

ALTON AREA MASTERPLAN

PREFERRED OPTION CONSULTATION

THE ALTON AREA MASTERPLAN HAS PROGRESSED FURTHER FOLLOWING THE PREFERRED OPTION CONSULTATION.

During the February to April period we presented the Masterplan Preferred Option for your community and you gave your feedback in a variety of ways including:



- Speaking to the masterplanning team when they called at every property directly affected by redevelopment.
 These properties are on Danebury and Harbridge Avenues, Kingsclere Close and Portswood Place
- Responding to the questionnaire included with the option booklet delivered to homes, community groups and businesses on the Alton estate
- Attending the open day event held in March and speaking with members of the GVA and Studio Egret West team
- Attending the 8 drop-in sessions at Roehampton
 Library where the display boards were presented and
 the masterplanning team were available to discuss
 the plans
- Responding to the masterplanning e-newsletters, updates in the Roehampton Voice magazine and council publications including Homelife and Brightside
- Speaking to the masterplanning team during the tailored appointments with Danebury, Portswood Place and Petersfield Rise businesses
- Speaking to the team at 37 local community meetings and events including voluntary community groups, older person meetings, school open days, youth group sessions and other non statutory bodies





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WHAT YOU TOLD US

Below is a brief summary of the feedback you gave us during the consultation. For a more detailed analysis please see the Preferred Option Consultation report available in the library or online at: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/roehampton

Danebury Avenue Centre

- The library and community space are the most popular suggestions for inclusion in an arts and community centre
- Services and activities for younger people are important for wider community
- There is strong support for an improved retail offer
- There are concerns about the densities and heights of new buildings as well as on going maintenance of blocks
- There are reservations about the inclusion of student housing
- Arts, leisure and entertainment offer must be affordable and accessible
- The majority of residents currently living in town centre would like to be rehoused at the same end of Danebury Avenue
- Access to outside space is important for most residents but preferences for type of space vary (balcony, communal garden, private garden)





Higher Quality Housing -Harbridge Avenue

- There is general support for targeted housing redevelopment
- Re-housing all current council tenants is important and necessary
- Better designed internal and external space is a priority, especially for families
- Residents want further information about the design and layout of proposed properties
- Harbridge residents are concerned about inadequate kitchen space, damp and anti-social behaviour in current blocks
- Kingsclere residents are concerned about retention of private gardens

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A New Alton Park

- Investment in the park is supported, especially by families
- Upgraded play areas, which are integrated into green space, are the most popular proposal
- Important to improve Bull Green whilst ensuring that it does not become overdeveloped

A Revitalised Park Centre

- There is support for the inclusion of Portswood Place in the proposals, not just the town centre
- The most popular proposals for inclusion in the centre are GP/Primary health care, convenience shopping, exercise facilities and café
- There are concerns about how traffic and parking in Portswood Place will be addressed
- The majority of sheltered residents support the plans for new accommodation
- Priorities for new sheltered accommodation include gardens, more internal space and noise reduction measures being implemented
- There is support for retention of community facilities for younger people at Portswood Place







Transport and Connections

- Potential users of the Portswood Place centre support the idea of more pedestrian connections through to this end of the estate
- Better management and monitoring of cyclists is requested to address the expected increase in cyclists using the pedestrian links
- The proposed new gate to Richmond Park is popular, especially with families, but concerns about noise and opening times have been raised by Tunworth Crescent residents
- Generally residents supported the proposal to increase the frequency of the 72 bus, especially at peak and rush hour times.
- There is support to move the buses away from the new nursery as well as concerns that a new turnaround may result in a loss of green space

Many of you supported proposals to extend the K3 route through the Alton and through the Highcliffe barrier but there was opposition from the Alton Primary School and Tunworth residents to the Danebury Avenue barrier being opened at set times.

We consequently confirmed that proposed changes to the traffic barrier at Danebury Avenue will not be included in the final masterplan.

The proposal to open the Highcliffe Drive barrier will also not be taken forward in the masterplan, but given the estate's lack of public transport access we will continue to explore options to extend the K3 route with Transport for London.



NEXT STEPS

Following the close of the preferred option stage of formal consultation the Masterplan team have assessed the consultation feedback received from the local community.

The final masterplan is expected to be presented for Council approval in September 2014.

Once the final masterplan is completed, residents and local stakeholders can learn more about it by:

- Viewing the plans online at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/roehampton
- Reading the information sent to every property on the Alton and available at the Western Area Housing Office and Roehampton library
- Viewing the final masterplan presentation on display in Roehampton library
- Contacting a member of the masterplanning team on 020 8871 6207 or Roehampton@wandsworth.gov.uk





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