

## **Topic: PRESTWICH REGENERATION**

**What is the question you would like to ask? (Please keep your question to less than 100 words):**

If the proposed area for redevelopment has been screened for EIA (environmental impact assessment) and if so when will it be scoped. If it hasn't been screened when is it due to be screened

The masterplan proposals are at an early stage and will be informed by the forthcoming Community Conversation.

The proposals will be screened to understand whether an Environmental Impact Assessment is required. If an EIA is required, a scoping process will be undertaken to determine the scope of the EIA. The EIA screening / scoping process will be undertaken as part of the pre-application process - the exact timings are yet to be determined.

**Please add any background information that may assist with your question:**

**Supplementary question (if applicable):** Can the council confirm what they see the planning position of the Longfield centre being at the present i.e. is it an allocated site, or affected by regeneration policies and are there any design codes / masterplan guides/parameter documents \* which are material consideration in the determination of any future planning application

The Bury Unitary Development Plan (UDP) comprises the statutory Development Plan for Bury. A planning application on the site for the masterplan proposals will be assessed against relevant policies in the UDP. Within the Bury UDP, the majority of the proposed masterplan area is within the Prestwich Town Centre Area (Area PR1 – Longfield Centre / Bury New Road), which explains the council will support a balanced town centre including community facilities and uses that enhance the centre's overall vitality and viability. It will also be assessed against all other relevant policies in the UDP – including those relating to design, environmental, highways.

In 2009 the Council adopted the 'Love Prestwich Village' Town Centre Development Strategy. The strategy developed a shared vision for the future of Prestwich to diversify the centre. The vision will be reviewed as part of the forthcoming Community Conversation and inform an updated Masterplan.

A planning application will also be assessed against other material considerations, which will include the National Planning Policy Framework.