

Werneth

The Government has recently announced the funding allocation for the Pathfinder for the next three years. We have been awarded £90 million. The funding for 2008/09 has been confirmed as £32 million, which will enable us to continue our work throughout the Pathfinder area, and will mean a lot more progress in Werneth.

An information day for the new development on Spencer Street is planned for next Tuesday (18 March). Come along and see the designs, at Christ Church on Block Lane between 2pm and 7pm.

Contractors will soon be demolishing former commercial property close to Hartford Mill. The work will help to improve security around the mill, which remains in private ownership.

As the buildings start to appear at Keepmoat's Suthers Court development, the sales office is set to open on site this month. The properties will initially only be on sale to people affected by the demolition proposals within the area. Properties will go on sale to everyone after the Easter holiday.

Finally, on a personal note, I will be leaving Werneth at the end of March. I have decided to retire to spend more time in my garden and running. During the four years I have been here, significant progress has been made bringing about the regeneration of Werneth, and this work will continue over years to come.

By Michael Farnworth of the Housing Market Renewal Team. If you wish to discuss the proposals for Werneth/Freehold, or you have any concerns, please phone 0161 770 4246, call in at our office at 80 Tamworth Street, Monday to Friday, 9.30am–12.30pm and 2–4.30pm email wernethfreehold@oldhamrochdalehmr.co.uk. You can also find out more by visiting www.oldhamrochdalehmr.co.uk