

## Green light for two-acre High Wycombe regeneration

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**IDM Properties has secured planning consent to redevelop the 1.98 acre Leigh Court site in Wycombe, part of the former G Plan factory, into 228 residential apartments.**



Wycombe District Council (WDC) approved plans for the regeneration of the site within the Leigh Street Furniture District. IDM, alongside masterplanners Child Graddon Lewis (CGL), plan to create six buildings on a site that has laid dormant for 25 years since the closure of Birch House, the first 'G Plan' furniture factory in High Wycombe.

The agreed strategy also features plans to preserve and enhance heritage assets in the area including a collection of Victorian industrial buildings, with historical elements playing a key part in the scheme's formation.

A total of 228 residential apartments will be provided in a range of existing and new buildings ranging from three to six storeys in height, along with cycle and car parking in the basement and a communal courtyard.

Matt Richardson, land and development director at IDM Properties, said: "The partners at IDM are hugely grateful for the endless hours spent by everyone involved in order to ensure a positive response – not just from the council but also from members of the local community. I would like to thank CGL for creating what I consider to be a brilliant application on a site that has been years in the making.

"Among many highlights from the committee meeting, one in particular stood out when a councillor with 20 years at Wycombe District Council stated that the scheme was one of the most influential planning applications they had ever voted on. The work doesn't end here, however, and we now look forward to the delivery of this site and the tremendous impact it will have on local residents and the surrounding area."