What you've told us



Key feedback from previous engagement

Over the past 2 years we have asked Loconomy to learn more about what changes you would like to see happen as part of the regeneration work.

These quotes and summary points are taken from previous engagement to highlight the challenges that we feel you think need addressing on the estate as well as what you have said you would like in Druids Heath.

Challenges:



Safety, specifically in alleyways



Consensus that the housing stock is of poor quality and condition



Lack of secondary school and employment opportunities





You've told us you would like...

Homes

- Well insulated and more energy efficient homes
- Sustainable housing with equality in standards and amenities across all housing types
- Accommodation and suitable retirement homes for older people
- Family houses with gardens
- To make homes cheaper to heat
- Affordable options (including shared ownership)

Facilities

- A community space for more events and activities bringing people together
- A village centre with a range of local shops and new start-ups
- More for young people to enable them to thrive
- Facilities to improve health and wellbeing
- Facilities that stimulate the local economy and create employment

Around the estate

- Safer homes, streets and public spaces, reducing anti-social behaviour
- The removal of alleyways
- Improvements to paths and road surfaces
- Proper street lighting
- Better connectivity on the estate and to other places
- Consideration to parking, public transport and cycle routes

Green spaces

- To retain and enhance open and green spaces and parks
- Micro parks connecting-up different neighbourhoods of the estate
- More usable green spaces without damaging biodiversity and nature
- To link houses to green spaces and green walkways to create safe and inclusive environments
- More activities in green spaces and green spaces for well-being

Design priorities



Design priorities, based on your feedback

The engagement Loconomy have undertaken with the community has led to the development of some key design priorities. These are set out below and are fundamental in terms of delivering successful regeneration on the estate.



COMMUNITY CENTRE

Create a new local centre for Druids
Heath, with enhanced facilities
for residents, including new
community spaces, retail units
and employment
opportunities.



HIGH QUALITY HOMES

Introduce a range of modern high quality, efficient homes for the residents of Druids Heath.



PEDESTRIAN PRIORITISED

Ensure streets and spaces are designed with pedestrians and cyclists as the priority.



GETTING AROUND

Introduce a legible street pattern that is overlooked by houses to create safe, linked streets that are easy to navigate and move through.



NATURAL SURVEILLANCE

Remove pedestrian routes and roads that aren't overlooked by surrounding houses to reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and feeling of safety.



GREEN SPACES

Improve Druid Heath's wildlife assets and 'green' spaces through management and improvement to the Village Green and Chinn Brook corridor, and bringing trees and planting into the estate's streets.



SPORTS & LEISURE

Enhance outdoor sports, recreation and leisure facilities for all across Druids Heath. The Dell and Village Green to be retained, with smaller spaces to be created across the estate for residents.

Phasing and demolition options



Why this option?

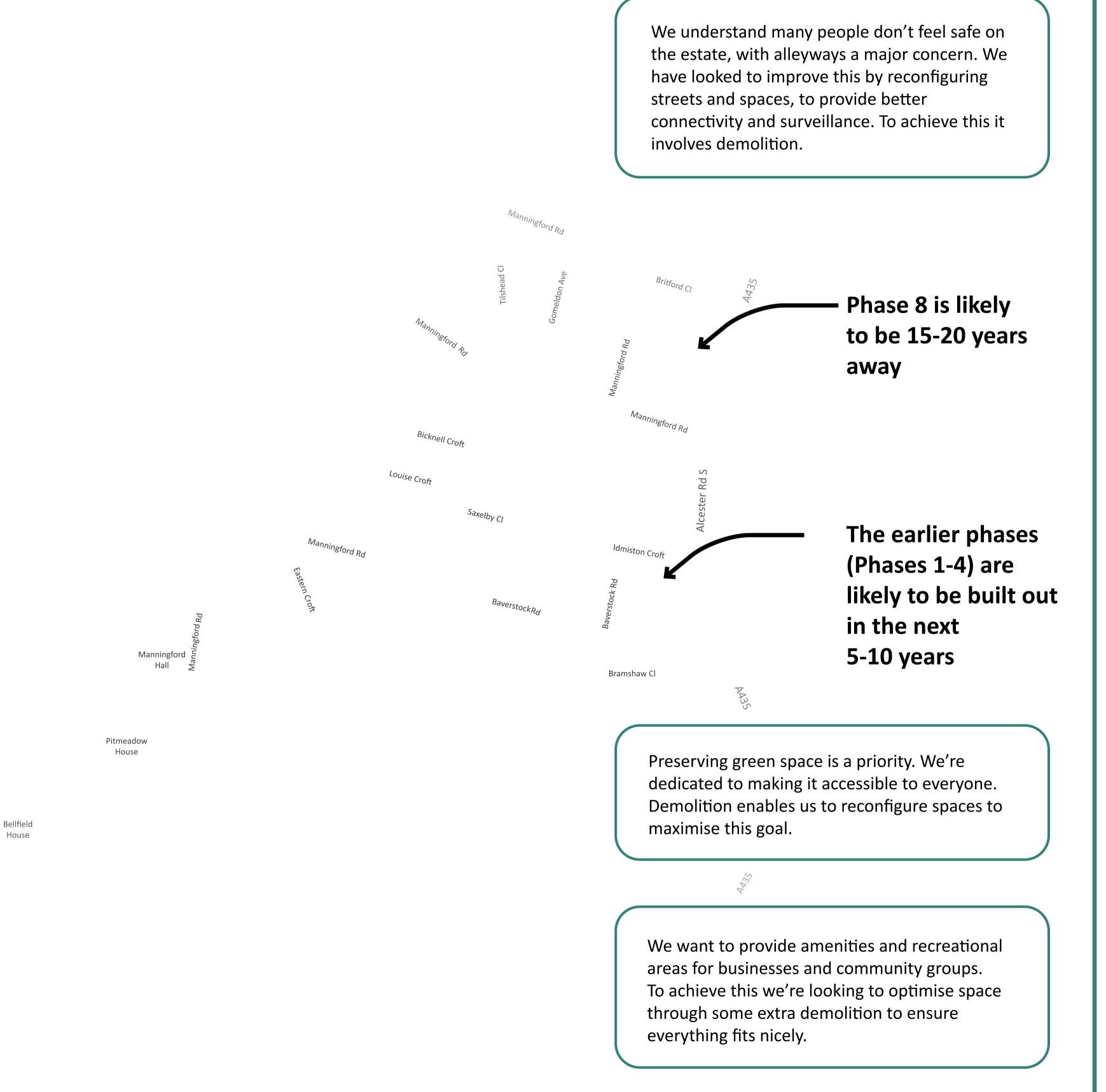
The buildings hatched in red on this plan are proposed for demolition. In total, we are proposing to demolish around 1,800 homes, which will create the space for approximately 3,000 new homes to be re-provided on the estate. We will also ensure there is significant community space.

Please note, the order of the phasing is indicative at this stage and has been estimated on a number of factors including building on land that is already available first.

Many of the Council properties on the estate don't meet legal standards and aren't considered financially viable for investment. Building new homes, with higher specifications, would significantly enhance living conditions for tenants who are in properties lacking adequate investment.

The phases in the south (Phases 5-7) are likely to be built out in the next 10-15 years

Birmingham, like rest of the UK, is facing population growth, meaning we need more homes. To meet this demand, we've proposed additional demolition to maximise space and increase affordable housing.



Illustrative masterplan



An illustration of how Druids Heath could look once the regeneration is finalised



Sketch views



SKETCH VIEW OF LINEAR PARK TOWARDS THE VILLAGE GREEN



Examples of how the spaces could look...













SKETCH VIEW OF **NEW HOMES** FRONTING GREEN SPACE



Examples of how the buildings and spaces could look...











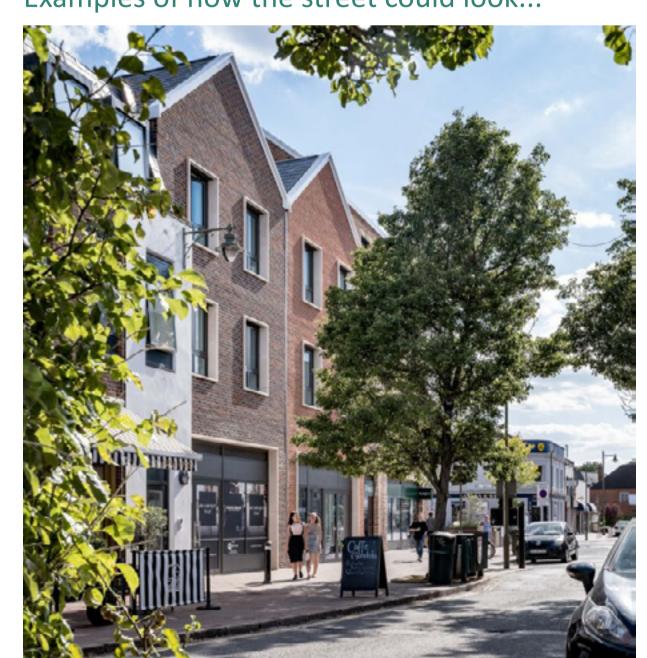
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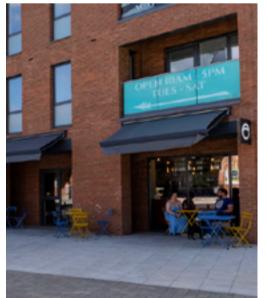


SKETCH VIEW OF CYCLE LANE AND COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY ALONG BELLS LANE



Examples of how the street could look...









SKETCH VIEW OF **URBAN SQUARE** WITHIN GREENWAY



Examples of how the spaces could look...

















Sketch views



LATER LIVING ACCOMMODATION, WITH CAFE AND COMMUNITY SPACE



Examples of how the buildings and spaces could look...















SPORTS PITCH AND HUB, WITH YOUTH AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES



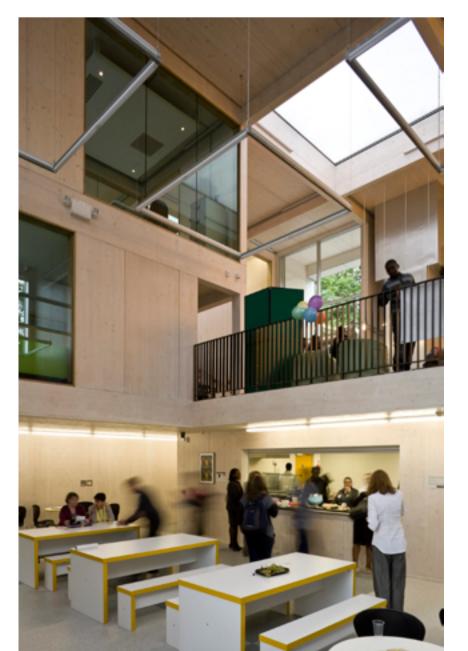
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Timeline



Key stages of the regeneration

We have provided an indicative timeline so that the community understand how long it will take for the different stages of regeneration to be progressed and where we are in this process. These timelines are indicative and could change but are based on how long these stages have taken on comparable regeneration projects.

What are the Council going to do to look after the estate in the meantime?

The masterplan will be broken down into phases and there will be some Council homes in latter phases that will be invested in to ensure that households can safely reside in them until their new homes are ready.

We will also bolster services on the estate by doing the following:

- Increasing the visibility of our Housing Management teams in the area.
- Implementing CCTV across all of the Council properties, particularly challenging anti-social behaviour areas.
- Increasing the cleaning provision across Council properties, paying particular attention to fly-tipping.
- Implement a repairs service specific to Druids Heath, providing some more support to address reactive repairs across Council properties.

The added services aim to reassure residents, particularly those in Council properties, that they'll be supported during the regeneration. While immediate relocation isn't feasible, the improved management will make the estate safer to inhabit until regeneration advances.

