RUDLOE REGENERATION

update



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GreenSquare is now GreenSquareAccord

In case you are not already aware, we want to let you know that GreenSquare merged with Accord (a housing association based in the West Midlands) in April 2021 and is now called GreenSquareAccord. While the name and logo has changed, we're still operating our local services in the same way – and the people you know and are used to dealing with on Rudloe issues remain unchanged.

What's been happening?

Although it may have seemed quiet on the news front, we

have been working behind the scenes with Wiltshire Council to finalise the legal requirements for transferring the land. There have also been several developments regarding the community space, following the your feedback in last year's consultation. (See the back page for an update on this.)



What's next?

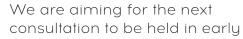
Now we know the process and timescales involved, we are

working with our architect and other consultants to prepare all the documents for a final consultation with local residents. We are carrying out a further bat survey, at dawn and dusk, as it's the

right time of year again and we may need to do further ground investigations.

Once these surveys and the final consultation have taken place, we will be submitting our planning application.

When will this happen?



September. Details will be confirmed nearer the time when we know how this will look (dependent on Covid restrictions).

We would then aim to submit a planning application in the Autumn, which allows for any final changes and collation of the application pack as required. We would hope to achieve a successful planning decision early to mid 2022 and to start works around Autumn 2022.

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Look out for Council notices and

advertisements

As part of the process for transferring the land to us for development, Wiltshire Council is required to display notices and advertise its sale. This has to be done prior to a planning application being submitted so keep you eyes open for them!

In accordance with Section 123 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) Wiltshire Council will be giving formal notice of its intention to dispose of public open space. The Council therefore intends to publish a notice for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper circulating in the Rudloe, Corsham area in the summer, advertising the proposed disposal of the open space in Rudloe to GreenSquareAccord to enable regeneration proposals. Whilst the re-provision of open space is part of the plans for the proposed regeneration, any objections or representations regarding the proposed disposal of the current open space should be made in accordance with the instructions in the notice, when published, and they will be considered accordingly. This process is distinct from the planning process to be followed by Wiltshire Council in its capacity as the Local Planning Authority, which will present the opportunity to make representations on any planning matters from those wishing to comment on the planning application and scheme once it is submitted by GreenSquareAccord.







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Proposed new community building

As part of the redevelopment we are proposing to build a new community building. We very much want this to be a community hub – and to support this we have recruited a group of residents who are interested in planning activities and events at the new centre. We held our first meeting earlier in the year and agreed that the best way forward was to form a residents' group. If anyone else is interested in being part of this group, please do get in touch and we can invite you to our next 'virtual' meeting.

Proposed shop

We know that the provision of a shop on the estate is very important to residents and we currently have a small building within our proposed plans, available for commercial use. It will be a very compact shop—most likely only selling basics and essentials—and we currently have two people who may be interested in taking on the lease. Discussions are still very much ongoing and we will keep you updated as they progress.

Resident steering group

Back at the start of the discussions about the regeneration of Rudloe, we set up a local steering group. This group is made up of residents from Rudloe along with Box Parish Councillors and GreenSquareAccord staff. They meet to review the proposals as they develop, as well feedback from consultations. They also offer us guidance from a resident's view when it comes to planning newsletters and consultations. They are also a local point of contact for residents on the estate, to share feedback or ask questions, which can be shared at the meetings.

We are looking for new members. If this is something that you may be interested in, and would like more information, please get in touch: tom.chapman-young@greensquareaccord.co.uk

"Being on the Rudloe steering group has given me a useful insight to my local community. I have forged positive relationships with the other members of the steering group as well as with the GreenSquareAccord staff. I feel that they listen to the concerns of the residents and work to include all of the concerns and ideas into future projects. I have a particular interest in wildlife and the impact of any future building works and GreensquareAccord have listened and have reacted accordingly."

Jo Collier, GreenSquareAccord resident steering group

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