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Delivering Regeneration Together

## Welcome to the Cross River Partnership monthly e-bulletin

## A new Mayor for London!



Cross River Partnership (CRP) looks forward to working with London's new Mayor Sadiq Khan to deliver his priorities across central London and beyond. CRP and its member BID and Local Authority expertise in employment skills, air quality and greening in particular will prove invaluable in delivering public-private partnership projects sub-regionally.

## **CRP** are recruiting



Cross River Partnership is recruiting for five new roles to deliver our successful Recruit London project, and three roles to deliver our Air Quality and Transport projects.

Please follow the links below to find out more and to apply:

### **Camden Specialist Workplace Coordinator**

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/internal/vacancy/camden-specialist-workplace-coordinator-262961.html

### **Crown Estate Specialist Workplace Coordinator**

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/internal/vacancy/the-crown-estate-specialist-workplace-coordinator-262970.html

### **Step Forward Workplace Coordinator**

 $\underline{https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/internal/vacancy/step-forward-workplace-coordinator-262974.html}$ 

### Westminster JCP Specialist Workplace Coordinator

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/internal/vacancy/westminster-jobcentre-plus-specialist-workplace-coordinator-262982.html

### **Recruit London Project Support Assistant**

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/internal/vacancy/recruit-london-project-support-assistant-262999.html

### **Transport Project Officer**

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/vacancy/transport-project-officer-263008.html

### Air Quality Project Manager (maternity cover)

https://jobs.westminster.gov.uk/vacancy/air-quality-project-manager-264013.html

Click here for more information.

# Family Friendly Employment Research - Can you Help?



Cross River Partnership is engaging with businesses in Westminster to discuss their family friendly working practices to encourage increased employment opportunities for parents and carers. We want to understand what employers are currently doing to gain and retain this talent pool and start discussion on the many ways in which they can develop parental and carer employment of parents and carers working in Westminster. CRP are developing case studies and would like to speak to any employers that would like to promote their HR policies that support parents in work, as well as employers that would like to improve their offering.

For more information, contact CRP's Project Officer Cat Lydon.

## Recruit London candidates work at Gumball 3000!



Pictured: Recruit London's Project Support Assistant Nikoletta Gjergji with candidates at the event.

CRP's Specialist Workplace Coordinator, who supports people with disabilities and chronic health conditions as part of the Recruit London initiative, recently worked with the Regent Street Association to place 10 candidates as paid volunteers for the Gumball 3000 event. The Regent Street association needed 20 people with a background in customer service to be trained as staffers for the event, and the Recruit London Specialist Workplace Coordinator was able to refer 10 unemployed candidates to this opportunity, all of whom were selected.

Each year Gumball 3000 organises a luxury automotive rally in which 100 of the world's most spectacular supercars drive 3000 miles in seven days. They host public and private events in each city they pass through. On May Day, Monday 2nd May 2016, Gumball 3000 returned to Regent Street and attracted well over 100,000 people.

All candidates have increased confidence after the event. One candidate Daniela said "I really enjoyed myself yesterday at the Gumball 3000. It helped my confidence". The Specialist Workplace Coordinator has continued to help them into work, and five now have interviews for paid opportunities!

Chrissie from the Regent Street Association said: "the referrals were great and all worked very hard (despite the rain)"!

For more information, please contact: <u>Sylvia-Makole Kankasa</u> – Specialist Workplace Coordinator.

## **Ultra Low Roadshow - Private Hire Video**



In February, Cross River Partnership worked with Transport for London and assisted by the 'Go Ultra Low' campaign delivered an event for the private hire industry about the Ultra-Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) and new electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles.

CRP has produced a brief video summarising the upcoming ULEZ and promoting what is available to the industry. To view the video <u>click here</u>

**Green Sky Thinking - Realising the Low Line** 



Cross River Partnership chaired the recent Green Sky Thinking – Realising the Low Line event organised by <u>Team London Bridge</u>. The event was well attended, a clear indication that this topic has generated a lot of interest. There were various stakeholders represented, including the London Borough of Southwark, Network Rail, Better Bankside BID, Vauxhall One BID, and the Peckham Coal Line.

## **West End Partnership Freight Group**



Cross River Partnership are programme managing the new West End Partnership Freight Programme

on behalf of the West End Partnership (WEP). The WEP Freight Group, chaired by Steven Medway of New West End Company, met for the first time on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May. The meeting was a multi-stakeholder event bringing together businesses, residents, freight associations, residents and local authorities to take an overview of the great freight projects already being delivered by our partners in the West End area. Freight activities will be monitored and mapped so that best practice trials can be rolled out over the wider area. The group has already identified and agreed some key areas for action, which will reduce congestion and improve air quality in Camden and Westminster.

The next WEP Freight Group meeting will be in September 2016.

For further information contact CRP Project Manager Vicky Keeble

## **FREVUE Partners Meeting in Oslo**



The FREVUE partners came together in Oslo on 20-21 April this year for their bi-annual meeting to discuss the project's progress and to learn from each other's experiences. The City of Oslo, one of the local FREVUE partners, generously hosted the 50-strong delegation in their impressive city hall.

The first day of the meeting was open to local stakeholders and included an introduction to the FREVUE project as well as the electric vehicle situation in Oslo and Norway. Oslo was an inspirational meeting location being the frontrunner in all things electro-mobility: A strong policy package of no purchase tax, no VAT, free parking, etc. has provided a very favourable environment for EVs in Norway with their market share having reached 22 percent in 2015, compared with under two percent in the UK.

The FREVUE (Freight Electric Vehicles in Urban Europe) project is an urban e-mobility project supported by the European Commission. For further information please contact CRP's FREVUE Coordinator, <u>Tanja Dalle-Muenchmeyer</u> or <u>click here</u> for more information.

# CRP secures £500,000 to deliver a focus on Freight



Cross River Partnership has secured new money from URBACT III to deliver the Freight TAILS project over the next two years. Each of the 10 partner cities - central London (UK), Brussels (Belgium), Gdynia (Poland), La Rochelle (France), Maastricht (The Netherlands), Parma (Italy), Split (Croatia), Suceava (Romania), Tallinn (Estonia), and Umeå (Sweden) - will now work with local stakeholders to develop a set of integrated actions to address their freight management priorities. The partners will come together regularly to exchange knowledge and experiences.

In central London, we will be working with a broad range of stakeholders to identify actions that could be taken by organisations to help them make positive changes to reduce the impact of freight in the city.

If you would like more information on either the local or transnational elements of Freight TAILS please contact <a href="Charlotte Knell">Charlotte Knell</a> and follow the project on twitter <a href="@freight\_tails">@freight\_tails</a>.

### Digital talent pipeline

The Greater London Authority invites representatives from small to medium size businesses in the digital, technology and creative space to join a digital skills roundtable on 31st May 09:00am-

### **Trees event**

Time: 18:30 - 20:00

Date: Thursday 9th June 2016

Location: Alford Hall Monaghan Morris, Morelands, 5-23 Old Street EC1V 9HL 11:00am. The Mayor's team would greatly appreciate your time to discuss London's digital skills needs and how we can support SMEs to reap the benefits of a new, exciting programme.

The Mayor's £7million Digital Talent
Pipeline will upskill young Londoners
aged 15-25 years old through industrydesigned courses and apprenticeships
to plug the growing digital skills gap. We
want to understand how to make this
work effectively for SMEs. The Skills
Funding Agency will also attend to give
specific information on Apprenticeships
and the Levy.

There are a limited number of places for this roundtable so please only sign up if you are an SME in this industry – places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any queries please email digitaltalent@london.gov.uk

An agenda and further information will follow. Breakfast will be provided with registration opening at 08:30am.

<u>Click here</u> for more information or <u>here</u> to sign up to attend,.

### Safety, Security and Resilience

Cross River Partnership has registered to receive Safety, Security & Resilience messaging from the CSSC London Project Team of the Metropolitan Police. CRP will forward this information to its member organisations whenever it is of relevance.

#### **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.

Co-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

Free – booking essential
To book a place
email cpollock@ahmm.co.uk

London Festival of Architecture runs from 1 – 30 June.

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