

# News

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## Plans outline next chapter in Millbay's transformation

An updated masterplan to guide future phases in the transformation of Millbay has been submitted to Plymouth's planners.

Millbay's lead developer English Cities Fund has submitted an outline planning application for the regeneration area to update and replace the current masterplan which was granted outline planning permission by Plymouth City Council in 2008.

It follows a positive two-day consultation with the local community and businesses held in May.

Focused around the historic former docks built by the Victorian engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel, Millbay is one of the top regeneration projects in the UK and will feature an exciting mix of residential, leisure, business and retail development, with high quality public spaces and direct access to the waterfront.

Significant progress has already been made in delivering the original masterplan vision of bringing new life back to the area.

This has included the successful completion of the award-winning Cargo development, followed by Cargo 2 and work currently well under way on the latest phase - Quadrant Quay - which features 102 new homes being built on Millbay's former East Quay. The recently-opened King Point Marina has brought waterfront activity back to Millbay's refurbished historic inner harbour and work is progressing well on the new Plymouth School of Creative Arts, in Millbay Road.

The proposed new Millbay Masterplan will take into account the development which has already taken place and how future development will complete the regeneration of the area as a vibrant residential and cultural quarter as well as a key waterfront destination for Plymouth, as Britain's Ocean City.

Duncan Cumberland, Development Director for Muse Developments, which is one of the partners in ECf, said: "This is a variation to the original Millbay Masterplan which maintains all the hallmarks of quality and access to the waterfront.

"It is another important piece of work in the ongoing development of Millbay, reflecting the work completed or currently under way and setting the framework for future phases of development. This will include 600 dwellings, new commercial space and the creation of a leisure and cultural destination at the heart of Millbay by redeveloping Clyde Quay to become a centrepiece for the regeneration scheme."

Millbay is one of five schemes nationwide being delivered by English Cities Fund (ECf), a public-private regeneration partnership involving the Homes and Communities Agency, Muse Developments and Legal and General.

Completions for Quadrant Quay's 102 homes are anticipated to commence in late 2014, and the project is also seeing work begin to lay out and open the first section, up to Millbay Road, of a planned new boulevard aimed at linking Plymouth city centre with the waterfront.