

Regeneration Through Education

The DVD has been produced by the Local Government Association, and highlights the benefits of the proposed regeneration of Oldham's West End. The regeneration of the area will revitalise a gateway to Oldham town centre and create an educational campus which covers Oldham College, Oldham Sixth Form College, and University Centre Oldham. In addition, the Coliseum Theatre will be relocated from the premises which it has outgrown on Fairbottom Street to the prestige site within the West End. This coordinated approach to strategic regeneration has been facilitated through the Oldham Partnership, the Local Strategic Partnership for the Borough of Oldham.

University Centre Oldham provides a significant higher education facility in Oldham for the first time, and is enabling many residents to maximise their potential within their home town. With a disproportionately high number of young and talented people, University Centre Oldham provides an opportunity to unlock the mass of potential within the Borough and generate a new professional class which will increase the economic value of the Borough, and attract high quality employers and businesses.

Interviews with two local students highlight the fact that University Centre Oldham is providing opportunities to local people that otherwise would not be available to them.

The West End of Oldham, and the success of University Centre Oldham, is proving that Oldham can be regenerated through the success of its local education facilities and the potential of the Borough's young people.

