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

2. **Improve health and well-being**
   - Provide locally accessible health facilities
   - Develop improved health & lifestyle education offer
   - Keep and improve the Health Park

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

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)

5. **Develop and improve primary school provision**
   - Raise achievement levels
   - Give kids the best start
   - Have community central schools

6. **Reinforce a close-knit neighbourhood**
   - Network of centres for health, shops, leisure, training, business
   - Provide neighbourhood events spaces

7. **Access safe, ecologically rich, open space**
   - Provide 2 activity parks
   - Provide 5 new play spaces
   - Build and improve walking and cycle network

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)

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

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)

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)

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)

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

**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.