

Fosters Estate Masterplan



Community Newsletter

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Starting to design in more detail

The design team are excited to be starting work with your community on developing the estate masterplan in more detail.

The project team have ended the year with a good understanding of your priorities, and lots of design challenges to work on in 2018. The next stage will build from the overall approach we developed with you last year, into more detail. In particular:

- We will be analysing daylight and overlooking from new to existing buildings in more detail, in relation to best practice standards, adapting the masterplan to minimise impact wherever possible.
- We are looking at more options for how parking is provided and managed for new and existing residents and we will be asking you for your feedback on this.
- We will be designing the landscaping - trees, paving and lighting - in more detail, and working with you to make sure that this results in a safer estate, as well as a more attractive one.
- The look and feel of the new buildings - their shape, materials and style - will be developed and shown to you for your comments.



New council housing built recently in Barking - we want to bring this quality of new homes to the estate.

Do you live in 44-66 Lower Fosters?

We are holding a specific workshop session for residents of these two blocks, to work on the design for the area on that side of the estate and how new homes and landscaping might look alongside the existing buildings.

The workshop will be on **21 February, at 7pm in Cheshir Hall**. Please get in touch with Hana Loftus on 07811 385893 or ulf@barnet.gov.uk, if you have any questions - we would like to have as many residents from these blocks as possible.

Who is involved in the project?

The new estate masterplan is a joint project of Barnet Council and Barnet Homes, but it is following a co-design process, which means involving the community on and around the estate fully in the decision-making process.

A Community Steering Group of around 25 volunteers meet monthly with the design team. The group is made up of:

- Tenants and leaseholders living on the Fosters Estate.
- Residents of Cheshir House.
- Residents who live on West View, Heriot Road and Brampton Grove.
- Representatives from neighbouring community and faith groups and one of the elected councillors for Hendon ward.

The Community Steering Group is supported by an independent community coordinator.

The masterplan design is led by Allies and Morrison LLP, a leading architecture practice. The design team includes specialists in landscape design, transport and highways, engineering, energy efficiency and many other areas.



Community Steering Group and design team members visiting a new council housing project in Enfield, to see what can be learnt.

Barnet Homes noticeboard

Please report any problems!

We can't solve a problem if we haven't been told about it so please get in touch.

Please use the 24/7 phone number or email address below to report issues such as fly-tipping, repairs needed, or cleaning issues.

Barnet Homes contacts:

Tenants: call 0800 389 5225 (24/7)
or by email at talk2us@barnethomes.org.
Leaseholders: call 020 3589 3052 (24/7)

About this project

Your community is co-designing a new plan for the Fosters estate alongside Barnet Council and Barnet Homes, helping to decide what to build, where, and how.

The plan includes new extra care homes for elderly residents, new affordable rent homes, and market sale homes on the site, as well as

improvements to the open spaces on the estate. It may also include upgrades to the existing blocks.

There are no plans to demolish any of the existing housing apart from Cheshir House. The aim is to use the disused playground, garages and other poorly laid out spaces, to create the new homes.

Get involved – contact your community coordinator Hana Loftus
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