

Ambition Lawrence Weston

The story so far



Lawrence Weston

- Post war council estate, North West Bristol
- Resident population 7,100
- Area of high deprivation particularly in relation to income, health and child poverty
- 55% of housing stock currently social housing predominantly local authority housing
- Loss of facilities and services + poor transport
- Many derelict sites including former college
- Feelings of Isolation

Where it started

Starting point

- Growing concerns that services and provisions were leaving the area.
- Loss of the Local College
- Poor Public Transport
- Local Clinic, Youth Centre, Employment Support Project, and other services and building's under threat
- “Forgotten Estate”



First Steps

- Public Health and LA commission report covering local needs
- Network of Third Sector and Voluntary orgs created
- Community research consultant employed
- Community research starts
- Residents trained in consultation work
- Community plan writing starts
- Ambition Lawrence Weston forms
- Community Plan launched



Community Plan 2013

8 themes:

1. Housing
2. Crime and Community Safety
3. Traffic and Transport
4. Jobs, Skills, Business & Financial Inclusion
5. Health, Wellbeing and Social Care
6. Planning and Public Realm
7. Young People, Children, Families & Education
8. Community Facilities, Activities, Art , Leisure & Sport



ALW Sub Groups

- Planning Group
- Energy Group
- Community Led Housing Group
- Community Hub Group
- ALW Network Group
- Big Local Steering Group
- Parks group
- Arts Group



Planning

- Community Development Plan
- Big Local Plan
- Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Design Statement
- Economic Plan



Community Engaged and Empowered (in most things)



Engaging our Community in Energy


WHY?

- Poverty
- Fuel Poverty
- Food Poverty
- Cold and Damp Homes
- Unaffordable Homes
- Poor Air Pollution
- Natural Resources
- Passive Consumers



Community Awareness Activities


- Solar Panel Workshops
- Cheese Project
- Energy Audits
- Visits-Outings
- Guest Speakers
- General Information Giving

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Direct Delivery

- Energy Switching Service
- Energy Advice
- Catch Up Café's
- Piggy-Back Events
- Fun Activities
- Planning Forum
- Energy Internships
- ACE CiC
- Food and Energy Bank
- Funded Local Organisations



Influencing and Facilitating

- Planning Forum
- Neighbourhood Development Plan
- LW Design Statement
- BCC Passive house
- Electric Vehicle Charging Points
- Heat Networks
- CSE Funded Pathfinding
- Planning approval support
- LA Local Plan



What's Next for Lawrence Weston

- Community Owned 4.2mw Wind Turbine
- Retrofitting scheme
- 36 Community Owned Energy Efficient Affordable Homes
- £3.4m Community Hub
- Sector Based Energy Skills Academy



PARTNERS AND FUNDERS



- Low carbon generation fund
- Urban community groups
- Administered by:
 - Centre for Sustainable Energy
 - Pure Leapfrog



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