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Regeneration of Friary Park



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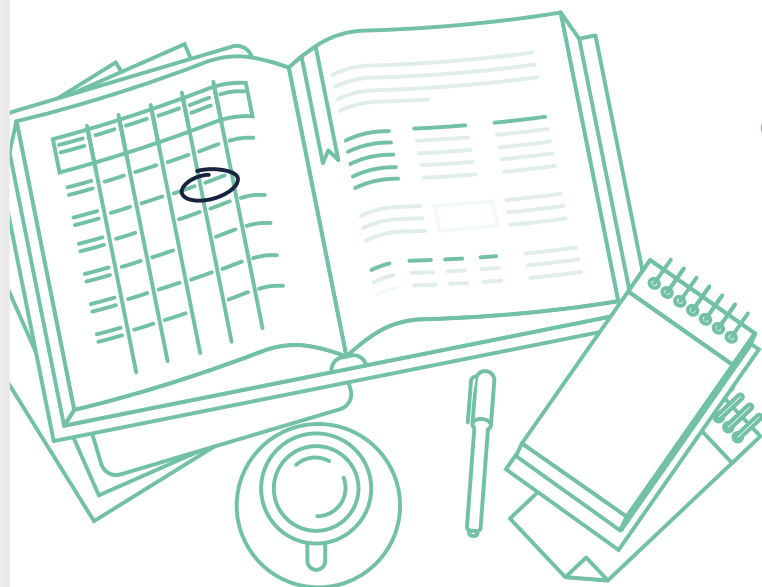
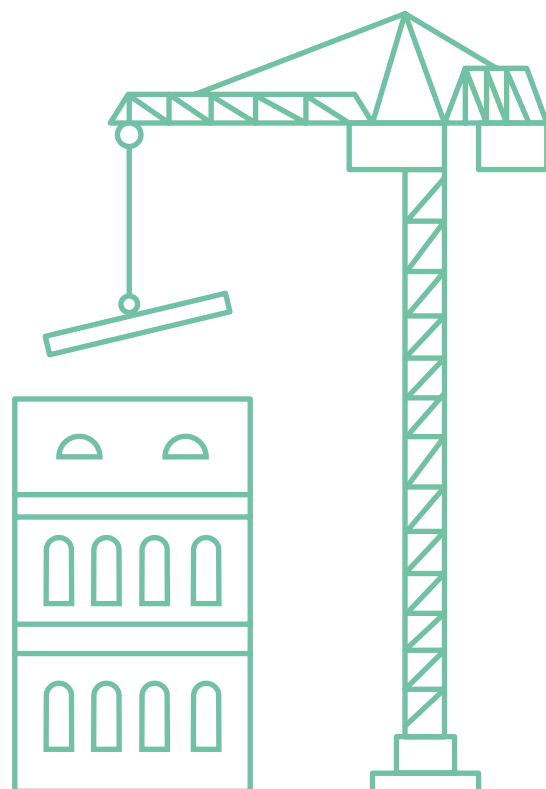
Reviewing the regeneration proposals

We wrote to you in July to let you know that we're reviewing the designs due to changes to planning policy in the Draft London Plan.

Catalyst and Ealing Council have been discussing how we can deliver more homes at Friary Park, including more affordable homes, and make it an even better scheme. You can read more about the Draft London Plan and what it means for Friary Park on the next page.

We'll be running consultation events on the updated plans in September. This will be your chance to give your input into the proposals. We'll then show the final plans at further events in October. We're aiming to submit the planning application in late 2018.

If you have questions about the regeneration proposals, please email Friary.Park@chg.org.uk.



Friary Park consultation events

Saturday

15th September 2018

12pm - 4pm

Residents event

Tuesday

18th September 2018

4pm - 8pm

For the whole community

At the Friary Park community centre

Rehousing update

We've begun to rehouse tenants in Phase 1 of the redevelopment, with priority given to households in Phase 1A. We expect tenants in Phase 1A to be rehoused over the next 12 months, and tenants in Phase 1b to be rehoused over the next 2 years.

All tenants in Phase 1A and most in Phase 1b will need to move either temporarily or permanently off the estate, with an option to return to Friary Park towards the end of the redevelopment. All existing Catalyst tenants on Friary Park have the option of being re-housed in the new development if they want to, in a social rented home.

All tenants in Phase 1 have had their priority raised to Band A on Locata. Where tenants do not wish to bid on Locata or are not successful in finding a property by bidding, we will identify properties that are suitable for them and make direct offers.

If you have questions about rehousing, you can come along to our Regeneration Surgeries, from 10am to 4pm every Wednesday in the Friary Park Community Centre. You can drop in, or book an appointment for the afternoon by calling Eve Wright or Keisha Scott on 0300 456 2099. The team can also offer appointments outside of the Wednesday surgeries, subject to availability.

Why we're reviewing the designs: about the Draft London Plan

The Greater London Authority released their new Draft London Plan in November 2017, and local authorities are beginning to work its recommendations into their planning policy. Among other key aspects of London's life and growth, the Draft London Plan sets out expectations about development: from the location, number and mix of new homes to be provided, through to the design of buildings themselves.

The Draft London Plan significantly increases housebuilding targets for all local authorities. Under the new Draft London Plan, **Ealing Council is required to build 2,807 homes per year – an increase of 116% from its previous annual target of 1,297.**

Therefore, we are seeking to increase the number of homes in the proposals for Friary Park. As well as more homes for market sale, the reviewed scheme will also contain some additional affordable homes. We're working closely with Ealing Council to decide which types of affordable home these will include (for instance social rent, affordable rent, shared ownership or London Living Rent).

We'll show you the evolving plans and numbers of new homes at our next consultation event in September.



Our commitments to you

Before we show you the evolving designs in September, we can make some commitments to you now:

- The number of social rented homes will not be reduced from that in the current proposals
- There won't be any change to the designs for social rented homes for current residents
- The review of the scheme will be informed by feedback from residents and neighbours
- We will not seek to increase the number of homes at the expense of any of the amenities currently proposed
- Any additional homes for social rent in the new development will be offered to current Catalyst tenants on Friary Park with high priority before being offered more widely.



Friary Park's Neighbourhood Plan

Over the last 14 months we have consulted with residents about the kind of community initiatives they would like to have at Friary Park. The Neighbourhood Strategy will combine residents' aspirations and Catalyst's commitments to making Friary Park a great place to live by focusing on three themes: People, Place and Property.

The Neighbourhood Strategy will look at ways we can ensure an excellent service, by identifying areas for improvement and opportunities to work with partners to get more resources into the community.





Some of the themes and priorities that have been identified are:

- **Employment and Skills**
- **Support for vulnerable adults**
- **Maintaining the physical environment**
- **Community safety.**

Residents will get an opportunity to review this plan and get involved in monitoring its progress to ensure a successful outcome.

For more details please contact Keisha Scott on 0300 456 2099.

Wellbeing Week at Friary Park

In May, Catalyst held a week of activities at Friary Park to support local people in living happy, healthy lives.

A wide range of activities throughout the week focused on different aspects of wellness. They included:

- **Gardening activities**
- **Sessions with the Bollo Bridge Youth Club**
- **Launch of a new Walking Club to help people make connections with their neighbours and get out and about more**
- **Mindfulness and yoga - a great chance to relax**
- **Jungle Body fitness classes - a fun way to get active**
- **Free health checks.**



Friary Park's new Community Garden

Following the gardening activity in Wellbeing Week, some residents have set up a Community Garden where volunteers can meet up and help create a beautiful, relaxing space for the community to share.

Since volunteers started working on the garden in early June, they've repaired and cleared the raised beds and borders, the garden shed and the greenhouse. They've also pruned back existing plants. New spades, forks, gloves and seeds have been provided, as well as two tons of topsoil and compost. The group are planning to plant salad leaves, coriander, chard, spinach and radishes for their first crop.

If you'd like to volunteer in the garden, please contact Keisha Scott or Nuria Rodriguez on 0300 456 2099.



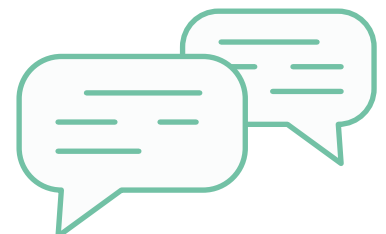
Residents' Charter

Catalyst is currently working with the Friary Park Residents Steering Group to develop a Residents' Charter. This will set out our commitments to our residents during and after the regeneration.

The Charter is an important document that will last throughout the regeneration process. It will take time and lots of consultation with the RSG to get it right. At the next engagement event in September, we'll show you the key commitments we're working on so that you can give your feedback.

The charter will cover:

- The fact that all existing Catalyst tenants on Friary Park have the option of being re-housed in the new development if they want to, in a social rented home
- Financial compensation to Catalyst tenants
- Support for families and vulnerable people
- Standards for new homes.



If you would like to get involved in the Residents Steering Group and help to shape the Charter, please contact your Neighbourhood Coordinator Keisha Scott on 0300 456 2099.



If you notice antisocial behaviour

Friary Park has a close, strong community which residents are very proud of – but antisocial behaviour happens from time to time in any neighbourhood.

If you spot anti-social behaviour:

- Please call the police before you call us; 999 if it's happening now, 101 if you're calling afterwards. You will be able to remain anonymous
- Don't put yourself in danger: get well away from the scene before you call
- Calls from residents help the police bid for more policing in the area
- You can also use Online Watch Link (OWL) to contact the police and/or Neighbourhood Watch easily and discretely if you notice something wrong. OWL is free to use, and completely confidential. **Check out www.owl.co.uk for more information.**

What's on

All activities free of charge



Regeneration Surgeries

Every Wednesday, Friary Park Community Centre, 10am – 4pm

For information about the regeneration of Friary Park, including rehousing queries, come and talk to Keisha Scott, your Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, and Eve Wright, your Re-housing Co-ordinator. Drop in or make an appointment by emailing Keisha.Scott@chg.org.uk.



Friary Park Job Club

Every Tuesday, Friary Park Community Centre, 10am – 4pm

If you are looking for work or a training or voluntary opportunity, make an appointment for our Job Club or drop in for more information.



Jungle Body

Every Tuesday and Thursday, Friary Park Community Centre, 7.15pm – 8.15pm

Fitness classes for adults – a fun way to improve flexibility, coordination, toning and conditioning.



Digital & Financial Drop in

Every Tuesday, Friary Park Community Centre, 10am – 3pm

Improve budgeting skills, shop and save online, keep in touch with family/friends and get help with Universal Credit queries. Come in to see an advisor for a 1-2-1 session or book an appointment.



Design it Yourself (5 -11 year olds)

Wednesdays, Friary Park Community Centre, 4pm – 6pm

A popular craft workshop for children to learn new skills, gain confidence and develop good peer relationships all while making fashionable clothing from everyday items.



Stay and Play (Children 5 years and under)

Every Wednesday, Friary Park Community Centre, 9.30am – 11am during term time.

Children under 5 years and their carers can enjoy activities using music, modelling, painting and movement to encourage development and creativity.



Get Active with QPR, (Children 7 years and above)

Every Thursday; Friary Park MUGA, 5pm – 7pm

QPR volunteers offer a multi-sports programme for young people to improve their sporting abilities and team work skills.



Gardening Day

Every Thursday; Friary Park Community Garden, 6pm – 8pm

Gardening is a good way to look after your health and wellbeing. Meet your neighbours, bring the kids and learn new skills. No experience needed – ‘dig in’ with the garden group!

Our new branding

You'll notice that this newsletter looks different to previous issues. This is because we've changed our branding, to better reflect what we are, do and stand for as an organisation.

Catalyst is still the same company; we've just changed our look and feel.



Staying in touch

Our dedicated team is on hand to support you with any questions you have about the regeneration of Friary Park.

Contact us on:

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