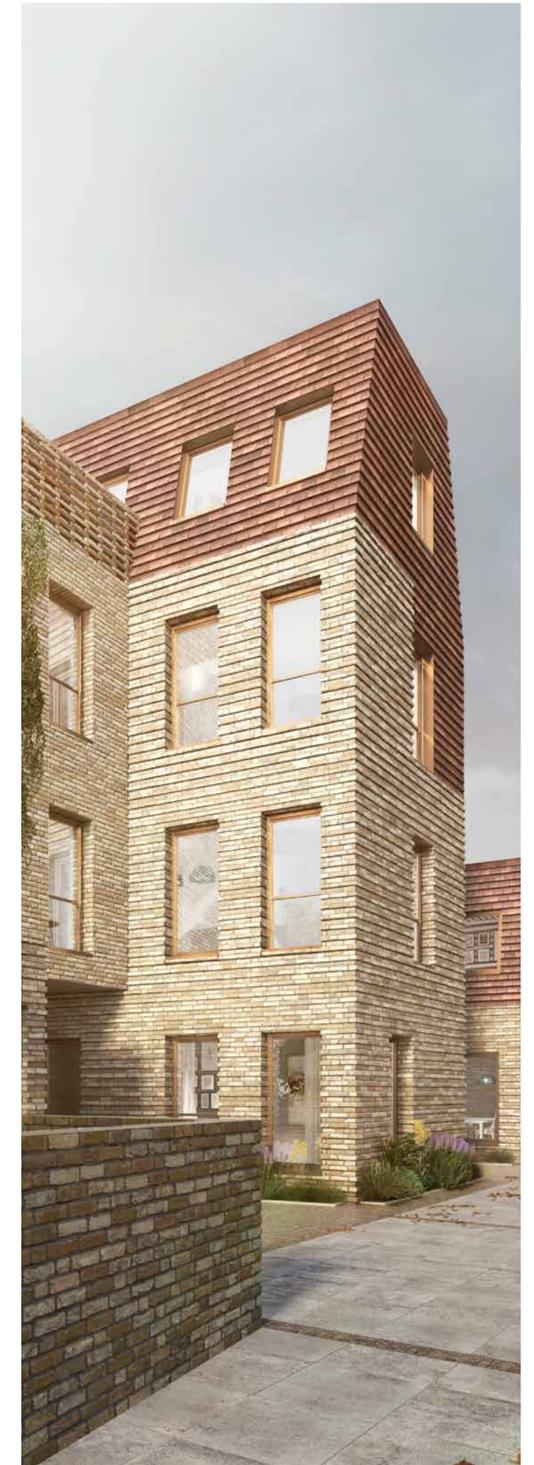


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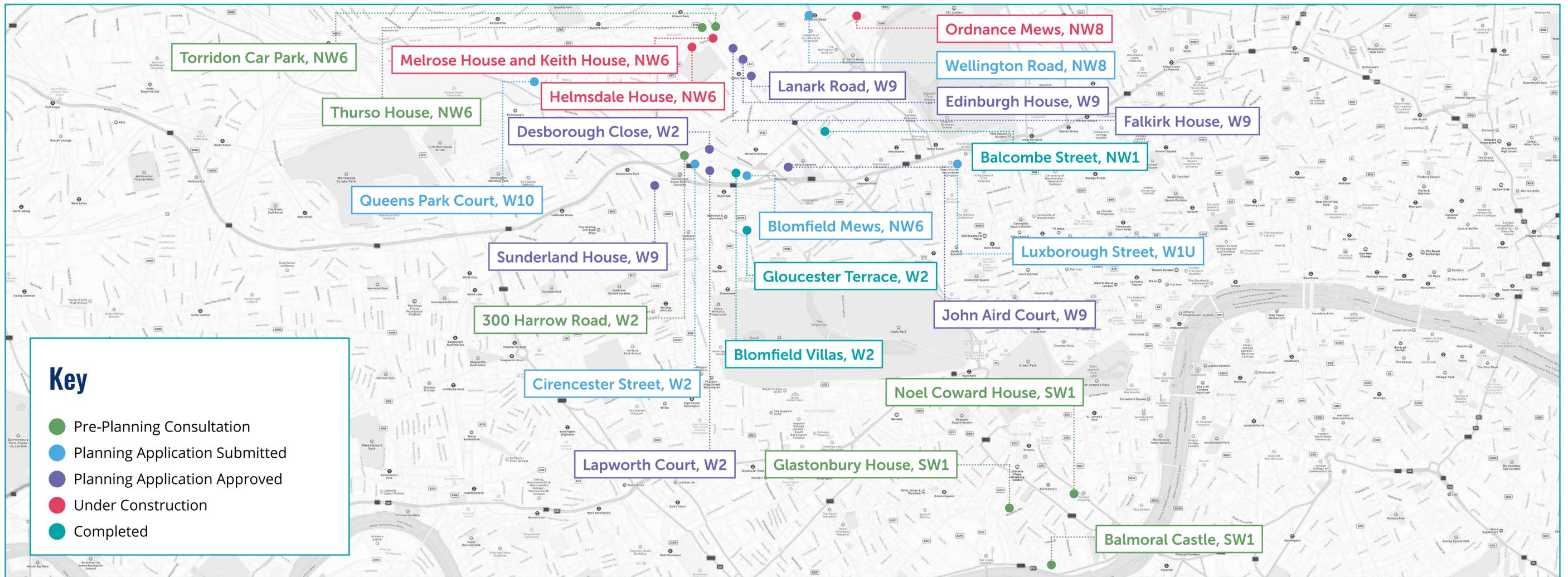
Westminster City Council is working to provide more affordable homes for local people across the city.

As part of our Infills Programme, we want to hear what you think about our proposals to build new homes on the current car park between Thurso House and Strome House.



Westminster Council's Infills Programme

We are transforming under-used spaces across the city into modern, affordable homes for our residents. The infills programme contributes to delivering Westminster's target of 1,850 affordable homes by 2023. Since the programme began in 2017 we've achieved planning permission to build 41 new homes. We are currently consulting or awaiting planning decisions on another 90 homes.



Proposed homes at Thurso House

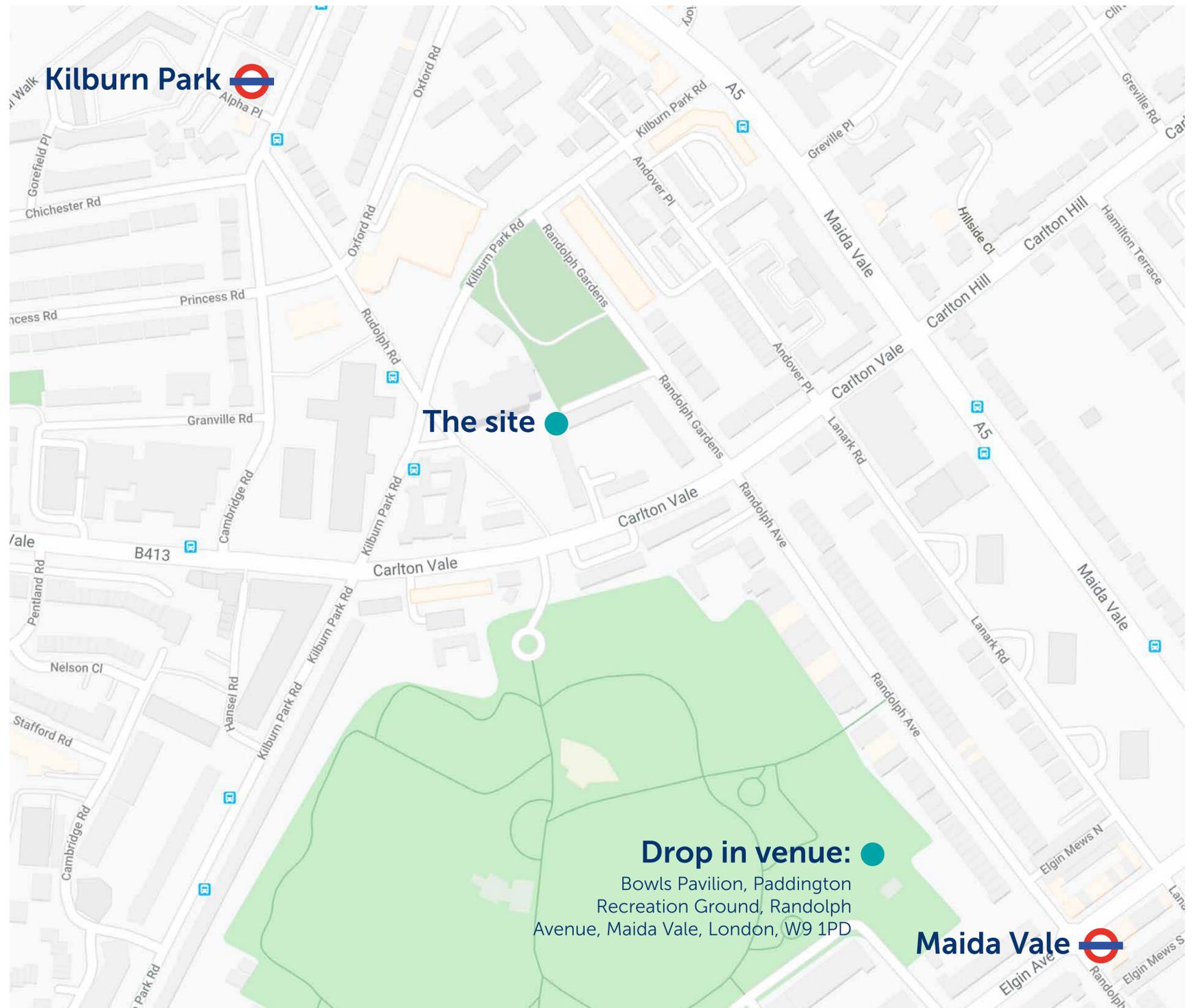
We want to build affordable homes on the car park adjacent to Thurso and Strome House.

These modern homes will provide much-needed accommodation for local families in need of housing in Westminster.

We would like to share our ideas for this development with you and hear your views on the proposed homes before undertaking a further consultation next year and submitting a planning application.

At this drop-in session you can:

- view our proposals for the site
- share your thoughts with a member of our project team
- leave your feedback on one of our comment cards

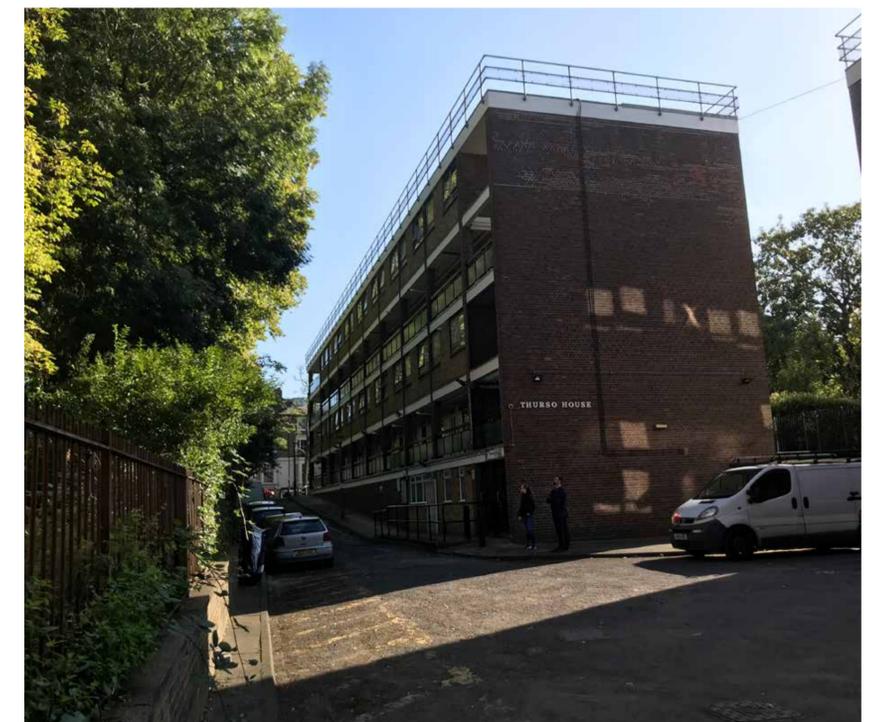


About the site

The car park occupies the space between Strome House and Thurso House. The site is opposite St Augustine's Church, a grade one listed building.

The new homes will be close to several schools and excellent transport links. Kilburn Park and Maida Vale underground stations are a short 6-minute walk away and the site has good access to bus stops and cycle lanes.

There are 15 car parking spaces adjacent to Thurso and Strome House and a number of these are let on licenses. Please speak to a member of the project team to discuss details of the car parking provision.



The car park between Thurso and Strome House

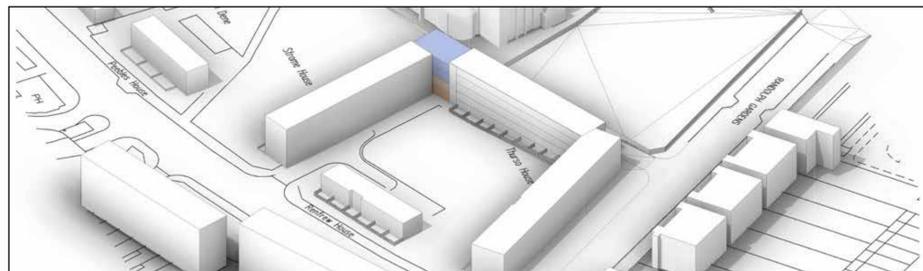
Our proposals

Five new affordable homes

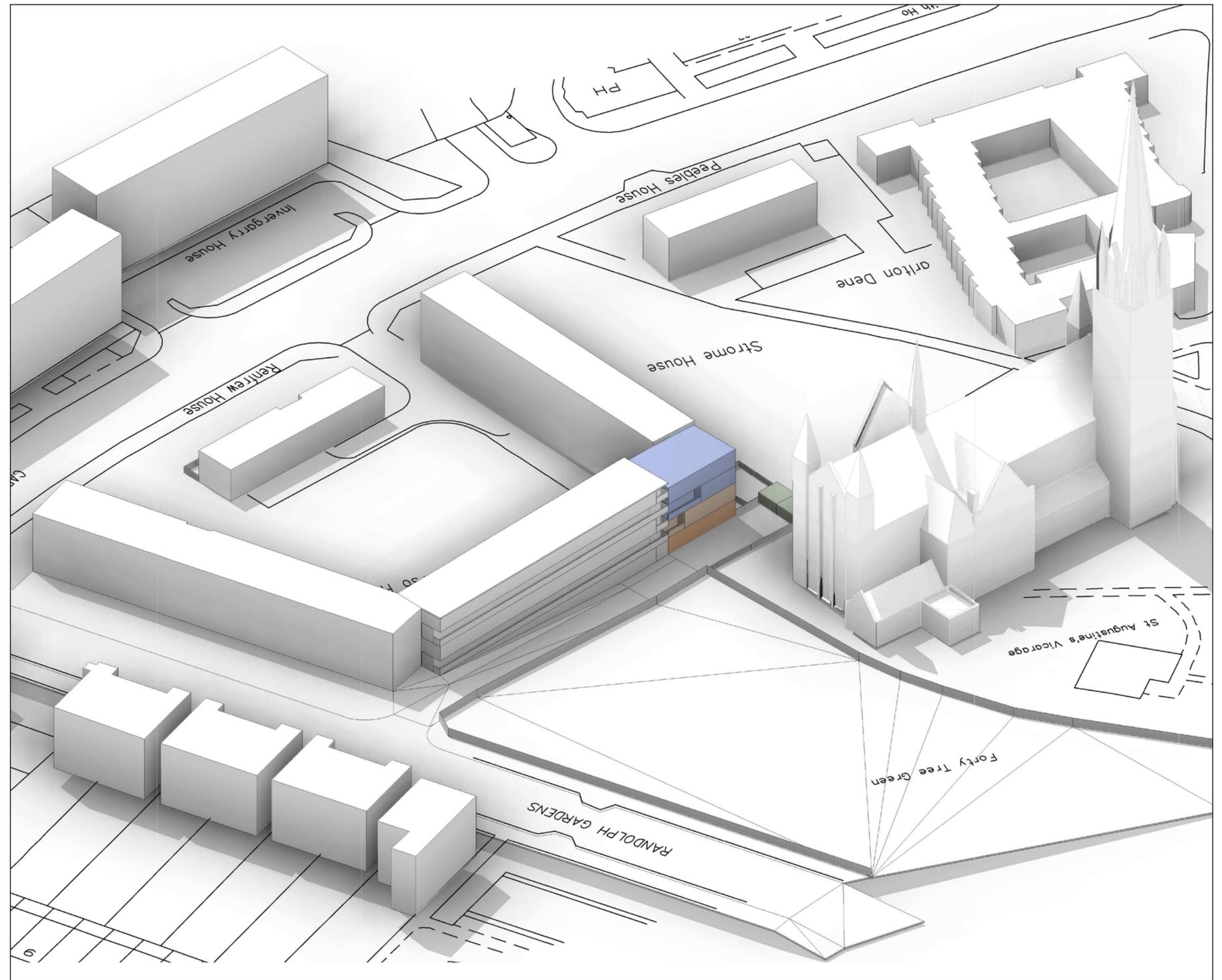
We are proposing to deliver five new homes for social rent in place on the car park adjacent to Strome and Thurso House. These new homes will be a mix of one and three bed homes

If planning permission is achieved, the development will bring:

- Five much-needed new council homes for social rent
- Outdoor space for the new homes
- The opportunity for local residents to be the first to let under Westminster's 'local letting plan'.
- One fully wheelchair accessible three bedroom flat on the lower ground floor
- One accessible car parking space for the resident on the lower ground floor
- Bin stores and bike storage



Concepts are subject to the outcomes of technical assessments



These images show how the new homes would fit into the existing building

Considerate construction

We know that residents in the area are concerned about disruption from construction. We are committed to working with contractors to ensure that noise and dust are well-managed and residents are minimally affected.

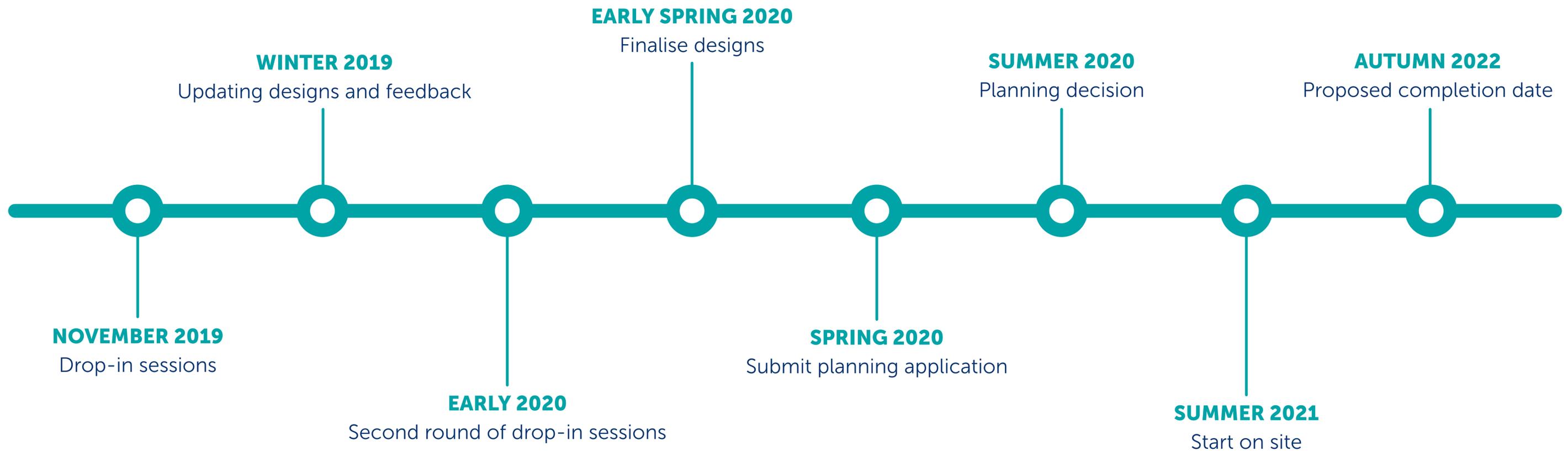
If planning permission is granted, we will work with residents in the area on a construction management plan. This will include agreement on working hours, and our team's contact details should you have any questions or concerns.

Please talk to the team if you have any specific concerns about construction so we can make a note of them going forward.



Timeline

The timeline below shows indicative dates from consultation to completion



Feedback and next steps

Thank you for taking the time to view our proposal. We appreciate you coming in today to share your feedback.

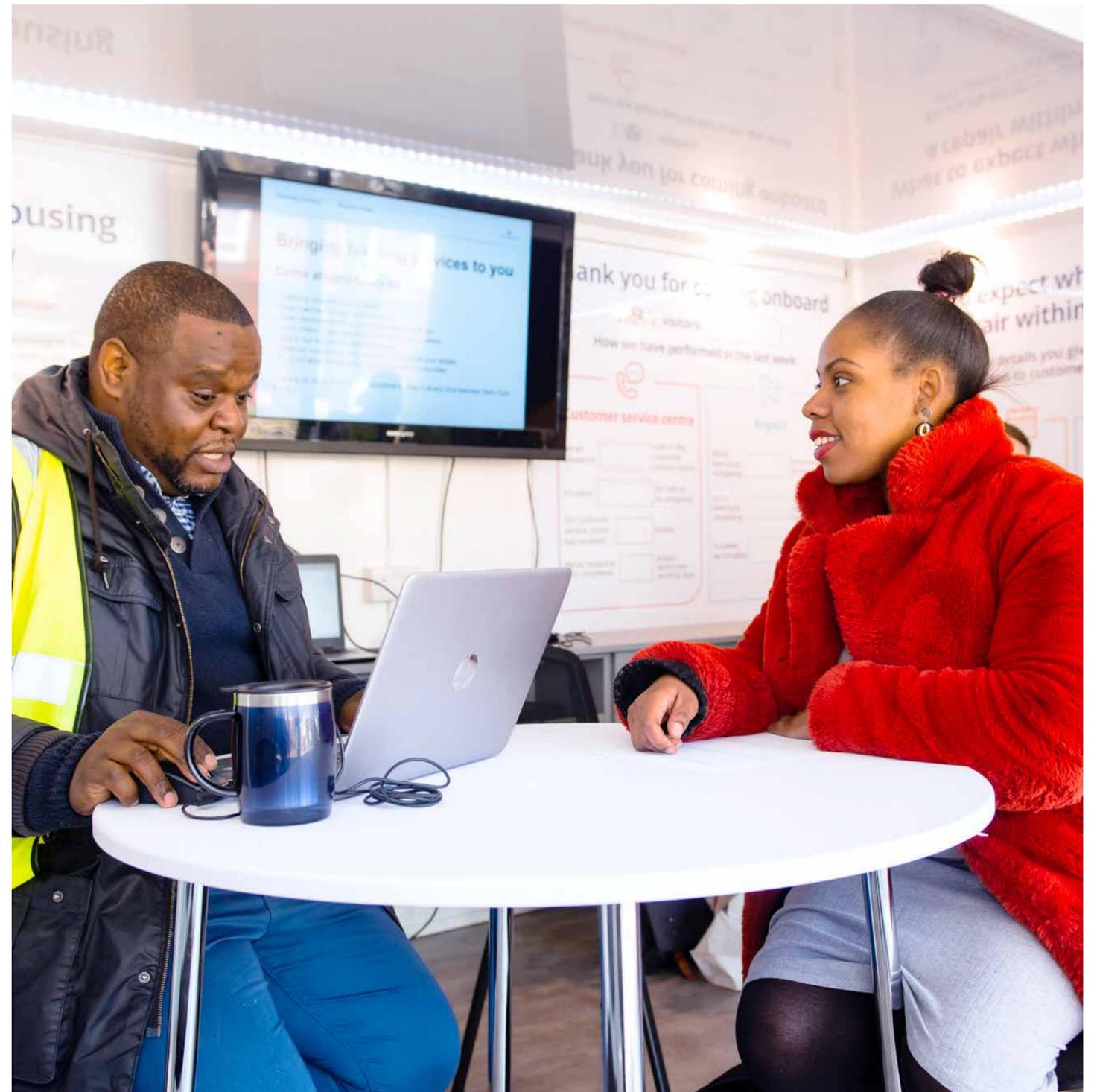
The team are keen to hear your thoughts on our proposal for the car park adjacent to Thurso House and Strome House. You can share your views by:

- Speaking to a member of staff
- Filling in a comment card
- Emailing the project team at thursohouse@westminster.gov.uk

If you want to view this information again at home, these boards will be available online at www.westminster.gov.uk/thurso-house

Next steps

We will be submitting our planning application in spring 2020. Once the application has been submitted, you will be able to share your views on it through the planning portal at <https://www.westminster.gov.uk/planning>

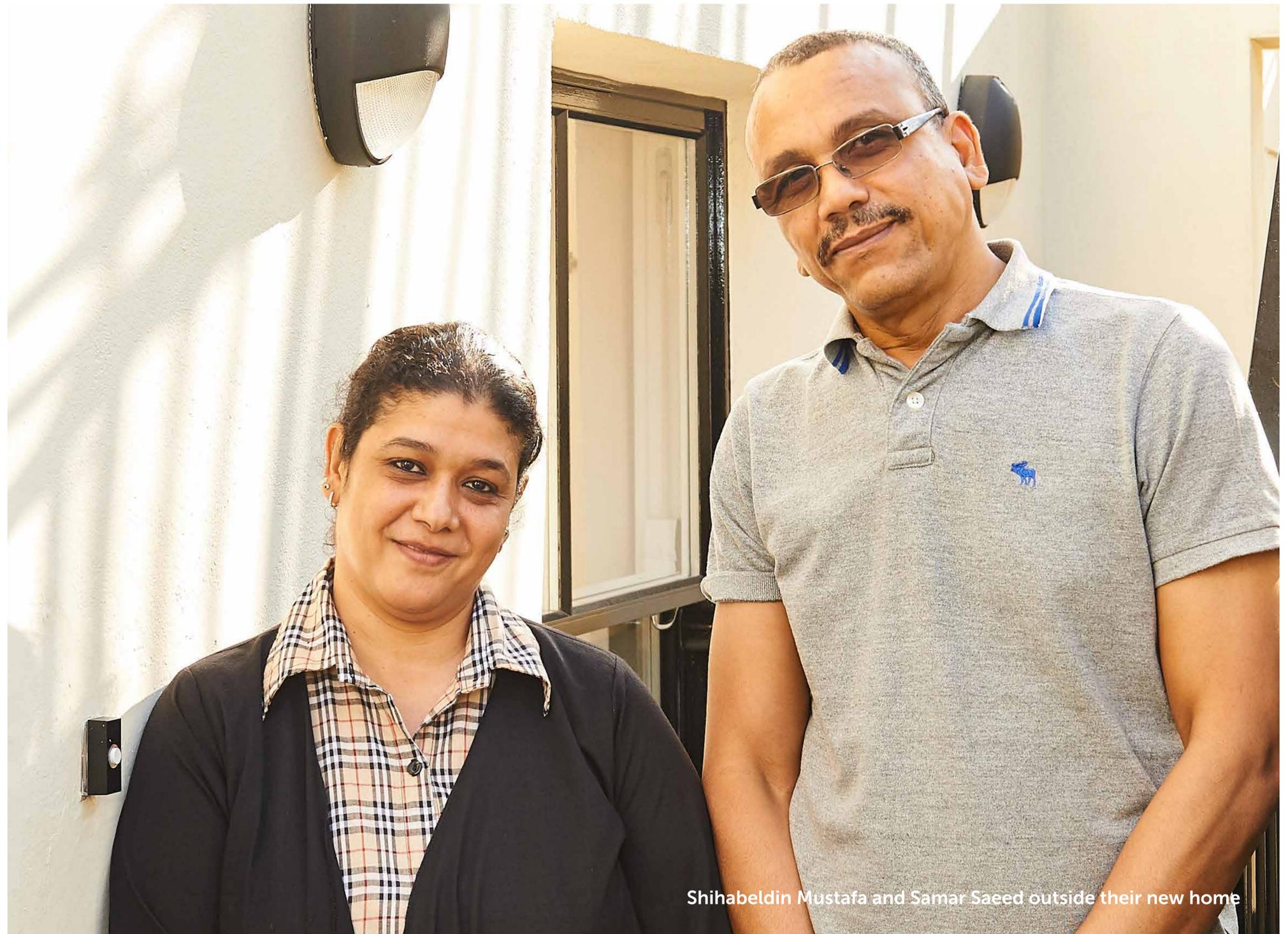


New homes transform lives

In 2018 we completed homes at Blomfield Villas in Westbourne. Local families moved into these new houses, lifting them out of overcrowded accommodation into brand new homes for their families.

More family homes

Shihabeldin Mustafa and Samar Saeed – together with their four children – moved to Blomfield Villas from a two-bedroom apartment on the 18th floor of a nearby high-rise block. Having lived in overcrowded accommodation for nine years, they are delighted with their new home that includes outdoor space.



Shihabeldin Mustafa and Samar Saeed outside their new home

A good move for the Chowdhury family

NHS worker Khalil Chowdhury is thrilled with his family of five's new home at Blomfield Villas – and with the team in the council's housing department. **"I have nothing but good to say about Westminster City Council – everyone I have dealt with there has been so very helpful!"**

Adding that she herself is **"Westminster through and through,"** Sheuly Chowdhury (resident in the city from the age of two) says the move is **"especially good"** for their oldest daughter, who finally has a room of her own. Nineteen-year-old Khayfa, currently at university, no longer has to share a room with her two-year-old brother.



The Chowdhurys outside their front door, with Cllr Rachael Robathan, Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Regeneration, November 2018

Working with communities

Westminster City Council is committed to working closely with local residents on all of our infills proposals.

We are dedicated to:

- Understanding the issues that matter most to you
- Taking your feedback on board to shape our final designs
- Ensuring our proposals work for your community.

