

HENDON HUB PUBLIC CONSULTATION



CONTEXT

Sites along The Burroughs currently within the Hendon Hub project



PLANNING POLICY

The Hendon Hub proposals are being designed in line with relevant planning policy, including the new London Plan and emerging Local Plan for Barnet.

In January and February 2021, the London Borough of Barnet consulted on The Burroughs and Middlesex University draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). This SPD presented a draft vision for transforming The Burroughs into a vibrant and cohesive place for the local community and the educational home of Middlesex University. The SPD will set out the development principles that will guide and shape future regeneration opportunities.

MIDDLESEX UNIVERSITY VISION

The university aims to deliver a campus that fits the changing needs of its students, staff and local community in a post-COVID world, enabling collaboration and innovation through its teaching, research and engagement.

The proposals will mean that the university could consolidate its student accommodation from other sites, moving them to Hendon. This will improve the integration of students within the wider neighbourhood.

The university is aware that their accommodation requirements may change over time and will adjust their plans accordingly. The accommodation that is created will be of high-quality and respect the environment.

Middlesex University already offers access to lots of services and facilities for the local community but is keen to increase this as part of this project.

This includes:

- discounted gym membership
- access to sports pitches and communal spaces for hire
- organises public events, talks, festivals and performances
- cafes and green spaces.

The student accommodation being provided through this project is intended to replace, not add to, the accommodation currently being used by the university. The plans are not predicated on a growth in student numbers, but rather on providing a better experience to the existing number of students studying at the university.

PROJECT FUNDING

The delivery of the Hendon Hub project should deliver major economic benefits both to the local area and the London Borough of Barnet overall. The leasing of new facilities by Middlesex University will provide a firm and reliable source of income to the council, which will go some way bridging reduced funding for local government, and the increasing demand for council services.

Financial modelling has shown there to be several viable options for funding the delivery of the scheme, including from public and private sources, and this will continue to be scrutinised by the council as the project progresses to ensure best value for money.

