

EBURY BRIDGE

NEWS



BRINGING YOU THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF EBURY BRIDGE



A perspective of the approved Ebury Bridge project

GREEN LIGHT GIVEN TO EBURY BRIDGE

The 20 April 2021 marked a momentous day in the life of Ebury Bridge, as planning permission was granted for the regeneration of the Estate.

The planning committee voted in favour of the scheme which will deliver 781 homes of which 50% will be affordable. All resident leaseholders and secure tenants have the option to return to a new home on the estate and be supported to do so.

We would like to thank residents of the Estate and local area, community groups (most notably the Community Futures Group), businesses, partners and many others for their valuable contributions towards shaping a scheme fit for generations to come. We understand this has been a long journey to reach this point and we now look forward to building the new homes for Ebury families and individuals to move into. Building work will commence in the late summer.

Now that permission has been granted, over the next few months the Ebury team will start talking to those residents wishing to return about the details and location of their new home.

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ALL CHANGE FOR THE EBURY TEAM

Since our last issue, there has been a significant change to the Ebury Bridge team.

We would like you to join us in saying a heartfelt farewell to David Thompson, Ebury Bridge Project Director. David, who has been with us for nearly three years, has steered the project, through both challenging and inspirational times, to the Ebury planning application approval. David left us at the end of April to return to his loves of high-fell walking, mountain biking and ocean sailing.



We wish David well

As we say goodbye to David, we also say a huge congratulations to Gelina Menville, who has stepped into the role of Programme Director.

As you may know, Gelina has been the Regeneration Manager for the Ebury Bridge project since 2017 and is extremely excited to lead the project into the future.



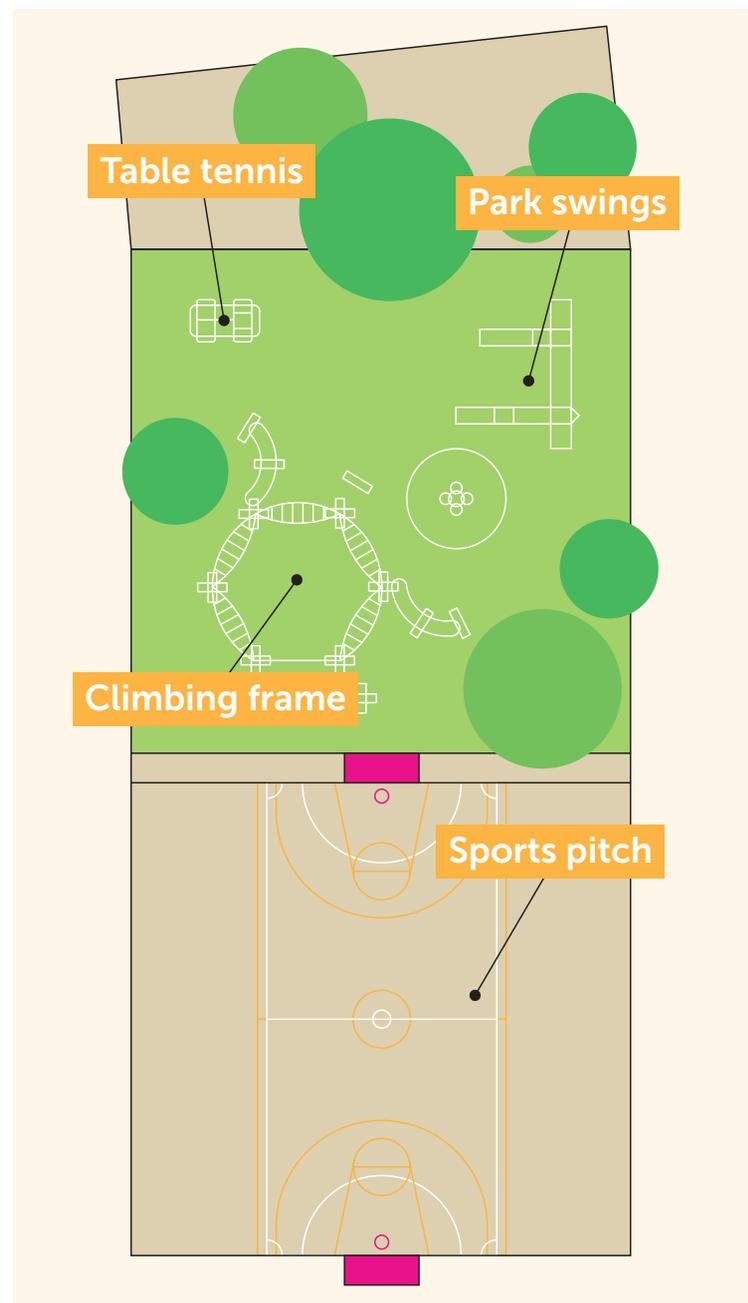
Gelina Menville, new Programme Director of Ebury Bridge

YOUR NEW TEMPORARY PLAY SPACE

Work to create your new park has commenced. You should be able to see changes to the MUGA happening, such as railings surrounding the north side.

In the coming weeks our contractors, Compan, will be lifting the playground equipment from the central park to the new playpark. A new soft ground will be implemented by Compan in your new play space for safety. Below is a sketch of how the new park is expected to look.

The relocation of the park equipment comes as ground investigations begin to happen in May within the central park. As you will be aware from the leaflet we sent to you in April, John F Hunt will be extending the hoarding to the west of Hillersdon House into the central park, putting the play equipment out of action. We understand how precious play space is on the Ebury Bridge Estate, therefore we have worked to recreate the park for the Ebury community. We will update you again in the next issue.



NEWS FROM EBURY EDGE

Easter Grill

On Good Friday and 3 April, we welcomed Ebury Bridge Estate residents and the local community to celebrate Easter at a social distance in Ebury Edge.

Fat Macy's, who operate the cafe, provided refreshments for attendees. Residents were delighted as they enjoyed their takeaway food, hot off the grill, in the sunshine. The Easter Grill event is the first of what we hope will be many outdoor dining events in the courtyard of Ebury Edge, as we enter the summer season and restrictions are carefully eased.

We will let you know what events are coming up at Ebury Edge in due course – stay tuned!



Fat Macy's preparing food in the courtyard at Ebury Edge for the Easter event

Clay Habitat Ebury community offer

Founded in January 2019 by Caroline Forwood and Wardi Sanusi, Clay Habitat's main ethos is to bridge the gap between the makers and the public by connecting on a personal and individual level; bringing their work from their hands directly to you!

Clay Habitat's gallery shop is run entirely by their resident ceramics makers and artists, so when you buy a ceramic piece from Clay Habitat UK, you are dealing and buying directly from the makers and artists themselves. You will get to meet the artists when you visit their gallery shops.

Clay Habitat's makers and artists come from a diverse cultural background and stem from all over the world. However, they are all based in London where they live and work in Clay Habitat's ceramics studios.

Apart from making and creating in ceramics, they are all also very community-led and actively participate within the community by giving workshops and classes, and organising ceramics fairs and events.

December 2020 saw them in their new home at Ebury Edge, and they have a lot planned for 2021, starting from the summer months, such as regular classes and workshops for the local community, to be held within the community hall at Ebury Edge.

There will be family-focused activities in creating with clay as well as adult workshops, classes and talks.

As more details become available, we will let you know what activity classes Clay Habitat are running.



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COMMUNITY SPACE NOW TAKING BOOKINGS

With restrictions finally easing, the community hall at Ebury Edge will shortly be welcoming your bookings!

Are you interested in bringing an activity to the local community? Need a space for a local group to meetup? Looking for activities in your neighbourhood to join? Find out more about hiring the community hall by visiting eburyedge.com. Alternatively, please email info@meanwhitespace.com. To keep up to date on activities at Ebury Edge follow [@eburyedge](https://www.instagram.com/eburyedge) on Instagram or Facebook.

Do you have a project, service or idea you want to test in a street-facing unit for three months? Maybe you just started your business and would like to get feedback from potential customers? Or would like to see whether a retail unit works for your product? If you're a Westminster resident, the incubator unit at Ebury Edge could help kickstart your business. Get in touch to find out more, by emailing luellma@meanwhitespace.com



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KEY WORK HAPPENING ON SITE

John F Hunt have been crushing down the materials for recycling from the blocks which have been demolished, including Pimlico House shown in the picture below.

To enable a smooth foundation for the new homes, John F Hunt have been busy working on removing any obstructions which are in the ground across the Hillersdon House site. During their dig, they have not yet found remnants of the historic canal walls.

However, if this changes we will be sure to update you in our newsletters!

