

Marketfield Way redevelopment newsletter

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Welcome to the first edition of the Marketfield Way development newsletter, which provides an update on the progress of this important regeneration project for Redhill.

The transformation of the former Marketfield Road car park is well underway and the development is beginning to come out of the ground.

Once complete in Summer 2022, the redevelopment will provide a brand-new leisure, retail and residential development that will turn the western side of Marketfield Way into a vibrant destination.

Features of the scheme include:

- a new multi-screen cinema hosting 7 screens
- new units for restaurants, shops, leisure and office uses on the ground and first floors
- 150 new one and two bedroom homes to be privately rented
- a landscaped new pedestrian route, flanked by shops and restaurants, linking the High Street to Marketfield Way.

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Progress on site

Since Marketfield Road car park closed in December 2019, our main contractor VINCI Construction Ltd has made great progress on site.

Initial focus was on ensuring that all site preparation works were complete in order to start the main build such as site clearance, demolition of the buildings fronting the High Street, diverting utilities such as electricity and telephone lines and early groundworks.



Since the outbreak of Covid-19 in spring, VINCI has been following guidance issued by the Construction Leadership Council to ensure safe working practices while keeping the project moving forward.

Main works commenced in the summer and are progressing well. Progress has included building two new substations, completing piling works, undertaking basement works and completion of the ground floor concrete slab for the cinema.

The first floor slab for the cinema will be completed in December. The concrete and steel frame for the commercial units and cinema area are underway and will be complete in January 2021.



Now that the structure of the building can be seen coming out of the ground, residents will have noticed the arrival of the two tower cranes.

For safety, the pavement on Marketfield Way will be closed on the west side of the road, with alternative routes made available.



What's happening next?

Our works programme will pause over the Christmas period and recommence in January 2021.

Works in the New Year through to Spring will include the brickwork and cladding to the cinema, starting in January. The basement will be completed, including the new access ramp from Marketfield Road and we will be starting on the superstructure on the south side of the site. This includes the tallest building in the development, adjacent to Marketfield Way. The structure adjacent to the High Street will also commence and continue through early 2021; this will include the ground and first floor commercial units with new homes above.

The number of workers on site will increase during early 2021 with up to 100 people working full time from March and increasing further during 2021.



For updates follow VINCI's Twitter account for the development: **@MarketfieldWay**.

Job opportunities and local procurement

The Council and our main contractor, VINCI Construction UK Limited, are committed to providing local employment, training and procurement opportunities.

Together we have prepared a site-specific Employment and Training Strategy intended to provide a structured approach to recruitment, local employment, training and skills development, work placements, apprenticeships and local procurement to help to create lots of local benefits for our residents and businesses from the project.

The Marketfield Way Training and Employment Strategy is available to view on the Council's website at: **www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/MarketfieldWayJobs**.

If you are interested in working on site, local supply chain opportunities or finding out more information about the Employment and Training Strategy please contact Richard Etherington, Project Manager, VINCI Construction UK Limited (contact details at the end of this newsletter).



Community initiatives

The main contractor runs the VINCI UK Foundation, founded in 2016. Since then, it has supported dozens of not-for-profit organisations all over the UK and the Republic of Ireland, helping people who suffer social exclusion.

If your organisation is involved in tackling the following issues, you may be able to be supported with a one-off grant for projects from £3k-£20k:

- access to employment helping those currently excluded from the job market
- enabling access to housing for the most under privileged individuals
- improving mobility to providing easier access to secure employment, healthcare, and education
- building better communities by strengthening social links and addressing social isolation.



If you feel your organisation could benefit from a grant, please contact Richard Etherington, Project Manager, details at the end of this newsletter.

How to keep in touch

We'll be issuing a newsletter once every three months to provide a regular update on the development. You can keep in touch with us in a variety of ways:



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