



MEETING MINUTES

Subject:	Dormay Street and King George's Park Community Liaison Working Group
Date and time:	Thursday 5 July 2018, 19:00 to 20:00
Location:	The Brewers Inn, 147 East Hill, Wandsworth, SW18 2QB
Minute Taker:	Yvette Hewlett, Administrative Support, Tideway
Chair:	Rt Hon Justine Greening MP (JG)

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Justine Greening MP (JG) thanked everybody for attending, in particular Tideway in such large numbers.

JG said although these meetings are about the Tideway project, a lot of questions arise regarding King George's Park, residents' requests for the future, bat concerns etc. JG therefore asked if a separate meeting relating just to the Park could be arranged. She will ensure the same number of people that attend these CLWGs attend the Park meetings but more importantly that people from the council attend, plus one or two only from Tideway. All agreed this was a good idea.

Attendees:

- Jonathan Harris (JH) - Stakeholder & Consents Advisor (Tideway)
- George Allawi (GA) - West Communications Officer (Tideway)
- Vic Chetty (VC) - Senior Community Relations Officer (Tideway - BMB)
- Kevin Dollard (KD) - Section Manager (Tideway - BMB)
- Jack Budd (JB) - Environmental Advisor (BMB)
- Louise Davis (LD) - Community Compensation Officer, Tideway
- Charles Edoh (CE) - Project Manager, Tideway
- Yvette Hewlett (YH) - Administrative Support, Tideway
- Seven other attendees including residents and representatives from the Office of Rt Hon Justine Greening MP, Southfields Grid Residents Association and Wandsworth Society

A resident advised that a King George's Park Community Forum has been set up and he passed around a map showing the boundary, which stretches from Bodmin Street to the mouth of the

River Wandle and includes both the King George's Park and Dormay Street sites. The resident said he was in agreement with JG regarding setting up a separate meeting.

2. Tideway Works Overview - Dormay Street

Kevin Dollard (KD) gave a presentation on Dormay Street. Copy of the presentation to be distributed with the minutes. **Action 1: YH.**

KD said he wouldn't go over the reasons behind the need for the project again, as everybody who comes to the meetings is aware. However, if anybody had any questions regarding this they could ask him after the meeting.

Since the last meeting in February, river wall strengthening works have taken place on the Causeway Island where the site offices are. This is now complete.

Between April and June, drop-shaft piling work took place to a depth of 12m. This type of interlocking piling ensures water tightness when excavating the shaft.

Over the next three months the site will be setting up for tunnelling works which will commence around mid-November, following the arrival of the tunnel boring machine (TBM) in October. The TBM will tunnel from Dormay Street towards King George's Park. The TBM will be brought back to Dormay Street to tunnel to Carnwath Road Riverside.

Jack Budd (JB) advised there have been no noise exceedances since the last CLWG. Regarding air quality, there have been the following exceedances:

- February – two (no Tideway works)
- April – one
- May – two
- June – nine

JB added that some of the exceedances took place outside the site's working hours and he also suspects some triggers were activated by non-Tideway vehicles just passing the lamppost which houses the monitor.

KD moved on to predicted and actual vehicle movements for the period February – June and noted Tideway's actual movements were below the predicted for each of these months.

The next phase of works will include excavating the shaft so there will be the need to remove a lot of materials as well as bring a lot of materials to site. This will therefore increase the predicted vehicle movements in August to around 27 per day and September to around 28 a day.

A resident advised the traffic on Buckhold Road has increased noticeably recently, including heavy goods vehicles (HGV).

A resident suggested it might be worth residents attending a site visit. Vic Chetty (VC) advised a site visit involving personal protective equipment (PPE) would be difficult and lengthy to arrange for a group, however a non-PPE visit would may be possible.

JG asked if work is on track at the Dormay Street site. KD said there were a few obstructions and breakdowns during the piling work which has meant they are around two to three weeks behind schedule.

A resident asked when tunnelling begins, will this take place 24/7? KD advised that when the adits are excavated (the two 'starter' tunnels either side of the bottom of the shaft) this work will take place Monday to Friday 24/5, and Saturday morning, but will be deep below the ground and dependent on the council's approval. KD confirmed deliveries will not take place at night and the

spoil will not be exported from the site at night either. The gates will be locked but work will still be taking place beneath the ground.

3. Tideway Works Overview - King George's Park

KD moved onto the King George's Park site and advised work at the park is slightly ahead of schedule.

A UXO (unexploded ordnance) survey was carried out at the site and none were found.

The combined sewer overflow (CSO) at the park is now protected; piles were driven in either side of the CSO and a bridge placed over the top.

Hoarding is now complete on three sides and reinforced concrete slabs have been laid where the muck bay and crane will stand.

UK Power Networks have completed the installation of a substation on site and full power should be live in around three weeks. This will remove the need for generators at the site, as they make a noise.

The welfare cabins are now installed and there is a viewing gallery available to visit by appointment.

The first concrete ring has been installed for the underpinning of the shaft. Fortunately, the ground conditions at the site allowed for silent piling for the hydraulic structures, which allowed the works to be undertaken with minimal noise impacts. No complaints have been received regarding the noise.

The ivy installation on the hoarding will be placed on all hoarding except where there is artwork.

A resident said he visited the site to view the piling taking place and was astonished at a) how quickly the piles were pushed into the ground and b) that there was no noise at all.

KD moved onto the three-month look-ahead and advised that in order to break out the CSO, a dry period is required. He plans to work 24/7 (subject to LB Wandsworth approval) over three consecutive shifts, i.e. one day, one night and one day. The work has to be carried out during a dry period because if there is the potential for a high tide or heavy rain it becomes dangerous. If the CSO floods, it can fill around four swimming pools in around 30 seconds.

The breaking out of the CSO will involve wire cutting (no noisy machines). The pieces are then broken by a saw and removed by crane. The plastic flume is then lifted across and slid in. KD advised that approval for this work is still required by the council, however he believes Tideway has a strong case.

JG asked when the tunnelling will start. KD confirmed it will start in November this year and they will break through to King George's Park at the latter end of February next year. The TBM will then be brought back to Dormay Street and tunnel to Carnwath Road.

KD confirmed that as the TBM advances towards King George's Park from Dormay Street, all waste coming out and segments going in will be at Dormay Street, which is the main hub.

Regarding the artwork hoarding, VC advised the dates have changed slightly. The application was submitted on 24 May and he is hoping for a decision on 20 July but feels it may be earlier. Once a decision has been made, he hopes for the artwork installation to take place in September this year.

KD moved onto the landscaping (how the Park will look after the project is complete). He realises he had promised something more definite would be available by now. However, there had been a

delay with the designers who have been concentrating more recently on the main construction works. KD said the viewing platform at the site is the ideal place for him to show areas of the Park to put things into perspective.

JB confirmed there were no noise exceedances since the last CLWG. There have been a few air quality exceedances as below:

- February – two (no Tideway works)
- March – eight (no Tideway works)
- April – one
- May – two
- June – five

JB mentioned the air quality monitor on the lamppost on Buckhold Road is actually closer to a neighbouring construction site than Tideway's and that some of the exceedances occurred outside Tideway's working hours.

JG pointed out there are a lot of air quality exceedances across all boroughs all the time.

A resident mentioned the location of the air quality monitor in the car park is not ideal, as vehicles often sit there with their engines idling.

KD moved on to predicted and actual vehicle movements for February – June and explained the actual movements were higher than the predicted levels as more work had to be carried out on the CSO than first thought. When these predicted movement figures were put together around six months ago, he did not have the designs in place that he does now.

A resident asked if drivers have ever experienced difficulty getting in and out of the site. KD said when site set-up was originally taking place there were a few issues. This was because drivers had nowhere to turn around once inside the site so had to reverse out of the site. This was carried out with the full use of banksmen and traffic management etc. Now the site is fully established, there is an area near the welfare cabins which has purposely been left so that vehicles can turn around before leaving the site.

VC provided a community relations update and advised that since the last CLWG, three Information Sheets have been sent out.

VC confirmed no complaints / enquiries have been received for Dormay Street since the last CLWG.

For King George's Park, the following enquiries were received:

- Three requests for information on the project and timeline
- One query regarding generator noise
- One query regarding the whereabouts of the John Young Memorial bench
- Three queries regarding the low water level and potential danger to wildlife in the pond

Regarding the low water level in the pond, a resident mentioned the swans and cygnets have been removed from the pond because the cygnets' feathers were struggling to become waterproofed. The Swan Sanctuary has stressed they will not be returned until reassurance can be given that the water is not polluted.

Simon Ingyon (SI) from St George's Park Landscape and Park Managers department said his team was informed over the weekend that the swans had been taken away but only heard about it on Monday. He has taken his own independent tests which have been sent to a lab and these do not show any abnormal results. He is not sure what is affecting the cygnets' feathers and has been in constant contact with the Swan Sanctuary and also has been topping the water up.

A resident asked if the pond is clay lined. SI said he is not sure if it is clay lined but knows it is a lined pond. However, there are elements of the pond which will leak. He confirmed notices regarding the swans have been put up and the decision is now with the Swan Sanctuary as to where the swans end up.

VC advised he works with the local community and a resident recently put him in touch with Riversdale Primary School who had a very old and rusty external fire escape that needed attention. Tideway staff, including KD, went along to the school and painted the stairwell and made it safe again. VC added that he has since been in discussions with the head teacher and Tideway will be returning to the school to carry out some STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) sessions.

A resident said to VC she had been asked to pass on thanks from the scout leader for the work that Tideway had done at the scout hut too.

VC said any other suggestions of how Tideway can help in the local community would be most welcome.

A resident said he has a couple of suggestions; 1) a bat survey and 2) a community event during Wandle Fortnight (a community-led celebration that runs from 8 – 23 September). The resident suggested this could take place on the second weekend (15/16 September), with members of Enable, Tideway and the new Park Forum in attendance. He added perhaps even people who work at the Park could also attend.

Louise Davis (LD) introduced herself as Tideway's Compensation Officer and explained she is available to provide personal assistance and advice regarding processing compensation claims.

For specific queries, LD can be contacted on **07971 077165** or via email – louise.davis@tideway.london. For independent advice, the Independent Advisory Service (IAS) Helpline can be contacted on **0800 917 8845** or via email - info@tidewayias.co.uk.

LD can also submit residents' claims to the Independent Compensation Panel (ICP) or residents can submit a claim themselves to admin@tidewayicp.london. A claim form can be downloaded from here - <https://www.tideway.london/help-advice/compensation-information/independent-compensation-panel/>.

A resident asked how many compensation claims had been received so far. LD said 38 claims had been received during the last 14 months across the West sites, mainly from Carnwath Road. However, none had been received for Dormay Street or King George's Park.

A resident asked how the compensation information is disseminated to the public – is it published at the sites? LD said the details can be found on the bottom of Information Sheets and also on the website.

JG mentioned she is Chair at the Putney / Barn Elms CLWG too and there has been a lot of leafleting to residents as there are more residents that live closer to the sites. She is aware there has not been anybody affected by Tideway who Tideway was not already aware of, due to their closeness to the site.

JG advised she will take away an action point to talk to two residents regarding the separate Park meeting. **Action 2: JG.**

A resident is aware that a particular tree at the Park has a root system that extends to an area within the hoarding and presumes there will be careful root pruning. KD advised when they come to do this particular work, they will take advice from an arboriculturalist as to what they can and cannot do.

JG asked if a visit to the site's viewing platform to view the landscaping plans could be arranged. KD said this could be arranged. **Action 3: KD / VC.**

4. Questions

Date of next meeting – Thursday 22 November at The Brewers Inn, 147 East Hill, Wandsworth, SW18 2QB, 7pm-9pm.

JG thanked everybody for attending, especially Tideway en masse as always as this helps to get issues fixed, rather than having to go backwards and forward to get the information. JG said it is good to know another meeting is coming up and that people who attend these CLWGs effectively disseminate the information back to their respective community groups.

JG said if anything comes up that needs following up over the summer to let her know, get in touch with Tideway directly (helpdesk@tideway.london) or call the **24/7 Helpdesk 08000 308080**. In the meantime she will follow up with two residents regarding the Parks meeting and will follow up with Tideway regarding arranging for a visit to the viewing platform one afternoon / evening to view the landscaping plans etc.

ACTIONS:

1. Presentation to be distributed with the minutes.
2. JG to talk to two residents regarding arranging a separate St George's Park meeting.
3. JG to liaise with KD and VC regarding arranging an afternoon / evening when residents can visit the viewing platform and see the landscaping plans.