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City Design Initiative

We are improving how we link our specialist skills with the local knowledge of community groups:

Community Involvement We use a range of techniques to engage Bristol's communities in shaping quality places.

Know Your Place

We created an award-winning online resource to help local people understand the historic development of their neighbourhoods www.bristol.gov.uk/knowyourplace.

Design Bristol

We developed Design Bristol — an online community that is passionate about the future design of our city and its neighbourhoods www.designbristol.ning.com.

WARM exhibition

We presented the 'WARM' exhibition at the Bristol Architecture Centre. This showcased affordable and practical ways of making older houses more energy efficient.

Public Realm and Movement Framework

We are working on a Public Realm and Movement Framework for the city centre. This looks at how people will move around in the future and what could be done to improve streets and public spaces.



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WARM exhibition at the Architecture Centre

The purpose of the initiative is to achieve better urban design in all our neighbourhoods. Poor urban design can lead to long-term environmental, social and economic costs. Good design creates places where people want to live, work, learn, invest and spend their leisure time. Sustainable urban design can also help us tackle the challenges of climate change and peak oil.

We are working within the Council to improve awareness of the value of good urban design. We recognise that the design of buildings, streets, parks and neighbourhoods matters to Bristol's communities. We will develop this approach, enabling community groups to consider what good urban design means locally.

We aim to improve how the Council integrates urban design within its projects. We are working with community groups to deepen our collective understanding of our historic environment.

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