

## UPDATE ON PLANNING APPLICATION FOR VINEYARD GATE SCHEME

Developer Vineyard Gate Developments (VGD) is continuing to revise its plans for the proposed Vineyard Gate retail scheme in Colchester prior to submitting a planning application.

Since the successful public exhibition in September 2007, which was attended by over 1,800 local people, VGD has been focused on addressing various issues raised by the public, integrating the competition entries that were chosen to determine the design of key components of the scheme, and progressing pre application discussions with Colchester Borough Council and other bodies including English Heritage and CABE. This has taken longer than expected and further meetings are taking place to ensure that the complex interrelationship between the different components of the £250 million scheme produces the right long term result for the people of Colchester.

Richard Weatherhead from VGD said: “Our primary aim is to make sure that we get the proposals right. This is a long-term project and we are not prepared to cut corners and rush the process. We are continuing to work closely with the Borough Council and will provide a more detailed update on our progress in the near future.”

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Notes:

- Vineyard Gate Developments Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caddick Developments Ltd. Established in 1979, Caddick is a leading developer with a strong track record of delivering high quality projects throughout the UK. The company is active in all sectors of the commercial and residential property market and has recently worked on major schemes in Norfolk, Merseyside and Yorkshire.
- The Vineyard Gate project team includes:

Developer:	Vineyard Gate Developments
Lead architects:	Stanley Bragg Partnership
Planning:	Drivers Jonas
Environmental:	Waterman Group
Conservation:	Feilden + Mawson
Archaeology:	RPS
Transport:	MLM
Accessibility:	Turner & Townsend
Service engineers:	Halloran Payne Associates
Quantity surveyor:	Tillyard
Agents:	CB Richard Ellis