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Greening begins on cleared North and East Frame sites

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Work to create five new public green spaces within the North and East Frame areas began yesterday, with topsoil being distributed and grass seed sewn.

By the middle of next month work on all five areas will be completed and low fencing put in place to restrict the sites to pedestrian-only spaces.

Grassing the Crown-owned land is the interim step before the residential planning, development and construction within the North and East Frames begins.

The five sites being grassed are:

- Corner of Manchester Street and Cambridge Terrace
- Corner of Madras and Armagh Streets
- Corner of Gloucester and Madras Streets
- Inside the block bordered by Gloucester, Manchester, Worcester Streets and Latimer Square
- Inside the block bordered by Hereford, Manchester and Worcester Streets

Seeds will be sewn on site two today, site three on Friday, site four next Monday and site five on Monday 27 January.

The seed is drought-resistant rye grass and it should be sprouting within ten days. It's estimated that by mid to late February, all of the sites will be open for public use.

The topsoil has been donated from the excavation of an area in Yaldhurst and the cost of the seed is part of the East and North Frames' budgets.

In addition to the grassed areas, part of site four will become a car park specifically for New Regent Street shoppers. This will have 150 parks that will be free for two hours and will alleviate some of the difficulty of parking for shoppers in this area.

