

MillbayNews

An update for the local community and businesses

Issue 2

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The start of 'enabling works' on one of the sites on Millbay Road earmarked for high quality new homes and business units will be underway by Christmas. The site has already been cleared and contractors will be appointed to begin to clean up the ground. This essential process is being carried out in preparation for the main building work commencing in 2006.

Millbay's regeneration is making steady progress and the partners are on-track to deliver a first-rate development that will create a strong sense of identity for the area.

In addition to the developments taking place on-site, the Stonehouse and West Hoe Study has also recently been completed. This document, funded by StonehouseACTION and English Partnerships, will ensure that local people from the area benefit from the improvements to Millbay.

Stonehouse and West Hoe Study

The completed Stonehouse & West Hoe Study covers:

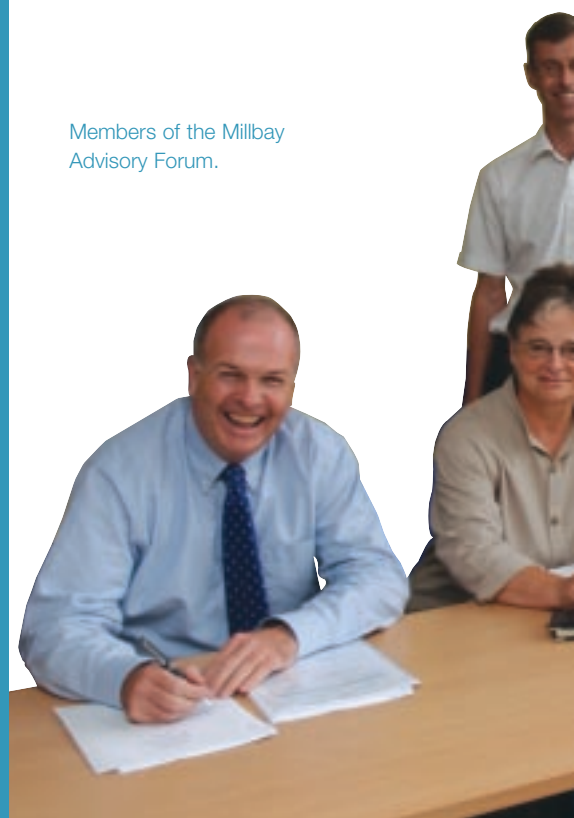
- Community safety
- Health
- Housing
- Education, Training and Young People
- Employment and Business
- Environment
- Transport
- Other community needs

English Cities Fund is helping to pay for the next stage of work on the Study and further meetings will be held to discuss how to make things happen. These will involve the service providers and representatives of the local community.

The Study is available online at www.cagconsultants.co.uk/stonehouse/reports.htm or from Millfields Trust's HQ building, 237 Union Street, and Frederick Street Community Centre.

For further information contact Rachel Crozier on rachelcrozier@blueyonder.co.uk or 0800 3894276.

Members of the Millbay Advisory Forum.



StonehouseACTION

Started in late 2003, the aim of StonehouseACTION is to promote co-operation and unity between individuals, groups and organisations within the community to work on common issues.

All residents of Stonehouse are automatically members of StonehouseACTION and at each Annual General Meeting a new Committee of 12 local residents is elected in order to raise issues with the partners and Plymouth City Council. Several members of the Committee are also on bodies like the Millbay Advisory Forum.

Arguably the most important result of StonehouseACTION's work to date is the Stonehouse and West Hoe Study to research key social, economic and environmental problems and to suggest potential solutions. In this way the needs of the residents will be fed into Plymouth City Council's Area Action Plan. Local residents and businesses were consulted together with service providers in the area such as the police, health workers and the city's Education Department.

StonehouseACTION has an important role to play in representing the interests of all the residents of Stonehouse.

The Millbay Business Forum

The Millbay Business Forum was set up in 2004 to enable local businesses to keep up to date with what is happening in their area and to engage directly with organisations involved in the regeneration process. It is an informal group of local businessmen and women from the Millbay and Stonehouse and West Hoe areas that meets every two to three months to discuss matters of interest.

It is currently chaired by Carl Budden of the South West Regional Development Agency but once it has become more established, it is intended that local businesses will appoint a chair from their own ranks. A member of the Millbay Business Forum (currently Maurice West of Bailey Partnership) also attends meetings of the Millbay Advisory Forum.

Getting involved

Find out more about the regeneration of Millbay by attending the monthly Millbay Advisory Forum. The next two meetings are scheduled as follows:

Thursday 3 November 2005 and

Thursday 1 December 2005 both to be held at 11.30am at Millfields Trust's HQ building, 237 Union Street.

Please check the local press for details.

The Partners

English Partnerships, the South West of England Regional Development Agency (South West RDA) and English Cities Fund are working with Plymouth City Council and the local community to make Millbay a better place to live and work. Each organisation has a particular role to play and brings specialist knowledge and experience to the scheme.

English Partnerships

the national regeneration agency helping the government to support high quality sustainable growth in England.



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South West of England RDA

the Regional Development Agency whose goal is to improve the economy of the South West.



Carl Budden
South West
of England
RDA

English Cities Fund

the lead private sector development partner for Millbay is a partnership of English Partnerships, Legal & General and AMEC

created to deliver sustainable urban regeneration and encourage higher levels of private investment.



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