School’s out for summer P.08-09
First buyers set up home in Pendleton

This spring saw the first homebuyers move into the new homes being built in Pendleton.

Pendleton one, the first phase of new build homes in the regeneration area, is a modern and sustainable development in the heart of the community that is helping to revitalise Pendleton.

The development on Liverpool Street provides a good mix of affordable one, two, three and four bedroom energy efficient homes. There will be 183 new homes for sale and 110 available for rent. Among the first buyers to move in are local people who, with the help of Pendleton one, are achieving their aspiration of being able to buy their own home for the first time. They include key workers and a family moving from a house in an area that has been earmarked for new housing in the future.

Interested buyers can view the layout, stylish interior and temporary décor at the showhome at 365 Liverpool Street. There are seven different property types ideal for first time buyers or families alike and purchasers can choose the finish on the kitchen and bathroom.

The homes are competitively priced at £87,995 for a one bedroom apartment and £155,995 for a four bedroom home.

The government’s Help to Buy Initiative is available or the Pendleton one team can provide an independent financial advice service to help potential homebuyers find the best mortgage for them.

Interest is growing and a number of people have already reserved plots on the development. This is a rare opportunity to be part of a passionate, modern urban community with a bright future ahead.

Pendleton one is conveniently located at the end of the M602, is close to Salford Quays and is only a short distance from Manchester City Centre. There are good public transport links and local schools nearby.

The Pendleton one development is part of Pendleton Together, a £650 million government-backed regeneration scheme, which is led by Together Housing Group, Keepmoat and Salford City Council. Keepmoat are building the homes.

The transformation of the area also includes dynamic changes across the whole community. It will provide an urban retreat with tranquil parks, green spaces, sports pitches, new road layouts and a network of footpaths making it easy for cyclists and pedestrians to get around. It will feel a million miles away from the hustle and bustle of the city on its doorstep.

Book an appointment to come and view the showhome which is located at 365 Liverpool Street, Pendleton, Salford M5 4FL, and is open Monday from 10am – 6pm, and Thursday to Sunday from 10am – 5pm.

For more information visit the website www.pendletonone.co.uk or call 0161 925 0416.

Don’t forget Pendleton Together also has homes to rent. There are a range of well managed homes available, in a thriving urban environment. If renting is an option for you, contact us on 0300 555 5567.

A new home with just a 5% deposit!

The first phase of the most exciting new homes to arrive in the city of Salford is now here! Find out more about this exciting regeneration project, and how you could reserve your new home with just a 5% deposit, no matter where you are on the property ladder!

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• Qualify for up to a 20% interest-free government loan†
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The heart & soul of Salford
Welcome to LIFE IN Salford. This is the fifth issue of the new look magazine. We're showcasing local information, activities, news and advice from across the whole of Salford, including a special community section. We hope you enjoy reading LIFE IN Salford and we'd love to hear what you think about the new magazine or any ideas you have for future content. Email lettersinlife@salford.gov.uk

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On course for a healthier pregnancy

A new four-week course is on offer for women on how to have a healthier pregnancy. You’ll also get a Healthy Lifestyle Pass which you can use to get free sessions, including aquanatal, at Fit City leisure centres. To find out more and book your place call 0800 952 1000 or email health.improvement@salford.gov.uk.

Empty properties brought back to life

Over 100 empty homes are being brought back to life thanks to a pioneering £1.9 million scheme in Salford. Salford City Council and City West Housing Trust have joined forces to tackle the city’s waiting lists and provide decent new homes to tenants. Owners of properties which have lain empty for six months or more are being given a council grant to renovate them. They must then lease the property to City West for five years so it can be made available to people on housing waiting lists or who are living in poor conditions.

Can you see a brighter, smoke-free future?

Whether you want to quit smoking for your loved ones, for the money, to feel better or to reduce your risk of getting a serious illness, you’re four times more likely to be successful if you get face to face support. Call into one of Salford’s Stop Smoking Service’s drop-in sessions and talk to a qualified advisor. They’ll give you expert advice and can arrange nicotine replacement therapy (NRT). They can also help if you want to quit e-cigarettes. To find a drop in session or to book an appointment at a time and place to suit you call 0800 952 1000, visit www.salford.gov.uk/smoking or email health.improvement@salford.gov.uk.

Look out for Youth Day

Tuesday 12 August is our annual celebration of everything that’s great about young people in the city – organised by young people for young people. Events will take place in different neighbourhoods across Salford, with local charities, community groups and organisations all taking part.

City Mayor Ian Stewart says “It’s about fun, giving back to the community, celebrating young people and the Spirit of Salford and tackling important issues such as bullying and safety online.” For more information, see www.partnersinsalford.org/youthday

Big Pledge

City West’s Big Pledge “playing a big part in corporate social responsibility”. Find out all about Big Pledge by visiting www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk/our-big-pledge
Smart ticketing for public transport is coming to Salford and Greater Manchester. The new scheme is called 'get me there' and it will be launched in late 2014, starting with services on Metrolink. With get me there, your 'ticket to travel' is stored electronically on a reusable plastic card, rather than on a printed paper ticket. For more information go to www.getmethere.com

City West customers received local promises in their spring Neighbourhood Newsletters about the actions City West plan to take in their area and how they will work in partnership to make sure their neighbourhoods are places where people want to live. This approach includes holding Lasting Legacy Action Weeks in a different neighbourhood each month. Visit your neighbourhood page at: www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk to find out more about your neighbourhood promises and action weeks.

To celebrate Armed Forces Week we have ten pairs of the hottest theatre tickets in town to give away to ex or current armed forces personnel who live in Salford. The tickets are for the acclaimed National Theatre production of Warhorse at The Lowry. The production runs from 23 July to 20 September.

Pendleton Together has won the Public Sector Team of the Year Award at the prestigious Insider's North West Property Awards 2014. The team is leading a major regeneration project to create a new Pendleton and won the award for the £650 million plan, one of the most ambitious housing-led schemes in the country.

It will see 1,600 new energy efficient homes built and 1,250 council-owned properties refurbished. And it aims to create 500 jobs and 2,000 work experience opportunities, provide support for families and create a thriving community atmosphere.

This year’s stars of the business community were announced at a ceremony held at the AJ Bell Stadium on 5 June. Congratulations to all the winners.

- Large business of the year: JMC IT
- Small business of the year: Oakwood Engineering
- Best employer award: CSG Lanstar
- Community award: The Lowry
- Rising star award: KeepItUsable

For the full list of winners visit www.salfordbusinessawards.co.uk/
What’s on
Here’s a taster of what’s going on this summer in Salford. Go to: www.visitsalford.info for more great events and activities.

On the water
The popular programme of heritage walks and canal cruises is back. For the full list see www.visitsalford.info/walksandwater Cruises must be booked in advance online http://shop.visitsalford.info and prices are per person.

Worsley to Astley Colliery Cruise
Sunday 13 July, 11.00am
Find out about the history of Worsley village and explore the site of the former colliery and the museum.
Price: £10.00

Midweek Afternoon Tea Cruise
Worsley – Barton Aqueduct, circular
Tuesday 15 July, 2.00pm
Cruise along the Bridgewater Canal, and over the world renowned Barton Aqueduct with delicious afternoon tea.
Price: £14.00

Bank Holiday Monday Cruise
Worsley - Barton Aqueduct, circular
Monday 25 August, 1.00pm
Cruise from Worsley village, past the Monton lighthouse and over the famous Barton Aqueduct.
Price: £9.00

Waterside Markets
12 and 13 July,
9 and 10 August
Saturdays 10.00am-6.00pm and Sundays 11.00am-5.00pm
The Lowry Outlet, Salford Quays
These monthly markets offer locally sourced food and drink, artisan arts and crafts and more.

Boothstown Wobble
Sunday 29 June 11.30am
Bridgewater Park, Amberhill Way, Boothstown, M28 1UP
Join in Boothstown’s annual fun run at 5.5k or 10k distances. Register online: www.boothstownwobble.btck.co.uk

Monton Village Summer Festival
Sunday 6 July 9.00am-4.00pm
All the fun of the festival comes to Monton with music, fashion, entertainment and nearly 100 shops and stalls selling food, jewellery and crafts to fashion and items for homes and gardens.
Price: free

Great Manchester Swim
Saturday 19 July
The Quays
A one mile dock-to-dock unique urban swimming challenge in the impressive setting of The Quays. Enjoy live music and amazing street food. Spectators can cheer swimmers around the course from start to finish. Find out more at www.greatswim.org

Peel Park Pink Picnic
Sunday 27 July 12.00-7.00pm
Peel Park, The Crescent, Salford, M5 4PD
A friendship event for the LGBT community, friends and family - live music, picnic, entertainment and exhibitions.
www.peelparkpinkpicnic.org.uk
Price: free

Dig the City
2 to 10 August
The urban gardening festival is back. With food, flowers and a fête; gardens galore, pop-up picnics and masses to do and dig for, including giant garden games, Peppa Pig and petting farm.

For the full programme:
www.digthecity.co.uk
@digthecitymcr

Victoria Park Band Concerts
Sundays 6 July, 3 August and 7 September 2.00-4.00pm
Victoria Park, Manchester Road, Swinton
Free live band concerts in a beautiful park setting. Bring a deck chair and a picnic.
The historic Bridgewater Canal is set to be transformed between Barton and Boothstown. With funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Salford City Council, Peel Holdings and other partners, £5.5 million will be spent over the next four years developing key heritage sites, improving access, creating new facilities and developing a programme of activities and events. Physical works will start in 2015, meanwhile we want to introduce more local people to the delights of the Bridgewater Canal. This summer there are lots of events (many of them free) for you to enjoy. Join us for lively community festivals and activities. There are also opportunities to get involved in volunteering and learn new skills. Details of all activities and events can be found at www.salford.gov.uk/bcc

July’s highlights

Bridgewater volunteers
Duke’s Drive, Monton
Wednesday 9 and 16 July 10.00am-3.00pm
Join the volunteers in improving the pond path and steps.

Bridgewater explorer
Meet Duke’s Drive car park
Saturday 12 July 10.00am-12.00noon
2 hour gentle walk (all ages)

Bridgewater Orienteering
Meet Duke’s Drive car park
Saturday 12 July 1.30-3.00pm
Test your map reading skills (children need to be accompanied)

Edible, medicinal and use of plants
Duke’s Drive
Saturday 26 July 10.00am-12noon
Booking needed – call Jill 07872 808003

Bugtastic
Meet in meadow area at Duke’s Drive
Thursday 31 July 10.30am-12.30pm
Bug trail for the little ones (all ages)

Enjoy your canal this summer

Salford Family Orchestra

On Saturday 21 June, the BBC Philharmonic and their Salford Family Orchestra and Chorus joined forces at the orchestra’s annual family concert at The Bridgewater Hall, presented by CBeebies, Chris Jarvis. They performed a specially devised piece of music, which they produced with BBC Philharmonic musicians over three workshops.

“I was really pleased that my ten year old son, who plays the cello, and I could join Salford Family Orchestra. For us it was the opportunity to play alongside and learn from BBC Philharmonic players that made us want to get involved. We are loving the chance to be so creative and to get involved in actually creating a piece of music rather than just reading notes off the page.” – Katy Boulton

“We originally joined the Salford Family Orchestra when it started five years ago for several reasons. I thought it would be great for us to do something together as a family that we all enjoy. I also thought it would be a big help for my children’s musical development. Both were correct but what I didn’t foresee was the reasons that now make us carry on going; the lovely people we have met both within the BBC Philharmonic and from the other families that take part.” – Kay Sharples

To join the family orchestra at future projects, sign up to the BBC Philharmonic newsletter, Quay Notes at www.bbc.co.uk/philharmonic

See the BBC Philharmonic at...

Ordsall Hall Garden Party
Sunday 13 July from 12pm
BBC Philharmonic musicians will be performing at Ordsall Hall’s annual Garden Party. In addition to the music there is a range of family friendly activities, stalls, a petting farm, strawberries and cream and much more! The event is FREE call the hall on 0161 872 0251.

Visit the Ordsall Hall website: www.salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/culture

Poppies in the Park

Sunday 27 July 2.00-4.00pm
Parr Fold Park, Walkden Road, Walkden, M28 7EA

A family picnic to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the start of WW1, with live band, children’s craft activities, displays, poppy making, performances and picnic area. Please bring a picnic.

Price: free

World War One Centenary
Salford Remembers
School’s out

The summer holidays are an exciting time but it can sometimes be hard to find things to do. Salford youngsters are being encouraged to beat the boredom in the holidays by taking part in some of the fun activities on offer in the city.

Take a look at our What’s On pages or go to www.visitsalford.info and find out what’s happening where you live. The WUU2 website www.wuu2.info has a directory where you can find out about clubs, pitches and facilities near to you, whether you want to join in with something already organised or arrange something with a group of friends. Safe4summer offers information to keep kids entertained and safe, with a chance to win an iPad www.safe4summer.com

School’s out
There are lots of free activities in the city during the summer holidays, these are just a sample:

**Children’s Book Festival**
**Family Fun Day**
Sunday 29 June
1.30-3.30pm
Price: free
Ordsall Hall

**Pond Dipping**
Saturday 5 July 2.00-4.00pm
Price: free
Clifton Country Park
For all ages but children must bring an adult.

**Den Building**
Thursday 31 July
1.15-3.15pm
Worsley Woods
(meet at Beesley Green Community Centre)

**Saturday 2 August**
1.00-4.00pm
Clifton Country Park
For under 12s.

**Creative Sundays**
Every Sunday 1.30-3.30pm
Salford Museum & Art Gallery
Drop in for a different activity every week.

**Holiday and term-time activities for disabled children and young people**
The council's short break care activities give disabled children and young people the chance to meet and have fun in a safe, friendly environment. There are currently some places available on a range of low-cost activities for 4 to 18 year olds, including holiday play schemes, play groups, after school clubs, sports clubs and youth groups across Salford.

Visit www.salford.gov.uk/playandleisure to find out more and check availability or call 0161 793 2435.

**Dates for your diary**
A level results day - Thursday 14 August
GCSE results day - Thursday 21 August

Salford City College would like to wish you good luck with your results. For advice and guidance on your next steps please contact us on 0161 631 5000 or visit salfordcc.ac.uk
Watery fun
Swimming can be enjoyed by everyone, regardless of age or ability.
Whether you simply want to swim, get fit or just have fun in the pool, there are six public 25 metre pools across the city offering a varied programme of activities that are open to everyone.
There are also five teaching pools with warmer water for little ones. You can learn to swim whatever your age.
See www.salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk/sport for locations and details.
Katie Cassidy (aged 8), the star of our front cover, learned to swim at Fit City Worsley and has now completed Salford Community Sport’s learn to swim programme, starting when she was 18 months old. Her younger brother is now in the programme.

Get together – kick, bowl or bat
Have more fun playing with mates on a local pitch or join a club.
In Lower Broughton, local sports clubs and youngsters now have a revamped sports pitch to play on at Spike Island. The pitch was unused because of its hard concrete surface and lack of lighting. Thanks to a £20,000 grant from the SITA Trust and funding from Salix Homes and the council, it has now been resurfaced with astro-turf and flood lights.

Better safe than sorry
During the school holidays, it’s even more important to follow road safety rules, as there are no school crossing patrols.
Road users are injured or killed on the UK’s roads every day. If you have a younger child do your bit to teach them how to cross the road safely. Urban Vision’s Road Safety Team is here to help with handy tips to help you teach your child to cross the road safely.

STOP, LOOK and LISTEN
Even from a young age it’s essential to set a good example and to help your child understand why we need to stop, look and listen before stepping onto a road.
Teach your child to cross the road safely:
1. Find the safest place to cross with a clear view all around, away from parked cars, junctions, bends or the brow of a hill if possible. Explain to your child why it’s important to choose a place with a clear view.
2. Holding hands with your child, show them how to stop on the kerb, look all around and listen for traffic before they cross.
3. When there is no traffic coming, walk straight across (not diagonally) and keep looking and listening.
Where possible always find safer places to cross:
Pedestrian crossings such as puffins and pelicans have traffic lights and a button to press which controls a ‘green man’.
Zebra crossings have two yellow beacons and striped markings across the road. Remember to wait for cars to stop in both directions.
Footbridges go over roads and subways go under roads.
Traffic islands are places you can stand in between lanes in the centre of a road which makes it easier to cross a wide busy road.

Rail safety
Railways can also pose a deadly risk. Over the last five years, 270 people across the UK have died trespassing on railway lines. Almost four in ten are in their late teens or in their early twenties.
Salford City College worked with Network Rail on a week-long safety campaign to remind students of the dangers of messing about on railways. If you live near a railway, please make sure your children understand the dangers.
See www.rail-life-talk.tumblr.com

For further road safety tips visit: talesoftheroad.direct.gov.uk
Salford Royal the best
for patient satisfaction

Salford Royal has emerged as the top Acute Trust nationally for both patient and staff satisfaction.

Earlier in the year, Salford Royal once again celebrated having the top scores nationally in the NHS Staff Survey 2013, which looks at how happy and motivated employees are and whether they would recommend the organisation as a place to work or be treated.

It was therefore a double celebration when the Trust received the results of the In-Patient Survey 2013, which also placed Salford Royal as the top Acute Trust. Salford Royal earned better scores than all other Acute Trusts in six out of 10 categories: A&E, hospital and wards, nurses, care and treatment, operations and procedures and overall views.

Chief Executive Sir David Dalton said: “We are absolutely thrilled to have such excellent support from both patients and staff. It really does show that staff and patient satisfaction levels really do go hand-in-hand.

The year 2013/14 was a fantastic year for the Trust; achievements include being named Trust of the Year for the North of England by Dr Foster Intelligence and earning extremely positive feedback from the Care Quality Commission when they inspected us in the winter.”

Sir David added: “We know the people of Salford are extremely proud that their local hospital is one of the best in the country. We will continue to work hard to develop and improve our Trust even further for our patients throughout 2014/15.”

Follow us on Twitter
You can follow Salford Royal on Twitter at @SalfordRoyalNHS

Become a Foundation Trust Member

As a Foundation Trust Member, there are lots of ways you can be involved with Salford Royal, including receiving regular news and updates about the Trust, taking part in patient focus groups and attending our interactive sessions held exclusively for Foundation Trust Members: Medicine for Members. To find out more about becoming a member, contact 0161 206 3133 or foundation@srft.nhs.uk
That’s the spirit

Salford residents turned out in their thousands to celebrate the Spirit of Salford at the inaugural Weekender.

Families basked in the sun and picnicked on the town hall lawns while enjoying two days of music, drama, poetry, dance, food and fun.

For the first time ever, a big stage showcased local talent with headliner singer Ren Harvieu wowing the crowds with her unique blend of pop, soul and indie rock. She was supported by the Smiths Ltd, a Smiths tribute band; local opera tenor Jon Christos and Trigger Happy.

The free family fun started on Saturday morning with kids’ favourites, Joe and Andrew from CBeebies ‘The Rhyme Rocket’. The historic civic centre threw open its doors and hosted children’s films, a craft market, workshops, a vintage market… and the ‘Wrong Un’ – a critically acclaimed play about the struggle for votes for women.

The pace was a bit gentler on Sunday morning, after the Salford Hot Dog Show, families came together for games, entertainment and a community picnic. Salford City Mayor Ian Stewart said: “The atmosphere at the Spirit of Salford Weekender was absolutely electric and I’d like to thank everyone for coming out and making it a fantastic community event.”

“The idea was to celebrate everything great about our wonderful city and we did exactly that. There really was something for everyone. The campaign to celebrate the Spirit of Salford continues.”

Shelagh Delaney Day announced

Salford is to make 25 November the city’s official Shelagh Delaney Day in tribute to one of its most famous writers.

City Mayor Ian Stewart has given his official support to local resident Louise Woodward-Styles’ proposal as part of the Spirit of Salford campaign.

The day will be marked with performances, exhibitions and public talks with events and competitions held to promote young talent in the city, reflecting Shelagh’s enduring relevance.

Shelagh once said of her home city: “For a writer, a place like Salford is worth its weight in gold. I think it’s a fabulous place, and the language is alive. It’s virile. It lives and it breathes and you know exactly where it’s coming from, right out of the earth.”

Louise is spearheading the planning: “I have always been an incredibly proud Salfordian. I have for a long time now been enamoured with the legacy and work of Shelagh Delaney. She was a pioneer for female writers, a visionary not only tackling social stereotypes surrounding the value of women in society, but also breaking down the barriers of prejudice and homophobia that was prevalent on stage and screen throughout the late 50s and 60s.”

Plaque to honour Shelagh’s home

Salix Homes is planning to recognise the importance of the house in Duchy Road where Shelagh Delaney grew up and where she was filmed for a 1960s BBC documentary.

Shelagh’s mum lived in the property until 2002 and many of the older residents of the estate share fond memories of Shelagh.

The house, which is managed by Salix Homes, is now home to Lisa Blakeley, who also works at Salix Homes.

Lisa said: “A few months ago my mum rang me and said I’ve just seen your house on the TV and it was a programme about Shelagh. I think I must live in the most famous house in Duchy!”

Further details can be found at www.spiritofsalford.info
Highlights from the Spirit of Salford Weekender, a great time was had by all!

Photo Competition

Our annual photography competition is back with a new name and a new focus. We’re looking for images which you believe capture the ‘Spirit of Salford’. This year, we have four new categories: People, Landscapes, Events, Spirit of Salford. For an application form, go to: www.spiritofsalford/photocompetition Closing date for entries 31 August

To find out more about the Spirit of Salford campaign and see more photos from the weekender visit www.spiritofsalford.info #spiritofsalford

A big thank you to the students from Salford City College who showed the Spirit of Salford in helping to decorate the fencing, performing a set on stage, and taking event photographs at the Weekender.
The Spirit of Salford campaign continues all year round - here are some fantastic people making a difference in their community and showing the true Spirit of Salford.

Janet Lawson
Inspirational Grandma-of-four
Janet Lawson has the true Spirit of Salford. Janet, who is a Salix Homes tenant and lives in Broughton, was diagnosed with cancer of the lymph nodes in her neck in 2010 and since then has raised hundreds of pounds for charities close to her heart. In her latest fundraising feat 84-year-old Janet took part in a sponsored dog walk using her mobility shopping trolley, raising £117 for St Ann’s Hospice.

Cross Lane
Cross Lane is now a must-see destination! A photo installation has been created celebrating Salfordians on the hoardings around development sites – part of the £650 million regeneration of Pendleton. Local artists Amber Sanchez and Ross McCormack have worked in collaboration with Salford City Council to give the hoardings a real Salford creative facelift. The artwork celebrates Salford luminaries and celebrities – with Salford people photographed in familiar poses (see our John Cooper Clarkers).

Geoff Downes
Winner of City West’s community role model award, UK Thai Boxing champion Geoff Downes runs a young people’s Thai Boxing club, providing members with a positive purpose, exercise and keeping them off the streets after school. Geoff, who opened his gym 15 years ago, said: “It’s amazing how things have changed over the years. We started off at St Paul’s Community Centre with just a few of us and some roll out mats. Each youngster that comes through the door is different.”

Hannah Payton
Eccles Sixth Form Centre student, Hannah Payton, is hoping to make a splash at the Special Olympics after being selected to train with team GB. Hannah, who has Down’s Syndrome, showed a talent for swimming from an early age, and has been an active member of the Swinton Amateur Swimming Club. In the wake of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, Hannah was selected from the regional trials of a national talent search and is now part of the Northwich-based Cheshire Penguins swimming club, which is the Special Olympics training club for the North West of England. Let’s get behind Hannah in her bid to be at the 2015 World Summer Games in Los Angeles.

Young at heart ladies
A group of young at heart ladies are keeping community spirit alive in their neighbourhood with a monthly club for women who live in the Barton area of Eccles. What started as a humble coffee morning with ten members in founding member Dorothy Parr’s flat has grown into a club with more than 40 members and monthly entertainment. Retired for ten years, 73 year old Dorothy was in the pub trade before she moved into Engels House where she lives with her husband Dennis.

Safely crossing for 40 years
Pat Oliver from Seedley has now completed 40 years’ service helping Salford’s school children to cross the road safely. Pat has covered Trafford Road and Cross Lane since the early 1970s. Pat said: “I have loved every moment. I made some lovely friends and the job has given me a lot of personal satisfaction and pride. It’s amazing how time really does fly as I’m now crossing the grandchildren of the children I first crossed back in 1974.”

Janet Lawson
Inspirational Grandma-of-four Janet Lawson has the true Spirit of Salford. Janet, who is a Salix Homes tenant and lives in Broughton, was diagnosed with cancer of the lymph nodes in her neck in 2010 and since then has raised hundreds of pounds for charities close to her heart. In her latest fundraising feat 84-year-old Janet took part in a sponsored dog walk using her mobility shopping trolley, raising £117 for St Ann’s Hospice.
New Spaces

for People to Enjoy in Pendleton

Paul Longshaw of Pendleton Together tells us about the exciting work going on as part of the ‘Spaces for People to Enjoy’ project.

As part of the area’s regeneration a group of local residents and workers have come together to work towards reviving or establishing new Pendleton’s public spaces: making green living easier and spaces more useful, inspiring and fun.

Over time Pendleton’s spaces became unloved and undervalued. So we began to develop ideas to improve, reinvigorate and maintain spaces, so the existing and future Pendleton residents will start to have safer and more attractive places to meet, play and enjoy. We will see children playing, joggers, skaters, riders pulling a half-pipe, picnickers: people from all across the neighbourhood enjoying their local outdoor spaces.

Right now we have we have a great group of dedicated people that live or work in the area that are working together to make things happen by using ideas, tenacity and talent. What they don’t do is too many meetings. On the next page are some of the things the group has achieved so far.
The former Windsor school site was unloved for ten years. This area will be used for new spaces and homes in the future, but in the meantime we have recycled 400 tons of aggregate for new paths, recycled metal barriers into artworks, and relocated boulders from across Pendleton for rough play areas. We’ve also re-used felled timber for bird and bat boxes, cut 12,500m² of grass, planted 4100m² of wildflower seeds and removed 130 tons of dumped clutter.

People can now access and enjoy the Windsor space more easily and get used to the way it’s laid out, as the layout will be the same as the new streets and spaces that will be built in the next phase of new homes.

Another space behind Larkhill School was created after a tower block was demolished some years ago. Eventually new houses and a small city farm are planned for near here but in the meantime we have finalised plans with the children, parents and teachers at Larkhill to use the space for growing vegetables and running some urban growing classes. Perhaps even some bees in the future - our own little Taste of Honey!

James Blackwell, head teacher at Lark Hill Community Primary School said “The changes that are taking place in our community are creating opportunities for everyone! The meanwhile space at the back of our school is helping to provide space for our families to ‘grow their own’ - really linking with the idea of growing and changing.”

As part of National Play Week in August we will be holding our very own festival of dirt where people can come and dig dirt with the archaeological team at Salford University, do some community planting, play and climb in the revived space and become a Pendleton guerrilla gardener. There will also be chances to talk about what other things are happening and what could be done to other spaces.

“The ‘Spaces for People to Enjoy’ project is a fantastic community initiative to get residents out and about, become healthier, and cherish their local area more. We, our partners and the community relish the prospect of a brand new Pendleton” says Gena Merrett, Assistant Mayor for Housing and Environment.

If you want to find out more about the ‘Spaces for People to Enjoy’ group - www.salford.gov.uk/pendleton-space
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Welcome to our community page

This page is focused on events, activities and news from you and your local community.

Sue has Eccles all sewn up

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Greater Manchester Children’s Rights Service

Would you like to help a young person in care meet their full potential? Can you spare a couple of hours once every two weeks?

We are looking to recruit volunteers in Salford, Rochdale & Oldham to become Independent Visitors. Children and young people in care often feel isolated and need support. An Independent Visitor is an adult volunteer who is there to befriend, offer guidance, support and offer a listening ear to a child in care.

In return you will be offered full training, support, out of pocket expenses, regular supervision and on-going guidance from us. You will meet other volunteers, have new experiences and develop new skills.

Applications particularly welcome from male volunteers who are currently underrepresented within our organisation.

If you are ready for a new challenge, please call us for an informal discussion on 0161 787 9628 or visit www.salfordchildrensrights.org.uk.

It’s your community

For the latest neighbourhood information or dates of your next community committee meetings, please go to www.salford.gov.uk/neighbourhoodareas

Have you any community news to go in the next issue? Email lifeinsalford@salford.gov.uk by 10 July, with ‘community page’ in the subject header.

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World Cup

Cornerstone

Saturday 12 July
11am-3pm

Langworthy Cornerstone’s annual family health event is back and this year’s theme is ‘World Cup Cornerstone’!

There will be stalls, football themed competitions and sideshows, plus activities, music, tastings, samba, foliage, sunshine, food and all the usual fun.

The event is an open day for everyone and is about encouraging healthier lifestyles in an enjoyable way.

www.langworthycornerstone.co.uk or Facebook Langworthy-Cornerstone
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To find more about Urban Vision, please visit: www.urbanvision.org.uk

Are you a community hero?

The search is on for Salford’s community heroes.

Housing providers Salix Homes and City West Housing Trust are appealing for nominations for their annual customer awards, which recognise the unsung heroes living in our communities.

If you know someone who has gone the extra mile in their neighbourhood, made a real difference to the area where they live, always puts others first or has shown exceptional bravery then why not nominate them?

Nominations for the Salix Stars Awards open next month and the awards ceremony will take place in November. For the latest updates keep an eye on the Salix Homes Facebook page.

Nominations are now open for the City West Customer Awards and close next month. To find out more go to www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk/awards-nomination
City West investing in your community!

Visit www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk (now optimised to work efficiently on tablets and smartphones) and find information about all our services and projects, request repairs and contact us. Just call one number 0300 123 5522 or for the latest news follow us on Twitter @citywesthousing or Facebook www.facebook.com/citywesthousing
Amblecote Gardens

Due to open in autumn 2014, Amblecote Gardens is City West Housing Trust’s new state of the art Extra Care housing scheme, built to high energy saving specifications. The scheme is at the heart of the new Amblecote Green development in Little Hulton, which offers high quality, modern and affordable homes in an attractive community environment.

All 44 one bedroom and 22 two bedroom individual apartments are designed to offer the very latest in high quality convenient living, suitable for individuals and couples, and are wheelchair accessible. This attractive development is surrounded by private, landscaped garden areas, accessible from communal spaces and individual properties. Residents can also enjoy views of the sensory garden from individual balconies and there is a seating area to relax and enjoy the tranquil setting.

Amblecote Gardens is a development of apartments especially designed for those wanting an easy-to-manage and secure home, with access to a range of additional tailored support services. City West is working in partnership with Salford City Council who will assess your care and support needs. These homes provide future reassurance and peace of mind for residents and their families, with a state of the art security system and dedicated on-site support team providing care 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

The spacious cafeteria is managed by an experienced team of chefs who will prepare and serve a delicious, two-course fresh and healthy meal every day. The attractive lounge area with large flat screen television is the main focal point for a range of social activities chosen by residents and supported by City West. The relaxing health and wellbeing room can be used to provide a wide range of services such as chiropody or beauty therapy and the fabulous new hair salon is available to both residents and the wider community, providing a great place to catch up with friends whilst enjoying a bit of pampering.

Situated on the corner of Amblecote Drive West and Cleggs Lane, Amblecote Gardens overlooks a new public green space and includes a Home Zone street, which gives priority to pedestrians and cyclists, making it a very appealing place to live.

* For illustration purposes only. There are a number of designs for each apartment; this plan shows the typical layout for a type 1 flat.

If you’re interested in finding out more about living at Amblecote Gardens, please call City West Housing Trust’s Independent Living Service on 0161 605 7633 or email independent@citywest.org.uk

A new building for Eccles

If you have visited Eccles recently you’ll be hard pressed not to notice the changes on the skyline. In addition to the investment and regeneration of the high rise blocks, City West Housing Trust has been building a new Eccles base. 52 Regent Street will become City West’s new office in the heart of Eccles. The redevelopment of the original Eccles Local Area Office site, including the shops at 54/56 Regent Street, which had been empty and derelict for a number of years, is dramatically transforming the gateway into Eccles Town Centre.

With increased space, better access to a wider range of City West services and community facilities, the new office will create a modern, welcoming space for all customers and guests.

The new building due to open this summer, will bring together community, operational and corporate services into one location.

New homes for Salford

City West Housing Trust is working closely with Salford City Council and other partners to contribute to the wider development of Salford. The construction of over 200 new homes is continuing in Little Hulton thanks to vital investment from the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) as a result of City West’s Investor Partner Status.

- Work is now complete on the development of 12 new family homes and four one bedroom apartments on Wildbrook Road in Little Hulton.
- £14 million is being invested in the flagship Amblecote Green development, with phase one set to complete over the next with 73 new family homes and five bungalows for rent. Amblecote Gardens is also set to open in autumn (see above).
- The development of 39 new homes across three sites in Mount Skip is expected to be completed in Spring 2015.
- The Kenyon Gateway development includes building 50 new homes across six sites to be completed in 2015.
- City West also consulted with residents in Eccles for plans to build 163 new homes in the area.

You can find out more about the development plans on City West’s website www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk
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study on your doorstep

If you want to enhance your job prospects while enjoying the convenience of studying locally, have you considered the **University of Salford**?

Over half of the university’s students are from the local area and there are generous award schemes to help pay tuition fees and living costs. Students who gain ABB grades at A-level (or equivalent) currently qualify for a £2,000 cash award in the first year of their course. However, you don’t always need A-levels to apply because the university accepts BTEC and access qualifications. Life and work experience can also count towards entry requirements rather than formal qualifications.

The Salford National Scholarship Programme is for Greater Manchester residents with a household income of less than £25,000. This is currently a £2,000 discount off the tuition fee plus a £1,000 cash award for the first year of the course. A further £1,000 tuition fee discount is available in both the second and third years of study.

More than half of Salford’s first year students are over 21 and flexible studying arrangements are available. Over 2,500 undergraduates study part-time, balancing work and study while increasing their future job prospects.

You can come and see what’s on offer during our open days. You’ll be taken on a campus tour and will get the chance to speak to lecturers and students about what it’s like to study at the university.

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**Places are available on the following open days:**

- **Saturday 28 June**, 10.00am to 4.00pm.
- **Wednesday 2 July**, 10.00am to 4.00pm.
- **Saturday 13 September**, 10.00am to 4.00pm.
- **Saturday 18 October**, 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Please go to [www.salford.ac.uk/study/visit](http://www.salford.ac.uk/study/visit) for more information and to book a place.
Funding boost for 32 projects

Dozens of community groups in Salford are celebrating after scooping thousands of pounds of funding, thanks to Salix Homes. A total of 32 local projects and initiatives picked up a share of £52,000 as part of the ‘Your Salix Your Say’ project. The project provides the opportunity for groups to bid for funding to help finance worthwhile initiatives that will help improve the area where they live.

The Kersal Vale Allotments Association picked up the most votes for their disabled gardeners project and members were delighted to receive £2,548. The money will be used to expand the disabled gardening facilities at the allotment site by building raised planting beds with wheelchair accessible pathways.

Other winners included Langworthy in Bloom, which received £3,500 for the annual floral display; St Luke’s 60 Kurling group, which secured £1,500 to help keep the club going and HAT FC, which received £1,195 to start a football team for young homeless people in Salford.

This year, projects run by young people were also invited to take part and the Fitness4Fun project picked up the most votes, securing £484 to hold fitness classes for young people aged 12-16.

Proud family return to see grandfather’s legacy

The descendants of one of Salford’s most influential political figures have paid a visit to the city to witness their ancestor’s legacy for the first time.

The family of former Salford Mayor Arthur Millwood were guests of honour at the unveiling of the new-look Arthur Millwood Court tower block, which has recently undergone a multi-million pound improvement project by Salix Homes.

Arthur Millwood, who was born in 1875, was the Mayor of Salford from 1937-38 and is known for being a ‘real man of the people’ who was passionate about helping the most deprived members of society.

Arthur Millwood Court was built during the 1960s as part of a project to clear the city’s slums. It opened in 1964, more than 25 years after Arthur Millwood’s death, but was named after him in honour of his contribution to the people of Salford.

Arthur Millwood’s grandsons Roy Waring, 76, and Colin Davies, 75, and his great grandson Robert Millwood, 44, were invited to see the tower block for the first time.

Grandson Colin Davies said: “Arthur was a real man of the people and he would be delighted to know the tower block residents will really benefit from all of the changes that have been made by Salix Homes.”
Salford CCG – one year on

One year ago GPs in Salford took control of a £330 million budget to provide healthcare services for the city by forming Salford Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

Every GP in Salford, with support from other healthcare professionals, now decides how money allocated by the Department of Health should be spent on healthcare for the 250,000 people who live in Salford.

What are we aiming to achieve?

There are massive health inequalities for people living in Salford. Men living in the city’s most deprived areas have over 12 years shorter life expectancy than those from the least deprived, and women eight years.

So Salford CCG has four main aims:

- prevent ill health
- reduce health inequalities
- improve health quality
- improve health and wellbeing outcomes

What have we been doing?

It’s been a busy 12 months for Salford CCG and these are just a few of our achievements:

- New clinics for patients with COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) to manage their condition with exercise and lifestyle advice.
- Launched CAN Move, a pilot service providing cancer patients with access to a specially trained physical health trainer.
- Spoken to thousands of people for their views on healthcare by attending community meetings/events and hosting our own patient panel events.
- Visited 95% of high schools in Salford with the All in the Mind drama production to raise awareness of mental health issues important to teenagers.

- £1.3m invested in the Memory Assessment Treatment Service to diagnose patients living with dementia.
- Piloted the Integrated Care Programme for Older People with the council, Salford Royal and Greater Manchester West Mental Health Trust to provide more joined up health and social care for the over-65s (see page 28) www.partnersinsalford.org/integratedcare
- Continued with the Salford Lung Study looking at new trial medication to treat COPD and asthma.

To find out more about Salford CCG, go to www.salfordccg.nhs.uk/ or follow us on Twitter @salfordccg
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New package available at the Civic Centre Salford Suite for post Register Office ceremonies on Fridays and Saturdays: afternoon tea, wedding breakfasts or buffets.
Prices start at £800 for afternoon tea for 50 guests including a glass of Buck’s Fizz.
The government has given the go-ahead for a vote by tenants on plans to transfer the ownership of 8,500 council houses in Salford as part of a £75 million investment programme.

Kris Hopkins MP, Minister for Housing, has given Salford City Council the green light to proceed to a ballot of all council tenants over plans to transfer the properties in central Salford to Salix Homes.

Residents will now be consulted before a ballot in the autumn when they will be able to decide on the future of their homes.

If tenants vote ‘Yes’ to transfer, Salix Homes, which already manages the properties on behalf of the council, has promised to invest £75 million on improving people’s homes and communities by 2020.

Salford City Council, which currently owns the homes, does not have the money to make the necessary improvements and bring the properties up to modern standards.

Salix Homes is promising that all 8,500 properties will reach the government’s Decent Homes standard by 2020; this includes 4,000 homes getting new kitchens or bathrooms, 2,000 homes getting new windows and 3,000 homes getting upgraded heating.

Councillor Gena Merrett, Assistant Mayor for Housing and Environment, said: “This announcement is fantastic news for tenants and for Salford as a whole and shows that the government is confident in the council’s proposals to transfer its housing stock to Salix Homes and the extra investment that will bring.”

“Salix Homes has an excellent track record in delivering a first class housing service in Salford. They are in the strongest position to make the necessary investment to the homes and provide the kind of housing service that the people of Salford deserve.

Salix Homes has made a commitment to bring every property up to the government’s Decent Homes standard by 2020, to provide hundreds of new jobs and training opportunities and deliver new, affordable homes in Salford. This cannot happen unless tenants vote ‘Yes’ to transfer.”

Housing Minister Kris Hopkins said: “Today’s deal is great news for Salford’s residents, unlocking £75 million to invest in bringing their homes up to a high standard.

This investment from Salix Homes will mean residents in all 8,500 social homes in Salford will benefit from a range of improvements, whether new kitchens or bathrooms, new windows or better heating.

So I’m pleased to sign this deal with the council and write off £65 million of their historic housing debt, so they can put the offer to their tenants and so Salix Homes can plan ahead for the investment they have committed to making.”

If the transfer goes ahead, Salix Homes would become a stand-alone, not-for-profit Registered Provider.

Tenant Barbara Harper, who is chair of the Customer Senate and lives in Ordsall, said: “Tenants now have a very exciting opportunity to guarantee a bright and sustainable future for social housing in Salford for generations to come. I’d urge all tenants not to waste this opportunity and make sure they use their vote.

As a tenant, I’m confident in Salix Homes’ ability to deliver the best housing service possible. It has already transformed thousands of homes and lives for the better, by improving properties to a standard the people of Salford deserve.”
In many families, mental health is a taboo topic. Yet 2010 figures estimate that 36,500 adults and 6,000 children in Salford might live with a mental health condition.

To raise awareness of the mental health issues facing teenagers, Salford Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and theatre production company Ensemble 52 produced ‘All in the Mind,’ a drama following the stories of Jay and Serena, two bright school students trapped by the pressures of school and family life who find themselves turning to self-harm.

The play premiered at Salford Arts Theatre and has now been performed to Year 9 students in 95% of Salford’s secondary schools.

Following the 45 minute play, the pupils took part in a workshop with the actors to develop a deeper understanding of some of the issues raised.

Katherine Barratt, Director of Learning (Culture) at Wentworth High School, said, “I thought the play presented the issues in a powerful and moving way that helped all the students to identify some of the key issues. The workshops were also very useful in identifying strategies that pupils could use to help seek support.”

Feedback from students has been equally positive. One pupil from St Ambrose Barlow RC High School said: “I thought it was very good and made me realise a lot of things about why people self-harm,” while another at St George’s RC High School said: “I enjoyed the play a lot and would like to see things like this more frequently.”

The school tour has now ended, but a DVD of the play has been produced and will be made available to all the secondary schools in Salford along with lesson plans so that teachers can continue to discuss mental health and self-harm topics with students.
Universal Credit is a new benefit that the government has introduced in Salford this month to replace six existing benefits with a single monthly payment into your bank account. It will eventually replace:

- Housing Benefit
- Income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit
- Child Tax Credit

Payments will be different

- It will be paid monthly, into an account you choose
- If you do not currently have a bank account, it’s a good idea to get one that offers direct debit facilities in preparation.
- If you have a partner you’ll get one monthly payment for both of you
- If you get Housing Benefit you’ll need to pay your landlord yourself

If you don’t pay your rent you will fall into arrears, which could lead to eviction.

When advised by the DWP, you’ll claim Universal Credit online and then attend a face-to-face interview. For free internet access to apply online, visit Gateway centres, libraries or Salix Homes’ offices at Diamond House.

Help and advice

There is an online personal planner to find out if there are any important changes you need to make to prepare for Universal Credit: [http://ucpp.dwp.gov.uk/universal-credit-preparation](http://ucpp.dwp.gov.uk/universal-credit-preparation)

If you are having problems paying your rent, talk to your landlord, they can offer help:

- [www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk](http://www.citywesthousingtrust.org.uk) or call 0300 123 5522*
- [www.salixhomes.org](http://www.salixhomes.org) or call 0800 218 2000 (Local rate for mobile phones 0161 909 6559)

Need a bank account? Salix Homes and City West will pay the £3 membership fees for the first 300 tenants from each housing provider who open a Salford Credit Union account. Call 0161 832 1998 or visit [www.salfordcreditunion.com](http://www.salfordcreditunion.com)

The Money Advice Service offers help with budgeting. You can get a ‘Make the most of your money’ health check: [www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/tools/health-check](http://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/tools/health-check) or call 0300 500 5000*

You can also visit [www.salford.gov.uk/welfarerights](http://www.salford.gov.uk/welfarerights) or call 0161 793 3550.

To find out more about support to get into work go to [www.salford.gov.uk/skillsandwork](http://www.salford.gov.uk/skillsandwork) or Contact Skills and Work on 0161 909 6503

If you are already on Universal Credit and your circumstances change call the Universal Credit helpline on 0845 600 0723.

*Please note 03 numbers are charged at local call rates from both landline and mobile phones and will be included in any free minutes you may have.

Get on board with Universal Credit

**Sunday 5 July, 10am – 4pm, Tesco Extra, Pendleton, Salford M6 5JG**

Salix Homes is hitting the road on the Key 103 bus with their specialist team to make sure you are in the know about Universal Credit.
It’s not too late
You can still go to one of the top colleges in the country

As one of the largest colleges in the North West, with an outstanding reputation for achievement, Salford City College is the ideal choice and it’s not too late to apply for September 2014!

Outstanding standards of teaching and learning conducted in state-of-the-art facilities across the college’s City Skills, Eccles, Pendleton and Walkden Sixth Form Centres, along with the FutureSkills centre at MediaCityUK, means that continuing your studies in A-Levels, or starting vocational qualifications or apprenticeships is an exciting and fulfilling experience.

Salford City College is steeped in historical success and once again students achieved an outstanding average 99% A-Level pass rate and 100% Advanced Vocational pass rate in 2013.

The college has seen a number of students go onto achieve prestigious places at Oxbridge and other Russell Group universities, alongside attending top drama schools and gaining employment with a whole host of Blue Chip employers, including the BBC, Bauer Media, ITV and University of Manchester.

In addition to providing students with the opportunity to achieve the best of their ability, Salford City College makes college life easier by offering a free* college bus service, free* meals and financial support through its SCCMA Bursary system, where students can receive up to £15 per week*. *Terms & conditions apply

Former student success

Name: Jasmin Cooper
Studied: A Levels in Maths, Further Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Geography
Now: PDH in Environmental Technology at University of Manchester

“I chose Salford City College as it had a strong reputation for science and maths; I was always interested in pursuing an academic career in this area and the added support and opportunities I had access to enabled me to make this interest a reality.”

Name: Gareth Jones
Studied: BTEC Media
Now: BA (Hons) in TV & Radio Studies at University of Salford

“The curriculum content I studied at Salford City College helped me to discover my passion for media and spurred me to progress within this field. With support, I adapted ways of learning which I now utilise to make my university projects more manageable; I reflect on the experiences I have gained in order to continue to develop my skills and knowledge.”

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Older people to be helped to stay healthier longer

Salford’s Integrated Care Programme is bringing changes to the way services are developed for older people.

The partnership between Salford Royal, Salford City Council, NHS Salford Clinical Commissioning Group and Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust, is focusing on health and social care for over 65s in Salford.

This work which focuses on people and their different needs is looking at how local services can support keeping older people independent, creating a one-stop-shop contact centre for all older people’s health and social care needs, bringing together groups of professionals from different agencies to support those at most at risk and in the future providing a named key worker to coordinate care. There will be a bigger focus on preventing health deteriorating, putting people in contact with local support and keeping them in touch with the community and groups in their area.

The new way of working will aim to help older people stay happier and healthier longer and groups of older people have already had their say in the testing of different approaches. Professionals and customer champions have created a character, Sally Ford, to remind everyone of the importance of improving the quality of life for older people as demand for services grows, with the aim to keep more older people like Sally out of hospital and in their own homes. Two things have been shown to be key to wellbeing in later life; encouraging people to keep active and to meet up with friends and family regularly.

To find out more watch our short video www.partnersinsalford.org/integratedcare.htm

New vision for Swinton estate

Exciting plans are in the pipeline for the Beechfarm estate in Swinton.

A steering group has been launched, made up of residents and representatives from Salix Homes and Salford City Council, to look at an area of the estate affected by serious subsidence issues. A number of properties on the estate, which is also known as the Poets Estate, are affected by serious subsidence problems. The proposals.

Architects are now working with the steering group to draw up designs for the estate, which could involve demolishing the 146 affected properties and building brand new, energy efficient homes, however, this cannot happen unless the proposed stock transfer goes ahead, see page 24.

The properties earmarked for redevelopment include some homes on Blantyre Street, Wordsworth Road, Tennyson Road, Kingsley Road, Shakespeare Road and Stevenson Road.

Once the designs are complete, residents will be invited to view the plans and have their say on the proposals.
Bright future for Prince’s Trust apprentice

In the last edition of Life in Salford, we celebrated National Apprenticeship Week and showcased young apprentices making their mark. Now The Prince’s Trust Team Programme, backed by City West Housing Trust and Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service, has helped another young person into work.

18-year-old Stephen Bowden left school with only a handful of qualifications. It wasn’t until he got involved with The Prince’s Trust that he saw he could work towards a brighter future. Their 12 week course gives unemployed 16 to 25 year olds a chance to enhance their skills and move closer to employment.

After a few months of training, Stephen secured an apprenticeship with City West contractor Emanuel Whittaker, where he will be fitting floors on kitchen and bathroom refurbishment schemes.

Stephen said:

“Before I joined the programme, I’d been claiming jobseekers allowance. I hadn’t settled into education and my options were limited, but I knew I wanted a hands-on job where I could learn a trade.

I couldn’t believe it when my apprenticeship came up. Now I have a direction and something to aim for. I look forward to going to work every day and get paid to do something I love.”

For more information on apprenticeships and other employment opportunities contact City West on 0161 605 7792 or email enterprise@citywest.org.uk

A580 East Lancashire Road – planned roadworks

Work began in May to introduce an improved route for buses along the East Lancashire Road (A580) by creating new bus only lanes on key stretches in Salford.

It’s part of a bus priority package developed by Transport for Greater Manchester, Salford City Council, Wigan Council and Manchester City Council to improve transport links between Atherton, Leigh, Salford and Manchester.

An overview of the A580 Bus Priority Package roadworks schedule is now available to download at www.urbanvision.org.uk/news/a580-roadworks/ If you are not online you can request a leaflet by calling 0161 604 7775.

As with any works that take place on roads there will be some disruption, however, this will be carefully managed by Urban Vision and Galliford Try (the appointed contractor) to ensure that any disruption caused is minimised as much as possible.

If you would like to receive up to date information about the roadworks on the A580, please register your email address with Urban Vision at salfroadroadworks@urbanvision.org.uk or follow us on twitter @urbanvision_uk.

For more information on the bus priority scheme go to www.tfgm.com/buspriority email buspriority@tfgm.com or call Transport for Greater Manchester on 0300 123 1177.
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