

## PLANNING

### St Stephens Place Leisure Park - Trowbridge

GL Hearn, as lead consultant, has submitted a planning application to Wiltshire Council on behalf of Legal & General Property for the redevelopment of St Stephens Place in the centre of Trowbridge. The detailed mixed use scheme, designed by Mountford Pigott and a multi-disciplinary team, comprises a 7 screen digital cinema, 80 bedroom hotel, restaurants, cafes and bars, parking, access, enhanced public realm and the creation of a new riverside walkway on a vacant site which adjoins the River Biss.

*Image Courtesy of Mountford Pigott*



The pre-submission public consultation and subsequent feedback on the submitted application has demonstrated overwhelming support for this scheme which is consistent with both existing and emerging planning policy. The proposal will complement existing town centre facilities, help to regenerate the southern end of the town centre, creating a cultural and entertainment hub and act as a catalyst for further investment.

Legal & General have agreed terms with Odeon and Premier Inn to anchor the scheme. Subject to achieving planning permission in early 2012 the St Stephens Place Leisure Park will be open towards the end of 2013.

*Please contact Mike Beese for further information.*

## NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING SERVICES

### £400m Mixed-Use Redevelopment - Vauxhall Square

GL Hearn have submitted a planning application on behalf of property developer CLS Holdings for a £400m mixed-use development scheme in Vauxhall, south west London. The London office of GL Hearn are acting as the planning consultants, whilst the Bath office has prepared the Environmental Statement (ES) to accompany the application.



*Image Courtesy of Allies and Morrison*

The application proposes one of the highest quality schemes in London and a flagship development within Vauxhall. The development will have a significant role in raising the profile of Vauxhall and will act as a catalyst for further regeneration and investment. The site is located within the Vauxhall Opportunity Area which presents significant potential for commercial development and jobs growth in Lambeth as well as the opportunity to provide new housing.

The potential for intensification is highlighted within the Lambeth Core Strategy supporting opportunities within the Vauxhall Heart for the development of a cluster of high quality tall buildings for a mix of uses. These include residential, retail, business, other commercial and community uses at Vauxhall Heart which could extend into Wandsworth, focused on the transport interchange at Vauxhall Cross with connections to the Nine Elms area and residential hinterland and new pedestrian linkages through the railway viaduct.

The 154,000 sq m Vauxhall Square redevelopment will include two 50-storey residential towers containing 510 flats including 94 affordable housing units and 15,231 sq m of office space. The plans for the site include 3,500 sq m of retail, restaurant and café space; 416 student units; a 438 bed hotel; a four-screen cinema; a new homeless hostel; and a new public square.

Subject to planning consent, CLS hope to start on site in 2014, with phases being completed from 2017 onwards.

## HERITAGE PLANNING

### Holburne Museum - Visitor Success

**The Holburne Museum of Art, a prestigious Grade I listed building in the heart of the World Heritage Site and Bath's conservation area, re-opened its doors to visitors in May 2011.**

GL Hearn worked closely with the Museum and Eric Parry Architects to assist in securing planning permission and listed building consent for the extension and refurbishment of the building which has dramatically increased the Museum's gallery space. Eric Parry's thoughtful and inspirational design has met with considerable critical acclaim since the work was completed.

The Museum is currently offering visitors Bruno Munro's 'Field of Light' which consists of over 5,000 bulbs planted around the new extension.

*GL Hearn's planning and heritage advice was led by Jen Tempest - please contact Jen for further information.*



## Land Aid is the property industry's charity



Land Aid funds projects around the UK that help the young and disadvantaged access the facilities, skills and opportunities to fulfil their potential. This is done through their annual grants programme and Foundations for Life.

Foundations for Life (FFL) is Land Aid's partnership with leading youth homelessness charity Centre Point. FFL provides new learning facilities and support within young people's hostel accommodation to help them gain the skills they need to live independently and achieve their potential.

In December 2011 GL Hearn made a corporate donation to Land Aid instead of sending Christmas cards to enable the charity to continue its good work with the homeless.



GL Hearn UK Office Locations

## Volunteering towards 'Red Wheel' Status, Dundas Wharf

GL Hearn has launched a new volunteering scheme to enable employees to apply for a day's volunteering each year in support of a worthy cause.

GL Hearn's volunteering policy is a cornerstone of our corporate responsibility strategy. GL Hearn's Bath Office, enjoyed their first volunteering day with undergrowth clearance at the historical and popular area of Dundas Wharf along the Kennet and Avon Canal in Bath.

There were several benefits not just for our business volunteers who finished the day with lungs full of fresh air but also for the local community and helping Dundas Wharf towards achieving 'Red Wheel' status, which is the equivalent of 'Blue plaques' on historic buildings, in this case awarded by the Transport Trust.



In 2009, the Transport Trust launched a nationwide programme to mark sites of historical interest with Red Wheel plaques. A major new initiative to commemorate Britain's important legacy in the development of transport, the Red Wheel programme will mark hundreds of sites of special historic interest with a distinctive Red Wheel plaque.

Our clearance works at Dundas Wharf were supervised by representatives from the Kennet and Avon Canal Trust and Mike Rogers said "we were very pleased with what the wonderful group managed to achieve".

The day's work was enjoyed by all who took part and most importantly it achieved a much improved appearance to the area that was tackled. Staff from GL Hearn's Bath Office included Andrew Shepley, Bob Nurse, Gaynor Parkinson, Dan Washington and Rhian Williams.

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