HORSFORTH TOWN COUNCIL 3 & 5 THE GREEN PROJECT JOURNEY

2017

NEGOTIATIONS COMMENCE

The Town Council began investigating and working on acquiring the three buildings for the benefit of the community.

2021

LEASE

Following a delay due to Covid and other unforeseen circumstances, at its meeting held on 25th March 2021, the Full Council agreed to proceed with the lease and purchase of the buildings, approving an increased lease premium of £235,000.00.

2022-2023

PLANNING

The Town Council worked with the architect to design No.3 to become a brand new community space and went to tender. Due to a significant increase in costs since the project began, it was resolved to carry out the works in two phases and a contractor was appointed.

EARLY 2024

COMMUNITY GROUPS

In early 2024, community groups were invited to a meeting to have their input on the future of the new community facility and to get their thoughts on how the space could benefit their community group.

2024 - 2025

AMENDMENTS

Following the consultations, the Town Council made some minor changes to the plans for No. 3. In addition, the layout had to be revised after the originally proposed lift became unavailable and the replacement model required more space. Preparations then began for the commencement of works.

JULY 2025

RENOVATION

The works are currently underway, with completion expected by the end of August 2025.

2016

ASSET

Horsforth Town Council registered No. 3 and No. 5 The Green and The Stables, as Assets of Community Value with Leeds City Council.

2018

CONSULTATION

The Town Council wrote to everyone in Horsforth to ask if the community would support the Town Council with a proposal to purchase the leasehold of both No 3 and No 5 The Green together with The Stables building at the rear. The response received back was wonderful and over 95% of the responses were in favour of the Town Council committing to this special project.

MAY 2022

TRANSFER COMPLETED

The transfer of the three properties was successfully completed in May 2022.

LATE 2023

RESIDENTS CONSULTATION

At the end of 2023, the Town Council invited Horsforth residents to provide feedback on proposals for the new facility and attend a drop-in session. The results of this consultation are available on the Town Council's website.

2024

PREPERATIONS

Planning permission and a License of Alterations from Leeds City Council were sought at the beginning of 2024.

EARLY 2025

PERMISSION

The planning application was granted in January 2025 and the license of alterations was appproved soon after.

APRIL 2025

WORK BEGINS

Phase 1 works — covering the ground floor of No. 3 and the installation of the lift — commenced in April 2025.

JULY 2025

ONGOING

The Town Council is now exploring options to complete the second phase as soon as possible and actively considering ways to secure additional funding.

