We've listened to feedback from you, local residents and the wider Southend Community and we are now ready to submit our outline planning proposals.

This involves Porters Place Southend-on-Sea LLP and its two members, Swan Housing Association and Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, agreeing that the outline proposals meet all the objectives of the project.

This is part of the usual democratic process at the Council but is entirely separate to the planning process. It is an important step towards the next stage of the process, which is to submit a planning application and hopefully, secure approval for building work to start. Turn to the centre pages of this newsletter to find out the key benefits for residents and more about the regeneration plans.

We hope you have been keeping safe and well during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The team here at Porters Place Southend-on-Sea LLP, who are working on the regeneration of the Queensway Estate, have been monitoring the COVID-19 situation closely and the health and safety of our staff and the community of the Queensway Estate is our priority.
How will residents be affected?

We will build the first new homes on the existing temporary car park located adjacent to Essex Street. Then the secure tenants and leaseholders from Quantock will move into these new homes before Quantock becomes the first tower to be demolished.

The next homes will be built on the site of the Quantock tower and we will continue to move residents into their new homes from each tower, in turn, until the regeneration is complete.

Moving out of your home is called the ‘decant’ process and we want to reassure you that Porters Place Southend-on-Sea LLP will be here to support you through every step of the way.

We can now confirm that subject to securing planning permission, the first phase of the regeneration will involve Quantock. This will be the first tower block to be demolished and Quantock residents will be the first to be decanted. After Quantock, we expect Sutton Road to be the next phase of the regeneration, followed by the remaining three tower blocks. However this is subject to planning and you will be kept updated.

You will be fully supported throughout the decant process by our team and South Essex Homes and you will have a range of options available to you, whatever your current tenancy. We understand that you will have lots of questions around this change and we will do our best to support you throughout the process. We have set out some easy to understand guidance for you on our website www.betterqueensway.co.uk or you can contact us and we will send it to you.

Having spoken to many residents during numerous events on the estate, the responses received were very positive and we’ve used your constructive feedback to help shape our final plans.

Our current project timeline estimates that, subject to planning permission, construction will start on Queensway during 2021 with the first new homes ready in 2023. We will do all we can to stick to this schedule as long as the current pandemic does not escalate and current Government advice does not change.

There will be plenty of time for us to work with and support you through the regeneration and development of the Queensway Estate, so please do not worry. You can contact the team directly to ask questions via queensway@glhearn.com or by calling 0344 225 003 in office hours.

Timeline and impact

Following agreement of outline planning proposals, we will submit our outline planning application in July this year. Following further consultations Southend-on-Sea Borough Council’s Planning Development Committee will make their decision on whether to grant planning approval. It is hoped a decision will be made by early 2021.

How do I get involved?

There are so many ways you can be part of Better Queensway.

› Website:
  www.betterqueensway.co.uk – keep updated by checking out our website regularly; there are FAQ’s, latest updates and interactive content.

› Join the Resident Steering Group

James, our Community Activation Officer, is recruiting now – see back page for how to get involved.

› Pledge your support

Over the coming months we will be asking residents to support our planning application – watch out for more details in future newsletters – so you can help us to secure a bright new future for the Queensway Estate.
HOW WE LISTENED TO YOU!

RESIDENTS & PUBLIC: 600+

COUNCILLORS: 100+

STAKEHOLDERS: 100+

FEEDBACK: 78+

TRANSFORMING LIFE ON THE QUEENSWAY ESTATE

PORTERS PLACE: OUR PLANS FOR A NEW FUTURE!

Now’s the time to get involved in the future of the Better Queensway regeneration project!

As the regeneration of the Queensway Estate is progressing, we urge you to get involved with us and have your say. Our Community Activation Officer, James Colwell, has been recruiting residents from the estate to join the new Resident Steering Group. There is still time to join and we are keen to see representation from residents living in Quantock within this group.

By joining the Residents Steering Group, you will be able to have an active role in representing the wants and needs of your neighbours and community. It is also a chance for you to find out more about the Better Queensway regeneration, see examples of what other regeneration projects are like and use this experience to help us finalise our plans for the estate.

If you wish to find out more, you can contact James by calling 07860411042 or by email jcolwell@swan.org.uk

HIGH QUALITY NEW HOMES FOR SECURE TENANTS & LEASEHOLDERS, EACH WITH A PRIVATE BALCONY, TERRACE OR GARDEN

CENTRAL CONCIERGE AT THE HEART OF THE REGENERATED ESTATE

NEW, SAFE PARKS, PLAY SPACES & CROSSINGS
A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE STOREHOUSE

Since lockdown began, we have all found ourselves having to help others where we can, whether friends, family, neighbours or the local community. This is something that The Storehouse has done since day one of the pandemic by remaining open as a foodbank and helping people in need. Not only have 3,500 food parcels have been given to the community, but 56,840 packed lunches have been prepared with care and provided to homeless people who were placed into alternative accommodation during lockdown.

We thank The Storehouse for their outstanding work and look forward to continuing to working with and supporting them again...

56,840 Packed lunches for homeless people

3,350 Food parcels for the community

Watch our short video and pledge your support online: www.betterqueensway.co.uk

To give us FEEDBACK on the regeneration:
Write to us: Freepost RTZS-BLHS-EUXC, GL Hearn, 65 Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7NQ
Email us: queensway@glhearn.com
Call us: 0344 225 0003

For all housing enquiries, please contact your current landlord:
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Email: sehcustomerservices@seh.southend.gov.uk
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