YOUR PRESTWICH

Big changes. Bold plans.

Your future Prestwich is coming to life!

Your Prestwich is an ambitious £100m+ plan by placemaker Muse and Bury Council to transform the Longfield Centre into a new village centre and create a thriving destination for shopping, dining, and community events.

In July 2024, our plans to create a new library, retail units, a new market, community spaces, attractive green public areas, a travel hub and new homes were approved by Bury Council's Planning Control Committee.

The Joint Venture partnership between Muse and Bury Council has also secured £6.8 million funding from the Greater Manchester Good Growth Fund to kick start the proposals and commence the works.

This means that the next phase of the regeneration – to deliver new community spaces and homes – can move forward. We're now preparing a planning application for this next phase which builds on the hybrid consent we have in place.

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THE STORY SO FAR

A MODERN PARKING SOLUTION

Construction of the new travel hub is progressing well with completion expected in summer 2026.

The first phase will replace the existing car park off Fairfax Road and will provide:

— Over 300 parking spaces
— Electrical vehicle charging points
— Accessible bays
— Extensive cycle storage

To improve traffic flow and minimise impact to local businesses, we are:

— Putting in a keep clear box on Bury New Road at the junction of St Mary's Road
— Placing additional signage around the area
— Installing a temporary pedestrian crossing near the junction with Heys Road and Poppythorn Lane to facilitate safe crossing over Fairfax Road.

DEMOLITION OF THE LONGFIELD CENTRE

We're moving at pace to transform the tired Longfield Centre into a new beating heart for the village, with its demolition starting in the coming weeks.

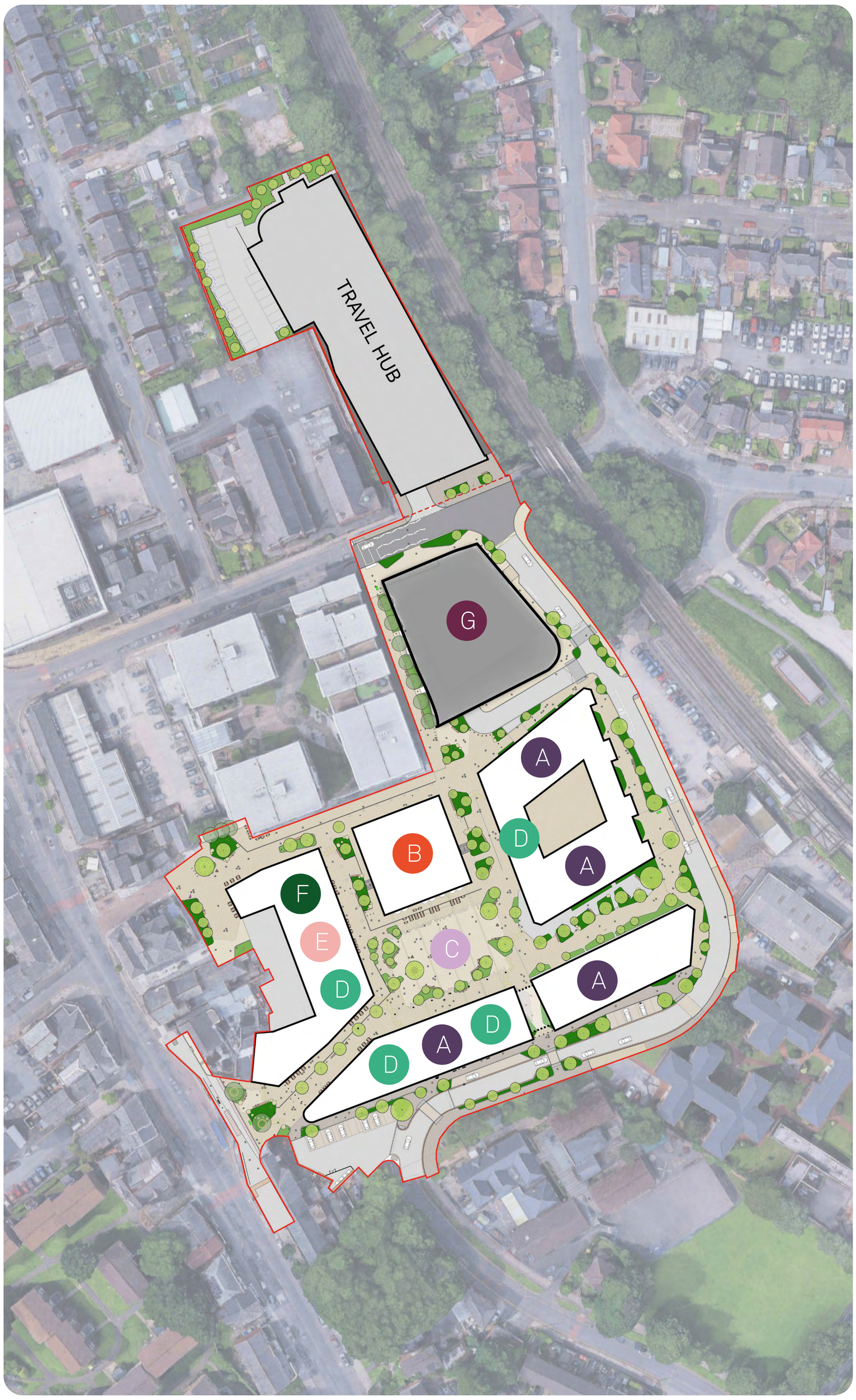
This marks an exciting next step towards unlocking the next phase of the village's regeneration.

We are planning to start demolition of the Longfield Centre in the next couple of months to pave the way for the wider regeneration. This will see the library temporarily relocated to the Phoenix Centre in St Mary's Park. This will ensure that residents continue to benefit from library services during the transition period.

Demolition will take place in two phases - first the building that includes the library, followed by the remaining retail units in the other Longfield Centre buildings. The programme of works to adapt the Phoenix Centre is currently being finalised, and the dates for temporary closure and reopening will be confirmed soon.

We are providing support and remain committed to working closely with all affected businesses and the wider community to ensure that Prestwich emerges stronger, more sustainable, and better equipped for the future.

PRESTWICH VILLAGE MASTERPLAN



Since the plans were approved, we've been refining the masterplan to make the most of the site.

A

NEW HOMES

248 homes, including a mix of affordable homes.

B

MARKET HALL

A market hall, providing smaller spaces for local retailers to thrive and grow.

C

VILLAGE SQUARE

A village square for events, markets and festivals, with family friendly social places for all the community to meet and relax.

D

RETAIL SPACES

New retail spaces across the site, which will complement the high street and cater for Prestwich's diverse business community.

E

COMMUNITY HUB/LIBRARY

A brand-new library, which we've doubled in size, with flexible spaces for the community to use alongside a children's library area on the ground floor.

F

A GYM

A gym to promote healthy lifestyles.

G

FUTURE PHASE

Redevelopment of the NHS site at a time that works best for them to deliver modern, fit for the future health facilities. Existing service provision to remain unchanged for now.

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NEW HOMES

The plans will help meet the demand for quality housing in the village, providing people living in Prestwich with more options, as well as attracting new people to the area.

By merging two of the buildings but keeping them the same height we've been able to increase the number of homes from 210 to 248, whilst maintaining pedestrian links through the site.

There will be a mix of one - bed and two - bed energy efficient homes, and in line with Bury Council policy 25% of them will be affordable, offered through discounted market rent. They will be spacious, light - filled homes in the heart of the village, with everything you need on the doorstep.

DESIGN AND CHARACTER

We've designed the new buildings to complement Prestwich's existing architecture and bring its rich character and heritage to life. Drawing inspiration from landmark buildings like Our Lady of Grace Church, we've chosen materials and colours that firmly root the development in the village — from warm red and terracotta tones to textured brickwork and refined sandstone details.

Brick

COMMUNITY SPACES

We've made some key changes to the masterplan to create bigger and more welcoming spaces for people to enjoy.

A BIGGER VILLAGE SQUARE AND MORE GREEN SPACES

We've increased the size of the village square by an extra 500 sqm to create a larger, more open and inviting public space.

— Changing the layout of the buildings to open up the village square and allow more sunlight in
— Flexibly designed spaces for outdoor pop - up events such as exhibitions, markets, cinemas, and live performances
— Plenty of green spaces, trees and places to wander, relax and sit
— Direct walking routes from the Metrolink to Bury New Road and beyond through the heart of the village square

A CENTRAL MARKET HALL

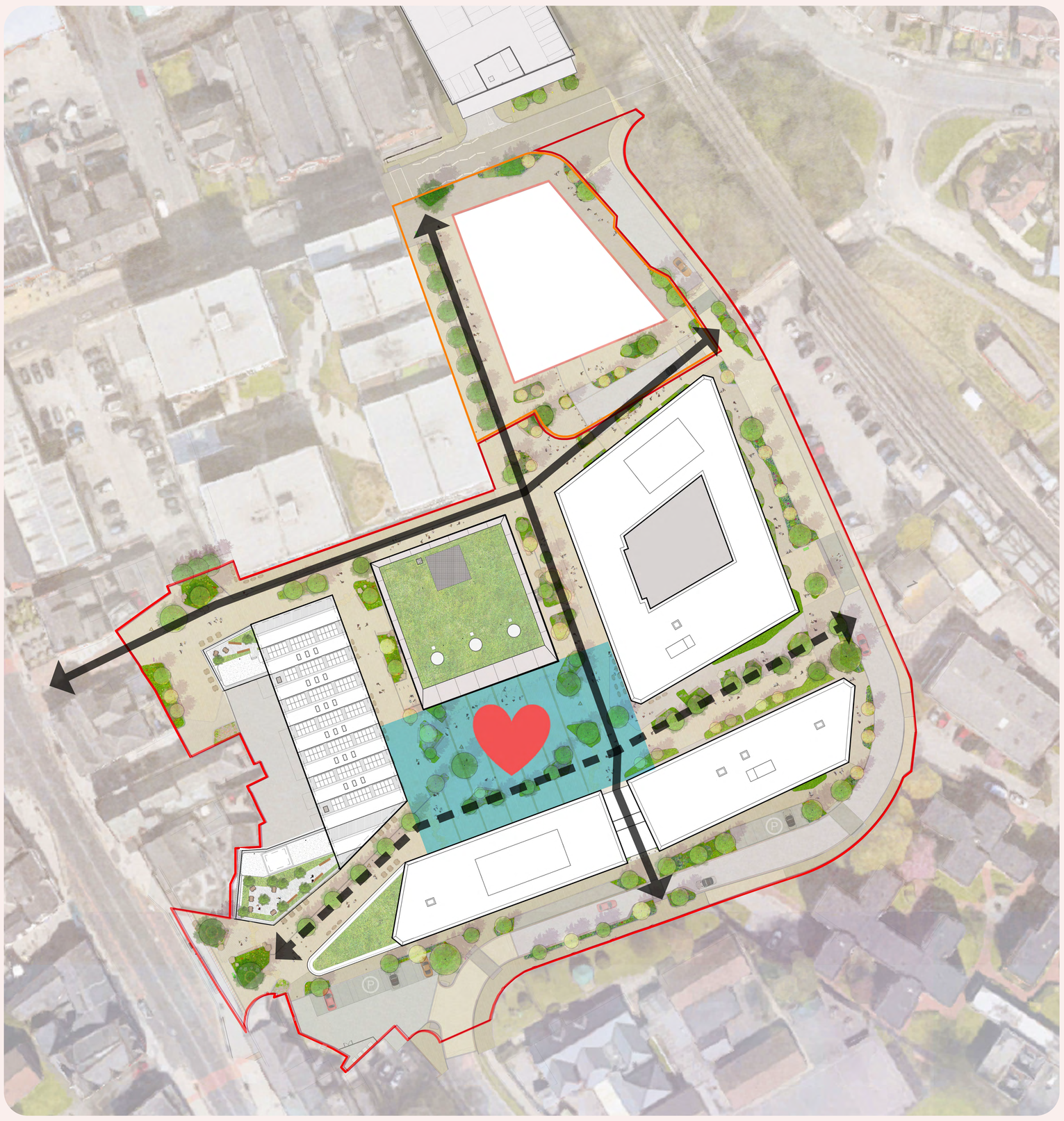
The market hall is placed at the heart of the masterplan.

— Spill out areas connecting to the village square
— More spaces for independent retailers
— A green roof helping local biodiversity

THE COMMUNITY HUB

The community hub will be home to a brand-new library, which is doubled in size from our previous consent and offers flexible spaces for the community to use on the ground floor and first floor.

Spaces for a range of independent leisure and retail businesses, which will complement the high street and cater for Prestwich's diverse business community, will also be on the ground floor.



POTENTIAL USES

Screen + 200 seats

15 x 10m (3v3), a popular size for mobile events.

TRANSPORT AND PARKING

We'll be making minor updates to the Transport Assessment which was approved alongside our outline application in 2024.

Our updated proposals are not expected to create more traffic or place extra pressure on nearby roads and junctions, so our strategy will mostly remain consistent with what's already been approved.

PARKING

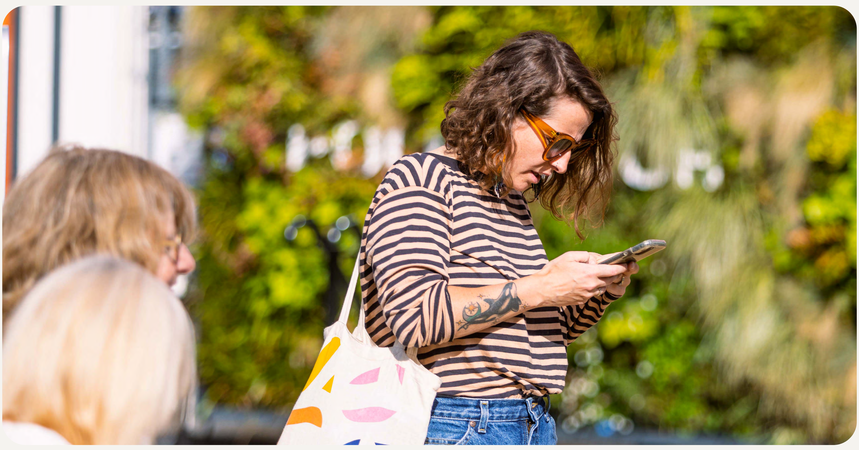
The travel hub will provide the majority of parking with 301 spaces available, including electric vehicle charging points, accessible bays and extensive cycle storage.

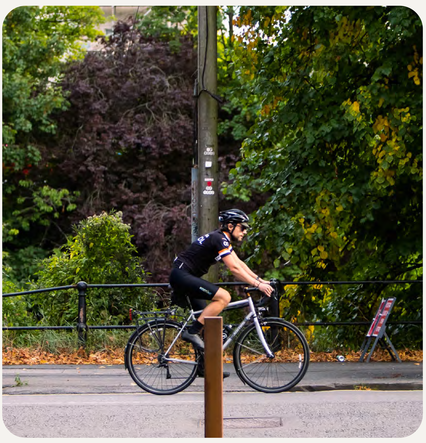
We're also looking to provide an additional 25 spaces around the village centre. A borough wide review of parking provision is underway and our development will support the Council's findings on the matter.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND ACTIVE TRAVEL

Visitors and residents can take advantage of the strong public transport options, such as the tram stop, and local bus links, as well as new walking routes across the site that connect to the wider village centre.

We're also planning a car club and easy drop - off points for taxis.





GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Our plans to regenerate Prestwich Village are about more than just bricks and mortar. We're creating a positive legacy for years to come with lots of social and economic benefits to people locally and beyond.

This is just the start of our ongoing work with our contractor VINCI Building and the community to ensure the village's regeneration brings lasting benefits.

Attending a careers day at the Heys School, helping year 11 pupils with mock job interviews.

58%

supply chain spend gone to local businesses

600+

training hours delivered on site

Repurposed first floor toilet at the Creative Living Centre into essential storage space and improving wellbeing garden.

Donated £1250 to Lady of Grace Church to help with the church's renovation and the refurbishment of the cottage building.

130

jobs created during construction

350

new jobs once complete

Local school pupils designed hoarding artwork inspired by what Prestwich means to them.

Hosting Prestwich Met Street Eats every week, providing hot meals to vulnerable residents.

Provided a cabin for improved storage at Prestwich Allotment on Highfield Road.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Before we submit the planning application, we want to hear what you think about the updated plans

Just make sure to get your comments in by **Wednesday 25th February 2026**.

Questionnaire

Complete our questionnaire. You can either complete one today and pop it into our feedback box or take away and post it back to us at Freepost HAVE YOUR SAY.

Website

Visit our website www.yourprestwich.com to find out more and complete our online questionnaire.

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