

# Cinema plan withdrawn

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AMBITIOUS proposals for a multi-million pound cinema and night-club at a former Stroud factory have come to nothing after the group behind the plans pulled out.

But leisure group KPA say they are close to reaching agreement for a different purpose-built site with a nightclub, cinema, restaurant and wine-bar.

The original scheme, for the old Hill Paul factory next to Stroud railway station, would have seen a glass roof added with a restaurant and wine bar together with a three-screen cinema and a nightclub. One

hundred jobs would have been created.

Alvin Gardiner, of estate agents Frowens, confirmed the cancellation of the plans. "The offer has been withdrawn by KPA," he said. "There is still some interest from other buyers and we are still trying to sell it, however."

KPA spokesman Sean MacDonald said he hoped to reach agreement early next week to buy land for a development.

"It doesn't mean we have forgotten Stroud - we have found somewhere else and will be finalising negotiations soon."