

Preparation of planning application

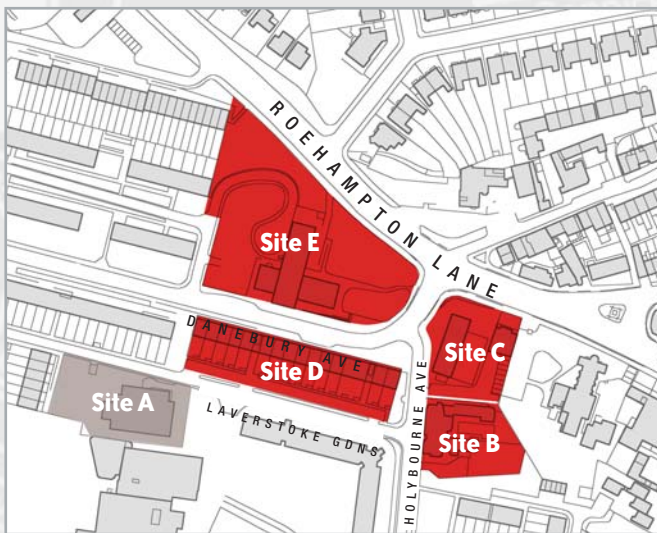
Our February newsletter reported the results from last autumn's consultation exercise and noted that consultants would soon be preparing feasibility and financial viability studies for the options on Sites D and E in order to submit an outline planning application for all four redevelopment sites.

The opportunity to do this work was advertised nationally and after submissions from five well known practices, Savills (along with their Architectural Consultants Shepherd Epstein Hunter) were appointed on 19 March.

They are required to comment on the work undertaken so far; prepare design, access and traffic impact assessment studies; undertake an environmental impact assessment screening for each site; make recommendations as to how best the building works can be phased to minimise local disruption, and, prepare and submit an outline planning application by 28 May.

Savills is a well known, highly respected, company who are already working on a number of major schemes in the borough (including projects in Garratt Lane and Hardwick's Lane) and, due to their experience and ability, the council was very pleased to secure their services.

They are liaising closely with council staff and the Roehampton Business Forum. We look forward to seeing their suggestions and ideas. These will, of course, be discussed and agreed with Wandsworth's representatives before the planning application is made.



Jobs Fair

Last year the council, in partnership with Roehampton University, ran a successful Jobs Fair to help local businesses and voluntary groups advertise their employment vacancies and promote their services and activities.

In addition to the various stands there were a number of workshops providing assistance with, for example, CV writing and interview techniques.

This year the Jobs Fair will be held on 30 May from 10am to 4pm, at Whitelands College, Roehampton University, Holybourne Ave.



Everyone is welcome to attend and there will be a crèche, so just turn up on the day!

For more information contact
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Parking controls



Local residents and businesses were consulted about the possible introduction of a controlled parking zone in September 2007.

The consultation results showed that the majority of respondents were against

the introduction of parking controls, both in the Alton Estate consultation area and in the majority of the Roehampton High Street consultation area.

In view of these results, parking controls will not be introduced on the Alton Estate or the majority of the Roehampton High Street consultation area at present.

The results also showed that there was a majority in favour in the four streets known as the Quadrant (comprising Akehurst Street, Nepean Street, Rodway Road and Umbria Street) and it is thus proposed to introduce parking controls into the Quadrant, operating from 11am to 12 noon, Monday to Friday. These are likely to be implemented in the late summer or early autumn.

Residents and businesses in Roehampton High Street, where the majority were against parking controls, but which is adjacent to the Quadrant, have been re-consulted prior to the implementation of parking controls in the area.

Improved access



The council has appointed consultants Steer Davies Gleave to examine pedestrian and cycle access in Roehampton and to identify practical and attractive solutions to improve accessibility between transport modes.

They are keen to listen to comments from local residents so if you wish to contact them please phone

Marc Funda on (020) 7910 5260

or email roehampton@sdgword.net.



Roehampton University students are holding a Fun Run on Sunday 25 May 2008.

There will be two circuits, 2k and 10K, and the event has been designed to bring the local community together and raise some money for Regenerate.com - a local charity helping youngsters and senior citizens. The main event - the 10k run - will leave from Whitelands College at 10am and will take in Laverstoke Gardens, Danebury Avenue and Richmond Park before returning to Whitelands.

The 2k run will start at 9.15am and both runs will have adequate stewards, refreshments and first aid points. If you would like to enter, or require further information, please visit www.roehamptonstudent.com/10k or pick up an information pack from the Danebury Avenue Post Office.

Roehampton Sport and Fitness Centre Laverstoke Gardens, Roehampton SW15 4JB

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