



## Delivering Regeneration Together

# Welcome to the Cross River Partnership monthly e-bulletin

A circular sunburst chart illustrating the distribution of 100 business improvement districts across London. The chart is divided into 20 segments, each representing a different organization or initiative. The segments are color-coded and labeled with their names. The segments are: Angel Alm Business Improvement District, Baker Street Quarter Business Improvement District, Better Beside Business Improvement District, Camden Town United Business Improvement District, Champions Initiative, City of London Corporation, City of Westminster, Greater London Authority, Groundwork London, Heart of London Business Alliance, London and Partners, London Borough of Camden, London Borough of Islington, London Borough of Lambeth, London Borough of Southwark, Network Rail, New West End Company, Northbank Business Improvement District, Paddington Business Improvement District, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, South Bank Employers Group, Team London Bridge Business Improvement District, The Fitzrovia Partnership Business Improvement District, Transport for London, Yeastall One Business Improvement District, Yvette Business Improvement District, Yvette Community Centre, and Yvette Community Centre.

Cross River Partnership's Board was hosted by The Fitzrovia Partnership on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Attendees received an update on the GLA Research on BIDs that CRP is supporting, and asked us to put together a joint response on the Central Activity Zone supplementary planning guidance consultation on their behalf. Updates were given on CRP's wide portfolio of current projects, and agreed on key elements of CRP's future, including funding opportunities, strengthening our relationship with landowners, our coverage, and our future governance arrangements. Thank you to our many partners that attended, and for your enthusiastic input into the discussion.

## Funding success for Recruit London



### Department for Work & Pensions

Our [Recruit London](#) initiative has been successful in securing Flexible Support Funding from the South London Jobcentre Plus. This will enable us to support Lambeth residents into retail vacancies in the West End and Covent Garden. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## Cross River Partnership welcomes new recruits



CRP is thrilled that we have three new starters who will deliver our Recruit London project: Benjamin Laryea, Thomas Wagaine and Sylvia Kankasa.

The team are pictured, from left to right: Isabelle Benard – NWEK Workplace Coordinator, Thomas Wagaine – Crown Estate Workplace Coordinator, Nikoletta Gjergji – Project Support Assistant, Sylvia Kankasa – Specialist Workplace Coordinator, Claire James (CJ) – Recruit London Delivery Manager, Benjamin Laryea – Capco Workplace Coordinator. [Click here to find out more information...](#)

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## FREVUE presented at the Milan EXPO



The [FREVUE](#) six-monthly partner meeting was held in Milan on 1-2 October 2015 and concluded with a press conference at the EXPO 2015 “Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life”. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## Supporting Local Talent Event



There is a large pool of talented candidates within Westminster who have disabilities or health conditions, and often employers are missing out on recruiting the best person for their vacancies because they are not accessing them.

Come along to our upcoming event, Supporting Local Talent, to learn how to diversify and strengthen your workforce.

- Date: Thursday 19th November 2015
- Time: 5:30pm to 7:00pm – refreshments available
- Place: Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street
- RSVP: Sylvia Kankasa [skankasa@westminster.gov.uk](mailto:skankasa@westminster.gov.uk)

[Click here for more information...](#)

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## Freight TAILS gets off to a great start in Paris





CRP attended a programme kick off meeting for our new Freight TAILS project from 29th September to 2nd October in Paris. This meeting was run by the URBACT Secretariat for all 21 successful URBACT III Action Planning Network Lead Partners and Lead Experts. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## European Funding Call Opening



The INTERREG VB North West Europe programme 2nd call is now open, and will close at midday 30th November (CET). CRP will be applying. The programme is focused on delivering measurable results through working together across three themes:

1. Innovation
2. Low Carbon
3. Resource and materials efficiency

More details on this funding opportunity can be found at [www.nweurope.eu/5b](http://www.nweurope.eu/5b).

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## CRP and Lambeth Council welcome Urban Design London to Brixton



Local authority and TfL planners, regeneration and conservation officers were welcomed to Brixton last week as part of Urban Design For London's programme of training, advice, networking and design surgery events. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## Mayor welcomes planning changes that will protect London's key business districts



The Mayor of London has welcomed the Government's decision to reconsider planning proposals that would have potentially seen valuable office space in the capital turned into homes. [Click here for more information...](#)

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**CRP are on the move!**



CRP's Westminster Office is moving to the 15<sup>th</sup> floor of Westminster City Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The move provides the opportunity for co-location with the Policy Team within the Policy, Performance & Communications Directorate as well as slightly more desk space. We would like to thank our accountable body Westminster City Council for their continued support.

Our new address will be:

15<sup>th</sup> Floor | Westminster City Hall | 64 Victoria Street | London | SW1E 6QP

### **Small Business Saturday 5 million small businesses, 1 big day**

Small Business Saturday is on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

The event is for all kinds of small businesses to get involved, so know that whether you are a family business, local shop, online business, wholesaler, business service or small manufacturer, Small Business Saturday is supporting you!

There are events taking place across the UK, so to get involved, pledge, find out about events or see if there is a small business bus tour running near you [Click here...](#)

### **Get your entries in for the AJ Small Project Award 2016**

The annual search has begun for the best small-scale gem built for less than £250,000.

All of the projects entered into the awards will be featured in the AJ Buildings Library with the 24 shortlisted projects published in the AJ and shown off in an exhibition. Closing date: Project must have been completed between 1st January 2014 and 4th December 2015.

For more information on how to enter and the conditions [Click here...](#)



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