

Plumstead Stakeholders Forum



Thursday 4th July 2019

Clr Sizwe James

**Cabinet Member for Regeneration and
Growth**

**Welcome, Housekeeping and
Introductions**

Agenda & House Keeping

7.05pm Overview of the Plumstead Regeneration Programme (10 mins)

Jeremy Smalley (Assistant Director for Regeneration)

7.15pm Plumstead Regeneration and Community Safety Projects (1 hour 15mins)

- **Good Growth Fund Project update – ‘Meet the Architects’** and Q & A session
- **Plumstead Leisure Centre & Library** Elle Smith – Capital Projects, Project Manager – Corporate and Q & A session
- **Plumstead Station Public Realm Improvement Project** Mark Hodgson (Highways and Transportation, Asset Management Group Manager) and Q & A session (5 mins)
- **Controlled Parking Zone** - Mark Hodgson Q & A session
- **Community Safety Initiatives in Plumstead** Daniel Bygrave (Community Safety Officer) and Q & A session

8:30pm Cllr Sizwe James Closing Statement (10 mins)

Overview of the Plumstead Regeneration Programme

Jeremy Smalley

Assistant Director, Regeneration

Plumstead

- Plumstead is a priority regeneration area for the Royal Borough of Greenwich
- The Plumstead Urban Framework (2015) sets out opportunities for change
- The 'Plumstead - Embrace the Change' bid: takes forward the framework and complements current commitments with further investment in the central heart of Plumstead
- A civic heart – something we could do and have progressed
- Substantial investment from public and private sector

Investment in a number of projects includes:

- Plumstead Library and leisure centre - £16 million
- Plumstead Station public area improvements - £2.71 million
- Good Growth Fund project - £5.2 million
- Proposed Plumstead (West Thamesmead) Housing Zone site
- Plumstead Gyratory traffic improvements

Plumstead Regeneration



Gyratory

- Reduce vehicle dominance, in particular on the eastern side
- Facilitate good public transport accessibility, reliability and interchange, in particular a rapid bus service linking Woolwich with Thamesmead
- Create good walking and cycling links, improving the environment and safety for cyclists and pedestrians
- Improve air quality and enhance the public realm



Plumstead Housing Zone

Readdy is currently working with Berkeley Homes to develop proposals for the Plumstead Housing Zone site that will deliver on the commitments for new homes, new and intensified business/industrial space and improved public realm.



White Hart Road & Railway Underpass

Planned improvements to this important connection between the high street and industrial estate include:

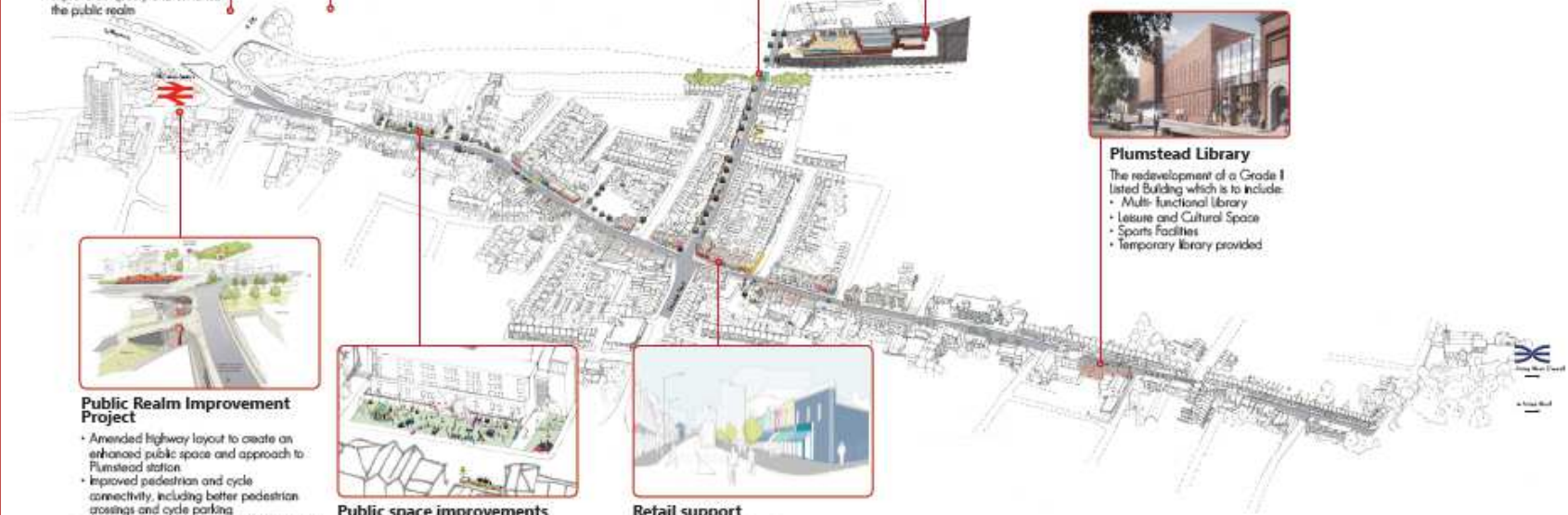
- Better lighting
- Edge Improvements
- Greening
- Artwork



Plumstead Power Station

The disused Plumstead Power Station may be converted to include:

- New Workspace
- Event Spaces
- Market
- Food and Drink Offers



Public Realm Improvement Project

- Amended highway layout to create an enhanced public space and approach to Plumstead station
- Improved pedestrian and cycle connectivity, including better pedestrian crossings and cycle parking
- Improvements to land beneath the Raitman Crescent bridge, including landscaping, lighting and artwork



Public space improvements

Environmental improvements to improve the experience of pedestrians including:

- Tree Planting
- Seating
- Paving



Retail support

The Plumstead High Street Regeneration project will strengthen local businesses and improve the visual appearance of the high street. The project includes:

- Shopfront improvements
- Establishing traders' forum
- Retail business support programme



Plumstead Library

The redevelopment of a Grade I listed Building which is to include:

- Multi-functional library
- Leisure and Cultural Space
- Sports Facilities
- Temporary library provided

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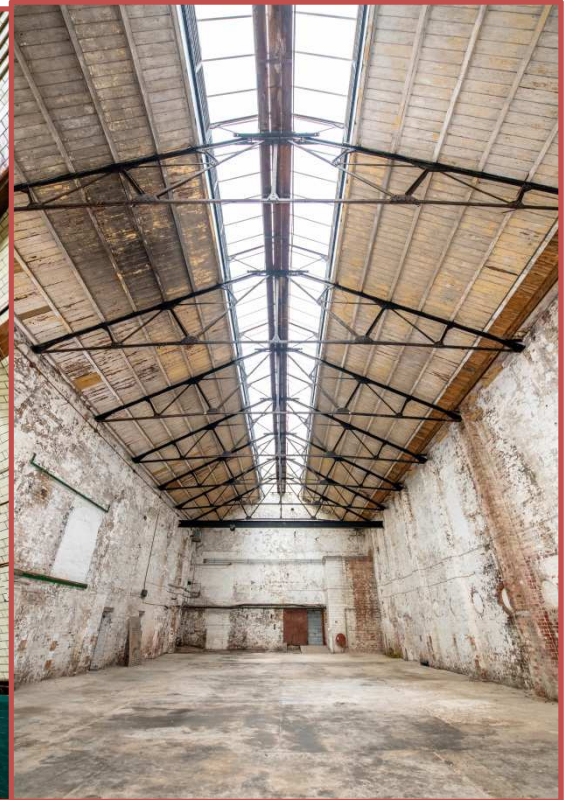
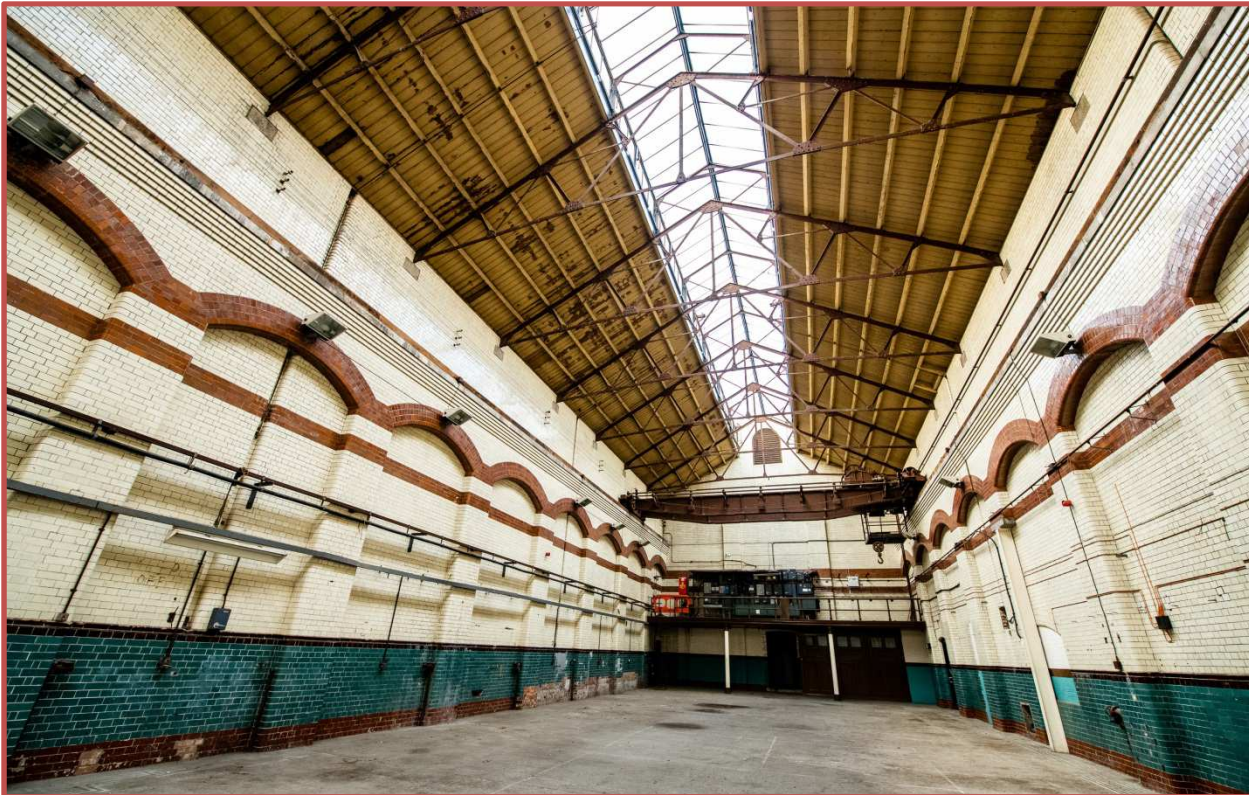
Plumstead Power Station

The power station will be converted to create new business space, increase jobs and local spend.

Ideas include:

- new workspaces
- event spaces
- a market
- food and drink businesses.





Good Growth Fund Project

Presentation by

Adams and Sutherland

Architecture Landscape Urban design

Plumstead High Street / White Hart Road

Urban Improvement Scheme

Elle Smith

Project Manager (Corporate) Capital Projects

Plumstead Library Redevelopment

Provision of The Plumstead Centre on Plumstead High Street.

State-of-the-art renovation of an existing Grade II listed building.

Will be fully accessible with increased opening hours.

Facilities will include:

- a library
- multi-purpose leisure and cultural spaces
- sports facilities, including badminton courts, gym, and space for classes



Progress Update July 2019

- Good progress with the refurbishment of the new library - early stages of structural repair nearing completion.



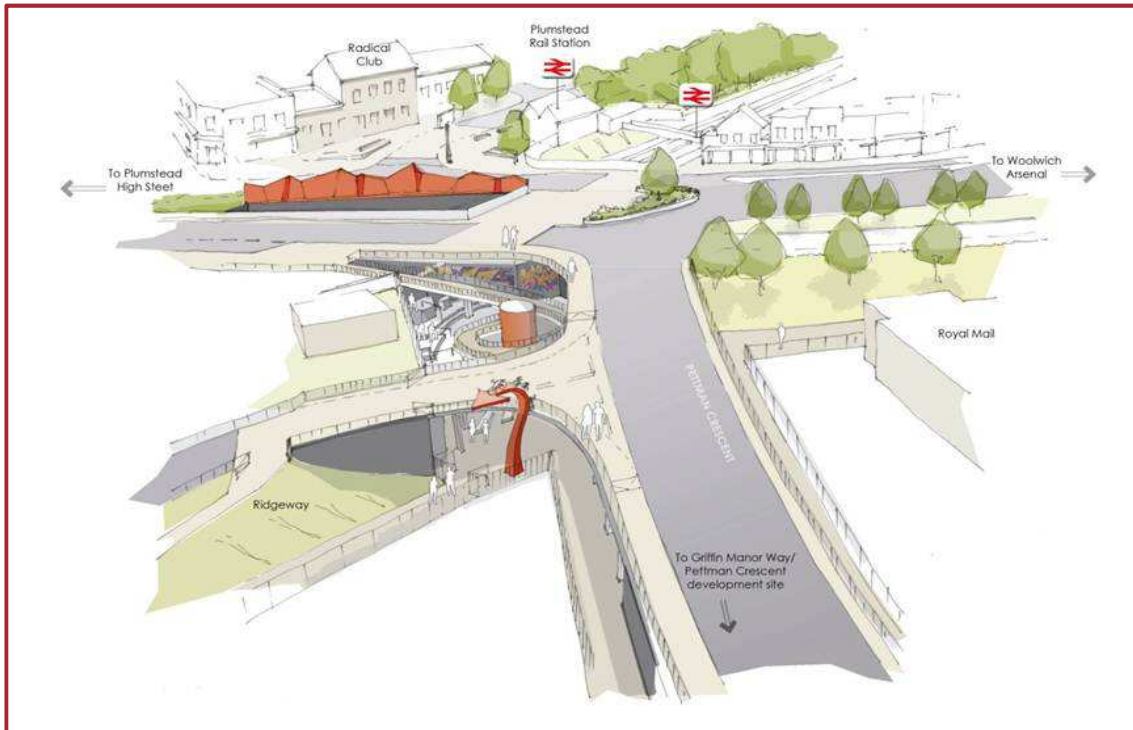
- Works to the new Leisure facility are taking shape following completion of the ground works
- The Tower crane is now in position and will be fundamental to the delivery of the scheme



Mark Hodgson

Head of Highways

Plumstead Station & Underpass improvements



Artist Impression only

- Improvements to public realm
- Welcoming arrival experience - station and high street
- Improve pedestrian, cycling and public transport access
- Support reduced crime and fear of crime
- Improve and activate under-croft
- Community ownership

Scheme Development

- Focus Group ideas evaluated:
 - Contribution to scheme objectives
 - Achievability / feasibility
 - Cost effectiveness (cost to do, benefit, in budget)
 - Longer term maintenance
 - Number of times suggested
- Leading to DRAFT plans for station surround and underpass

Focus Group 5th Feb 2019

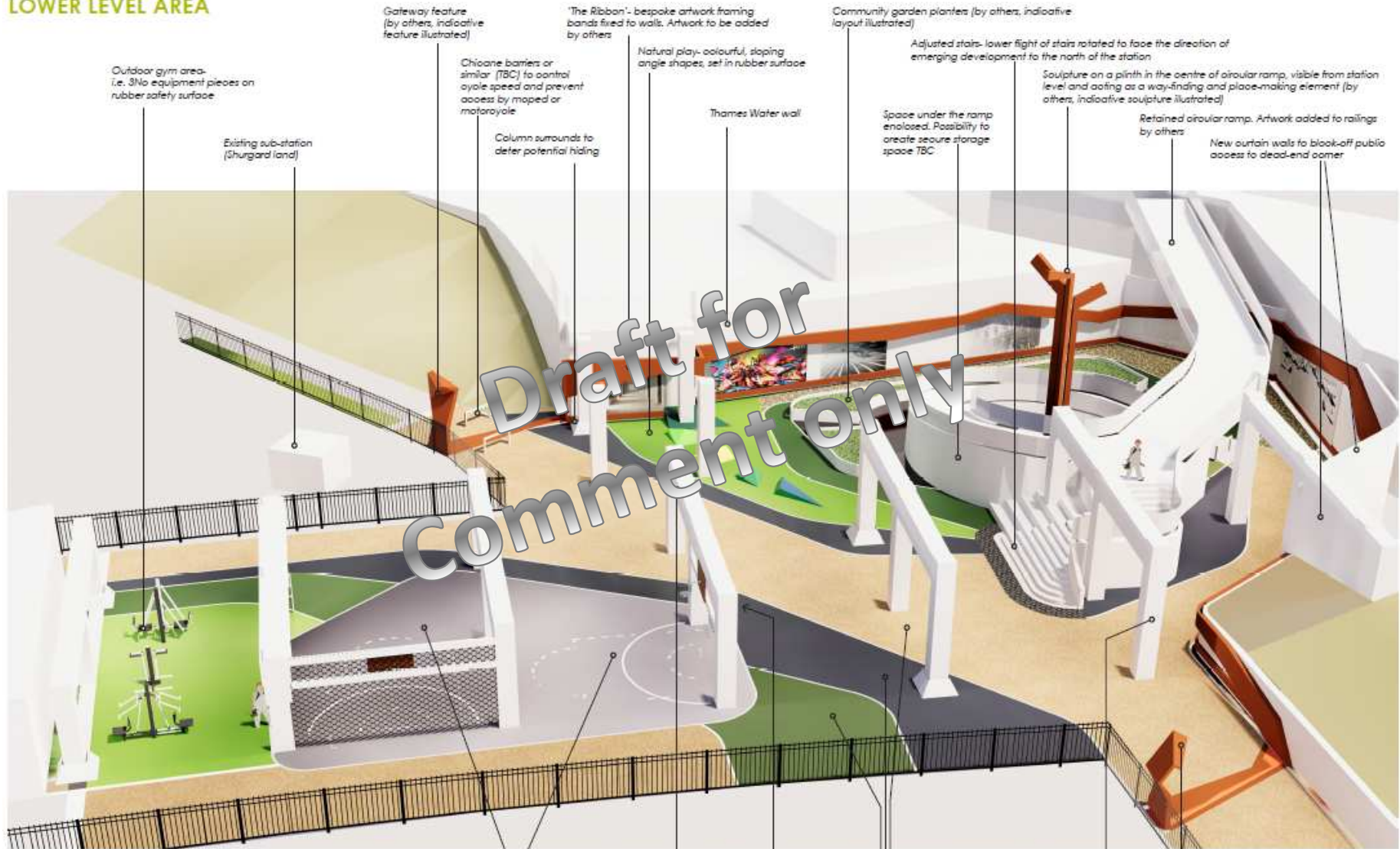


- Great range of ideas and suggestions
- Clear appetite for community role in taking care of spaces
- All ideas considered and ranked...

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LOWER LEVEL AREA



Outdoor gym area- i.e. 3No equipment pieces on rubber safety surface

Existing sub-station (Shurgard land)

Gateway feature (by others, indicative feature illustrated)

Chicane barriers or similar (TBC) to control cycle speed and prevent access by mopeds or motorcycle

Column surrounds to deter potential hiding

'The Ribbon'- bespoke artwork framing bands fixed to walls. Artwork to be added by others

Natural play- colourful, sloping angle shapes, set in rubber surface

Thames Water wall

Community garden planters (by others, indicative layout illustrated)

Adjusted stairs- lower flight of stairs rotated to face the direction of emerging development to the north of the station

Space under the ramp enclosed. Possibility to create secure storage space TBC

Sculpture on a plinth in the centre of circular ramp, visible from station level and acting as a way-finding and place-making element (by others, indicative sculpture illustrated)

Retained circular ramp. Artwork added to railings by others
New curtain walls to block-off public access to dead-end corner

NOTE:
The sketch illustrates the overall vision for the area. Some elements will require separate commission i.e. central sculpture; artistic additions to ramp railings; community garden planters and vertical gateway structures. As such, they do not form part of the PRIP and their representation is subject to further design development and change.

Informal sport area- 2No basketball hoops and transparent metal mesh screens fixed to existing columns

Additional CCTV and improved lighting throughout lower level areas to improve safety and to adapt to emerging community activities

Noise board

Surfacing replaced to improve visual legibility and delineate activity areas

Way-finding signs to be attached to columns in visually prominent locations

Gateway feature (by others, indicative feature illustrated)

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Parking Consultation – Plumstead CPZs

- Review area as PAS but extended to include:
 - Rippolson Road
 - Vicarage Road
 - Coupland Place
 - St Margaret's Terrace
- On-street surveys complete
- Detailed design complete but to be approved
- Consultation on detailed design planned for early Autumn 2019

Daniel Bygrave

Community Safety Problem Solving Officers

Community Safety Initiatives

- Town Centre Wardens continue to patrol Plumstead Town Centre issuing fixed penalty notices and reporting information back to the council and police
- Community payback are currently clearing & Landscaping the grounds of St Nicholas Community Hall Gardens.
- RBG Street Pop & Thames Reach navigators have expanded into Plumstead
- Plumstead 'Townwatch' and 'Betwatch' schemes to be implemented in Plumstead before the end of the year.



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Closing Statement

Thank You