

APPENDIX E – PHOTOGRAPHS of COVENTRY



Photograph taken by the writer in July 2006 showing the lower and upper floor of the Broadgate Shopping Centre. Note the empty shops on the upper floor.



Photograph taken by the writer in July 2006 showing more empty shops on the upper floor of the Broadgate Shopping Centre.

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Photograph taken by the writer in July 2006 showing demolition of part of the medieval city wall to permit the erection of a support for the city's ring road.



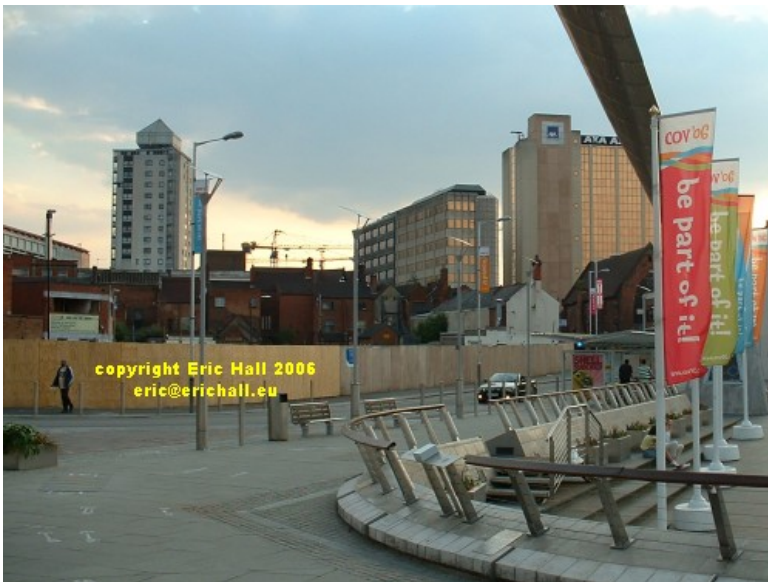
The entrance to Broadgate House – now offices for the city council and formerly a feature multi-level department store.

Photograph taken July 2006

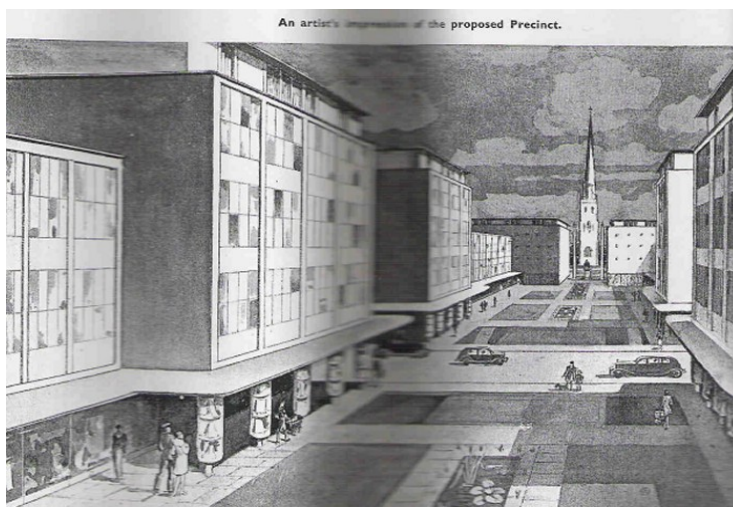
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The ramp that was installed to ease access to the upper floor of the shopping precinct. Photograph taken July 2006.



"The city remains unfinished".
"Gibson's criticism of Coventry as an 'incoherent unplanned mess' and 'the architectural chaos of the pre-blitz Broadgate must not be repeated'".
Photograph taken July 2006.



"The precinct is aligned so as to take advantage of the architectural attractiveness of the vista presented by the Cathedral spire" - Donald Gibson, quote and artist's impression taken from "The Future Coventry"

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Vista – the reality July 2006. Gibson's idea now encumbered by trees, a footbridge and an escalator which hides the ramp shown in the photograph above, all of which mask the cathedral.