

WILLENHALL FRAMEWORK PLAN

MOAT STREET & VILLIERS STREET DRAFT PROPOSALS

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to this exhibition which provides information about draft proposals for the Moat Street and Villiers Street area of Willenhall. These proposals will form the basis for an **outline planning application** for the Moat Street and Villiers Street sites which will be submitted to Walsall Council early in 2023.

Moat Street and Villiers Street were included in the first Area of Opportunity for new housing in the Willenhall Framework Plan.

Please take the time to look at all the information boards. You can provide comments on the proposals by means of the survey link provided [here](#). A timeline showing the next stages for the proposals can be found on the final information board, **Next Steps**.

WHAT IS AN OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION?

The outline planning application is being made for the proposals for Moat Street and Villiers Street. This allows the Council to make a decision on the general principles of how a site can be developed. If granted, the outline planning permission would be subject to conditions requiring the subsequent approval of 'reserved matters'. These are aspects for which further detailed information may be required, such as:

- Access (by vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians, both within and around the site)
- Appearance (what the buildings may actually look like in terms of architectural style, materials used and so on)
- Landscaping (for example planting, or screening of the sites)
- Layout and scale of the proposals

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY

The Framework Plan identifies four Areas of Opportunity, which will become the focus of intervention by the Council. The Moat Street and Villiers Street area forms part of the first phase.

THE WILLENHALL FRAMEWORK PLAN

The Willenhall Framework Plan is an essential first step to guide future housing development, economic growth and place making in Willenhall. It sets out a 10-year vision for the town and provides an ambition for housing growth and the growth of healthy, prosperous communities.

It is a real plan and vision to tackle derelict sites that have blighted the area for decades, to build back better by developing the sites to create homes and infrastructure.

Willenhall has been identified as a key area of sustainable growth within the West Midlands Region due to the imminent arrival of a new train station in the town (with an hourly service between Walsall and Wolverhampton taking just 16 minutes) and opportunities to deliver housing growth.

Walsall Council has also submitted a funding proposal under the Government's Levelling Up Fund (Round 2).

Willenhall's residential characteristics and demographics demonstrate that:

- 🏠 There is demand for First Time Buyer (FTB) homes caused by a significantly higher young population
- 👨👩👧👦 Requirement for small family housing
- 🏡 There is a need for aspirational high-quality homes across a broad mix of tenures and affordability levels



Aerial Plan - Moat Street and Villiers Street Area of Opportunity



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