



Update on new Market Square design

As we updated you in our last newsletter, we have been working with members of the Purfleet-on-Thames community on the design for the new Market Square.

The Market Square will be located to the west of the railway station, which will be upgraded as part of Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited's (PCRL) £1.4bn regeneration of the town centre. It will provide a shared space for the local community as well as a pedestrian connection to the upgraded train station.

At the beginning of April, the PCRL team presented updated plans to the Purfleet-on-Thames Community Design Panel and also hosted a public consultation event online.

Purfleet-on-Thames resident, Gail Lawson said:

"As a new member of the Design Panel I attended my first meeting regarding the vision for the town square recently. I found the whole experience inspiring, hearing Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited's interpretation of the issues and ideas that came out of the last online meeting, followed by a workshop where we discussed and put down our own ideas about what we wanted to see and what we thought would benefit the community in the new town square."

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Thank you to everyone who has attended one of these events and has helped to shape how the new Market Square will look and how it will be used by Purfleet-on-Thames residents and visitors.

Some initial ideas are to use the Market Square for market days and pop-up events and to include an informal play space, flexible seating areas and shops and cafes. The design will reflect the local area and could include pavement motifs, planters and distinctive building materials in keeping with Purfleet-on-Thames' history.



Progress continues on Phase 1A of the regeneration scheme



This phase will create 61 new spacious two, three and four bedroom homes, which have now started to be built close to the railway station.

The initial phase also includes a new children's play area and an orchard walk that will reinstate public access to Hollow Woods, creating a gateway to the regenerated Purfleet-on-Thames.

We are also progressing the wider masterplan that will create 2,850 new, high-quality homes alongside a vibrant town centre with shops, community amenities including a new health centre, improved railway station and transport facilities.

The PCRL team has achieved approval for the Reserved Matters Planning Application for the designs for the roads and highways along with technical details, such as drainage, within Phase 1. These roads will define and provide access to further sub-phases of the development.

We have also submitted a Planning Application with detailed proposed designs for the new London Road and bridge and an application to allow for a temporary road diversion during the construction of this part of the scheme.

Read more about this at www.OurPurfleet.com





Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations



Purfleet-on-Thames Community Forum is taking part in the national celebrations for the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee (2 June 2022)**, with an afternoon and evening of entertainment to unite communities in the borough.

The town crier will make a proclamation of the event in the central atrium of Lakeside Shopping Centre at 2pm, surrounded by a display of silk flags representing Purfleet-on-Thames past and present.

In Purfleet-on-Thames, there will be a children's fancy dress street party, live music, face painters and other entertainment, complemented with food, art and craft stalls and lots more.

The evening will conclude with the lighting of the Purfleet-on-Thames Beacon, to join with more than 1,500 beacons that will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories, followed by a fantastic firework finale.



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