

Community hoarding unveiled in Purfleet-on-Thames



Sir Tim Laurence, Chairman of Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Planning, Councillor Mark Coxshall attended a socially distanced outdoor hoarding unveiling ceremony on Wednesday 7 October along with John Rowles, Chair of Purfleet-on-Thames Community Forum.

You may already have spotted the new hoarding that has been erected on London Road opposite the railway station, showcasing our vision for the £1bn regeneration of the town centre.

A community noticeboard has also been installed to display key information on news and events for residents. It will be managed by Purfleet-on-Thames Community Forum.

The installation of the hoarding comes as we plan to start work in early 2021 on Phase 1A of the scheme which will deliver 61 new high-quality family homes, a children's play area, and an orchard walk. Over 50% of the homes will be available to purchase under the Shared Ownership scheme, which aims to make housing more affordable.

Sir Tim Laurence, Chairman of PCRL, said: "The hoarding signifies Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited's commitment to delivering this project in partnership with the local community - hence the provision of a noticeboard for local residents as part of the design - in creating a vibrant place for people to live, work, learn, socialise and invest,

which is in harmony with its natural surroundings.

It shows the scale of our ambitious plans that will transform the town into a thriving riverside destination and top class creative hub while delivering much-needed new homes and infrastructure, making a real difference to people's lives. I am pleased that work will begin on the first phase shortly demonstrating Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited's commitment to realising these plans and to repaying the trust that the local community has placed in us."

John Rowles, Chair of The Purfleet Community Forum, stated:

"The Purfleet Community Forum has supported this project from the start. Together with Purfleet Centre Regeneration Limited, we are looking forward to how the scheme will make Purfleet-on-Thames a place where people will want to come and will want to stay to make it their home. A place that we are all proud of, a place to which we can point and say, that was our idea!"

COMPETITION TIME!

Get ready to get nostalgic with our latest competition to win a £100 Marks & Spencer voucher in time for Christmas.

Details on page 2.



Did you grow up in Purfleet-on-Thames? Or did you raise your family here?

We want to hear how the town has changed over the years...

In partnership with the Purfleet Community Forum, we want you to delve back into your albums and archives.

Send us your old photos and favourite memories to help us create a mini montage of what makes Purfleet-on-Thames a great place to live, work and socialise.

COMPETITION



The best entry will win a £100 Marks & Spencer voucher just in time to help with the Christmas shopping!

■ Enter via email: garrett@ourpurfleet.com

■ via the Our Purfleet Facebook page

■ or by posting to the Purfleet Community Forum: Trevor Batchelor, 1 Hollow Cottages, London Road, Purfleet-On-Thames, RM19 1QP (please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you would like the images returned)



Purfleet-on-Thames
Community Forum

Please make sure you have the photographic rights to share any photographs entered. Terms and conditions apply, see www.OurPurfleet.com

Competition
closes on Monday
7 December 2020



There's no place like Purfleet-on-Thames

During the lockdown this summer, we ran a 'There's No Place Like Purfleet-on-Thames' competition for the area's younger residents. The competition encouraged under 18s to share the reasons why they love their home and surroundings in Purfleet-On-Thames, with two brand new laptops up for grabs as the prizes.

The competition gathered some fantastic creative entries from Purfleet's younger generation, from photographs of the local area, to poems, artwork and handcrafted models.

Our judging panel, made up of Sir Timothy Laurence, Chair of Purfleet Centre Regeneration Ltd. and Tracey Luck, Chief Officer & Co-Founder of St. Stephen's Community Trust, had a hard time choosing from the entries, but



finally chose two winners (one from the under 13 age category, and one aged 14-18).

Aged 14-18 winner: Blaize (aged 14) was inspired by a piece of driftwood found on the river front and used it as the backdrop for her poem.

Under 13 winner: Mustafa (aged 7) filmed a captivating video telling us all the reasons why he loves Purfleet-On-Thames!



You can watch Mustafa's entry by scanning the QR code or visiting:

www.ourpurfleet.com/LatestNews

Thank you to all those who entered the competition.

Getting involved with the T100 Festival in Purfleet-On-Thames

When Kinetika asked us if we would like to participate in their annual T100 Festival, we jumped at the opportunity. This year, it was a Walking, Talking and Making festival, centred around bringing local Community Groups into the Kinetika Studio to design and create a silk flag to represent them. These flags were displayed during the socially distanced T100 Walking Festival event which took place on Sunday 27 September.

We were extremely proud to fly our silk flag and share the exciting plans for Purfleet-on-Thames' regeneration with lots of local residents, as well as getting a glimpse of the new Purfleet-on-Thames Community Noticeboard which will become home to a variety of community news, updates and information.

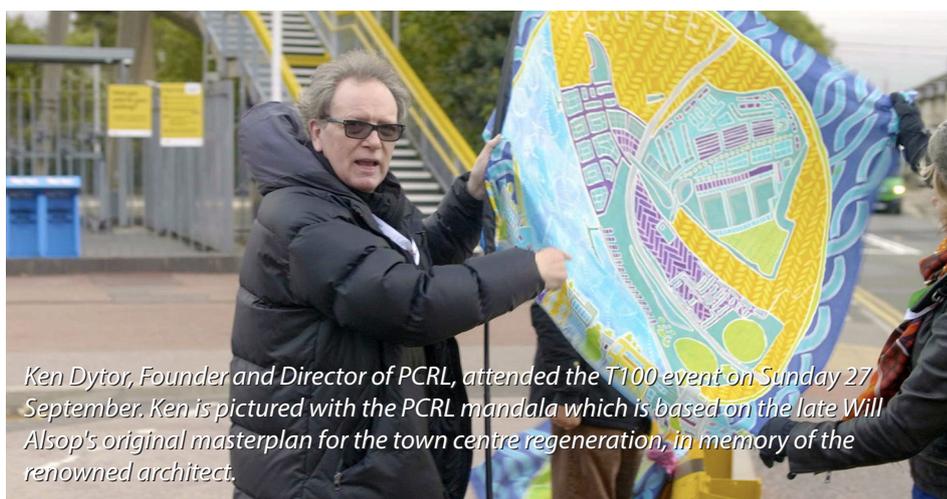
During the T100 festival, local residents were encouraged to create mandalas - with no limits set on what was used to create them! On the day, one spectacular mandala was created using local produce, before it was blessed, bagged up and distributed to those in need.

A huge thank you to Kinetika for inviting us to take part, and to all those who participated in any way. Until next year!

■ [Read the full story at ourpurfleet.com/LatestNews](https://ourpurfleet.com/LatestNews)



Purfleet-on-Thames Community Forum's flag



Ken Dyor, Founder and Director of PCRL, attended the T100 event on Sunday 27 September. Ken is pictured with the PCRL mandala which is based on the late Will Alsop's original masterplan for the town centre regeneration, in memory of the renowned architect.

Community Design Panel update

The Community Design Panel are now meeting monthly (by video call) as the redevelopment progresses towards work beginning on site in early 2021. The last Community Design Panel meeting took place on Tuesday 20 October, held virtually via Zoom, it was attended by over 25 local residents and business owners who have all been integral to shaping the project.

The meeting was Chaired by John Rowles, with presenters including Garret Doran, Jason Robinson and Gail Mayhew on behalf of PCRL, Lloyd Spencer of architects AHMM, as well as Tessa O'Donnell and Leighton Pace of Exterior Architecture. During the meeting, the panel had the opportunity to review the latest plans for green spaces within the development and feedback on those, as well as looking back and

reviewing the key community asks that have informed the regeneration project and the masterplan since day one.

Join the Community Design Panel

Together with the Purfleet-on-Thames Community Forum, we set up the Design Panel to help shape the development. Chaired by John Rowles, the Design panel works collectively with PCRL to identify locally important issues, contribute local knowledge and provide a forum to test emerging plans.

■ [If you would like to get involved with the Design Panel, email garrett@OurPurfleet.com](mailto:garrett@OurPurfleet.com)

PARKING UPDATE

Cornwall House car park in Purfleet-on-Thames will be closing permanently from the start of December 2020 (date to be confirmed, keep up-to-date at thurrock.gov.uk) to facilitate works for Phase 1A of the town centre regeneration.

■ A list of alternative car parks available within a 10 minute drive will be available at: thurrock.gov.uk

61 new homes – more than 50% available to buy through shared ownership



Work is expected to start on Phase 1A of the scheme in early 2021 creating 61 new three and four bedroom family homes alongside a new children's play area and orchard walk. More than half of the homes will be available to buy through Shared Ownership when they go on sale in 2022. To learn more about Phase 1A and be one of the first people to receive information regarding the sales launch (anticipated for 2022), email purfleet@nuliving.co.uk



We remember

Ken Dytor and Ding Ding from PCRL joined community representatives at a special outdoor socially distanced ceremony for Remembrance Sunday on 1 November. They laid a poppy wreath to honour those that have sacrificed their lives in world wars and other conflicts.



Get in touch

Talk to Garrett Doran

Garrett has been in the community for four years, you may have even seen him around!

■ He leads all the engagement and consultation for the project. Reach out to him at garrett@ourpurfleet.com

Talk to Ding Ding

Ding is dedicated to supporting the delivery of Purfleet-on-Thames' new international creative hub which is currently being organised by Purfleet Studios.

■ For all enquiries about this state of the art media, film, and TV complex contact Ding at dingding@urbancatalyst.co.uk

Talk to John Rowles

John has been a dedicated member of the Purfleet community for over 16 years and chairs both the Purfleet Forum and the independent Purfleet Community Design Panel. We are sure you must have seen him about!

■ John is committed to ensuring the community play their vital role in the development of Purfleet and can be reached at: purfleetourcentre@gmail.com

Join the conversation on social media using **#OurPurfleet**



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