



AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

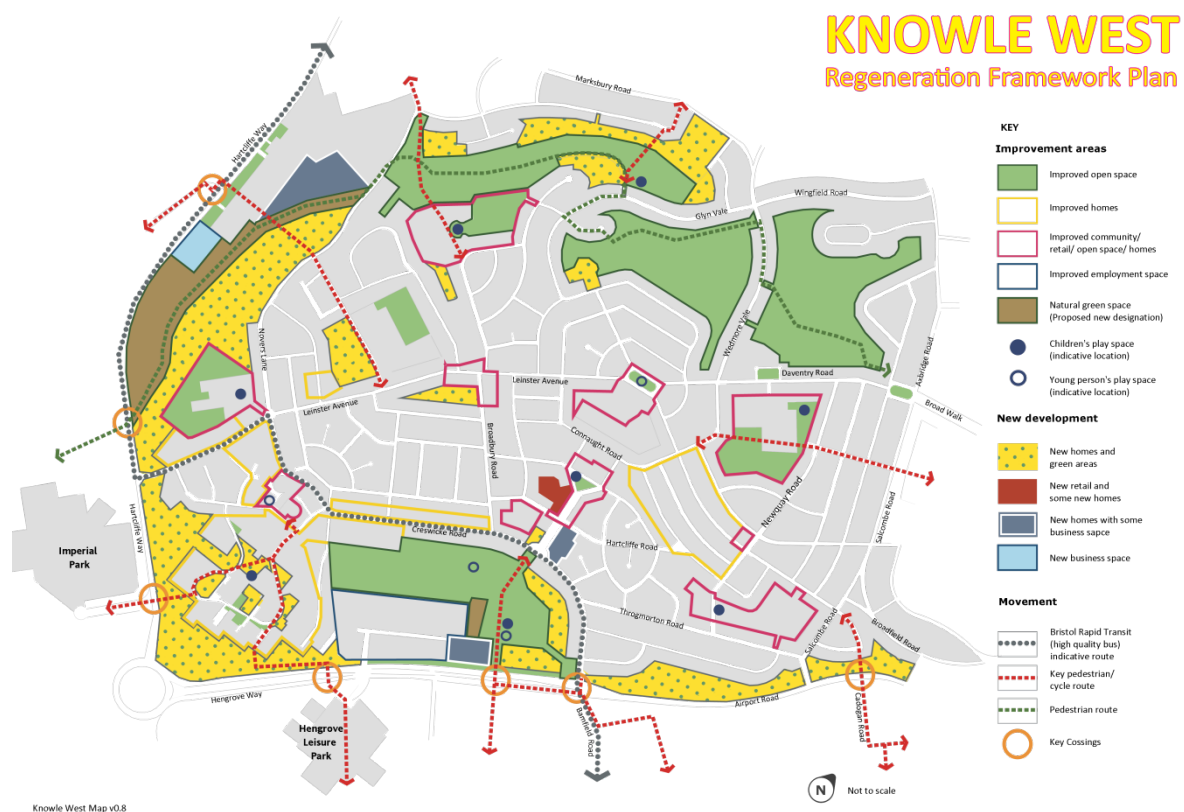
FILWOOD, KNOWLE AND WINDMILL HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP 12 JANUARY 2016

Title: Knowle West Regeneration Framework Update

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RECOMMENDATION

To note the progress on the Knowle West Regeneration Framework



The agreed Knowle West Regeneration Framework has many aspects, including:

- **Filwood Green Business Park** – The Filwood Green Business Park is now open for business and the first 14 businesses are in occupation. The development is expected to provide 350 jobs in the area. The development won the Bristol Green Capital 'Eco Green Building Award' in November 2015. In December 2015 the development was awarded BREEAM OUTSTANDING accreditation with a score of 93% making it the second highest scoring industrial building in the country for environmental performance.
- **Supermarket** – The Council, responding to priorities identified by local residents has engaged a specialist firm to work with seven leading supermarket operators to secure a supermarket development on the former swimming pool site at Filwood Broadway.
- **Metrobus** – The Council has made available a site on Filwood Broadway for use as a contractor's compound site to facilitate the construction of the Hengrove – Centre - North Fringe Metrobus route serving Knowle West.
- **Housing Improvements** – Works are underway to improve the environmental/thermal performance of a number of Council owned properties at Inns Court.
- **Play Facilities** – The new playground at Inns Court, opened on 31st July by The Mayor, is proving to be popular. Arrangements for an additional new children's play-space at Kingswear Road/Northern Slopes have been consulted upon.
- **Cycle Facilities** – Funding has been secured to provide a new cycle route from Filwood Park to Temple Meads. Implementation has commenced.
- **New Housing** – The construction of 71 new homes at Torpoint Road is underway and completion of this development is anticipated to be in May 2016. Barratt Homes have been selected as the developer for 150 new homes at Filwood Park. 28 new homes at Clover Court, Kenmare Road, have been completed by CURO/Lovells. Linden Homes have been appointed to develop up to 85 new homes on the former Marksbury Road College site.
- **Schools** - The new Oasis Marksbury Road Academy primary school opened in September 2015.
- **Enterprise Support** – Following the submission of bids by the Council, Knowle West & Hengrove Park (the South Bristol Regeneration Area) has been allocated at least €3.508m in European Funds to support enterprise development in the area in association with the Knowle West Regeneration Framework. Negotiations with the UK Government are currently in progress to secure local delivery arrangements.

- **Public Open Space** – Landscaping, open space and footpath improvement works on the Northern Slopes between Kingswear and Torpoint Roads are currently in progress. Contractors are running behind schedule and works are now unlikely to be completed before May 2016. Efforts are being made to ensure that at least one pathway remains open at all times to enable pedestrian access from the top of the hill to the bottom without long detours.

Staff Changes:

Paul Owens, the Knowle West Regeneration Framework Programme Manager has moved on to support regeneration in the North of the city. Emily Price joined Bristol City Council in December to carry forward the delivery of the Knowle West Regeneration Framework and to manage the redevelopment of Hengrove Park.