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**NEW NEXTGEN COMMITTEE CHAIR / CAMILLA TOPHAM**

We are sad to announce that Dan Innes has stepped down as Chair of the NextGen Committee. Dan was one of the founding members of the NextGen Committee and a key driver in promoting the outreach of BCSC NextGen and the support of young professionals in our industry. **BCSC would like to thank Dan for his time and contribution during his time as Chair, which not only saw the membership grow but resulted in the delivery of a number of successful NextGen events.**



The Committee have nominated current NextGen Committee member **Camilla Topham as Dan's successor.** We are very much looking forward to working with Camilla to continue to grow the NextGen offer.

**THINKING OUTSIDE OF THE BOX / POP BRIXTON**



On first look Pop Brixton is another version of established hipster hangout Boxpark... however upon closer inspection the similarities end with the use of container boxes!

Situated a stones throw from established foodie destination Brixton Market; **Pop Brixton is a unique space which provides food, drink, retail, events and flexible workspace and is completely focused on supporting local enterprise.** The purpose is to create a community centre in a new urban space. **Traders and occupiers are mostly sourced locally with 85% of tenants having connections to the local area.** The containers are independent, and a number of subsidised rents are also available in a proportion of the units.

**The food offer is local, diverse and of supreme quality.** There is a full tapas bar inside one of the containers with a terrace outside for warmer weather, a ramen bar is propped up against another. There is also a specialist wine bar, blankets included, for when the temperature drops. There appears to be no reason to go anywhere other than Pop Brixton.

**And the exciting thing is, it is just the beginning!** With such an impressive line-up and further phases yet to come, Pop Brixton is set to establish itself even further onto the foodie scene and is **without doubt, definitely worth a visit!**

**Camilla Topham**  
BCSC NextGen Committee Chair

**DATES / FOR YOUR DIARY**

**DAY IN THE LIFE OF /**  
**AMY JONES**  
BCSC NEXTGEN COMMITTEE  
MEMBER



Despite the general perception that planning moves at a snail's pace one day at work is never the same as another.

I joined the Investor and Developer Commercial Planning team of GL Hearn in 2013.

The move to GL Hearn from a smaller consultancy has broadened my experiences of retail assets, large scale town centre and commercial development schemes. I really enjoy the breadth of planning complexities and the different challenges that each of these projects bring.

A typical day (if there is such a thing) tends to be fairly busy. After a well-earned coffee and after checking my emails I advised a key client on the planning implications of various suggested alterations to their shopping centre. This included advising on the suitability of the proposals; suggested amendments to make it policy compliant; the form and nature of permissions required (or not); and the next steps in terms of engagement.

Seeking to enhance the function, attractiveness and value of my client's assets in this way is a key area of my work. Proactive asset management advice which maximises existing dated assets and enables them to compete with newer retail developments is a key

**FREE NextGen Summer Social...**

**UNDER 30?**  
NextGen Members  
attend for **FREE!**  
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Thursday 23 July  
The Fable Bar, Holborn, London

Come and join us to connect with upcoming industry professionals throughout retail real estate from the UK and abroad. Exchange industry ideas, trends and best practice and expand your networks.

Drinks from 18:00  
Followed by a cash bar

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**NEXTGEN STUDY TOUR /**  
**CORN EXCHANGE**

**Over 25 NextGen members joined us in a very warm Manchester on the 1st July for the Corn Exchange Manchester Study Tour.** We kicked things off with refreshments and presentation from the 6th floor of the National Football Museum next door, which has fantastic views of the city and an impressive viewpoint of the Corn Exchange below.

**In conjunction with Queensberry Real Estate the development managers, we are breathing new life into this building via a restaurant and hotel led**

This certainly went down well with the audience with a number of excited looks following the announcement that **Wahaca, Pho, Vapiano, Mowgli, Byron, Banyan and Cabana amongst others have been signed up.** Works are due to complete in July with operators opening in August.

After a tour around the building to see how works are progressing, lunch was served back at the Football Museum and gave everyone a chance to network with other NextGen members.

Whilst the scheme has

current trend in retail asset management and is evidenced through the BCSC publications and events.

After more emails and a spot of lunch I presented to key stakeholders who have objected to one of my clients planning applications for a town centre extension. As the group had been unable to meet with us before the planning application was submitted it is critical that we get the merits of the proposal across and respond to their concerns. Whilst the objectors may not agree with everything we have said they are now more fully informed as to what my client's aspirations are and the rationale of the scheme.

Back to the office at the end of the day and I'm advising on the format and content of displays for the public exhibition of a scheme to be held over the coming weekend. Managing this exhibition over the weekend with the project team comes with the territory of the job.

**Amy Jones**  
Senior Development Planner  
**GL Hearn**

**redevelopment.** This will showcase the buildings listed features and utilise the impressive internal dome to create unique dining areas. We are also adding new glass vitrines facing Cathedral Gardens which will provide a further point of interest for visitors approaching from the refurbished Victoria Station and arena.

received significant press interest, all those who attended enjoyed seeing the works at first hand and the opportunity to meet fellow professionals over lunch.

**Simon Green**  
Aviva Investors

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