

Sighthill RegenerationNeighbourhood News

Spring 2016



New Sighthill is taking shape

The transformation of Sighthill is now well under way.

The regeneration of the area - one of the biggest projects of its kind in Scotland - will see hundreds more new homes, a new school campus and student accommodation, new shops, as well as a road bridge, land bridge and green space for residents.

Sighthill has been earmarked as a priority for regeneration by Transforming Communities: Glasgow (TC:G) - a partnership between Glasgow City Council, the Scottish Government and Glasgow Housing Association.

This newsletter is intended to keep residents up-to-date with what's already happened - and with some of the changes you'll see over the coming months.









First phase of housing complete

All 141 of the new GHA homes are now occupied, with tenants enjoying their modern, stylish, energy efficient homes. This marks a significant stage in the transformation of Sighthill.

What else is planned for the area?

There will be major works going on in Sighthill for the next five years or so. As well as the new GHA homes, the transformation of the area will see:

- a mix of private and affordable housing to rent and buy
- · a new community school campus
- improved parkland, allotments, public spaces and shops along with a growing space that you can use in the meantime
- a new pedestrian bridge across the M8 connecting Sighthill with the city centre, as well as a road bridge across the railway from Sighthill to Port Dundas.

What will happen next

The contracts for major work in the area have been awarded and you will start to see more activity.

This work includes:

- remediation work to address the contamination issues across the site. The expected completion for this is early 2017.
- work on the infill of the Buchanan railway tunnel will begin in April and is expected to be complete by the end of summer 2016.
- a temporary service bridge across the Edinburgh to Glasgow Railway line and is expected to be completed autumn 2016.
- the demolition of 31/35 and 32/34 Pinkston Drive,
 which is expected to be complete by the end of 2016.

Keeping you updated

Unfortunately, the scale and type of work we're carrying out means there will be some disruption for people in Sighthill. We'll be doing everything we can to keep this disruption to a minimum.

We'll also be keeping you up-to-date with everything that's happening, so you have the latest information to hand.



We'll be doing this through:

- a TC:G website
- · regular newsletters delivered to your door
- local information and drop-in sessions
- · updates on social media.

Please note that noise associated with construction and demolition works in residential areas should not occur before 08:00am or after 07:00pm Monday to Friday, and not before 08:00am or after 1:00pm on Saturdays. No works are planned to be carried out on Sundays and Public holidays. We will advise you if any essential work outside these hours must take place.

If you have any queries on the remediation, construction and demolition work taking place in Sighthill, please call the helpline number 07767 118231.

The Stone Circle

The Stone Circle was established in 1979 by the then 'Glasgow Parks Department Astronomy Project', and guided by the Scottish author Duncan Lunan. The Stone Circle will be relocated within the new park, to the south east of the current location of the Circle. This is the original site that Mr Lunan had chosen, however this location was not suitable at the time due to the multi storey flats obscuring the horizon sight

lines. Discussions continue with Mr Lunan who will work with the Council and the Contractors when the stones and top layer of soil are removed, stored and eventually housed in their new resting place.

New home for Youth Centre

The youth centre, currently based at St Rollox Church, hopes to move to St Stephen's School and will continue to operate there from Monday to Friday, from 6pm to 9pm. Discussions are also continuing about the long-term plans for the location of the youth centre.

Sighthill Mobile Community Space

Through the earlier community consultation process last summer, you told us you would like to see a mobile community space created. To help make this happen now, Pidgin Perfect, a design studio will work with Community Links Scotland and the Sighthill community to develop the Sighthill Community Space project. This project will create a community space for local residents as the transformation of Sighthill continues over the next five years. The mobile space will have a permanent home within the heart of the community when the development is completed.



Pidgin Perfect and Community Links will be working with the community to create a space to grow and play together while the work is ongoing. This space will be designed and created by the community so please do get in touch if you would like to be involved.

Community campus

A new community campus will be built to replace the existing schools and nursery and will include community facilities. The campus is expected to be open in autumn 2019. The nursery, St Stephen's and St Kevin's schools will then transfer over to the new facility. The old buildings will be demolished shortly afterwards, making way for further redevelopment.

More information

Residents are at the heart of all our plans for Sighthill. The Local Delivery Group for the Sighthill TRA (Transformational Regeneration Area) is made up of representatives from the community. The Group, which is chaired by Councillor Allan Stewart, meets every three months and oversees the delivery of regeneration in the area through monitoring the project and agreeing local priorities. If you're interested in being part of the Group, please get in touch.

We'll also be arranging another community event in the autumn. We'll let you know the details beforehand.

Remember, GHA and GCC staff are on hand to give you any more information you need and to answer your questions. You can also contact Jackie Harvey, the Project Manager for Sighthill TRA.

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You can get more information by visiting the council website:

www.glasgow.gov.uk/sighthill