

WELCOME TO THE THIRD NEWSLETTER FOR YORK WAY ESTATE CONSULTATION

What is this newsletter about?

This is the third newsletter to keep you up to date with resident consultation regarding the City of London Corporation's ambitions to build additional housing on York Way Estate.

Since August 2019, the City Corporation and Soundings have been organising a series of consultation events (see details on the reverse) to hear residents' ideas, thoughts and questions. This phase of consultation has now come to a close, and the outcomes of this first phase of consultation are shared in this newsletter.

The aim of this first phase of consultation between August 2019 to January 2020 has been to work with York Way Estate residents to develop a Design Brief which provides guidelines on how and where additional housing on the estate is built.

The Design Brief for York Way Estate

Based on the resident feedback received to date, a Design Brief has been developed setting resident-led guidelines for building additional housing on York Way Estate.

This document will serve as a guide for the City Corporation and the architects they hire when planning and designing additional housing on the estate.



Please find a copy attached.

How residents' feedback is being used by The City Corporation

The City Corporation will be making the following two commitments in response to the feedback from the consultation meetings and activities with residents over the past 7 months (see consultation details on the overleaf):

1 Potential building locations will be based on the Design Brief

The City Corporation has made the commitment to follow the Design Brief guidelines about potential building locations for additional housing, which were based on the outcomes of a survey conducted with estate residents. The guidelines identified locations that are most acceptable (in green) and least acceptable to build on (in red) according to residents, as well as locations with mixed feedback (in orange).

Therefore, based on the Design Brief and the map, The City Corporation will:

- Will no longer consider these locations as potential building sites;
- May carry out feasibility studies and further consider these locations, while taking specific considerations detailed in the Design Brief into account;
- Will carry out feasibility studies and further consider these locations as potential building sites.

2 Architectural proposals will be informed by the Design Brief

The City Corporation has made the commitment to use the Design Brief as a key document that will inform the architects' work. Architects are currently being procured, and the Design Brief has been included in the tendering documentation.

MAP OF POTENTIAL LOCATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL HOUSING



OFF MAP: GARAGE INFILL AND ROOF EXTENSIONS

York Way Estate Consultation

What has happened so far?

A summary is provided here of the consultation meetings and activities with residents organised over the past 7 months for The City Corporation to understand how and where additional housing could be built on York Way Estate.

-  **c.275**
Households received two project newsletters
-  **98**
Residents met during the door knocking
-  **55**
Residents have attended the 2 resident meetings held
-  **31**
Residents attended the drop-in exhibition
-  **14**
Resident Steering Group Members attended across the 3 meetings held
-  **181**
Residents met with or spoken to throughout the consultation
-  **33**
People engaged at 2 focus sessions
-  **64**
Location survey responses

STAGE ONE | UNDERSTANDING RESIDENTS' PRIORITIES

- AUG 2019**
 - Door knocking
 - Observational research
- SEP 2019**
 - First Residents' Meeting
- OCT 2019**
 - First Resident Steering Group meeting
- NOV 2019**
 - Second Residents' Meeting
 - Second Resident Steering Group meeting
 - York Way Youth Fun Day
 - New Homes Design Workshop
- DEC 2019**
 - Locations Survey distributed
 - Locations Survey drop-in
- JAN 2019**
 - Third Resident Steering Group meeting
 - Drop-in Exhibition

What happens next?

The City Corporation will be discussing the next steps for York Way Estate at a Committee meeting in April, with the aim to hire architects and technical consultants and to begin developing plans for additional housing on York Way Estate this Spring.

We acknowledge that these plans may be delayed due to the current public health situation. Moreover, we would like to assure residents that when these plans move forward, we will continue to keep you informed, and that all York Way Estate residents will have numerous opportunities to discuss and inform the evolving plans and designs through an inclusive consultation process, that will be adapted to prioritise residents' health and safety.

STAGE TWO | UPCOMING | DESIGN DEVELOPMENT

- APRIL 2020 - DEC 2020**
 - The City Corporation will hire architects and consultants to start working on feasibility studies and designs for additional housing, based on the Design Brief. Consultation will continue during this period.
- END OF 2020 BEGINNING OF 2021**
 - A planning application with designs would be submitted to London Borough of Islington.
- 2021**
 - If the planning application is accepted, construction could begin in 2021.

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Contact Us

If you have any questions or would like to hear more, feel free to contact Annie or Gabrielle using the details below.

-  | 020 7729 1705 (Soundings office)
-  | hello@yorkwayestate.com

Existing housing needs?

If you have specific housing requirements such as needing a bigger or smaller flat, or mobility needs, you can contact the City Corporation's Housing Needs Team for advice using the details below.

-  | 020 7332 1237
-  | hadvice@cityoflondon.gov.uk