

TRINITY SOUTH, SOUTH SHIELDS
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STATEMENT

Keepmoat Homes, in partnership with South Tyneside Council and the Homes and Communities Agency, has undertaken extensive consultation with local residents and other key stakeholders within the community.

Most recently, on the 10th January 2013, Keepmoat Homes held a public community consultation event to engage with the residents and local community regarding the proposed redevelopment of the former Circatex Factory site, which is now cleared in readiness for redevelopment. We currently refer to the land as Trinity South Redevelopment.

The consultation event was held at One Trinity Green and was open to the public from 3pm until 7pm. There were various display boards and plans available to illustrate the proposed scheme layout and house types. Those attending the event were able to speak to representatives from Keepmoat Homes and Ian Darby Partnerships (the architect) who have been actively involved in developing the scheme design from concept stage.

Attendees were very supportive and there were no adverse comments received in the feedback gathered from questionnaires, which were handed out to visitors upon arrival.

The planning application submitted reflects the proposals outlined at the recent consultation event.

Questionnaire Results (highest score shown in bold)

1. What sort of housing would you like to see built on the Trinity South site?

Flats for single people	12%
Family housing	45%
Older person's accommodation	31%
Special needs housing	12%

2. How many bedrooms would you like to see in the new houses / apartments?

2 bedroom houses	20%
3 bedroom houses	40%
4 bedroom houses	25%
2 bedroom apartment	15%

3. The Keepmoat Homes proposals on display today show homes which will be very environmentally friendly and very cost effective to heat. Do you think this is a good idea?

Yes	100%
No	0%

4. What do you think of our redevelopment proposals shown for the site?

Excellent	75%
Good	25%
Okay	0%
Poor	0%

5. What do you think of the design of the new houses?

Excellent	63%
Good	37%
Okay	0%
Poor	0%

Additional comments:

“An excellent development for our area; all housing shown would create a lasting community and maintain a focus on elderly and special needs”.

Conclusion

The questionnaire results indicate that all of the people who attended the consultation and completed the survey were happy to see the site being redeveloped for a mixed tenure, family housing scheme. The architects initial sketch plans were a visual tool that aimed to illustrate to people how we anticipated that the scheme would work and the designs of the actual private and rented house types were seen as being predominantly ‘Excellent’; there were no negative comments relating to the design of the house types. 100% of the people surveyed confirmed that they thought that the environmentally friendly and cost effective homes were a good idea.