

PROGRAMME PROJECT UPDATE

Symn Lane, Wotton-Under-Edge - the council have reached commercial agreement to acquire three new homes, subject to contract, under a Section 106 agreement. This was to ensure their delivery with no other RP's interested in acquiring them. This will provide three additional homes, comprising two affordable rent and one shared ownership property. Completion of the homes is due later this year with the contracts due to be completed around the same time.

Gloucester Street/Bradley Street, Wotton-Under-Edge - has full planning permission for the construction of eight new affordable rented homes. The site includes four empty properties, two located on Gloucester Street and two on Bradley Street. The existing homes would have required significant investment to improve the standard of accommodation and during the exploration of options for the homes; an opportunity arose to provide additional new affordable housing on the site. The site is currently fenced off and several ecology and ground investigation surveys have been ongoing. Unfortunately, there was a fire at one of the empty properties on Gloucester Street, which has now been made safe and EW Beard Ltd. will be demolishing all four of the properties in March 2023. In the meantime, the New Homes and Regeneration team are de-risking the project by progressing detailed design and liaising with statutory undertakers to develop the drainage and road designs. A start on site is forecast in Q2 of 2023 with completion anticipated in Summer 2024.

Orchard Road, Ebley - see paragraph 3.4.2 of the report.

Cambridge House, Dursley – is a former sheltered housing scheme which is empty. The council have secured full planning permission for thirteen new homes for affordable rent. The site is currently fenced off and awaiting demolition in March 2023 which will be undertaken by EW Beard Ltd. In the meantime, the New Homes and Regeneration team are in the process of discharging several pre-commencement planning conditions and will be taking the same approach as Gloucester Street/Bradley Street, by de-risking the project and progressing detailed design by liaising with statutory undertakers to develop the drainage and road designs. A start on site is forecast in Q2 of 2023 with completion anticipated in Summer 2024.

Glebelands, Cam - is a former sheltered housing scheme which is empty. The council have secured full planning permission for twenty-three new affordable homes, to provide a mix of affordable rent and shared ownership. The site is currently fenced off and awaiting demolition in March 2023 which will be undertaken by EW Beard Ltd. In the meantime, the New Homes and Regeneration team are in the process of discharging several pre-commencement planning conditions and will be taking the same approach as Gloucester Street/Bradley Street and Cambridge House, by de-risking the project and progressing detailed design by liaising with statutory undertakers to develop the drainage and road designs. A start on site is forecast in Q2 of 2023 with completion anticipated in Autumn 2024.

Queens Drive, Cashes Green - is a former garage site owned by the council. The site is fenced off ready for development and the access issues have now been resolved enabling the scheme to be progressed further. A planning application is due to be submitted in early 2023. The site is likely to provide seven new homes for affordable rent. Councillors are aware of the proposals and will be kept up to date as the design is developed further.

Land adjacent to the A419 Canalside - (previously known as the former Ship Inn Site), Stonehouse - members will be aware that this site remains in the new build programme until officers present alternative options for the use of the site in Spring 2023 in consultation with Stonehouse Town Council and the local community. It should be noted that no further activity has taken place on the site from the New Build team since the Council motion was approved to look at options for a suitable use for the site. As this site is not currently being progressed for development, the scheme budgets remain the same and have not been revised to reflect the current cost of delivering the site.