

Growth and Regeneration Scrutiny Commission Supplementary Information



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8. Temple Island - Position Statement

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Report of: Executive Director, Growth & Regeneration

Title: Temple Island Position Statement

Recommendation:

That the Commission note the position statement.



In the coming weeks and months, we are likely to see substantial construction activity on and around the Temple Island site. Network Rail will be establishing a works compound to service their construction of the new Eastern Entrance to Temple Meads Station, and the University of Bristol should start to prepare for contractors to begin setting up compounds also.

The Council is continuing to prepare works packages for enabling works to the site, and construction of the next phase of the Harbour Walkway will also begin. Network Rail are also progressing with preparatory work for the Station roof.

Negotiations with L & G continue in line with the Heads of Terms approved by Cabinet, and we expect to have concluded those negotiations by March. These have been protracted partly because of the complexities associated with the island site, and partly because of Covid. In this latter respect, both parties need to ensure that appropriate regard is made to scheme content to respond to any changing market conditions, particularly in the office sector should working patterns change in the longer term as a result of the pandemic.

A full update on the proposals will be given at the next appropriate scrutiny meeting.