BASILDON WESTGATE

INTRODUCTION

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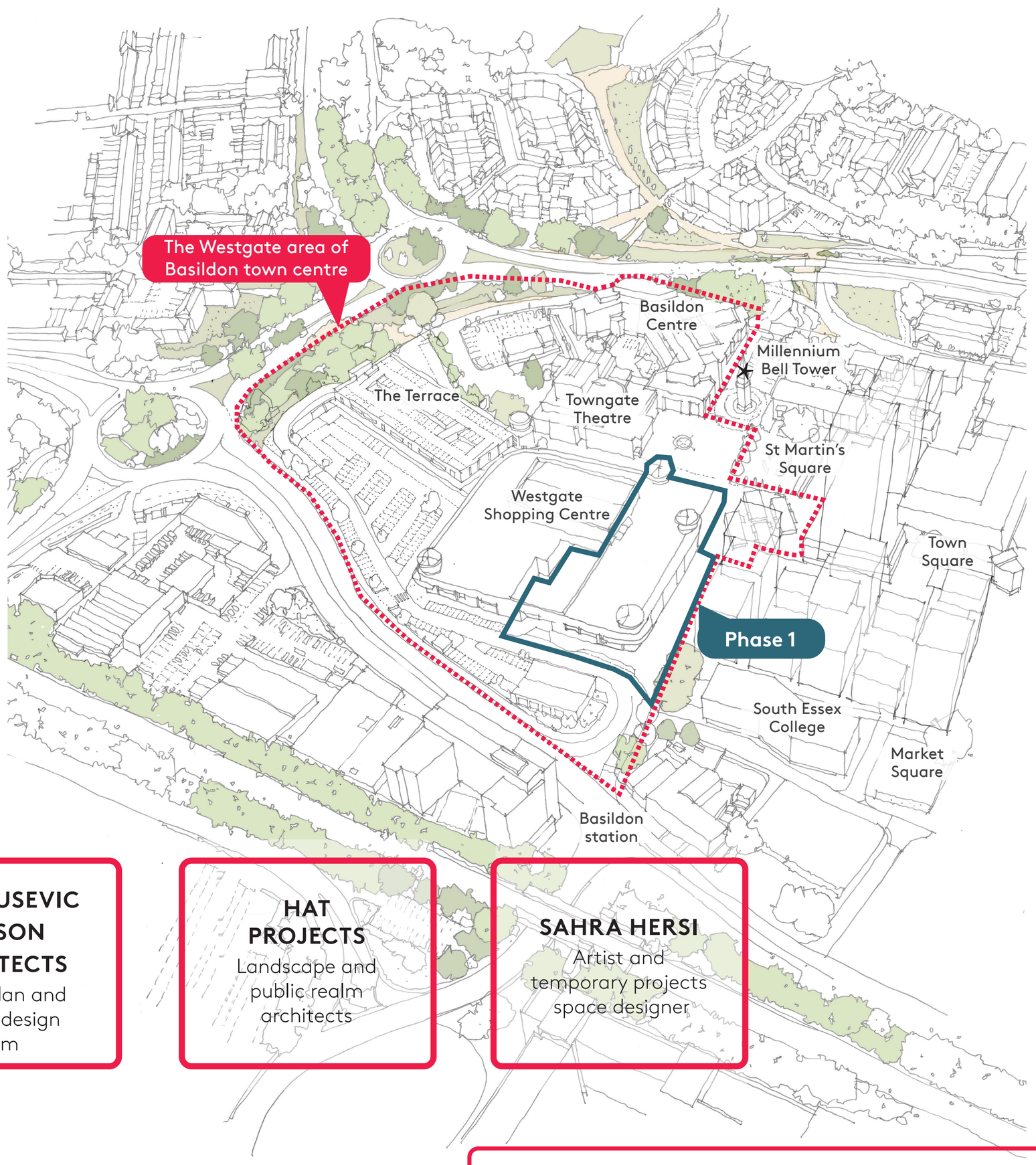
In June 2024, the Council acquired the Westgate Retail Park, securing control of 5.41 hectares of land on the western edge of Basildon town centre, including the Towngate Theatre and the Basildon Centre. The combined Westgate and town centre sites represent a significant asset for the Council, offering a major opportunity to transform the area, by delivering new homes, community, culture, leisure, employment and high quality public and open spaces.

In September 2024, Karakusevic Carson Architects (KCA) were appointed by Basildon Borough Council (BBC) to develop a masterplan vision for the Westgate area of Basildon town centre and detailed designs of Phase 1 within the site (see opposite).

The consultation is an opportunity to help influence the masterplan vision for the Westgate area, by sharing your thoughts, experiences and ideas for improvements.

What is a 'masterplan'?
This is a framework that sets out design principles and a spatial layout for a site, helping to provide a guide for more detailed, future design proposals for different zones within the masterplan area.



Meet the Team

BASILDON COUNCIL
Landowner and are overseeing the project

KARAKUSEVIC CARSON ARCHITECTS
Masterplan and phase 1 design team

HAT PROJECTS
Landscape and public realm architects

SAHRA HERSI
Artist and temporary projects space designer

Engagement Programme

We will be holding two community events, including today's event, to talk to local people about the future of the Westgate area of Basildon town centre, before a planning application is submitted in Spring 2025 for phase 1 proposals for the site.

BASILDON COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN EVENT CONSULTATION 09/01

WESTGATE MASTERPLAN, BASILDON EVENT #1
+ YOUR PRIORITIES FOR TEMPORARY PROJECT(S) IN THE WESTGATE AREA OF BASILDON TOWN CENTRE

JAN — FEB — MAR

+ CO-DESIGN WORKSHOP TO DEVELOP A PREFERRED DESIGN FOR TEMPORARY PROJECT(S)

WESTGATE MASTERPLAN, BASILDON EVENT #2
MASTERPLAN VISION & PHASE 1 PROPOSALS

PLANNING APPLICATION SUBMISSION FOR WESTGATE MASTERPLAN, BASILDON PHASE 1 (EARLY SPRING 2025)

What do we mean by 'temporary' or 'meanwhile' projects?
These are projects that transform empty land or buildings into active spaces such as community gardens and pop-up shops, but are not permanent. 'Meanwhile Basildon' is one local example, creating affordable workspaces.

Share Your Feedback

The feedback you share with us today will help to inform the masterplan vision for the Westgate area of Basildon town centre and will shape local policy for the town centre. You can share your thoughts by completing a feedback form here today, or scan the QR code below to access the online survey available on our website.
The survey will close on Friday 31st January.

Scan the QR code or use the following URL:

https://westgatebasildon.commonplace.is/

Be Part of Our Film Project!

We are recording today's event through photography and film. Look out for our film maker today, who would love to hear from you if you would like to share your thoughts about the Westgate area of Basildon town centre. This will be featured in our project video! For more details, please speak to a member of staff.