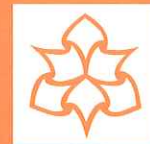


Birley Fields Campus plans

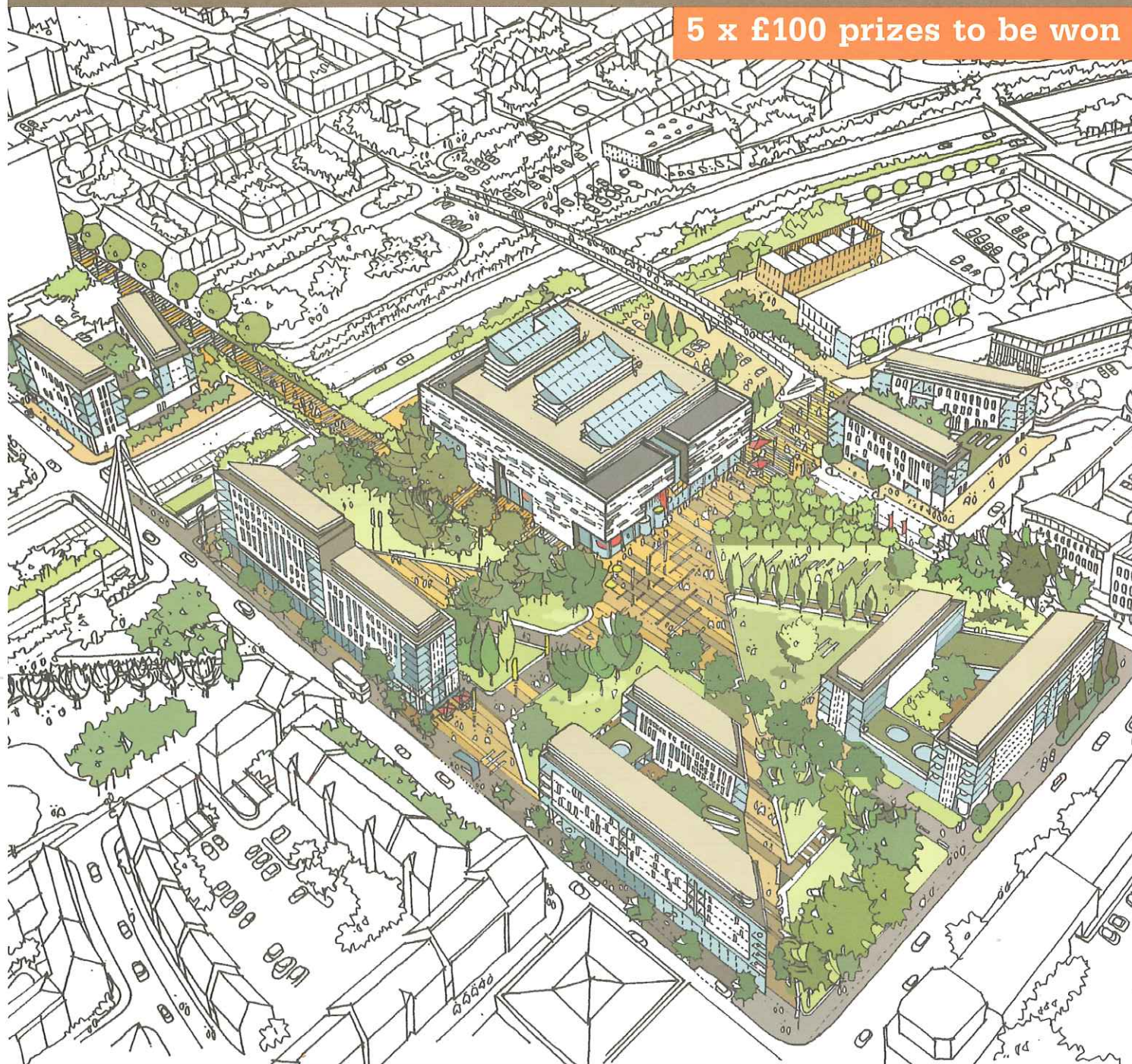


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5 x £100 prizes to be won



Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) is working to create a new community campus at Birley Fields in Hulme.

The site – bordered by Stretford Road, Old Birley Street and Princess Road – has been earmarked for development since clearance in the 1990s.

The plans to relocate MMU's Faculties of Education and Health include student residences, car parking and facilities for community use.

What does the community think?

People living locally were asked for their views last year and 80% thought a new campus would have a positive impact on the area.

You thought the campus would

- raise educational aspirations
- boost business
- increase community spirit

But you were also worried about

- green space and biodiversity
- traffic, access and rights of way

We have spent the past year developing the proposals whilst taking into account these and other issues including local employment, community facilities and transport, and we are now preparing to submit a planning application.

In light of many of your comments, the updated proposals include:

- 60% of the plots retained as open, accessible green space
- Retention of most trees and the planting of new trees
- Extensive public access across the campus
- A public square
- Sports hall, drama studios and other facilities for community use
- Buildings 4 or 5 storeys in keeping with the local environment
- Potential retail and commercial space
- Space available for community meetings
- A new bus route
- A 400-space car park away from homes
- Environmental technologies to minimise carbon



View across new campus, above; and below the main academic building dubbed the 'Sugar Cube' due to its contemporary design.

