

KNOWLE WEST

Regeneration Framework

Development of the plans

Knowle West Future Conference, September 2009.

Almost 100 people attended, including:

- local residents
- community representatives and
- council representatives.

The outcome of was a “Vision” for the future of Knowle West. This is finalised as: “A community full of confidence and pride, skilled and healthy, living in a thriving Bristol neighbourhood that is green and well connected and low in living costs.”

This vision includes 13 Objectives, which outline improvements wanted for Knowle West. (See related documents on www.bristol.gov.uk/kwrf).

The Knowle West Team, comprising of local residents and local stakeholders, was established. They guided the development of ideas shown at the first round of public consultation. The Knowle West Residents Planning Group, have been representing local residents. They have been active in helping develop ideas and proposals consulted upon.

Knowle West Futures Exhibition, September 2009.

An exhibition for local people at the Filwood Funday, presenting the work from the Futures Conference. Work explained the Knowle West objectives and vision and tested its support. Strong support for the objectives and vision was received by local people.

The Knowle West Media ran a ‘video booth’ - where local people had their say on the future of Knowle West. View this at: www.knowlewest.co.uk/gallery/videos/kw-futures-exhibition/



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Workshops, September – November 2009

The Knowle West Team met a number of times following the 'Futures Exhibition'. They started to consider how the area could be best designed, to deliver the Knowle West Vision and Objectives. This involved considering the best places for improvements like new employment locations, new education and community facilities, new housing, and better open green spaces.

Knowle West Conversations, November 2009

These were consultation events across a number of community venues in Knowle West. Local people were invited to comment on ideas for their area. These ideas for Knowle West were developed by the Knowle West team. The comments from residents at this event were taken and developed further for the next stage of consultation.

October and November 2010 public consultation

This presented five different options for Knowle West ranging from doing nothing to significant redevelopment. The aim was to understand local views on a range of important issues, including:

- new housing
- employment
- transport
- shops
- parks and
- community facilities.

Options demonstrate how the area could be positively transformed based on different levels of investment. The highest level of investment would deliver the most improvement and change. Where as, the lowest level of investment the fewest improvements. Plans also considered the Knowle West "Vision" and "Objectives" support by local people during events in 2009.

CONFERENCE 8 SEPTEMBER

FUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

WORKSHOP A 29 SEPTEMBER



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Study Tours

There have been a number of tours to help inform the Knowle West Regeneration plans. Aimed at residents, officers and the board, they were to help learn about other physical regeneration projects. These, include:

The Campus (Locking Castle, Weston-super-Mare)

A multi-use community building, on the 10,000 home Locking Castle estate. This included a presentation on the building development and how the local community has been involved. Visit: www.the-campus.org.uk.

Stonebridge Estate (London)

A high-rise estate that had a reputation for being hostile and suffering severe deprivation. Rebuilt with low to medium rise housing, it has well-defined streets based around a new local centre with community and shopping facilities. Visit: www.stonebridgehat.org.uk

Upper Horfield Regeneration project

A recent new housing development, by the not-for-profit housing association, Bristol Community Housing Foundation. The Foundation is recognised for its community based regeneration projects. For more information visit: www.bchf.co.uk and <http://www.creatingexcellence.org.uk/regeneration-renewal-article235-p1.html> at the Creating Excellence website.

