Committees:	Dates:	Item no.
Streets and Walkways Sub-Committee	04/04/2016	
Projects Sub	13/04/2016	
Subject:	Gateway 4/5	Public
1 Angel Court Area Improvements	Detailed Options Appraisal &	
,	Authority to Start Work	
Report of: Director of the Built Environment		For Decision

#### **Summary**

#### **Dashboard**

(i)	Project status: Green
(ii)	Timeline: Gateway 4/5
(iii)	Total Project estimated cost: £333,061 (Inclusive of spend to date)
(iv)	Spent to date: £24,897. Note: £45,000 was approved at Gateway 3
(v)	Overall project risk: Low

#### **Progress to Date**

An Outline Options Appraisal report (Gateway 3) was approved by Committees in July 2015 which approved the project objectives and scope. It was also reported that a Gateway 4 report would follow. However, because a single option is being tabled for this project, the Town Clerk has agreed that a combined Gateway 4/5 report can be put to Members.

The redevelopment of 1 Angel Court is currently underway, with an anticipated practical completion date of September 2016. This enhancement project is funded through the Section 106 Agreements related to this redevelopment.

The design for the S106 funded enhancements in Angel Court and surrounding streets have been further developed since the last gateway. See Appendix 1: Environmental Improvements Indicative Area Map.

The Remedial Section 278 Works have yet to be fully established at this stage simply because the development is still in progress. However, the developer has agreed to grant access to the area beyond the hoarding line from September 2016 for the City to establish the extent of the remedial works. The S278 Remedial Works will be implementated outside of the S106 process.

#### **Proposed Way Forward**

Officers have worked closely with the developer's architects to progress the design. This was particularly important given that a large proportion of Angel Court is the developers private land. See Appendix 2 (1 Angel Court - Public and Private Demise). The S106 funded proposals for Angel Court cover the areas of public highway and include resurfacing the footway in standard York stone paviours with sections of smaller York stone setts which provide visual contrast between areas of rest and movement. There is also an opportunitiy to introduce seating with a linear granite bench proposed to compliment adjacent stone building facades. Existing cycle racks will be relocated to reduce conflict with pedestrian movement and business activity associated with new active frontages.

The design for Angel Court has sufficiently progressed with due consideration of the site which falls within the Bank Conservation Area. We are now in a position to finalise the construction design in order to initiate works when the site becomes available in September 2016.

Tokenhouse Yard (south), Kings Arms Yard, Great Swan Alley and Copthall Avenue are also part of the project area and proposals here involve improving access and pedestrian movement through raised pedestrian tables, widened footways, removing unnecessary street clutter and small-scale enhancements to reinforce the pedestrian nature and character of the Conservation Area.

The Remedial Section 278 works in the area are primarily concerned with reinstating sections of highway/footway within a short catchment of the development site, that have been damaged or altered to facilitate the redevelopment. City engineers will carry out the Remedial Works Inspection, towards the end of the build to establish the full extent of the reinstatement.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that Members:

- Approve the design as shown in the general arrangement plan in Appendix 3;
- Approve the implementation of the project at a total estimated cost of £333,061, with works to be implemented by the Citys highway term contractor, JB Riney.

#### **Main Report**

# 1. Design summary

#### Section 106 Works

#### Angel Court

The design is relatively simple and involves resurfacing Angel Court in a York Stone patternation that better responds to the irregular footprint of the development. By utilising a mixture of standard sized York Stone paviours and smaller setts the design responds well to the irregular foot print and helps to blend the private and public areas to create a seamless space. Other elements include:

- Replacement and relocation of cycle stands to the central area to facilitate pedestrian movement;
- A linear granite bench will provide opportunities for seating. The design
  will include measures to reduce opportunities for skateboarding and
  antisocial behaviour. This is likely to be in the form of anti-skate incisions
  pre-cut into the bench sections during manufacture reducing the reliance
  on bonding less robust additional material post manufacture.
- Where sections of Angel Court fall within the private demise, these works
  will be funded separately by the developer but implemented concurrently
  with the public sections of footway installed by the approved City
  Highways Term Contractor (J.B Riney) as part of their duties, in order to
  provide a consistent paving design in Angel Court. Studs will also be
  installed to differentiate bewteen public highway and private land.

See Appendix 4 which shows a photomontage of an Enhanced Angel Court.

#### Streets in the wider area

 In addition to the main works to Angel Court, nearby "Secondary streets" such as: Tokenhouse Yard (south), Kings Arms Yard, Great Swan Alley and Copthall Avenue will be enhanced with a variety of measures to improve pedestrian movement and access. These include, raised pedestrian tables, dropped kerbs, widened footways and removal of unnecessary clutter.

#### Section 278 Remedial Works

 Footways/carriageway around the development such as Throgmorton Street and Copthall Avenue where there is evidence of damage attributable to the adjacent development, will be reinstated as part of the S278 Remedial Works.

# 2. Delivery team

- Project Management CoL Environmental Enhancement team
- Construction management CoL Highways team
- Detailed design/Construction Package Vogt Architects (paid for separately by the developer)
- Construction JB Riney (under the City's term contract)

# 3. Programme and key dates

The works will be carried out in phases with the main project works in Angel Court starting in September 2016 followed by subsequent works to surrounding streets. S278 Remedial Works are likely to occur mid programme in order to reduce pedestrian access issues by staggering on street activity.

#### **Key Dates:**

- Angel Court development practical completion | Sept 2016
- S278 Remedial Works Inspection | August September 2016
- S106 Works 1 Angel Court Implementation | Sept Dec 2016
- S106 Works Secondary Streets Implementation | Jan March 2017
- Gateway 7 Summer 2017

# 4. Outstanding risks

#### • Delays to developer's build programme

Risk response: Maintain a good working relationship with the developer through the Design Team to ensure regular communication throughout the life of the project. Use of the term contractor also allows for flexibility within the implementation programme.

• Complaints received about access and the noise generated by the implementation programme

Risk response: Ensure that local occupiers and local ward Members receive regular communication updates. Also ensure the correct traffic orders are in place to temporarily close the street.

Subsurface utilities / basement structures cause issues during construction

Risk response: Carry out pre-construction inspections and surveys of Angel Court to establish the location of service equipment and conditions of basements in the area. Continue to monitor during build and carry out post works inspections.

#### 5. Budget

Funding Source:— Section 106 Agreement related to the approved redevelopment of 1 Angel Court totalling £333,061. The contribution breakdown is as follows: £256,550 and the Transport contribution is £76,511 giving a total of £333,061.

The total estimated cost for this project at Gateway 3 was between £350,000 - £450,000. The cost estimate for implementation has now been revised to £308,164 following the refinement of the design and is summarised in the table below. Please also see Appendix 5 for a breakdown of the total estimated cost of the project.

Members should notethat the table below does not include budget for Remedial S278 Works which are outside the scope of the project. They have not been captured here having received advice from the Comptroller & City Solicitor that the S278 Works are part of a separate undertaking the developer will fund separately as part of developer obligations to reinstate public highway to the condition (inclusive of materials) prior to development.

		The spend to date of £24,897, is lower than the approved budget at that stage (£45,000) due to the the landscape design being undertaken by Vogt Architects - funded separately by the Developer of 1 Angel Court. Any savings made during the evaluation stage (inclusive of interest accrued) will be allocated to the implementation stage of the project. The proposed Implementation costs are summarised in the table below.		
		Table 1: Summary of Estimated Implementation Costs  Item Proposed Budget (£)		
		Works	224,455	
		P&T Staff Costs	32,500	
		Env Servs Staff Costs	26,336	
		City Transport Staff Costs	1,000	
		Fees	18,873	
		Maintenance (inclusive of cleansing)	5,000	
		Total	308,164	
		See Appendix 5 for a detailed breakdown of the estimated Implementation costs.		
_	Success criteria	<ul> <li>A more accessible environment, through the provision of level surfaces and new seating;</li> <li>An improved experience for pedestrians in Angel Court;</li> <li>A safer, more attractive environment that enhances the setting of both adjacent listed buildings and the Bank Conservation Area;</li> <li>Reduce conflict between pedestrians and cyclists.</li> </ul>		
	Progress reporting	Monthly updates to be provided via Project Vision and any project changes will be sought by exception via Issue Report to Spending and Projects Sub Committees		

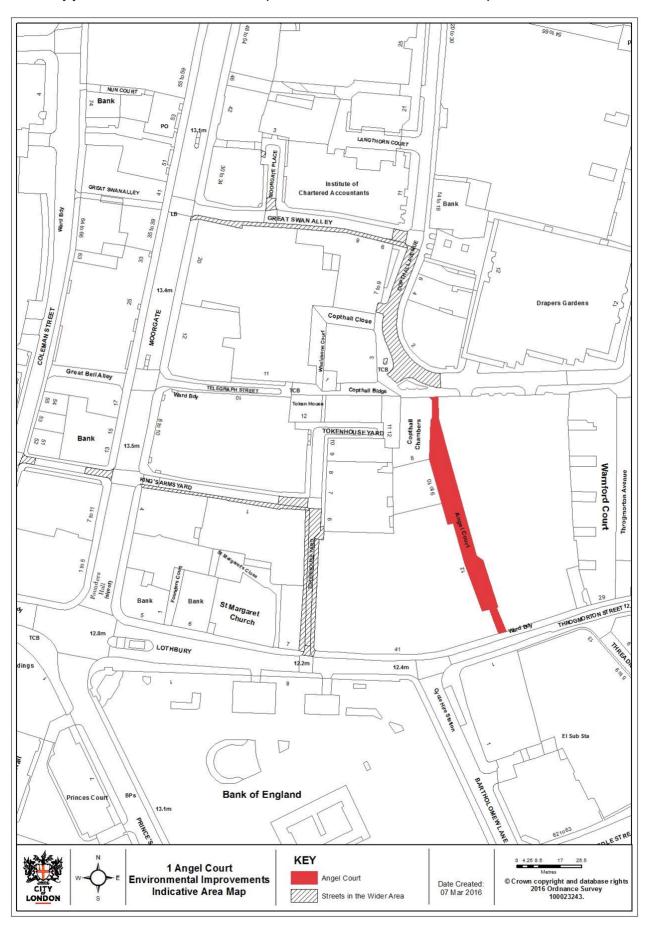
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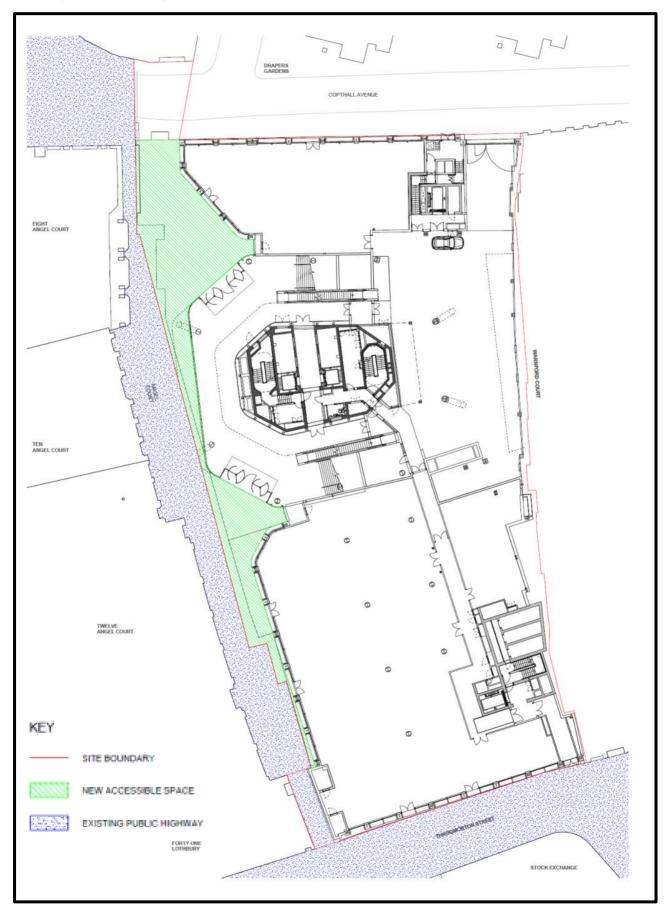
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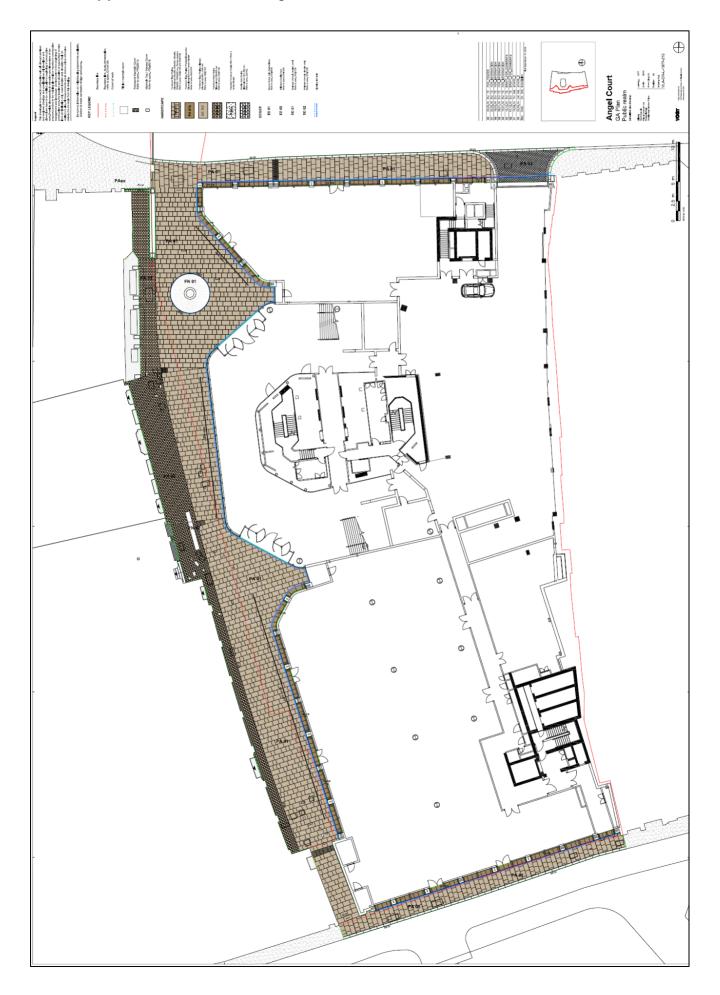
Appendix 1 Environmental Improvements Indicative Area Map



Appendix 2 Angel Court | Public and Private Demise



Appendix 3 General Arrangement Plan



Appendix 4 Photo montage of an enhanced Angel Court



## Appendix 5 Angel Court Total Estimated Implementation Costs -post GW5

Table 2: Pre-Evaluation stage budget (spend to date)

Description	Approved Budget (£)	Expenditure (£)	Balance (£)
Staff Costs	35,000	24,615	10,385
Fees	10,000	282	9,718
TOTAL	45,000	24,897	20,103

**Table 3: Summary of Estimated Implementation Costs** 

Item	Section 106 Works (£)
Works	
Site Preparation	9,500
Hard landscaping	125,955
Drainage	35,000
Street Furniture	23,000
Utilities	30,000
Signing and Lining	1,000
Sub-Total Works	224,455
Staff Costs	
P&T staff costs	32,500
Highways staff costs	26,336
City Trans Staff costs	1,000
Sub-Total Staff	59,836
Fees	
Surveys (inclusive of Topo/Radar/Trial holes)	13,123
Traffic Orders	5,750
Sub-Total Fees	18,873
Maintenance (inclusive of cleansing)	5,000
Project Total	308,164