Colliers Wood Regeneration Update

Welcome to the second edition of our Colliers Wood regeneration update. There is a lot of activity underway this year which will make Colliers Wood a more pleasant and attractive place for residents and businesses.

The redevelopment of the Tower is well underway with the northern extension built and the glass cladding beginning to be installed on the upper floors of the building.

We have also begun to deliver a range of public space improvements designed in collaboration with the community and Transport for London.

The council has also secured a new library as part of the Cavendish House redevelopment which is now under construction.

I look forward to seeing a brighter Colliers Wood over the next year and hope it's a place you can be even more proud of too.

Cllr Andrew Judge
Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration

Other developments in your area

118-120 Christchurch Road
Planning approved
Works have started on-site for a part 4, part 5 and part 12 storey mixed use scheme with 54 residential flats and commercial uses at ground floor.

Western Road Mews
Planning approved
Re-development of a former scrapyard site on Western Road. The proposal for the site will comprise of 48 residential units, 16 houses and 32 apartments with associated parking and landscape gardens.

Wandle Bank Mews / East Road
Pre-application
Pre-application proposals for a mixed use redevelopment of an industrial site on Wandle Bank and East Road. The scheme will include part 2-3 and 4 storey residential units and ground floor business workspaces.
We will encourage the developers to consult with local community associations before submitting a planning application.

The Provenance
Planning approved
9 private homes and a small supermarket. The new townhouse and duplex homes to the rear are planned around a courtyard and private gardens, and include a number of protected trees retained in a landscaped communal courtyard.
The council has been working with Criterion Capital to secure and deliver the redevelopment of the former Brown & Root Tower.

**What is proposed?**

Planning permission has been granted for the conversion of the Tower and an extension to the north (towards Colliers Wood underground station) to provide 150 apartments, with 3 shops on the ground floor.

The planning permission also allows for an extension to the south (to be built as part of a second phase) providing another 68 apartments; but this will not be built in this phase – our priority has been to remodel the existing tower.

The council expects the developer to submit revised plans and designs for the southern site early 2016.

As with all major developments, we will encourage developers to consult community groups at an early stage to ensure that your comments influence the design of a prominent site in the area.

**Update: November 2015**

The Colliers Wood Tower has moved from the structural alteration stage of the works to the fit-out stage. JJ Rhatigan & Company has recently commenced the internal first fix works. These are the internal operations that are resistant to the elements and can therefore be carried out before the building is fully weather sealed.

To facilitate these works, goods and passenger hoists have been erected; these are the red gated assemblies running up the South face of the tower.

In conjunction with this, JJ Rhatigan & Company has also commenced the erection of the glass curtain wailing. At the moment, the test panel is being erected; this is a relatively large panel, located on the upper floors on the north east corner of the building. It will cover 3 floors and run from mid-way on the north elevation to the mid-way along the east elevation.

This panel is being erected to allow the company to carry out performance tests on the curtain

Further improvements are planned for the new seating area at Sainsbury’s bridge in 2016.

Improvements to the boundary walls of Wandle Park and the creation of a pedestrian priority ‘homezone’ in Baltic Close are planned to start after Christmas 2016. The designs include touches of Colliers Wood’s heritage helping to give an identity to the area.

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The first phases of public realm improvements have been completed by TfL and the focus now moves towards the delivery of the Merton Council work packages in Baltic Close, Wandle Park and the riverside.

Merton Council has been working with partners including Transport for London and Criterion Capital to deliver a package of public realm improvements partly funded by the Mayor of London’s Regeneration Fund which will create a new public space at the heart of Colliers Wood.

The programme was developed over the past 18 months including two public consultations and community design workshops. The results of which are now taking shape.

TfL have completed junction works, the cycle by-pass and paving works around Colliers Wood Station; though most of the new piazza and soft landscaping will be delivered by Criterion Capital once the tower constructions works are substantially complete and the crane has been moved off site later in 2016.

Merton Council has completed work on Merton High Street with new paving, street lighting and an upgrade of the railings alongside the River Wandle in front of Sainsbury’s M&S.

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