

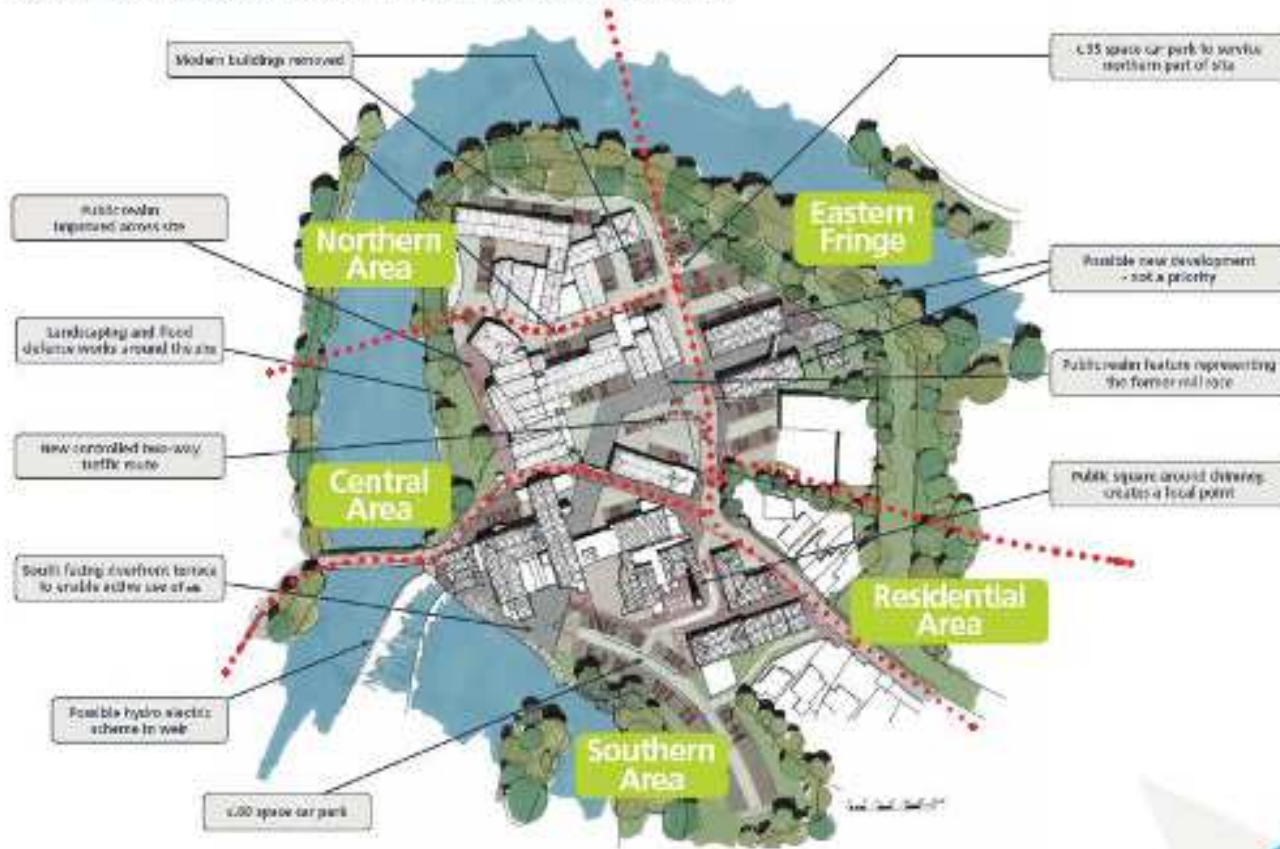
APPENDIX 2:

Darley Abbey Regeneration Strategy, Background



Vision for the Mills (summary)

Derby Abbey Mills will become a vibrant destination for business, leisure, tourism and cultural activity that attracts investment, secures the long-term conservation of the entire complex and safeguards its outstanding universal value, whilst also enabling increased public access and understanding. This transformation will be a flagship project for the working conservation of the WHS and the rejuvenation of Derby as a City of Culture.



Different areas of the complex will develop different roles and become focal points for different types of activity.

Southern Area – focus of public facing active uses, particularly on the lower floors, around the courtyard and within the highly sensitive and important Long Mill. Other uses could be accommodated on upper floors and in the East and Middle Mills.

Central Area – active frontages in this area would create a secondary focus for public facing activity. The western flank would be specialised and would become a venue for professional businesses and potentially leisure based uses.

Northern Area – This area could continue to serve current uses e.g. garages, creative industry and professional services.

Eastern Fringe – This is currently unattractive and in need of rejuvenation. The priority is to enhance its visual character and to provide car parking for the rest of the complex. It may be possible to deliver limited new development here, but this is not a priority.

Residential Area – No change

Key physical change would include:

- Development of a waterfront area south of West and Long Mills
- Public realm enhancement
- Enhancement of the courtyard around the Chimney
- New and controlled traffic flows
- Removal of inappropriate modern buildings
- Improved car parking
- Landscaping and woodland management