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Woolston Riverside 1

Background

The Woolston shipyard was bought by the South East England Development Agency (SEEDA) from Vosper Thornycroft in March last year. Vosper Thornycroft will move to Portsmouth in March, and the vacant shipyard will begin its new life. SEEDA, English Partnerships and

Southampton City Council will work together with the local community to create a high quality development.

This exciting development at Woolston Riverside will include:

- New employment opportunities;
- New homes including a range of housing types;

- New shops and restaurants connecting to Victoria Road;
- Local leisure and community facilities;
- Access to the waterside;
- Areas of open space.

You will be able to see the plans as they develop and we will be asking

your opinion to help us move forward. The first of these consultations will be in April and May. SEEDA and English Partnerships welcome your views.

Vision

The future for the site is a vision based on the following key objectives:

- Recognition of the history of the

site and its association with the maritime sector / activities.

- A unique opportunity to open up access to the River Itchen.
- A new urban neighbourhood incorporating distinctive architecture and good design.
- A boost for the local and wider economy, will offer significant

employment opportunities, both directly and indirectly.

- Environmental and ecological impacts will be minimised.
- The site will connect with the existing neighbourhood.
- A large part of Woolston will be brought back into productive use.

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Former Woolston Shipyard

What happens next?

A draft planning brief for the site is currently being prepared with the City Council. This will be available for the public to see and comment on after Easter 2004. The planning brief will include the 'Masterplan' for the site. This won't contain detail, but will show in broad terms what land uses will be carried out where (such as housing, leisure and employment), how the different areas will relate to each other, and links such as transport and roads.

It is anticipated that an outline planning application will be submitted in Autumn

2004. This will have more detail and will be the first time the 'look' of the site will emerge. Community consultation and involvement is welcomed throughout the process.

Who is doing what?

The site is owned by SEEDA, the South East England Development Agency. This is a Government funded agency and is responsible for economic and social development in the region. It is working closely with English Partnerships, which has expertise in redevelopment and housing, particularly on previous industrial sites.

Southampton City Council is responsible for the well being of the city as well as local services. In addition to major interests to promote employment, good housing, and leisure, the Council has to approve the plans for the site. Southampton City Council Members are playing an important part in this process.

The overall masterplanners/architects for the site are the Richard Rogers Partnership. They are world famous, working on major developments as far afield as China and Spain as well as in the UK. Their first task is the masterplanning – taking an overview of

what should go where on the site, and how all the elements work together. This work is being carried out with other consultants. Drivers Jonas providing a wide range of expertise from surveying to town planning. Campbell Reith Hill, specialise in advising on the environment, and Alan Baxter & Associates, dealing with transport issues.

You can be involved too

It is important that a wide range of views, not just from the 'experts', but also from people with local knowledge contribute to the development of the site. There will be the chance for

you to have a say, and the first formal consultations will be in April and May. You will be able to see the outline proposals (at that stage) which have been done so far, talk to the experts,

and comment on what you see – and if something is missing, tell us what you'd like to be considered. You will be regularly updated and your comments are welcome.

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