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ECf seek planning For Canning Town's Rathbone Market Phase 2

English Cities Fund - a joint venture between Muse Developments, Legal & General Property and the Homes and Communities Agency, and developer of Canning Town's Rathbone Market scheme - is seeking planning permission to take the development into its second phase.

The reserved matters planning application was submitted last week and comes after a public consultation meeting at The Place in Canning Town on 13 March. Following detailed consultation before 2009, Rathbone Market's redevelopment already has outline planning consent which fixed the masterplanning parameters.

Phase two will comprise an attractive new open market square which will form the centrepiece of the finished Rathbone Market scheme and will also feature purpose built facilities for the market traders. This phase will also see the delivery of 165 new homes, a brand new public library and a community hub.

The proposed works for phase two will mean the market will be temporarily relocated along Barking Road and will also see the demolition of Thomas North Terrace, residents of which have been offered new homes within phase one of the development.

Duncan Cumberland, project director for ECf said: "Phase two is the part of this development programme which will have the most direct effect on the community of Canning Town. It is significant because the new market square, focal point of the whole development, will get under way, and many other community benefits such as the library and community hub will be created."

Adam West, partner from CZWG Architects which also designed Phase 1 of Rathbone Market, said: "It is particularly exciting to be able to complete the proposed new market square. In combination with the rest of the public realm coming forward with this phase, and a new library, it will make a real difference to the enjoyment of the local environment."

Newham Council's Cllr Conor McAuley, executive member for regeneration and strategic planning said: "The Rathbone Market development is at the heart of the regeneration in Canning Town and Custom House. Anyone visiting Canning Town cannot fail to notice the changes being made with the towering Vermilion building already making an impact on the skyline. We will continue to engage residents as we start looking at phase 2 and ensure they continue to have a say in how the area is shaped. This is an exciting time for E16, for both new and existing residents, and I'm looking forward to seeing the development progress."

ECf is the first developer to begin works within the Canning Town and Custom House regeneration masterplan. Rathbone Market's redevelopment is in partnership with the London Borough of Newham.