## NEW HOMES NEWSLETTER





# UPDATE ON PROPOSAL FOR NEW COUNCIL HOMES

#### **AUGUST 2021 – HEATON ROAD**

As you will be aware we will be building new council homes in Heaton Road, located on the former car park, adjacent to 1-34 Heaton House. This proposal is part of our commitment to providing more quality council homes across the borough.

We've committed to creating 11,000 new council homes by 2043 – a big goal, but crucial if we're going to tackle the housing crisis and ensure our residents have quality homes they can be proud of, now and in the future.

The proposed new development will provide new council homes at council rents. A minimum of 50% of these new council homes will be let to existing local residents in housing need in line with the Council's local lettings policy. This means residents can continue to live near family, friends, and services they currently use.

Under our current local lettings policy, at least 50% of these new council homes will be let to residents in housing need in the immediate area. However we are consulting with residents about a new local lettings policy, which could mean that up to 100% of new council homes are let to local residents

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Heaton House is one of over 120 infill, rooftop and redevelopment sites we are working on across the borough. A map of these sites can be found on the Southwark website – please see the link at the end of this newsletter.

Alongside the development of new homes, we will carry out some improvements to the area surrounding the development site. We have already received some great suggestions from residents for works that could be carried out.

### LATEST UPDATES

Planning permission was granted in on 25 February 2020.

Following receipt of planning consent in February 2020. We are in the process of reviewing contractors tenders, for the works package.

We anticipate that the contractor will be appointed in Autumn 2021.

Following appointment of the contractor, a consultation event will be organised for residents to meet the contractor.

### KEY DATES AND TIMELINE

Autumn 2021	Contractor appointed
To be confirmed	Meet the Contractor event
January 2022	Start on site
Spring 2023	Completion

#### CONSULTATION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

We remain committed to ensuring we consult with you throughout the construction phase. We want to make sure of you continue to consult with residents and provide updates.

For the time being as there the Covid 19 pandemic is still present. There are council policies in place in regard to safe working and engagement. Meetings will continue to be held on line, unless suitable safe venues can be identified for face to face meetings. We will provide feedback to residents via the Commonplace website (please see link below).

If you do not have access to the internet or would like to provide feedback in a different way, please let us know or feel free to give us a call to discuss the project with us in more detail. We can also send information and material to you by post.

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#### KEEP UPDATED ONLINE

The link to access the Heaton House Commonplace page is:

https://consultations.southwark.gov.uk/housing-community-services-department-community-engagement-team/heaton/



The link to access the map of new homes sites on the Southwark website is:

https://www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/new-council-homes/where-we-re-building/map-of-new-council-homes-sites



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