

# North Prospect Neighbourhood

## What people have told us about North Prospect

North Prospect has seen a large amount of consultation undertaken by the City Council's Housing Department and an organisation called Sustainable Urban Futures. We are working with Housing and StUF to ensure that all the comments which have been made are included in the Your Place Your Future process. Some of the issues facing North Prospect are:

- How to address the poor condition of the housing stock – what level of redevelopment should take place?
- Re-use of the school site
- Need to address anti social behaviour in the neighbourhood and in the parks

## What the evidence tells us

The Sustainable Neighbourhood Assessment found that North Prospect is a neighbourhood with several key issues to address. It is, however, a popular neighbourhood with the people who live there, has a reasonable range of facilities and is close to a key public transport route into the City Centre. The main issues identified were:

- Few opportunities for people to work locally
- Few locations for formal sport and recreation activities
- High proportion of public housing, housing is low density and in need of repair
- Poor levels of public health
- High Unemployment rates
- In the national top 3% of deprived neighbourhoods

## What could happen

The following potential schemes and projects are taking place in North Prospect:

- The stock transfer process and ongoing work by the Housing Department should discover ways to address some of the issues of housing conditions and tenures
- The creation of the new school at Ham Fields will release the existing school site in North Prospect. This could be a site for development to address some of the issues in the neighbourhood
- There are active and effective community organisations in North Prospect, so the neighbourhood is well placed to take advantage of any initiatives in the area

## What else we need to investigate

Other issues that need further investigation include:

- The quality of the green spaces
- Opportunities to improve community facilities through provision of sports facilities
- Working closely with the Housing and Education Departments to influence their strategies in the neighbourhood and reflect their aspirations in the Sustainable Neighbourhoods DPD