introduction

Daventry District Council has plans to build a 3 or 4 screen cinema and restaurants north of the High Street on the site of the current Daventry Library. The library will be relocated to The Abbey Centre by April 2019.

Before a planning application is submitted, the Council want to hear your views on the draft proposals for the cinema led scheme.

Please take the time to read through the information presented and then use the feedback form (paper or online) to let us know what you think. You can also email your comments to daventry@mc-pl.co.uk.

All comments must be received by Sunday 28 October 2018.

key dates

Public and Stakeholder Consultation: Monday 15 to Sunday 28 October 2018
Planning Application Submission: before Christmas 2018
Planning Application Decision: Spring 2019
Start of Construction Works: Summer 2019
Cinema Opens: Autumn 2020
- The proposed development is on the location of the existing library, the disused Children’s Services office and includes the former Bromford and Mind facilities.
- New public square.
- New public events space.
- Location for public art.
- New planting and seating within public square.
- New cinema, café and bar.
- New restaurants.

**Ground floor plan**

1. Steps to North Street
2. Steps to Lime tree
3. Location for public art
4. New public square
5. New public seating
6. Café and bar
7. External dining
8. New restaurants
9. Existing historic wall
10. Lime tree
11. Mulberry tree
12. Sycamore tree
13. Existing entrance
14. Enhanced planting
15. New public events space
16. New pedestrian link
17. Projecting window
18. Management offices
20. Existing residential properties

**Lower ground floor plan**

- Quality surface finishes.
- Enhanced public realm.
- Retained planting.

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design proposals

- the new buildings will be broken up in similar proportions and heights to those on the High Street
- the building will be constructed using materials similar to those found in the town centre
- surface finishes will be in keeping with the high quality found elsewhere within the town
- it is intended to use brick similar to those used in the historic walls and traditional buildings found within the town
- parapet heights will vary in keeping with the pattern found in Daventry’s High Street
- the buildings will be of a scale in keeping with the surrounding properties but subservient in height to those on the High Street
- existing planting zones will be enhanced and reinforced
- additional public parking will be provided as part of Primrose Hill car park
- no public parking will be accessed from North Street
- the rear of the building will be broken up to match the proportions of properties in the locality
- mature trees that contribute to the character of the conservation area will be retained
- glazing and windows are positioned to avoid overlooking of residential properties
- increased distance from residential properties with enhanced landscape buffer
facing new square, Bishops Court and Bishop Crewe House

facing North Street, Chapel Lane car park and the Mulberry tree

North Street elevation showing the High Street ridge line

facing Primrose Hill car park and the Lime tree
- new public square
- new public events space
- location for public art
- new planting and seating within public square
- new cinema, café and bar
- new restaurants

**Massing visuals**

**View from Bishop Crewe House**

- visual connection to the Chapel Lane Mulberry tree
- new public art as a focal point within the square
- retention / enhancement of mature planting to North Street

**View from Bishops Court**

- location of Lime tree enhanced
- new external restaurant seating areas
- building heights below existing ridge line
- historic wall retained within new development
- pedestrian routes from Primrose Hill and Bishops Court retained

**View from Primrose Hill car park**

- new public square
- new public events space
- location for public art
- new planting and seating within public square
- new cinema, café and bar
- new restaurants

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- new view to Holy Cross spire
- new planting and seating within public square
- new prominence given to Bishop Crewe House

- visual connection to the High Street
- new surface finishes brought up North Street to connect development to High Street
- retention / enhancement of mature planting to North Street

- Sycamore tree retained on North Street
- east historic wall retained
- building heights in keeping with existing properties