

**Councillor Stephen Cowan**

Leader of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham  
Hammersmith Town Hall, London W6 9JU



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Dear Neighbour

## **Invitation to review the latest plans to revitalise the western end of King Street**

Please come along and take part in the fourth and final series of public exhibitions on the scheme to breathe new life into the western end of King Street.

I am grateful to everyone who has given us their views and advice so far. We have listened and improved the scheme with each consultation.

We propose to demolish the ugly Town Hall extension and bring Hammersmith:

- A new four-screen cinema, with room for cafes, shops and restaurants
- 204 new homes of which 52 per cent will be classified as genuinely affordable for local residents
- A new public rooftop bar and restaurant
- New community art and event spaces
- New affordable, flexible office spaces for start-up businesses
- New corporate offices for an established business that will bring revenue and hundreds of new employees who'll be customers for our local shops and eating and drinking establishments
- New public space in front of the restored Town Hall for performances and events
- New homework spaces for children and students
- Inclusively designed buildings to ensure full access for Disabled people
- Eco-friendly buildings to minimise our carbon footprint and cut fuel bills.

Our new civic campus will allow the council to cut building maintenance and rental costs. And by opening up the Town Hall to the public, local start-up businesses and our partner agencies, it will support our mission to modernise the council's culture and have Hammersmith & Fulham deliver the best public services anywhere.

I hope you will come and see the updated designs at one of our exhibitions at Hammersmith Town Hall.

The exhibitions take place on:

- Friday 7 December, from 4pm to 8pm
- Saturday 8 December, from 10am to 2pm

You can also view the latest designs on our website here:

**[www.lbhf.gov.uk/kingstreet](http://www.lbhf.gov.uk/kingstreet)**

Some of the changes since the last set of proposals were exhibited earlier this year include:

- Reduction in the height of the town hall roof extension by one storey
- Reduction in the size of the shading around the roof of the new glass extension
- Improvements to the lighting for the Assembly Hall and Courtyard
- Addition of new winter gardens on the new homes facing King Street and the A4 to improve air quality.

### **What we're aiming to do and when**

- Early 2019: planning decision made.
- Spring 2019: council moves out of the town hall and extension.
- Summer 2019: demolition work begins.
- Early 2020: construction works begins.

You may recall that this scheme has benefited from the experience and wisdom of three resident volunteers who worked (without pay) as our Independent Town Hall Commissioners.

They've worked tirelessly with our architects (Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners) and the developer (A2Dominion) to help deliver a scheme that will benefit our borough for decades to come and significantly improve Hammersmith for all of us. I am particularly grateful for all they've done and want to take this opportunity to publicly thank them.

I hope to see you at one of the exhibitions and look forward to hearing your views and advice.

With warm regards



**Cllr Stephen Cowan**

Leader of the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham