

## WANDSWORTH COUNCIL'S ALTON ESTATE REGENERATION IS GIVEN GREEN LIGHT BY THE MAYOR

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Wandsworth Council is now set to begin work on its ambitious regeneration of the Alton Estate in Roehampton. Proposals for the area include a variety of homes across a range of sizes and tenures, purpose-built community space, additional retail space, modern GP facilities and an accessible hub for new businesses.

Work has already started on delivering high-quality new council homes on the Alton with the completion of 10 homes at McKinney House in September 2021. A further 14 new council homes will also be delivered at Fontley Way, with work due to commence within weeks. Both of these projects were subject to separate planning applications.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Ravi Govindia, said:

"In Wandsworth, we believe that developments are about much more than simply bricks and mortar and the Alton estate regeneration is a prime example of that. In November last year, we launched a revised Community Engagement Strategy to encourage and enable residents to get involved in improving and helping to shape the future of their community. We are hosting a range of activities including community outreach programmes, events to promote health and wellbeing and arts, culture and heritage projects

"We have never wavered in our commitment to improving the community of Roehampton and I am delighted that we have finally received the green light from the Mayor of London."

The Mayor of London has now confirmed he is content for the London Borough of Wandsworth to determine the planning application for the longawaited regeneration of the Alton Estate in Roehampton, SW15.

The proposed transformative regeneration of the estate has strong local support and was resolved to be approved by the Council's own Planning Committee by 9 votes to 1, with cross-party support in October 2020, subject to a final decision of the Mayor.

Councillor Jonathan Cook, Cabinet Member for Housing, said:

"We welcome this positive news and are pleased that the Mayor has recognised the overall benefit this scheme will provide to Roehampton. By regenerating this area, we are able to deliver a variety of new homes that are designed to be accessible and adaptable, with access to private outdoor space. Alongside the new community facilities, shops and a modern GP practice, this scheme will truly transform this area and people's lives.

"We can now start the process of seeking a new development partner and give residents some much needed certainty about the delivery of this long-awaited regeneration"