

St John's College welcomes Oxford City Council's Oxford North planning decision

Oxford City Council has resolved to approve the planning application submitted by Thomas White Oxford, the development company of St John's College, for Oxford North after it was 'called in' to Oxford City Council's planning review committee at a meeting on 16 December 2019.

This followed the resolution to approve the planning application at Oxford City Council's West Area planning committee meeting held on Wednesday 27 November 2019.

Andrew Parker, Principal Bursar, St John's College said:

'St John's welcomes this decision, which is the result of intensive and positive discussions with Oxford City Council.

'Oxford North is not just of local importance; it is also significant at the UK and international level, supporting the world-class research that takes place in the city and creating a setting where it can flourish.

'By unlocking this area to provide a new, connected district for everyone to enjoy, TWO will be significantly investing in not just Oxford North, but in the city and its infrastructure, to make a positive impact that generates long-term business growth. Oxford North will transform the gateway to the City as well as being at the start of the Oxford to Cambridge corridor and knowledge arc. We will be pleased to be working in partnership with the City and other bodies to create this new innovation district for Oxford.'

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Notes to Editors

For further information, see:

ThomasWhiteOxford.com

https://www.thomaswhiteoxford.com/news/oxford-north-approved-following-call

 $\underline{https://www.thomaswhiteoxford.com/news/oxford-north-be-new-vibrant-sustainable-innovation-district-city-and-future-generations}$

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St John's College

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Through the College's work on access to all aspects of its day-to-day activities, the College has due regard for its legal commitments under the Equality Act to promote equality, diversity and inclusion. As examples, members of Governing Body and key College committees, and all staff involved in admissions or appointments undergo appropriate equality and diversity training.