

All of the latest news from CRP and its partners

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Welcome to the Cross River Partnership monthly e-bulletin

Reminder: CRP Email Addresses



CRP has launched its dedicated email addresses:

firstnamelastname@crossriverpartnership.org

Please could you make sure that you update your records so that CRP continues to receive all of your email communications. Many thanks in advance.

Any queries, please contact CRP's [Brendon Harper](#).

'LEAP' Champion for Small Business



CRP is very proud to announce that Simon Pitkeathley (pictured), private sector Co-Chair of the CRP Board, has been appointed by the Mayor of London as the 'LEAP' Champion for Small Business. CRP and its partners look forward to working with Simon to support the growth of small businesses in every way possible.

For further information please contact [Simon Pitkeathley](#).

Flying Colours!



City of Westminster

CRP has passed its internal Westminster City Council audit with flying colours! In advance of the final report, the auditor has let us know that there are no concerns. The Westminster City Council auditor will be giving CRP a green RAG rating, and a 'substantial assurance' status (highest category). This is testament to CRP's and its partners ongoing and consistently diligent work in delivering all of its programmes. Well done all!

Alberto Placed at CRP



After a highly successful career spanning over 10 years in Assets Management and the Finance sector, Alberto took a career break to tend to his health and to reassess his career options. Having found it difficult to return to work he was referred to CNWL for help with dealing with the isolation and stress resulting from this. To be more proactive, Alberto requested to be referred to someone that could support him back into employment. He was referred to Sylvia Kankasa, Specialist Workplace Coordinator at CRP's Recruit London programme.

Having created a profile to 'showcase' Alberto's skills and previous experience, Sylvia secured Alberto a placement within the Deliver London team of CRP. Welcome to Alberto! Alberto's ability to present scientific information in a professional and engaging manner and provide innovative solutions to environmental projects is already proving valuable to CRP across a number of projects.

For further information, please contact Specialist Workplace Coordinator [Sylvia Kankasa](#).

Drug and Alcohol Awareness

WHAT ARE THE DANGERS FROM DRUGS?

Drug dangers are the result of interactions between drug, set and setting

DrugWise

A few of CRP's Recruit London team recently attended a course on Alcohol and Drug awareness, in relation to job search activities. It gave us an understanding of the different categories of drugs and how to recognise the negative consequences that can arise from the misuse of drugs and alcohol and how they can present as barriers in the people we work with.

Current and emerging trends affecting drug and alcohol misuse included poor quality, the rise of poly drug use, imported fakes and the rise in club drugs and legal highs. We were also given rough measures and prices (an eye opener) of various drugs.

embroiled and then entrapped. Such as boredom, friends and family associations, esteem issues, daring/different, stress and pain relief.

All of this information will be used on an ongoing basis while supporting residents into sustained work.

Please contact CRP's [Chika Anyanwu](#) for further details.

CRP is Recruiting



We are looking for a new Business Engagement Officer to assist us in encouraging businesses around the city to reduce their negative impact on air quality, so we can all lead healthier lives.

For more information [click here](#).

Granby Place Opening



With help of London Borough of Lambeth, CRP's Mayor's Air Quality Funded CABB programme, Meanwhile Space and others, WeAreWaterloo has overseen improvements to Granby Place to create a new extension to the market and events space. With a focus on green infrastructure, Granby Place will be a place for contemplation away from the bustle of the market, hosting mindfulness events and workshops at lunchtimes.

The space will be opened on 11th May, and there will be celebrations on the hard work of Lower Marsh and The Cut traders in getting to the final of the Great British High Street Awards late last year. Well done all!

[Click here to RSVP](#) for the launch event, 5:30-7:30pm Thursday 11 May.

Walking Toolkit



CRP is showcasing London's best walking initiatives delivered with our partners through a new Promoting Walking best practice guide.

The guide will highlight a range of successful interventions hot-off-the-press from low exposure walking routes and parklets, to public realm improvements and way finding schemes. These are projects that have been delivered through the Clean Air Better Business Programme and the Central London Sub Regional Transport Partnership.

The best practice guide is being delivered with support of the Greater London Authority and Transport for London and is due for release in the spring.

For more information please contact CRP's Place Making Project Officer [Jane Overington](#).

Oxford Street West Research



CRP has been busy throughout February and March 2017 surveying close to 300 businesses in the Oxford Street West District (OSW) on movement of freight. Combined with observation studies undertaken earlier in the year, the research forms the basis of its OSW Delivery and Servicing Study. The work is supported by the New West End Company, Transport for London and Westminster City Council and attempts to:

- Identify opportunities for improved efficiencies in deliveries and servicing using both tried and tested, and innovative, solutions
- Begin dialogue with local businesses on the impacts of their deliveries and servicing

Preliminary results are in and a number of key recommendations are being developed around the categories of: technology, policy change, streetscape improvement and education – each aimed at ensuring the on-going global competitiveness of the OSW area.

For further information please contact CRP's [Vicky Keeble](#).

Smart Electric Urban Logistics



CRP is very excited to start our new Innovate UK co-funded Smart Electric Urban Logistics (SEUL) project together with UPS and UK Power Networks.

As the evidence from our FREVUE project (www.frevue.eu) shows, the fully electric trucks UPS currently deploy are well integrated into their fleet and daily operations. UPS now deploy a total of 52 of these vehicles in London but electricity grid infrastructure constraints mean that further expansion of this electric fleet is not possible.

The new Smart Electric Urban Logistics project will build on this knowledge and deploy 20 additional fully electric trucks from UPS's Camden depot, but also explore a smart charging alternative to costly and disruptive electricity grid infrastructure upgrades.

SEUL is a 2-year project that commenced on 1 April 2017. We look forward to sharing findings and developments with you as we go along.

For more information, please follow us on twitter [@SmartElectricUL](https://twitter.com/SmartElectricUL) or contact: CRP's [Tanja Dalle-Muenchmeyer](#).

CRP partners share best practice on urban freight



CRP was very pleased to take three of our central London BID members, Team London Bridge, Camden Town Unlimited, and Hatton Garden BID, to Gdynia (Poland) on 5-6th April, for the Freight TAILS network meeting. This meeting focussed on regulation and enforcement of urban freight transport as a means to deliver excellent city spaces and improve air quality.

We heard all about the ins and outs of urban freight regulation and enforcement from our new project expert Ian Wainwright.

'Going to Gdynia with the Cross River Partnership gave a fresh perspective on the issues of freight management in cities. We met with representatives from across Europe who had invaluable information and experiences that were so useful to hear – particularly as a new BID. The interactive workshops meant that the information wasn't overwhelming, everyone was engaged and there were lots of interesting conversations going on. And, a fun crowd of people made it a great few days!'

Georgie Street, Euston Town BID

Our next Freight TAILS network meeting will be in Maastricht on 16-17th May, with a focus on the project's mid-term review; as well as meeting key public and private sector stakeholders involved in urban freight in Maastricht's historic city centre area.

Freight TAILS is a network of 10 European cities focused on improving the impact of urban freight transport.

Please contact Freight Tails Project Manager [Charlotte Knell](#), for more details:

Freight TAILS is co-funded by ERDF through the URBACT III programme.



TRANSPORT FOR LONDON

EVERY JOURNEY MATTERS

On 31st March CRP's Vicky Keeble attended the TfL Freight Forum, attended by London boroughs, logistics operators and industry bodies.

The event provided an update from TfL and the Mayors' Transport Strategy (due for consultation later this year) and discussion on the review of the London Lorry Control Scheme, led by London Councils. The forum also considered how current best practice, like the projects that CRP are delivering with our partners, can be 'industrialised' or scaled up to tackle traffic congestion across London. Influencing customer/end user demand was a recurrent theme, as this was seen as being the major limiting factor for logistics operators being able to change their operations and business model. CRP has developed tools aimed at educating businesses and consumers including www.clickcollect.london and New West End Company's www.westendbuyersclub.london.

For more information on the event, and CRP's freight work, contact [Vicky Keeble](#).

Cross River Partnership is an alliance of Angel London, Baker Street Quarter Partnership, Better Bankside BID, Camden Town Unlimited BID, Cheapside Initiative, City of Westminster, City of London Corporation, Euston Town BID, Greater London Authority, Groundwork London, Hatton Garden BID, Heart of London Business Alliance, London and Partners, London Borough of Camden, London Borough of Islington, London Borough of Lambeth, London Borough of Lewisham, London Borough of Southwark, Marble Arch BID, Network Rail, New West End Company, Paddington BID, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, South Bank BID, Team London Bridge BID, The Fitzrovia Partnership BID, The Northbank BID, Transport for London, Vauxhall One BID, Victoria BID, We are Waterloo.



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