the highest qualities of the estate's heritage features







Consultation Timeline



February – April 2014	Masterplan preferred option consultation
April – May 2015	Supplementary Planning Document: six week options consultation, and an eight week period of preferred option consultation.
July – Sept 2017	Roehampton Festival, public exhibition, 14 workshops, open events and range of direct engagement with stakeholder groups.
May - June 2018	Public exhibition, pop ups across the estate, one to ones with impacted tenants, targeted youth consultation.
September 2018	Roehampton Festival – Alton Green scheme exhibition.
November 2018	Bus Turn-Around and Alton Activity Centre drop-in's for residents in the neighbouring blocks.
Jan 2019	Statement of Community Involvement submitted with planning application – which will clearly show how comments and suggestions received have informed design development.









Key Resident commitments

- Secure tenancy maintained for existing secure tenants
- New build council properties which meet residents assessed housing need
- New build properties under shared equity for resident leaseholders
- One move policy for all residents
- Properties built to Mayor of London's standards













- 1,103 homes in main intervention area
- 158 replacement homes at council rent
- 68 Shared Equity/Intermediate homes to ensure homeowners can stay in the area
- 23% affordable by unit and 27% by Habitable room
- Net 30 additional Council Rent homes and 98 affordable homes overall
- Inclusion of satilite sites at Bessborough and Fontley 25% affordable by unit and 30% by habitable room.
- Of the private homes, all one bed and majority of two beds to be within a price range for Help to Buy.









Planning Application

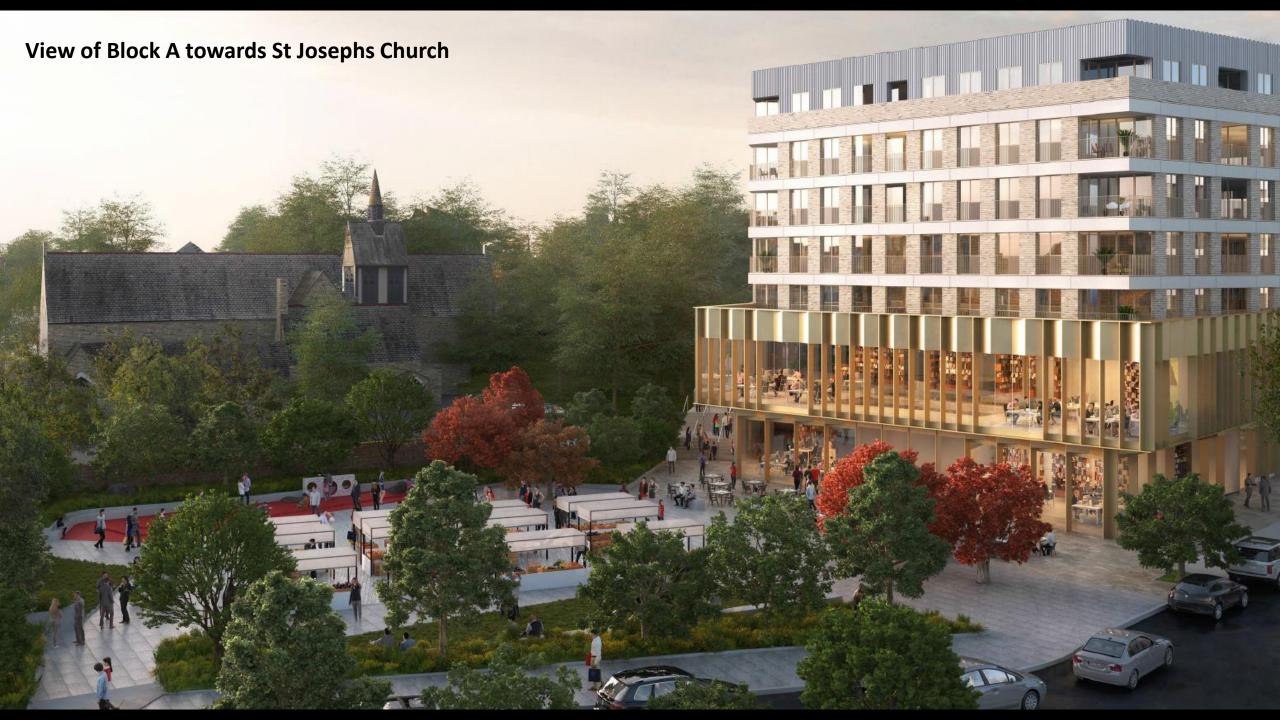
- Hybrid planning application will establish the overarching principles of the masterplan.
- It will contain:
 - a detailed element (approximately 60% of the residential units)
 - an outline element which will be subject to "reserved matters" applications at future dates and be guided by a Design Code
- Separate application for the refurbishment of the Minstead Gardens bungalows.









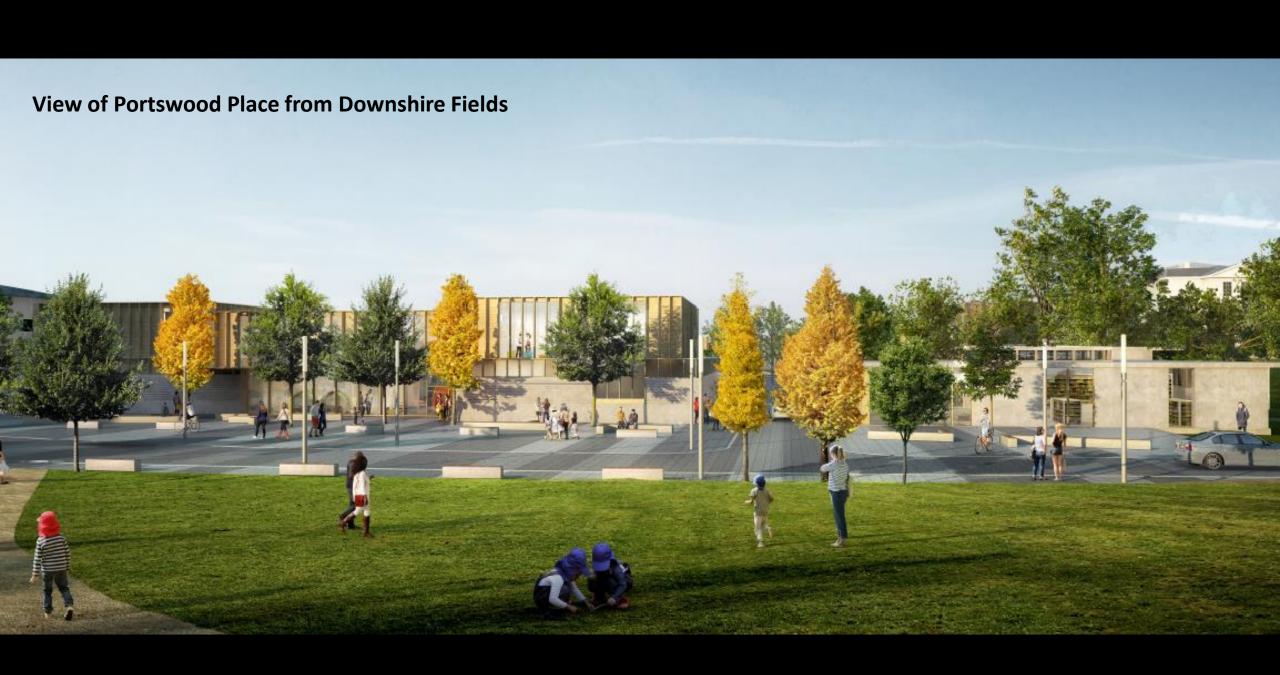




















Bessborough Road

- Will provide ten two and three bedroom properties (five maisonettes and five apartments).
- Estimated Start on site Spring 2019







Fontley way

- Feasibility Stage 12 to 14 three and four bedroom maisonettes to meet decant need.
- Planning submission early 2019
- Estimated Start on site Autumn 2019







Phasing and Programme

Planning Application Submitted	Jan 2019
Satellite Sites	2019 - 2020
Phase 1 (inc Block A)	2020 - 2022
Alton Activity Centre complete	2020
Minstead Gardens	2020 - 2022
Phase 2	2022 - 2026
 Portswood Place complete 	2023
Phase 3	2026 – 2029









Financial Model

- Regeneration Agreement sets out:
 - > Partnership principles
 - How viability will be determined
 - Council requirements including replacement homes which the Council are funding, and the community and commercial facilities which are a development cost
- Financial Model to be agreed with Redrow before planning submitted (this is unrelated to planning viability)
- Updated Financial Model based on the latest scheme has been developed. The Model is still being finalised but provides an updated position at todays costs and values
- A review of the draft model concludes that despite scheme changes, rising costs and flat values, the overall scheme remains viable in line with the Regeneration Agreement
- Further refinement and auditing of the model is required before planning submission
- Once audited, the cost plan and model will be the new baseline when moving forward.







Youth Service Provision

Executive approved in September 2018 a new approach to the provision of services for young people in Roehampton following consultation:

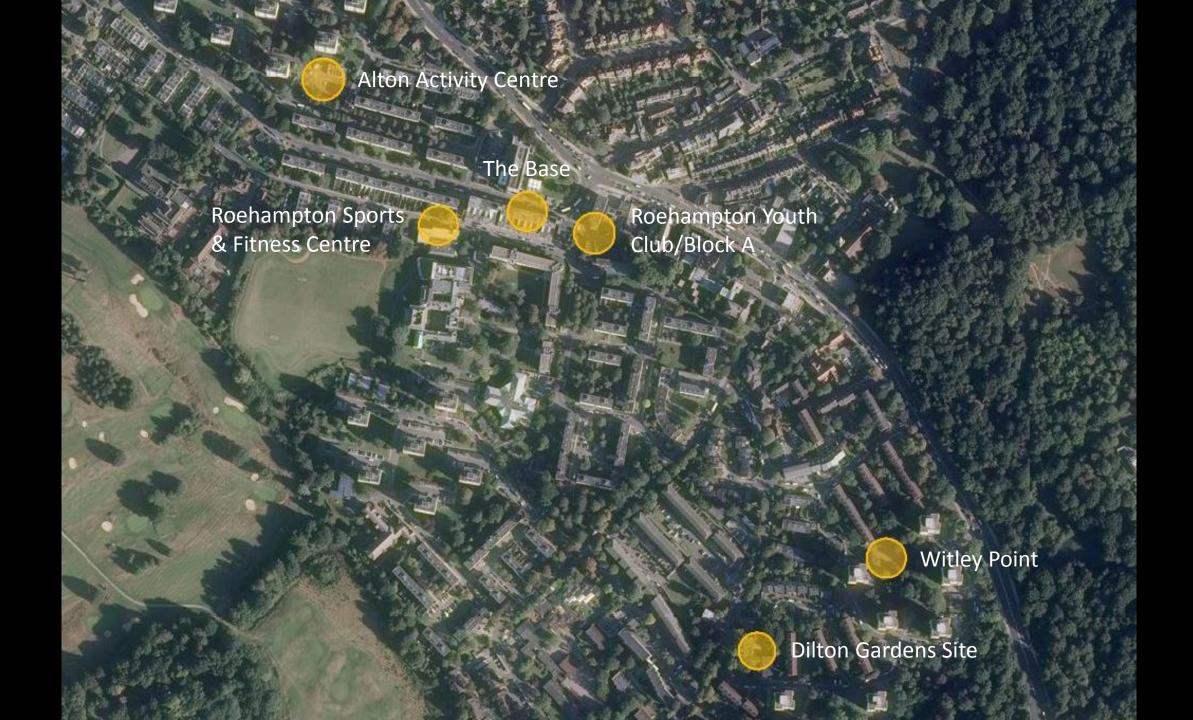
- Relocating core activities from the Roehampton Youth Club to the Base before moving into Block A.
- Re-design the play space at the Alton Activity Centre to provide a multi-use games area and improved play facilities for all ages.
- Improving access with existing leisure facilities (including the existing leisure centre)
- Outreach via mobile provision to remote parts of the estate and established community settings

The committee is asked to agree to reallocate £548,000 to support new model:

- Reconfiguration of the existing Base facility to provide wider range of activities (£195k)
- Mobile van/mini bus to support outreach (£103k)
- Improving/re-purposing play offer at Witley Point MUGA in Alton East (£250k)









Key Next Steps

January 2019 Hybrid Planning application submitted.

January 2019 Resident consultation on Fontley Way satellite site.

February 2019 Reconfiguration of the Base complete.

February/March 2019 Submission of planning application for Fontley Way site.

Spring 2019 Construction begins at Bessborough Road satellite site.

Autumn 2019 Construction begins at Fontley Way satellite site (subject to planning approval).

January 2020 Construction begins on Phase 1 of the main scheme (subject to planning approval).



