

# News

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## **Final phase of Newham's Rathbone Market transformation given green light**

Newham Council's Strategic Development Committee has unanimously approved a Reserved Matters planning application for the third phase of English Cities Fund's Rathbone Market development in Canning Town, Newham.

English Cities Fund is a joint venture between Muse Developments, Legal & General and the Homes and Communities Agency.

The overall scheme was granted outline planning permission in March 2010, with a Reserved Matters condition relating to appearance and landscaping.

Once complete, Rathbone Market's regeneration will have transformed a rundown post-war housing and market site, delivered 652 new private and affordable homes and provided a new and improved permanent square for the historic market.

Phase One, known as Vermilion, was completed in 2012 and provides 271 new homes, an award winning communal garden and allotments and space for shops and a gym. Phase Two, known as Aurelia, will be completed by early 2015 and will provide a further 165 homes, the new market square, space for community facilities, including a library, and a safer more pleasant route to the pedestrian subway under the A13 Newham Way.

Once built, Phase Three will complete the regeneration of Rathbone Market and provide 216 homes, a communal garden and allotments, and a new pedestrian link to Mary Street. Premier architecture practice, Project Orange, has designed Phase Three to complement Phases 1 and 2 but stand out in its own right by using a combination of high quality brick and aluminium panels with carefully placed balconies.

Duncan Cumberland, Director of English Cities Fund said: "Phase Three's approval is a momentous occasion for us and we are extremely proud to say that we will soon complete the transformation of Rathbone market. Ideally, we would like to be on site and starting work before the end of the year."

Phase Three is expected to be complete by late 2016.