CHURCHGATE PROJECT PROCESS TIMELINE

Project Background

Production of Hitchin Town Centre Strategy (2004)

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Preparation and Adoption of Churchgate Planning Brief (2005)

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Procurement of Development Partner (Started May 2008)

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Appointment of Simons as Development Partner (March 2010)

Pre Planning to Viability Phase

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Public Exhibition of Simons Tender Scheme (18th May to 5th June 2010)

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(Current Stage) On-going Consultation with Stakeholders, landowners and potential occupiers

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Work up Scheme Design and Options Proposals that will seek to address public concerns, meet potential occupier requirements and planning requirements

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Further Public Exhibition on scheme evolution

Planning Application Phase

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Preparation of Planning Application having satisfied viability test

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Submission of Planning Application in accordance with the requirements of the LPA

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Possible Grant of Planning Permission then Complying with Conditions

Pre- Construction Phase

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Preparing Tender documents for procuring contractors

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Appointment of Sub-contractors

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Discharging conditions and S106 requirements – including liaison with local community and affected parties leading up to construction

Post Contractor and Construction Phase

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Setting up construction design work and lead in period for construction on site

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Undertaking construction on site in accordance with agreed phasing plan

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