

NEWS: Ham project continues

A report outlining potential improvements to Ham Close and the surrounding area will be published by the end of 2014.

As part of its' Uplift Programme, Richmond Council, in partnership with RHP, commissioned The Prince's Foundation, to work with local residents and stakeholders to hear their views on what improvements they would like to see and consider a potential vision for Ham Close. They held a number of focus groups, public events and hosted an online questionnaire, asking local residents and stakeholders what improvements they would like to see.

This 'blank page' approach enabled residents to say what they think could be improved and what they would like to be kept the same.

Since the consultation, officers from both RHP and the Council have been reviewing the results and discussing what a potential way forward could look like. A report will then be presented to both the RHP Board and Richmond Council's Cabinet in November, outlining the next steps, which will include future consultation.

Cllr Pamela Fleming, Richmond Council Cabinet Member for Environment and Planning, said:

"Ham Close is an integral part of the local area and home to over 190 households. We know from our previous consultations, such as the All in One, that residents do want to see improvements.

"However, we also know that whatever we propose has to be right and must be done in consultation with local residents. Therefore, together with RHP, we

are thoroughly reviewing all of the results and hope to present further proposals later in the year.”