



# HAVE YOUR SAY

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on the next part of  
Stockport's story

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# BRINGING LIFE BACK TO THE VIADUCT

The next phase of Stockport Town Centre West is here. A mixed use neighbourhood that will set the standard for town centre living.

Stockport Mayoral Development Corporation (MDC) and the English Cities Fund (ECF) – a joint venture between Homes England, Muse and Legal & General – are working in partnership to create an exciting mixed neighbourhood to the west of Stockport town centre – currently known as Stockport 8.

This is one of the largest town centre regeneration projects in the UK, with the potential for up to 1,200 homes and which will see over £250m invested in Stockport.

The site is at the heart of the MDC's wider £1bn vision for the Town Centre which will transform Stockport into the most sustainable, liveable town centre in the region over the next decade.

The neighbourhood is the next part in the story of Stockport's revival. We're planning a diverse mix of new homes for the people of Stockport, spaces for independent businesses and green spaces to meet, relax and enjoy.

Together we want to create a place for all. A place to thrive. A place that is distinctively Stockport.

We believe in putting people at the heart of regeneration so over the coming months we'll be out in the community listening to your views about Stockport as we develop a vision for the area.

Now is your chance to get involved in shaping the plans. This first community conversation closes on **1st March 2024**.

Look inside to find out what's in store and how you can get involved.



# THE SITE

The site is located on land either side of King Street West and next to the railway viaduct. It is currently home to a mix of low quality buildings, including the Stagecoach bus depot and some industrial buildings.

Next to the new bus interchange and a short walk from Stockport train station, the town centre and Edgeley, it is an ideal location for a thriving mixed neighbourhood where we can promote sustainable transport choices and provide excellent walking and cycling connections.

We also have the opportunity to reconnect the site to nearby neighbourhoods and the town centre, to the River Mersey and green spaces like Hollywood Park.

From the iconic Grade II\* listed railway viaduct to the adjacent Weir Mill, the local area is full of history which we want to celebrate. Our plans will bring life back to what was once a thriving residential neighbourhood around the railway arches.

## KEY

-  Development site
-  Existing focal point



Artistic impression of Viaduct Street





# A UNIQUE VISION

Our key ambitions will help us create a thriving, inclusive neighbourhood that delivers the needs of the community now, and for generations to come.



## POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Spaces for local independent businesses to bring the spirit of the underbank through the arches.



## FOR ALL WALKS

Mixed and diverse housing to fit all walks of life, where the people make the place.

## LIFE ON THE OUTSIDE

A living, breathing neighbourhood, with new public spaces at the heart of its design.



## WOVEN TOGETHER

A connected, walkable and thriving neighbourhood that brings together surrounding communities and extends the town into existing neighbourhoods



## MAKE YOUR MARK

A neighbourhood you can truly make your own — encouraging ownership and curation of the public spaces.





# INITIAL PLANS

The draft masterplan shows our early thoughts for the site and your feedback will be really important in helping to shape the vision.

## HOUSING CHOICE FOR A GROWING COMMUNITY

Up to 1,200 high-quality, energy efficient homes for the people of Stockport that bring existing and new communities together. We want to provide homes for people at every stage of life - from affordable homes and first-time buyers, to those for families, renters and downsizers.

## A CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOOD

A connected, fully walkable neighbourhood that is integrated into the wider town centre and to surrounding communities. Designed to be inclusive for everyone.

## BEATING HEART AROUND THE ARCHES

Celebrating local heritage by opening up and creating inclusive public spaces around the viaduct that can host a range of events, including markets, food festivals and live events.

## SPACES FOR THE COMMUNITY TO THRIVE

New spaces for local businesses, start-ups and community facilities which complement the existing town centre.

## GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE PLACE

Improving the environment with a low car neighbourhood, a pedestrian only central street, energy efficient buildings and green public spaces. We're designing to the highest standards, not just in Stockport but nationally.

## A FUTUREPROOFED NEIGHBOURHOOD

A place that embraces digital technologies and design innovation with great broadband speeds as standard. Smart technology is built into the fabric of both the buildings and streets that makes modern life better.

## OUTDOOR AND GREEN SPACES

Connecting people to nature through green, tree lined streets and public spaces. Promoting health and wellbeing with extensive planting, pocket parks and green spaces for natural play and relaxation throughout.

## TRANSPORT & ACCESS

Car parking, car clubs and plenty of cycle parking ensuring that the neighbourhood is accessible to all.

# EMERGING MASTERPLAN

## KEY

-  Site boundary
-  Key public space
-  Key pedestrian/cycle route (through site)
-  Enhanced pedestrian / cycle route (surrounding site)
-  Location of ground floor commercial and community uses





# HAVE YOUR SAY



Your feedback will help us to develop an inclusive and vibrant place which Stockport can be proud of. There are lots of ways that you can contact us and share your views. Just make sure to get your comments in by **1st March 2024** when the consultation closes.

Alternative formats of this newsletter are available upon request

## QUESTIONNAIRE

Fill in the questionnaire included with this leaflet and return in the Freepost envelope enclosed.

## ONLINE

Visit [stockport8.co.uk](https://stockport8.co.uk) and complete the online feedback form.

## ONLINE Q&A

Attend our online Q&A on Tuesday 6th February, 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Sign up on the website.

## DROP-IN EVENTS

Attend one of our drop-in events.

## THUR 1ST FEB

3:00pm - 7:00pm  
Edgeley Park,  
Hardcastle Rd, SK3 9DD.

## SAT 3RD FEB

10:00am - 3:00pm  
Merseyway Shopping Centre,  
54 Great Underbank, SK1  
1PD (outside Specsavers).

# WHAT NEXT?

JAN - FEB 2024

First conversation

MAR - MAY 2024

Refining the plans

JUN - JUL 2024

Second conversation

AUTUMN 2024

Submission of planning application to Stockport Council

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**HAVE YOUR SAY**

(no further address or stamp needed)





# A PROVEN TRACK RECORD

Stockport MDC has partnered with the English Cities Fund to deliver the new plans for the Stockport 8 site.

Since it was created, the Stockport Mayoral Development Corporation (MDC), has not only galvanised partners to be more ambitious about Stockport's future but has also led the delivery of schemes that are changing perceptions of the town as a place to live, work, and visit.

Over an anticipated lifetime of up to 15 years, the MDC will re-purpose the 130 acres of Stockport's Town Centre West, providing up to 4,000 much-needed new homes in a sustainable brownfield location alongside new employment floorspace and the social infrastructure and amenity needed to support a growing community.

The English Cities Fund (ECF) is a regeneration company based on partnership. We work with local councils, landowners and communities to create great places, bringing together investment, regeneration expertise and long-term commitment to shape our towns and cities for the better.

**STOCKPORT** 

  
**THE ENGLISH CITIES FUND**

The English Cities Fund is a partnership of:

  
Homes  
England

  
Legal &  
General

**MUSE**

# TELL US YOUR THOUGHTS

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Please complete this questionnaire and put in the enclosed Freepost envelope. Then just pop it in the post – there is no need for a stamp.

Need more space? You can write to us using the contact details in this leaflet.

What do you think are the best things about living in Stockport? What do you think could be improved?

We'd like the history of the site to help shape the plans. How do you describe the local area and what are your memories?

What are the main things we should be thinking about as we develop the plans? Tick all that apply

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Local community benefits and jobs                 | <input type="checkbox"/> The environment and climate change |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable transport links                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Green and outdoor spaces           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improving health and wellbeing                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Community facilities               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The design and layout of the buildings            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing types and choice                          |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complementing Stockport's character and heritage  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusive development with something for everyone |   |
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What kind of housing do you think Stockport needs? Tick all that apply

- Affordable homes
- Homes suitable for first-time buyers
- Homes that enable downsizing
- Larger family homes
- Specialist older-persons' accommodation
- Apartments suitable for a range of age groups

Other (please specify)

We're planning outdoor spaces for people to meet and for things like markets, food festivals and live events. What would you like to see?

The plans include a mix of homes, businesses, retail, community, leisure and green spaces. Is there anything else you would like to see?

## ABOUT YOU

This information is optional but will help us to analyse the information you have provided more effectively and enable us to keep you updated on the project in the future.

Please keep me updated about the project via:

Email

Post

Name

Email

Address

Phone

Age

Under 20

20 - 35

36 - 50

51 - 64

Over 65

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