ILRE Update

Improving Local Retail Environments (ILRE) Programme

For your information please find below an update on the ILRE projects across the whole of Southwark broken down by community council area.

Introduction

The ILRE project was originally a 3 year, £ 4.5 million project aimed at improving the physical environment of some of Southwark's local retail parades. This has since been extended to a five year period. Funding has been allocated to develop projects which could provide upgraded shop fronts, enhanced lighting, improved paving, better street furniture, clearer signage and more effective CCTV coverage.

The project has been designed to ensure that local retail businesses identify decide what the most appropriate solutions to improving the shopping experience for their customers are. With the added provision of business support, this will help to ensure the long term survival of these vital local shops and sustain the communities that they serve.

Community Councils played a key role in the ILRE site selection process. During 2007/08, Economic Development officers brought eligible sites to Community Councils, where it was decided which sites had the highest local priority. Three sites within each Community Council area were then selected for ILRE investment, giving a total of 24 sites in the programme.

Bermondsey Community Council ILRE Sites

The Blue

All the public realm works together with the refurbishment of the shops in Market Place has now been completed. The new sculpture of a lion and new lighting has also been installed to market place. Works to upgrade the signage and shop fronts to the units on Southwark Park Road is also complete

Jamaica Road (2 sites) Nos.125 - 151 and 156-178

A consortium led by Saltash Enterprises Ltd, which has done all the consultation, design and planning to this stage will be carrying out the actual works through an existing partnership contract they already have with Southwark Council. This will enable us to achieve economies of scale across the 9 sites on which they will be working.

Work on site to start shortly.

Borough and Bankside Community Council ILRE Sites

Great Suffolk Street

The ILRE project on Great Suffolk Street is now complete. Included new shop fronts and public realm. Officers were able to also link it to works undertaken on the junction and the realignment of Webber Street allowing the creation of a new public plaza.

Long Lane

The ILRE project on Great Long Lane is now complete. The shop fronts were replaced and new signage and lighting installed.

New Kent Road

The ILRE project on New Kent Road is now complete. The shop fronts were replaced and new signage and lighting installed.

Camberwell Community Council ILRE Sites

Crossthwaite Avenue

Works to the shopfronts are now complete. The forecourt area has also been completely repayed with a number of bollards removed and two trees planted in their place.

Southampton Way (2 sites) Nos. 117 - 137 & 163 - 181

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Street works and public realm improvements funded partly by the ILRE project have already been completed.

Dulwich Community Council ILRE Sites

Half Moon Lane / Norwood Road

York stone paving and the installation of new cycle racks has been completed on Norwood Road and Half Moon Lane. The process of shop front refurbishment is ongoing with the majority of works happening on Norwood Road as these properties are most in need of updating.

New feature lighting has been installed in two mature trees which link to the cross-boarder working with Lambeth on the TfL funded junction and station environment improvement programme.

Underhill Road - Nos. 321 - 335

There has been some revision on the scope of works and contractors are due on site 14 May 2012

Lordship Lane (library end) - Nos. 483 - 517

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Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council ILRE Sites

Gibbon Road

All shop front works have now been completed. However the full programme of works anticipated had to be scaled back due to unforeseen costs occasioned by urgent structural repairs to one unit. Ground-works have been completed outside B and B Glaziers which coupled with recent works carried out by Network Rail have opened and tidied the area considerably.

Evelina Road and Nunhead Lane

First phase has been completed. Further works to the parade are being planned as part of a successful GLA funded Outer London Fund programme.

Queens Road

The scheme consists of 4 new shopfront, 3 have been installed In addition 3 shopfronts have been overhauled and we are waiting for the owners for 2 additional shopfront to confirm by mid June whether they wish to proceed.

Peckham Community Council ILRE Sites

Peckham Park Road (Friary Estate) - Nos. 41 - 57

All works have been completed. Included new shop fronts, signage and lighting.

Meeting House Lane

Scheme consists of 4 new shop fronts. Currently 3 have been installed and the final shop front will be installed in the third week in June.

Commercial Way

All shop front works have been completed. Ground-works have also been completed to the forecourt of the shops which has opened up the space, removed drainage issues and made every unit DDA compliant.

Rotherhithe Community Council ILRE Sites

Albion Street Nos. 26 - 52

Works are now complete on site. Included new shop fronts, signage and lighting.

Jamaica Road (site 3) – Nos. 212 – 254 and Rotherhithe New Road Nos. 183 - 211
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Walworth Community Council ILRE Sites

Brandon Estate - Nos. 1-19 Maddock Way

Contractors are due on site 16 April 2012 to commence shop front replacement.

East Street (2 sites) Nos. 303 - 311 / 342 - 356 & 211 - 235

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