

Bury But Better 2009

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The study approach

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This additional work to the original 'Bury But Better' study has been undertaken by URBED working with surveyors ELF Regeneration and Rob Young who worked on the 2003 study and is now employed by URBED as an in-house transport planner/designer.

Timescale

The timescale for this project was determined by the need to inform the LDF Core Strategy, which will be submitted by Bury Council in early 2010. URBED were appointed to undertake this study in June 2008 and it involved the following elements:

- A stakeholder workshop to involve a wider group of people with an interest in the town centre;
- A review of all projects that have been implemented since the 2003 study;
- A review of all current proposals for the town centre;
- A review of the 2003 masterplan including an update of recommendations for all quarters and accompanying visual material;
- A presentation of the study findings to senior Council Members and officers.

Scope of work

- An update of Bury's socio-economic profile;
- A market reassessment and updated town centre health check;
- An updated transport assessment;
- A close working relationship with a group of Council officers representing departments (Steering Group);
- A walking workshop of the town centre with the Steering Group;
- Face-to-face meetings with main property interests and key stakeholders;

The study has been undertaken by a Steering Group and involved the following people: Paul Allen, Adrian Frost, Amanda Hope, Steven Lever, Dave Marno, Peter Schofield, Kos Thorp and Dave Wiggins of Bury Council; Emma Fiedler, Stephanie Fischer, Lorna Jackson, David Rudlin and Rob Young of URBED.

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