

**Brimscombe Port  
Members information Sheet  
November 2021**

**1 Introduction**

- 1.1 The purpose of this Information Sheet is to update members on the current position with the redevelopment of Brimscombe Port. There is also an update in the Performance Monitoring report to this Committee.
- 1.2 The last update to committee was on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Where it was confirmed that vacant possession of the site had been achieved.

**2 Demolition contract**

- 2.1 Haywood Crushing Demolition Ltd (HCD) has been appointed and started demolition works on 25 October 2021. Site set up and soft strip of the buildings is being undertaken and discharge of Planning Conditions has been applied for. Once the relevant Planning Conditions have been discharged, asbestos stripping can begin, with other demolition works to follow. Now that HCD has been appointed, the application of a Flood Risk Activity Permit from the Environment Agency is underway which is required in order to carry out demolition works, other than asbestos strip, within 8m of the River Frome.

**3 Procurement of a Developer**

- 3.1 The process to procure a Developer was launched on 29 October 2021 with accompanying Press Release and media posts along with the video launched in September 2021. A Contracts Notice will have been issued to all Companies signed up to the Government's Contracts Finder. A wide range of companies have registered to access the dataroom where all information for the project can be found. The deadline for the receipt of the completed Supplier Questionnaires, the first stage of the process, is the 6 December 2021. The whole process is due to be completed by June 2022, subject to suitable bids being submitted.

**4 Current Estimated Key Milestones**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Estimated date</b>
Demolition complete*	Apr 2022
Approval to appoint developer partner	May 2022
Development Agreement Completed	Jun 2022
Infrastructure can start	Jun 2022
Planning application submission	Jan 2023
Commencement of redevelopment	Oct 2023
Completion of redevelopment	Oct 2025

\* The demolition of the curtilage Listed Port House, may be moved to June, depending on consent from the EA and the release of a planning condition regarding phasing.

**5 Community Engagement & Comms Plan**

- 5.1 An update regarding asbestos was posted on the Brimscombe Port webpage, as well as on social media on 11 November 2021 as concerns had been raised by local residents. A links to this information was shared with the Parish Council, local schools and individuals who had emailed.

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- 5.2 A leaflet has been delivered to every household within Brimscombe and Thrupp Parish, as well as a small area of Minchinhampton Parish, to provide background to the redevelopment proposals; to invite people to sign up for updates on the development and to invite them to a drop in session being held on Wednesday 17 November 2021 at The Ship Inn, Brimscombe. Members, Officers and Parish Councillors will be in attendance to have informal discussions about the project and answer any queries or concerns local residents may have.
- 5.3 In addition, the Project Team has had further meetings with the Parish Council and the focus is now on the vision for the community facility within the development.