

# THE COMMUNITY VISION

The outcome of the previous consultation with local people, which started in September 2009, is an agreed community vision for Knowle West:

“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.”

...and 13 agreed main improvements to achieve this 20 year vision:



## 1 Raise income through employment

- Provide skills training programmes & facilities particularly for young people
- Develop employer placements programme
- Create local jobs, small businesses and home based employment opportunities
- Lower cost and better services for journeys to work



## 5 Develop and improve primary school provision

- Raise achievement levels
- Give kids the best start
- Have community centred schools



## 10 Improve access to low cost transport

- Provide a network of safe pedestrian, cycle & bus routes to neighbourhood centres
- Easier and safer pedestrian, cycle & bus routes to centres outside KW
- Easy access to public transport (within 10 minutes walk)



## 2 Improve health and well-being

- Provide locally accessible health facilities
- Develop improved health & lifestyle education offer
- Keep and improve the Health Park



## 6 Reinforce a close-knit neighbourhood

- Network of centres for health, shops, leisure, training, business
- Provide neighbourhood events spaces



## 11 Public and community initiatives in advance of private investment

- Establish a community trust to deliver local projects
- Local priorities for section 106 monies from developers (monies which developers have to provide as part of receiving planning permission)



## 3 Widen local choice of housing size and tenure

- Add up to 2,000 new homes
- Deliver high environmental standards
- Offer a wide range of prices and types
- Give priority to private & family housing
- Have dispersed sites (lots of sites across the area)
- Homes within a 10 minute walk to primary schools and local neighbourhood centres



## 7 Access safe, ecologically rich, open space

- Provide 2 activity parks
- Provide 5 new play spaces
- Build and improve walking and cycle network



## 12 Improve arts and culture

- Provide inspiring places through cultural programmes and arts projects
- Provide a wide range of opportunities for all to get involved in sport (indoor/ outdoor)



## 4 Refurbish existing housing stock

- Increase floor space of homes through extensions
- Reduce energy costs of homes
- Improve front gardens, streets and parks (encourage 'Do It Yourself' streets improvement programmes)



## 8 Pride of Place

- Develop 'Knowle West style' for new homes
- Celebrate our history
- Keep, improve and extend open landscape
- Develop an urban forest (including orchards and edible street trees)
- Have 3 to 4 storey houses in areas that will undergo change (similar to building heights in the Bedminster area)



## 13 Develop play and youth facilities by planning with young people

- Provide a range of indoor and outdoor play facilities within walking distance
- Provide a range of facilities for young people developed with them, and in walking distance to homes



## 9 Build a future-proof community

- Help to build a strong community able to cope with climate change, shortage of energy supply and economic recession
- Support low carbon living
- Support local food production



## Additional Improvement

Added by the Knowle West Project Board: Move Knowle West further towards getting its own secondary school by increasing the number of people living in the area.