



MEETING NOTES

Subject:	Greenwich Pumping Station and Deptford Church Street Community Liaison Working Group
Date and time:	6 November 2023, 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Location:	Creekside Centre, 14 Creekside, Deptford, London SE8 4SA
Notes:	Emily Black

Attendees

Three members of the community attended referred to by initials provided below.

- AL
- NC, Creekside Centre
- A? (surname not provided)

Tideway and Main Works Contractor, CVB

- Emily Black, Engagement Manager, Tideway (EB)
- Audric Rivaud, Site Manager Deptford Church Street CVB (AR)
- Almas Birdi, Environmental Advisor, CVB (LC)
- Lucas Truflandier, Project Manager, Greenwich Pumping Station CVB (LT)

Apologies

- Demi Dean, Communications & Stakeholder Manager (DD), Thames Water
- Martin Griffiths, Senior Community Relations Manager, CVB (MG)
- MD, Creekside Heritage Trail

	Item
1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>EB welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Three members of the community attended the meeting.</p> <p>The two actions from the previous meeting were discussed. Correspondence has been shared between the CreekLink heritage group and CVB staff and this action can be closed. CVB will continue to keep residents updated about the cycleway reinstatement progress – this action will remain ongoing.</p> <p>EB noted that across Tideway we have 24 construction sites, stretching over 25km from Acton to Abbey Mills in Stratford. We aim for the super sewer to be fully operational in 2025.</p> <p>Due to the small number of attendees the meeting was kept informal, questions were invited throughout.</p> <p>The slides from the presentation are available on our website here.</p>

2	<p>Construction update – Deptford Church Street</p> <p>AR provided an update on the construction progress and upcoming programme for our Deptford Church Street site (see slides 5-12 here). Highlights include:</p> <p>Air Treatment Chamber (Phase 1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure is complete • Installation of the filters is on-going • Drainage connection to the shaft is on-going • Upcoming work includes: completion of the installation of the filters, completion of the drainage connection to the shaft <p>Ventilation Chamber (phase 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure is complete and sheet piles have been removed • Upcoming work includes: installation of the signature ventilation columns <p>Shaft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main internal structures (collars, slabs and walls) are complete • Vortex walkway and landing are complete • Construction of roof beams is on-going • Roof slab preparation is on-going • Upcoming work includes: screeding and benching, roof slab installation (this will involve early hours and oversized delivery vehicles) <p>Surface works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical kiosk is complete • Ducting and drainage installation around kiosk is complete • Ventilation columns foundation is complete • Upcoming work includes: kiosk waterproofing and internal equipment installation, completion of ducting across site, installation of cables between structures and commissioning of systems <p>Combined Sewer Overflow</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal structures (slab, walls, in situ roof, stairs & balustrades) work is on-going • Flume hanging structure has been removed • Watertightness injections are on-going • Upcoming work includes: completion of injections (taking place at night time), removal of the temporary flume (this work is weather and tide dependant), completion of internal structures, roof slab construction, equipment installation <p>Deptford Works Update – Bronze Street Sewer & highway works</p> <p>Future work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New park accesses construction • Highway reinstatement over the Combined Sewer Overflow • Setting up a new traffic management system • Bronze Street sewer manhole construction • Highway reinstatement <p>AR provided an update on the current programme (see slide 12 below).</p>
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Shaft works	[Blue bar from month 1 to 12]												[Blue bar from month 1 to 2]											
Air Treatment chamber, including drainage connection and equipment installation	[Yellow bar from month 1 to 11]																							
CSO works	[Purple bar from month 1 to 12]												[Purple bar from month 1 to 3]											
Bronze street sewer works & highway works													[Grey bar from month 4 to 8]											
MEICA works, testing and commissioning													[Red bar from month 1 to 12]											
Surface works, Landscaping and site reinstatement	[Orange bar from month 1 to 12]												[Orange bar from month 1 to 12]											

3	<p>Noise and Air Quality monitoring – Deptford Church Street</p> <p>AB presented the latest air quality and noise monitoring figures.</p> <p>In the period March 2023 to October 2023 there have been zero Section 61 noise exceedances that have been reported to the local authority.</p> <p>There have been zero air quality exceedances recorded in the same period.</p> <p>Any exceedances that do take place during any future works will be reported to the local authority.</p>
4	<p>Questions and comments from residents about the Deptford Church Street site</p> <p>Question – Will the Deptford site be landscaped? Response – Yes, there will be both hard and soft landscape and there will be a park created including a children’s playground. For more details see our information sheet here.</p> <p>Question – When will the Deptford landscaped area be opened to the public? Response – Landscaping work is planned for throughout 2023 and into late 2024. Once the Tideway work is complete and it is safe to do so we will open the area to the public.</p> <p>Question – Will the Sue Godfrey nature reserve be impacted by the works taking place on the Bronze Street sewer. Response – No.</p>
5	<p>Construction update – Greenwich Pumping Station</p> <p>LT provided an update on the construction progress and upcoming programme for our Greenwich Pumping Station (see slides 14-24 here). Recent progress includes:</p> <p>Inside the acoustic enclosure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All shaft internal concrete structures are complete • Shaft beams and cover slab have been installed <p>Interception chamber</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have been constructing the cover slab • Installed mechanical penstocks and gates • Removed base columns of acoustic enclosure over the interception cover slab <p>Beside the East Beam Engine House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deep drainage and ventilation ducting installation (3m to 5m below ground level) <p>East Beam Engine House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refurbishment of external façade and roof is on-going • Installation of cable containment is on-going <p>Phoenix Wharf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinstatement of three “muck bins” has been completed
6	<p>Upcoming works at Greenwich Pumping Station – next 6 months</p> <p>See slide 22 for locations of works.</p> <p>Civil Works (surface)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov to Dec 23 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm, Sat 8am – 1pm <p>Cabling, instrumentation works (surface)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec 23 - Feb 24 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm <p>Civil works (inside enclosure)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov 23 - Jan 24 • Mon-Fri, 7am – 7pm, Sat: 8am – 1pm <p>Acoustic enclosure dismantling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec 23 – Mar 24 • Mon-Sat, 10pm – 7am <p>Phoenix Wharf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheet piles extraction • Dec 23 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm <p>Drainage & Ducting Installation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov - Dec 23 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm <p>East Beam Engine House external refurbishment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov 23 - Jan 24 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm <p>East Beam Engine House internal works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov 23 - Mar 24 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm

	<p>Main site area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary slab & foundation removal • Jan to Mar 24 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm <p>Sewer activities (underground)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan - Apr 24 • Mon-Fri, 7am – 7pm <p>Deptford Creek reinstatement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan to May 24 • Mon-Fri, 8am – 6pm • Mon-Fri, 10pm – 7am (25% of time)
7	<p>Acoustic Enclosure dismantling – including nighttime working</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November work will be inside the noise enclosure • Main removal works - December – March 2024 <p>With the civil works within the shaft and culvert are coming to an end, from mid-November, the team plan to begin taking down the acoustic enclosure adjacent to Norman Road. This will start inside the enclosure but from December – March there will be periods of night-time work required. This is due to restrictions on any work near the DLR viaduct when trains are running for safety reasons. Some of the equipment needed to dismantle the acoustic enclosure may be noisy.</p> <p>We will be using appropriate noise mitigation to ensure we are working within noise limits agreed with the council. Damping down will be used to reduce any dust. The site team will continue to try and minimise disruption.</p> <p>Residents were reminded of the Independent Compensation Panel process see below.</p>
8	<p>Landscape and architecture works (expected to start spring/mid 2024)</p> <p>The architecture & landscape plans were approved by the Royal Borough of Greenwich and the decision was issued on 21 April 2022. Work will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinstating the footpath and cycleway • Installing a brown roof over the shaft • Surface preparation for soft landscaping
9	<p>Questions and comments from residents about Tideway’s Greenwich Pumping Station site</p> <p>Comment / concern - A resident who also lives on a boat in the Deptford Creek was concerned about the Creek reinstatement work and ideally wanted the rip rap to be removed, especially in the area of the base of the viaduct. He also suggested the team could soften the sharp edges so that it was not as sharp for the undersides of boats.</p> <p>Response - Scour was taking place in that location so rip rap had been required to be installed. It was noted that a meeting was scheduled to take place the following week to discuss the reinstatement works.</p>

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	<p>The resident asked if the Port of London Authority would be in attendance and if the team can feed back his comments. The resident also commented that he felt it was a safety issue and that boats could get damaged / people could get hurt. He asked why is there no warning signage for mariners for the rip rap? Could some signage be put in in the interim?</p> <p>The representative from the Creekside Centre also noted their concerns about the rip rap in relation to the river.</p> <p>Action 1 – CVB to feedback resident’s comments on the rip rap as part of the upcoming stakeholder meeting to agree a way forward with the creek reinstatement / signage.</p> <p>Question – How wide will the cycleway be? Response – It will be returned to its original alignment and width (before Tideway’s works).</p> <p>Question – Will odour increase when Tideway sewer is operational. Response – Tideway’s system is sealed and there are air treatment units in place, so any odours will not get worse, however the site does remain an operational pumping station.</p> <p>Question – Are the vibrations felt in Valegro House dangerous for the structure of the building. Response – No we are not causing dangerous levels of vibration. Monitoring is in place.</p>
10	<p>Noise and Air Quality monitoring – Greenwich Pumping Station</p> <p>AB presented the latest air quality and noise monitoring figures.</p> <p>In the period March 2023 to October 2023 there have been zero Section 61 noise exceedances that have been reported to the local authority.</p> <p>There have been zero air quality exceedances recorded in the same period.</p> <p>Any exceedances that do take place during any future works will be reported to the local authority.</p>
11	<p>Mitigation and contacting Tideway</p> <p>EB reminded residents of the mitigation process available if you feel affected by Tideway’s work.</p> <p>Independent Compensation Panel</p> <p>You can download the claim form from the Tideway website: here</p> <p>For personal assistance contact our Helpdesk: 08000 30 80 80 or helpdesk@tideway.london</p> <p>The Helpdesk can submit your claim to the Independent Compensation Panel (ICP) on your behalf, or you can submit your claim direct to the ICP: admin@tidewayicp.london</p>

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	<p>For independent advice contact Independent Advisory Service (IAS) Helpline: 0800 917 8845 or info@tidewayias.co.uk</p> <p>If you do have any other questions or enquiries, residents can contact the Tideway Helpdesk:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone: 0800 030 80 80 • Email: Helpdesk@Tideway.London
12	<p>Legacy and Community Investment</p> <p>EB noted some of the initiatives that CVB staff had undertaken recently including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Experience – Tideway East has hosted 17 students and volunteered more than 490 STEM hours supporting them and others in 2023 • The team have been undertaking volunteering and fundraising activities • There has been a reading programme with 6-7year olds • We've supported London Youth Rowing's skills day • STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) volunteering <p>Paul Whitehouse was also at our Greenwich site to record "Our Troubled Rivers" for BBC.</p>
13	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>EB thanked residents and staff for attending the meeting and closed the meeting.</p> <p>Post meeting note: An update was provided as overleaf from Mick Delap, CreekLink who are proposing a heritage signage trail. Tideway is not delivering this scheme.</p>

Actions from today's meeting and previous meetings

Meeting Date	Action	Responsibility	Status
6 Nov 2023	Action 1 – CVB to feedback resident's comments on the rip rap as part of the upcoming stakeholder meeting to agree a way forward with the creek reinstatement / signage.	CVB	Open
7 Feb 2023	Team to keep resident updated in terms of progress of the cycleway reinstatement.	CVB	Ongoing

Updates from CreekLink with the request that the emails are attached to these meeting notes

Update from CreekLink received 2 November

Apologies, but I will not be able to attend the next GREPS CLWG meeting on 6th November. However, there is news to report re the CreekLink Heritage Trail project. I would be grateful if you could pass this on to the meeting.

First, and most significantly, CreekLink has finally achieved full charitable status and now has an official Charity Number. We will hold our first official General Meeting later in November, and will confirm full details to both TTT and Thames Water once we have arranged our own bank account. This will enable us to work out how the promised contributions to CreekLink from TTT and Thames Water can be completed.

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Second, this also means we will now be able to apply to the Vinci Fund for support for the Information Boards relating to the history of GREPS, and the latest TTT additions to the London sewage system which we want to site on an Information Point on the realigned C10 pathway, near the Ha'Penny Hatch bridge. We have already talked things over with Andras Nemeth, our current Vinci Fund sponsor, who has been most helpful. We will continue to consult. If Andras moves on from the GREPS site, we will need a new AVB sponsor for our spring 2024 application to the Vinci Fund.

Third, it also means that we will now be able to start preparing other funding applications, including, we hope, an application for additional funds for the C10 Information site to the 2024 Greenwich Neighbourhood Development Fund. This has a closing date of 18th December, 2023. Before that, we will need to have established the ownership of the preferred site for the C10 Information Point, a small triangle of land just to the north of the re-aligned C10 pathway, post tunnelling. We had a most informative site visit to the C10 site in October, with Andras Nemeth and colleague - for which many thanks. But the ownership of the site in question remains in doubt. It seems definitely not to belong to either Thames Water or Network Rail. And Greenwich Council say it's not theirs! We are pursuing the matter with LBG Planning, but would be grateful for whatever additional light TTT or Thames Water can throw on the matter. We are rather desperate for ideas.

We will keep both TTT and Thames Water informed about CreekLink's progress with the C10 site, and the CreekLink Heritage Trail as a whole.

Update from CreekLink received 6 November

Ahead of tonight's CLWG meeting re GREPS (which I regret I cannot attend), please add the following to my report concerning establishing land title / current ownership of the small triangle of land to the north of what will become the re-aligned track of the C10 pathway. To repeat, this area is currently unoccupied, and expected to remain vacant when the re-alignment of the C10 pathway is completed next spring, 2024. It is where CreekLink would like to site our Super Information Point story boards describing the full history and current significance of the GREPS site. Doing this would in no way alter TTT's plans for completing the C10 re-alignment next spring. But we cannot make our own plans for the CreekLink Information Point, or apply for the necessary funding, until we have the permission of the land's current owner. Our first funding deadline is 18th December, 2023 (when applications for the 2024 Greenwich Neighbourhood Development Fund close). Hence our concern to get the question of land title and ownership sorted a.s.a.p.

The triangle of land concerned lies to the south of the area adjacent to the railway arches, which Network Rail clearly has title to (see Land Registry plan TGL521063). Andras Nemeth and his colleague Vitor have informed CreekLink that Thames Water insist the northern boundary of the GREPS property is defined long term (i.e. post tunnelling) by the southern edge of the re-aligned C10 pathway. Anything on or to the north of the re-aligned C10 pathway, they report, is NOT considered to fall within GREPS's boundaries. However, from an initial study of the relevant Land Registry title tiles, and with especial reference to TGL 195485, it appears that the GREPS boundary extends north of the C10 pathway, all the way up to the southern boundary of the Network Rail property defined by TGL 521603. And therefore including the triangle of land we are interested in.

I have not yet got a detailed copy of the TGL 195485 Title Plan, but intend to do so urgently. I am back in Greenwich from Tuesday 14th November, and hope we can meet the relevant individuals from Thames Water and TTT as soon as possible, Land Registry Title Plans in hand, to sort this out.

Thanks for the generous help to date from Andras and Vitor