## **Bromsgrove Town Centre** Regeneration Programme Update

Overview & Scrutiny Board 16 September 2013

The Bromsgrove Town Centre Regeneration Programme

is run on behalf of a partnership of BDC / WCC / Fire / Police / PCT

to carry out the physical regeneration of Bromsgrove Town Centre

in tandem and facilitated by a review and rationalisation of Bromsgrove's Public Property Assets

### Strategic Framework

The Programme has multiple projects which contribute to strategic aims agreed by the partnership and defined by the Area Action Plan:

- · Four key strategic aims
  - A revitalised and attractive town centre
    A thriving and diverse economy

  - New multi-agency public service facilities
  - An improved Transport Infrastructure
- · Area Action Plan Planning Policy Framework
  - now forming part of the District Plan

#### A revitalised and attractive town centre

- · Public Realm Upgrade
- Current WCC Highways / Works Programme
  - Utility works complete
  - High Street South / New Road / Strand approaches complete
  - Final stages of WCC technical approval process
  - Load bearing tests 5 9 September
  - War memorial / Crown Close improvements complete
  - ASDA public realm works start 16 September
  - Cleggs Entry works start 18 September
  - High Street Lighting start September
  - High Street Drainage follow street lighting
  - Worcester Road resurfacing targeted for October/November
  - High Street resurfacing after Christmas shopping / January

### A revitalised and attractive town centre

- Townscape Heritage Initiative
  - Applications being received against £1.2million Heritage Lottery
  - Several Worcester Road and High Street buildings coming forward for Shop front improvements, repairs and conversion of upper floors to residential or office use
  - Successful Community Archaeological Dig
  - Successful Living History Project
- · Other Projects
  - New Christmas Lights
  - School Drive complete
  - Recreation Ground under negotiation with developers

#### A thriving and diverse economy

- Sainsbury
  - work started on relocation of petrol station to new site on Birmingham Road
- · Recreation Road
  - developer preparing planning application on continuing care retirement community
- Windsor Street
  - awaiting outcome of Parkside planning application
- Hanover Street Car Park / George House
  - continuing negotiations with preferred bidder

### New multi-agency public service facilities

- · New Police Fire & Ambulance Station
  - on schedule to open within 6 months.
- · Library, Hub and WCC/BDC Offices
  - planning application submitted for Parkside.
- · Leisure Centre
  - detailed technical review of options in progress
- · New Health Centre
  - open

#### An improved Transport Infrastructure

- Bromsgrove 'Minor' Works Package within LTP3
  - Parkside Junction Improvements to be funded by Sainsbury
  - Traffic and Parking Management Study completed
    Infrastructure Development Plan under development
- · New Railway Station
  - scheduled to be open 2015
- · Bus Station upgrade
  - complete
- · Pavement resurfacing
  - Improved walkways in and around Town Centre
- · New and improved cycle routes
  - Audit to be carried out

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