

The Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh regeneration

St Philip's Marsh business bulletin

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Keeping you updated on the regeneration of Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh

This bulletin gives an overview of the emerging plans for St Philip's as part of the Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh regeneration programme, as well as details on how we'll work with businesses in the area before the formal consultation, and other useful information for businesses.

Bristol is an economically successful and dynamic city which continues to attract new people, businesses and investment. As our population increases over the coming decades, we want

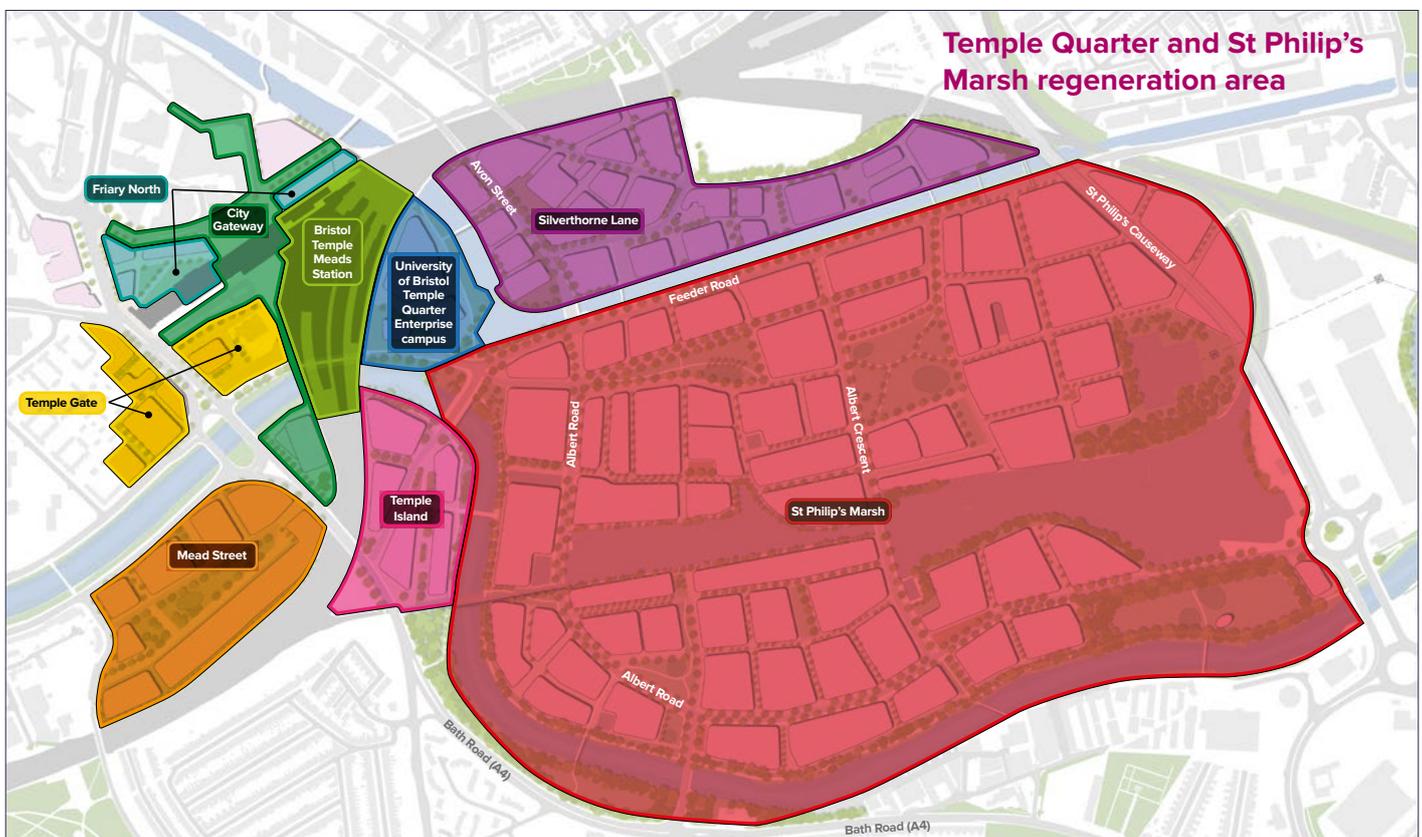
to plan and direct the growth of our city in a sustainable and inclusive way. We are committed to managing these changes with existing communities and businesses to achieve the best possible outcomes for as many as possible, while securing the homes and jobs people need and delivering on environmental targets.

Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh is one of the biggest regeneration sites in the UK. Over 130 hectares of brownfield land will be transformed over the

next 25 years into a sustainable, well-connected new urban area with a series of thriving mixed-use communities.

It will bring numerous benefits to the city and region creating up to 22,000 jobs, around 10,000 homes and bring £1.6bn into the local economy every year.

A [vision for the regeneration](#) was issued in March with a commitment to work with and listen to businesses, residents and the citywide community to share their views and help shape the plans.



The regeneration will bring changes for businesses in the area as we move through the 2020s – some will seem incremental; others will feel transformative in their scale and scope. It can only be a success

by working with businesses already in the area, considering the impact any proposed changes may have on you and how you can make the most of the opportunity as the project progresses.

We will formally consult on a draft Development Framework later this year/early in 2022.

Bristol City Council Temple Quarter Project Team

The vision for St Philip's Marsh

The first phase of Temple Quarter development will focus on the area around Temple Meads station. Longer term, the aspiration for St Philip's Marsh is to create a series of sustainable mixed-use neighbourhoods integrated with the surrounding east Bristol communities and within walking distance of the station itself.

Investment in strategic flood resilience infrastructure will unlock the potential to redevelop St Philip's Marsh with climate resilience built in from the beginning.

Plans are still at concept stage so any large scale 'on the ground' changes are still several years away, and we will work hard to ensure local businesses are part of the process as the project progresses.



Engagement with St Philip's Marsh businesses

We are aware some of the changes proposed will feel very big to some businesses in St Philip's. Before the formal consultation on the draft Development Framework in late 2021/early 2022, the Temple Quarter team will work with St Philip's businesses to get a better understanding of their business and future aspirations.

By better understanding you and your business, we will ensure you are part of the conversation as we manage the process of transforming St Philip's into a mixed-use area featuring businesses and new homes.

Before the Mayoral election in May, two virtual events were run for businesses in the St Philip's area to introduce them to the vision for Temple Quarter. For more details on the vision please visit www.bristoltemplequarter.com/about/vision

We have also answered some of the more frequently asked questions. You can find these answers online: [St Philip's Marsh – Frequently asked questions \(bristoltemplequarter.com\)](http://St Philip's Marsh – Frequently asked questions (bristoltemplequarter.com)).

We will be contacting all businesses in the area over the summer, ahead of more detailed work to develop a thorough understanding of the business base. Consultation on the emerging development framework for Temple Quarter and St Philip's will take place in coming months, and we will share more information on this and how you can get involved.

If you want to get in touch with us about the emerging plans for the area, please contact us at templequarter@bristol.gov.uk

St Philip's Marsh business poster displays and heritage trail

St Philip's Marsh has seen great change over the years. A heritage project celebrating the past and present uses and users of St Philip's Marsh is underway. Drawing on the area's rich industrial heritage and interviews with current businesses, the council's City Design team, working in partnership with artists, is creating a heritage trail that will be launched during the Bristol Open Doors weekend on Saturday 10 September.

The trail will feature posters promoting current businesses displayed on the advertising hoardings on Feeder Road and an audio trail created from interviews and oral histories. In the evening there will be a series of projections along Chapel Street celebrating the marsh and its history.

All activities will be featured in the Bristol Open Doors programme. To find out more or get involved contact Pete.Insole@bristol.gov.uk



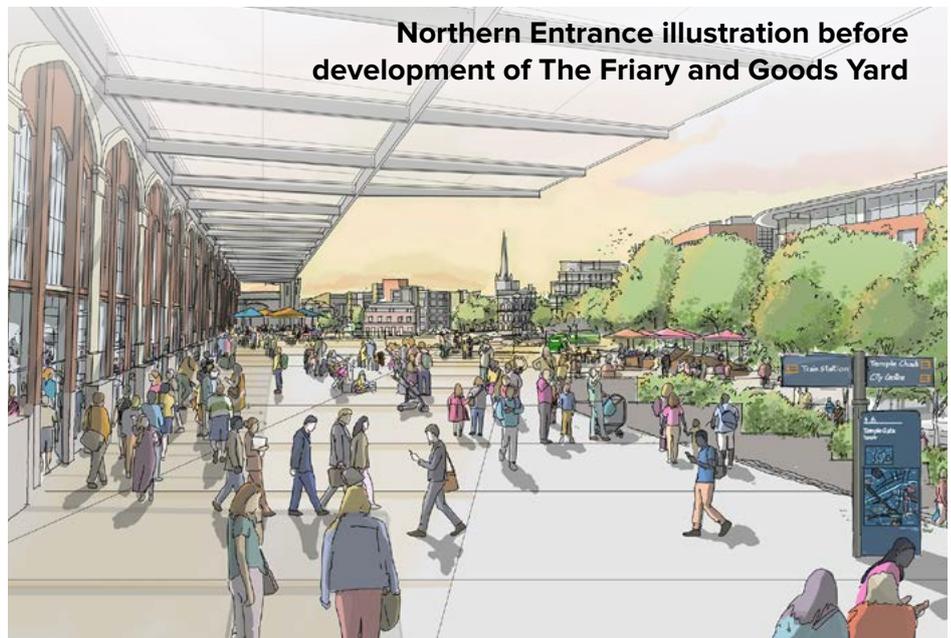
St Philip's Marsh Coronation celebration 1953

Bristol Transport Board – find out more about transport plans for Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh

One of the key aims of the regeneration is to improve Bristol's connectivity and sustainability with better public transport, cycling and walking connections to and from Temple Meads and across Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh.

Temple Meads station is undergoing a major programme of investment which will transform rail access to and from Bristol, celebrate the station's heritage and increase its capacity to 22 million passengers each year.

Construction is already well underway to create a new entrance to the east of the station and plans to improve passenger facilities at the northern entrance to the station will open up a new transport hub on the Friary. This will offer easy connections for pedestrians, cyclists and the local and citywide bus network making



Northern Entrance illustration before development of The Friary and Goods Yard

Mott MacDonald, Weston Williamson + Partners

it easier to travel around the city and to/from the region.

Feasibility work is underway for a southern gateway transport hub, a new entrance building that will provide easy access to Bristol Temple Meads Station from the A4/south of the city. The southern gateway will feature a new transport interchange, rail passenger facilities, a multi storey car park with disabled bays and secure cycle storage for station users and others.

Progress updates will be provided in future bulletins.

The Bristol Transport Board (BTB) which includes major transport providers, transport user groups and community representatives advises on how to get the transport infrastructure right and the implications for travellers and operators throughout the regeneration. If you have anything you would like to be raised at a future BTB meeting please email templequarter@bristol.gov.uk

Temple Island update

Legal and General invest £350m to develop Temple Island.

You may have seen recent media reports about Bristol City Council securing a multi-million investment from Legal and General (L&G) to develop the Temple Island site close to the A4 / Bath Bridge roundabout. It will bring a redundant piece of land in the city centre that's been neglected for 40 years back to life creating 1,500 new jobs, 550 new homes (including c.220 affordable) plus public spaces shops and restaurants where people can socialise and relax.

L&G's commitment to Bristol is a much-needed boost as we recover from the pandemic and a real vote of confidence that will be noticed by other investors and businesses looking to do business in the city. [Read L&G's press release.](#)

L&G will start an initial phase of consultation with business and residents in the next few months.

Temple Island works this summer:

- Currently works are ongoing to complete Brocks Bridge that connects Temple Island to Cattlemarket Road.
- During the summer Network Rail will have a site compound on Temple Island to support their improvements to Bristol East junction and preparatory works for the new Eastern Entrance from Cattlemarket Road to Temple Meads.
- Bristol City Council are co-ordinating various surveys and remediation works to prepare the site for enabling works on Temple Island to prepare the site for L&G's development and student residences that will be built by the University of Bristol as part of the new Temple Quarter Enterprise campus.

University of Bristol Temple Quarter Enterprise Campus – revised opening date

The new Temple Quarter Enterprise campus on Cattlemarket Road is one of the key elements of the Temple Quarter and St Philip's Marsh regeneration that will link leading research, innovation and development to local and regional businesses.

The university has continued with site enabling works in the past year but following a full assessment of the impact of the pandemic and Brexit, particularly on their supply chain, they have recalibrated the development programme. They now aim to start the main construction works on the Cattlemarket Road site in summer 2022 with the new campus expected to open in the second half of 2025. In the meantime, they plan to open new research facilities in existing buildings on Avon Street in 2022.

Find out more about the new Temple Quarter Enterprise campus on the [University of Bristol website.](#)

Network Rail summer upgrade

Major engineering works next to Temple Meads station. Network Rail are upgrading a huge junction next to Bristol Temple Meads station, replacing track in a new layout for better journeys. The works are taking place over the summer and due to finish on 3 September. Passengers in the Bristol area will be affected for varying lengths of time and at different periods during these dates. Some journey times will change and customers will need to check their journey before travel at www.GWR.com/Bristol

Network Rail have prepared a [toolkit](#) about the works over the summer so please read and share with colleagues, friends and family. Updates are on [Twitter](#) and please retweet [@networkrailwest](#) #BristolRailRegen



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Track upgrades
10 July – 3 September

This summer we're replacing a major junction near Bristol Temple Meads.

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Keep in touch

For more information about the regeneration of Temple Quarter please visit the [Temple Quarter website](#), or if you would like this information in another language, Braille, audio tape, large print, easy English, BSL video or CD rom or plain text please contact: templequarter@bristol.gov.uk

