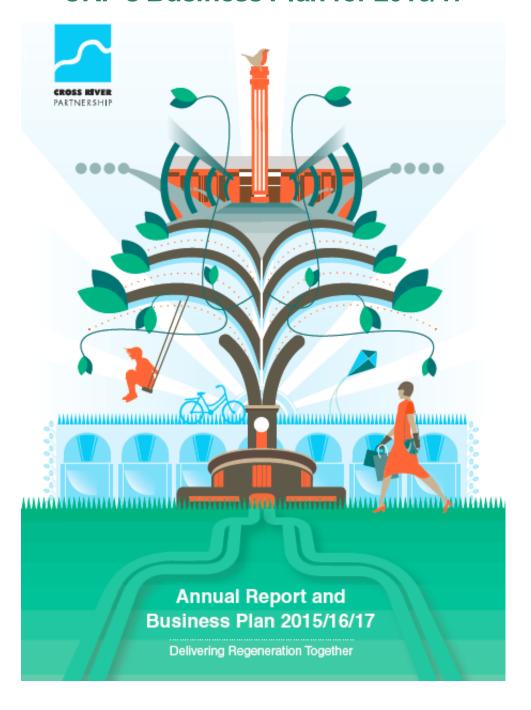


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Delivering Regeneration Together

Welcome to the Cross River Partnership monthly e-bulletin

CRP's Business Plan for 2016/17



CRP has published its Business Plan, outlining all of the outcomes that we will achieve with and for our public and private sector partners across 14 major delivery programmes. Hard copies will be posted out shortly, and the PDF version will be displayed on our website.

As Mike Brown, Commissioner of Transport for London says, "We look forward to working ever more closely with CRP and their member BIDs and Local Authorities, to fully realise the opportunities offered by TfL's exciting new programmes planned across the central London sub-region and beyond."

For further information, please contact <u>Susannah Wilks</u>, Cross River Partnership's Director.

CRP Recruitment Update



CRP is now in its second week of interviewing for extra, externally-funded, CRP delivery posts within both the Recruit London and Deliver London CRP teams. So far we have met some outstanding candidates with our partner interview panellists. We look forward to welcoming new team members to CRP, and to delivering even more outcomes and results for London, in employment, in growth, in place-making and in air quality improvements.

New Funding Released



New funding has been released which would enable Cross River Partnership to build on the success of our Recruit London initiative. The European Social Fund and Skills Funding Agency's Sector Approaches aims to support skills development, job readiness and pre-apprenticeship training for unemployed groups in priority sectors.

Cross River Partnership plans to lead a funding application for Retail, Tourism and Hospitality in central and south London. Through the project we would provide a range of support and training to unemployed and economically inactive residents and work closely with employers to broker candidates into work and apprenticeships. If you would like to support our application or become part of it, please contact Employability Coordinator Elizabeth Harris by Thursday 23rd June.

If successful, we will support 499 people into work and 199 into apprenticeships, and help them to sustain in work for 26 weeks. Applications are due early July, and the successful applicant will be announced in September.

Clean Air Better Business Steering Group



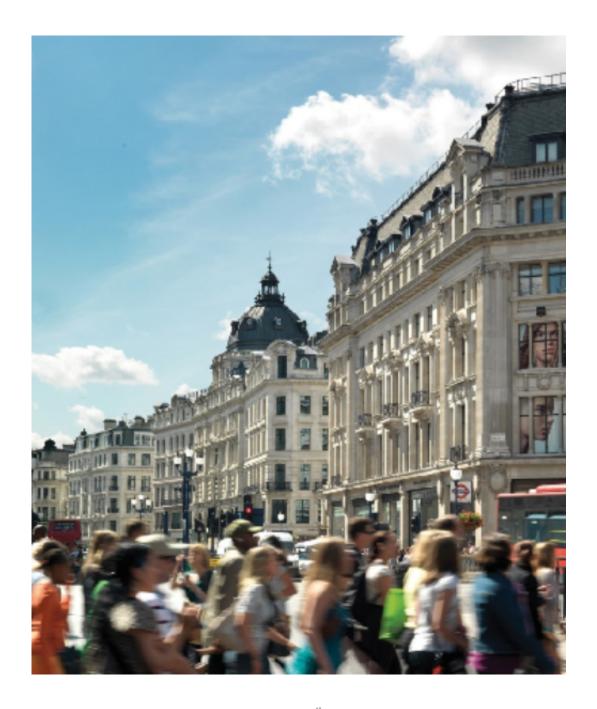
Cross River Partnership hosted the 10th Clean Air Better Business Steering Group last week to give an overview of the achievements from the Mayor's Air Quality Fund round 1 programme and to introduce the initiation of the round 2 programme.

We appreciate the continued support and robust attendance of our member BIDs and local authority partners and look forward to working with you on the innovative and high impact projects planned.

A special thank you to Poppy Lyle from the Greater London Authority who attended as the Boroughs Projects and Programmes (BPP) – lead for the Clean Air Better Business programme. The overview given of the delivery and monitoring regime for this new scheme will set us in good stead to deliver a successful programme in round 2.

For information about the CRP's Clean Air Better Business 2 - contact Uto Patrick

New West End Company Air Quality Summit



The inaugural New West End Air Quality Summit on 28th June at 8.30am will mark the launch of the West End-wide business-led Air Quality Strategy.

The strategy, developed by CRP in partnership with the New West End Company and West End businesses, sets a path for businesses to collectively take action and improve local air quality.

Summit attendees will hear from a panel chaired by the Centre of London's Ben Rogers, and including Valerie Shawcross, the recently-appointed Deputy Mayor for Transport, Councillor Heather Acton, Westminster Cabinet Member for Sustainability & Parking, and Alex Williams, Interim Managing Director Planning at Transport for London.

The summit will include an Air Quality Marketplace which will provide an opportunity for West End businesses to meet providers such as Parcelly, TfL and Zip Car, who can support business-led change to improve local air quality.

West End Partnership Freight Programme



CRP has pulled together the inaugural meeting of the West End Partnership Freight Programme, chaired by Steve Medway of New West End Company. The meeting was attended by a cross-section of representatives from City of Westminster, London Borough of Camden, TfL, Freight Trade Association, logistics companies, landowners, Business Improvement Districts, retailers and residents' groups. Decisions were made on terms of reference, links with existing TfL initiatives, and 'quick wins' e.g. inter-Local Authority collaboration re: street level loading bays. A full programme of meetings for the remainder of the financial year has been set up.

For further information, please contacts CRP's Deliver London Programme Manager Vicky Keeble.

The Illuminated River



The Mayor of London Sadiq Khan, is calling on the world's biggest minds to come up with ideas to create a permanent light art installation, extending across 17 bridges that span the Thames in Central London, between Tower Bridge in the City and Albert Bridge in Chelsea.

The Illuminated River International Design competition is commissioned by a new charity, the Illuminated River Foundation, supported by the Rothschild Foundation.

For full details of how to enter the competition, please see the search statement available on the competition website at: https://competitions.malcolmreading.co.uk/illuminatedriver

The deadline is 14:00 BST Thursday 7th July 2016.

FREVUE organises the 4th edition of the e-Mobility Stakeholder Forum



On 25-26 May 2016 FREVUE, together with two other European Commission flagship projects on electromobility, I-CVUE and ZeEUS, organised the 4th edition of the European Electromobility Stakeholder Forum in Brussels. With its cross-sectoral nature, the Forum is a unique European arena to share best practice and generate synergies across different electric transport modes. This edition brought together over 200 representatives from government, industry, academia, and other stakeholders.

<u>Click here</u> for all the presentations from the different sessions.

Freight TAILS participates in preparation of EU Guidance support urban logistic policy making and implementation



Freight TAILS participated in the 2nd Stakeholders Workshop for the preparation of EU non-binding guidance documents (NBGD) held on 14th June 2016 in Brussels, alongside Transport for London and other European stakeholders. This workshop, organised within the framework of a study commissioned by the Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, addressed two topic areas:

- Engagement of stakeholders in urban logistics policy, and;
- Logistics schemes for E- commerce

The Freight TAILS Network partners will be discussing the draft report at the Phase 2 Kick off meeting in Suceava 28-29 June. Valuable feedback, gathered directly from the experiences of all 10 Freight TAILS cities, will be provided to shape the emerging EU guidance.

For more information contact Charlotte Knell, Project Manager.

London's Urban Forest



Urban trees improve London's liveability, help address climate change and sustainability, and ensure our city is one of the most attractive places in the world for communities to live and work.

On Thursday 9 June an event was **c**o-hosted and presented by Simon Allford, Director, AHMM and Johanna Gibbons, Partner, J & L Gibbons Landscape Architects with contributions from:

- Jane Carlson, Chair, London Forestry and Woodland Advisory Committee, the Forestry Commission
- Tim O'Hare, Director, Tim O'Hare Associates, Soil Scientist
- Adam Smith, Project Director, Stanhope
- Jake Tibbetts, Team Manager (Arboriculture), Public Realm at the London Borough of Islington
- Susannah Wilks, Director, Cross River Partnership

London Festival of Architecture runs from 1 – 30 June.

londonfestivalofarchitecture.org

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'Into Work' across nine central London boroughs



The Into Work programme results are in, and 705 central London unemployed or economically inactive residents were supported into work since delivery started in June 2014. Of those, 31.5% were out of work for a year or more. Cross River Partnership commissioned and actively managed nine charities and community interest companies to deliver the programme, which provided tailored training and support then brokered candidates into job roles in a range of sectors including retail, hospitality, health & social care and facilities.

Into Work covered nine central London boroughs (Camden, City of London, Hackney, Islington, Kensington & Chelsea, Lambeth, Southwark, Wandsworth and Westminster). The programme will continue until September 2016 to help 75% of candidates sustain work for a six month period. Into Work is funded by the City of London Corporation.

Through the programme, delivery partner SR Employment and Training have worked with OCS to recruit twelve candidates from Lambeth, Southwark and Wandsworth for security and stewarding roles. Alex Obasto, the Events Recruitment Manager at OCS for the London region (pictured above) said: "The calibre of staff they provide and the speed with which they provide them has really, really impressed me. SR Employment has...shown a real interest in our requirements and to date have not brought forward any candidates that were below the standards we accept. Thank you SR for all your efforts, here's to many more years of a fruitful relationship."

If you have any questions, please do contact <u>Elizabeth Harris</u>, Cross River Partnership's Employability Coordinator.

Job Results for Recruit London



Monika, a 25 -year-old Westminster resident, had been unemployed for almost a year due to health reasons before she was helped back into work by Cross River Partnership's Recruit London initiative. Recruit London is delivered in partnership in the West End by Cross River Partnership, Westminster City Council, The Crown Estate, New West End Company, Capco Covent Garden and the Department for Work and Pensions.

Referred by a resident who also gained employment through the project, Monika attended interview technique sessions and role focused workshops with the NWEC Workplace Coordinator, Isabelle Benard, to boost her confidence and enhance her employability skills.

NWEC Workplace Coordinator Isabelle was working on behalf of The Clubhouse, a prestigious business members club to help them recruit. She spotted that Monika would be a great fit for the business, and put her forward for interview with them. After her interview and a trial at their Mayfair branch, she was offered a role as Front of House Assistant, with a starting salary of £24,000 p/a.

The Great British High Street

This year's Great British High Street competition opens next month for entries.

<u>Click here</u> to visit website and find out more.

London Bridge Green network - Biodiversity

On Friday July 8th the London Bridge Green Network will meet in a relaxed environment at Café Rouge for a breakfast focused on biodiversity.

The London Bridge Green Network aims

to bring together like minded businesses in the area for an ongoing series of bimonthly breakfast seminars and networking events. This quarterly breakfast series is free and open to everyone though pre-registration is required (and spaces are limited).

Date: Friday, 08 July 2016 Location: Cafe Rouge, Hays Galleria, Tooley Street, London SE1 2HD

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