

# Walnuts Shopping Centre Community Planning Weekend

Friday 20 March to Tuesday 24 March 2020

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**Community workshops and exhibitions**

Friday 20 March 2020

1:45pm to 5:30pm and

Saturday 21 March 2020

11:00am to 4:00pm

**Venue**

Walnuts Shopping Centre, former Argos Unit, Orpington BR6 0TW

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**Report Back Presentation**

Tuesday 24 March 2020

6:45pm to 8:30pm

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## Background

Following the acquisition of the Walnuts Shopping Centre last year, operating partner Areli Real Estate, JTP, Benoy and Cascade Communications are organising the event on behalf of new owners Tikehau Capital. Areli are committed to working closely with the local community to help shape its future at the heart of Orpington town centre.

We understand the importance of the Walnuts Shopping Centre as part of Orpington town centre with its distinctive high street and good transport connections. The shopping centre is right at the heart and it represents an exciting opportunity to increase both vibrancy and vitality.

## Community Planning Weekend

The Community Planning Weekend is a chance to share local knowledge and contribute to creating a new vision for the shopping centre through facilitated workshops and hands-on planning groups. An exhibition will explain the background of the shopping centre and team members will be on hand to answer questions. Participation is on a drop-in basis – there is no need to pre-register – you can stay for a short while, a few hours or for the whole event.

## Report Back Presentation

Following the public workshop days, the team will analyse and summarise the outcomes and draw up a Vision for The Walnuts Shopping Centre. This will be presented back to the local community on Tuesday 04 February.

## Friday 20 March, Public Workshop Day 1

Walnuts Shopping Centre, Former Argos Unit, Orpington BR6 0TW

- 1.45pm Doors open & exhibition begins
- 2.00 Welcome and introduction
- 2.10 **Dialogue Workshop - Walnuts Shopping Centre Today**  
What are the issues and opportunities for the regeneration of the shopping centre site and its relationship with Orpington and the surrounding area?
- Young People's Workshop** - A chance for young people to talk about the site and to draw ideas for the future.
- 3.15 Refreshment break
- 3.30 **Hands-on Planning Groups**  
Work in small, facilitated groups to consider key opportunities for the site and its relationship with the wider area and start to plan ideas for the future. Groups may choose to walk about the town centre to see and discuss opportunities and connections.
- 4.45 Refreshment break
- 5.00 **Feedback from Hands-on Planning Groups**
- 5.30 Workshops and exhibition conclude

## Saturday 21 March, Public Workshop Day 2

Walnuts Shopping Centre, Former Argos Unit, Orpington BR6 0TW

- 11.00am Doors open and exhibition begins
- 11.15 Welcome and introduction
- 11.30 **Dialogue Workshop - Walnuts Shopping Centre Tomorrow**  
What are the opportunities to regenerate the site to create an exemplar 21st century town quarter which complements the High Street?
- Young People's Workshop** - Another opportunity for young people to talk about the site and to draw ideas for the future.
- 12.45pm Lunch break
- 1.30 **Hands-on Planning Groups**  
Another opportunity to work in small, facilitated groups to consider key issues for the site and its relationship with the wider area and start to plan ideas for the future.
- Young People's Workshop (continued)
- 2.45 Refreshment break
- 3.00 **Feedback from Hands-on Planning Groups**
- 3.30 **Next Steps**
- 4.00 Workshops and exhibition conclude

## Tuesday 24 March, Report Back Presentation

Walnuts Shopping Centre, Former Argos Unit, Orpington BR6 0TW

- 6.45pm Doors open
- 7.00 **Report Back of the Vision for Walnuts Shopping Centre**
- 8.30 Close