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Welcome to Cross River Partnership's July Newsletter



London is officially the world's first National Park City. On 22 July, the <u>Mayor of London</u>, Sadiq Khan co-signed the <u>London National Park City</u> <u>Charter</u> which aims to make people, places and nature better connected in the capital. It is part of the Mayor's plan for at least half the capital to be green by 2050. Green spaces improve people's sense of well-being, creating a space for relaxation and exercise, and can be a refuge from noise. Read more about the benefits of urban greening in CRP's <u>Healthy Greening</u> <u>Report. Read more.</u>



The <u>Mayor of London</u>, Sadiq Khan, has declared a climate emergency. As part of London's response to this, the first ever <u>London Climate</u> <u>Action Week</u> was held from 1-8 July. The week saw artists, businesses and the public come together to explore clean energy solutions, zeroemissions transport and campaigns for stronger legislation to keep global temperature increases within 1.5 degrees centigrade. <u>Read more.</u>

CRP was honoured to attend the launch of the fantastic <u>Illuminated River</u> project on 17 July. The first four of 15 Thames bridges were lit up by American artist <u>Leo Villereal's</u> installations, including the Millennium Bridge, one of CRP's



flagship projects. CRP has been extremely pleased to be advising the Illuminated River project right from the start. We look forward to the lighting of the remaining 11 bridges, especially the Queen's Golden Jubilee Bridges. Well done to <u>Sarah Gaventa</u> and all of her team at the <u>Illuminated River Foundation</u>! <u>Read more.</u>

CRP was delighted to be invited by the chair of the London Lighting Engineers Group (LoLEG) to share our plans to consult on a Lighting Strategy for central London at their annual conference at <u>Chelsea Football Club</u>. The aim of the proposed strategy is to raise the ambition and value of lighting projects across central London, building on the interest generated by initiatives including <u>The Illuminated River</u>. The strategy development will begin with a broad stakeholder engagement event, to be held on 25 September 2019, 11.30am – 2.30pm at the award-winning <u>Coin</u> <u>Street Neighbourhood Centre SE1</u>. <u>Read more</u>.





As a member of the <u>Mayor's Electric Vehicle (EV)</u> Infrastructure Taskforce, CRP were glad to be attending the launch of Taskforce <u>Delivery Plan</u> on 17 June at the Institute of Engineering and Technology. The Delivery Plan provides for a coordinated approach to EV infrastructure increase across London, thereby supporting the Mayor's ambition of London becoming a zeroemission city. <u>Read more.</u>



As part of Clean Air Day 2019, CRP proudly premiered its Clean Air Route Finder. The video showcases a side-by-side comparison of a polluted and non-polluted route from London St Pancras to Euston Station. The Clean Air Route Finder, designed in partnership with <u>King's</u> <u>College London</u> and the <u>Mayor of London</u>, was a runner-up in the Sustainable Mobility category at last year's <u>Sustainable City Awards</u>. Watch the full video here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=alW16KjgnuA</u>. <u>Read more.</u>



On 13 June, CRP held its Low Emission Neighbourhoods (LENs): Sharing Best Practice Workshop at <u>Westminster City Council's</u> flagship premises on 64 Victoria Street. The workshop was attended by over 50 delegates from London Local Authorities, BIDs and Business Management Companies. From the workshop 10 LEN Top Tips were developed and are now available online <u>here.</u> Many thanks to <u>Councillor</u> <u>Karen Scarborough</u>, Lead Member for Air Quality and the Environment for <u>Westminster City</u> <u>Council</u>, for hosting the event. <u>Read more.</u>

On 9 July CRP launched <u>Healthy Streets</u> <u>Everyday</u> with a meeting attended by over 20 key partners, including 16 London Local Authorities, who are set to be involved in the three year <u>Mayor's Air Quality Funded</u> project. Hosted by the <u>University of Westminster</u>, the launch consisted of a series of talks by the University's Dr. Rachel Aldred, as well as the <u>Greater London Authority</u>'s Poppy Lyle, the <u>London Borough of Hackney's</u> Tyler Linton and <u>Transport for London</u>'s Kerry Meehan. <u>Read</u> <u>more.</u>





Prudential Ride London, now entering its seventh year, returns to London and Surrey on 3 and 4 August 2019. <u>TfL</u> are working closely with the <u>London & Surrey Cycling Partnership (LSCP)</u>, who deliver the event, to manage the impacts on the network and the travelling public. Over the event weekend, roads will be closed in central London on Saturday 3 August and in east, west, central and south west London and parts of Surrey on Sunday 4 August. A full list of closures, including expected reopening times can be found on TfL's website. Read more.



CRP attended the <u>Mayor of London</u>'s Women's Night Safety Summit on 19 July, where they launched their <u>Women's Night Safety Charter</u> <u>Toolkit</u>. The Charter is a voluntary pledge to show that your organisation takes women's safety seriously. CRP is proud to be on the growing list of businesses in London who are acknowledging that safety for women is an issue and would like to be proactive about improving it. CRP is looking forward to working with its partners to improve night safety through as many measures as possible, including lighting and design. <u>Read more.</u>



Well done to our partners <u>Haringey</u> and <u>Southwark</u> Councils for their successful bids to the government's <u>Future High Streets Fund</u>. 50 local authorities across England were successful out of the 300 who we understand bid. The Government's £675 million Future High Streets Fund was set up to help local areas respond and adapt to major changes. <u>Read more.</u>



CRP staff attended a one-day Writing Skills training course delivered by <u>Emphasis Writing</u> on Thursday 11th of July. The CRP team prepared in advance by sending their writing samples to experienced writers, to inform the training delivered to them. The CRP team were then taught how to write winning articles, letters and emails. <u>Read more.</u>



Through the <u>Central London Sub-Regional</u> <u>Transport Partnership</u> (CLSRTP), CRP commissioned <u>Lowick Group</u> to carry out a study of innovations in transport funding for borough officers. In light of the ongoing constrained budgets available to local transport authorities, as well as local government more widely, it is crucial to ensure that all potential areas of funding are examined and understood for their potential to fund both statutory and nonstatutory services. <u>Read more.</u>

CRP has started planning the initial stages of the <u>Clean Air Thames</u> project with the <u>Port of</u> <u>London Authority</u>, the <u>City of London</u> <u>Corporation</u>, and others. The project will be supported by a £500,000 grant from the <u>Mayor's</u> <u>Air Quality Fund</u>. The project aims to retrofit 11 vessels to reduce their emissions, especially particulate matter and nitrogen oxides. One of the next steps will be to finalise the requirements for operators and vessels who wish to apply for funding. Details will be shared as they become available with a formal announcement at the <u>Greening Inland Shipping Conference</u> on 10 September 2019. Read more.





CRP has successfully completed delivery of its partnership <u>Camden Ability Project</u>. The project was delivered in partnership with the <u>Business Disability Forum</u>, and supported Camden residents with disabilities and long-term health conditions into sustainable employment, with a range of local employers. The project was funded by <u>Camden Council</u> and worked closely with <u>Jobcentre Plus</u> and teams within Camden Council. The full report can be found by clicking on the link <u>here</u>. <u>Read more</u>.



Future of London's Making the Most of London's Waterways Conference took place on 20th June 2019. The full-day conference brought together a cross-sector network to share practical approaches to enhancing waterways and waterside spaces as well as managing competing demands – with a view to highlighting lessons which can be applied individually or strategically across any city. CRP's Director Susannah Wilks and former CRP Director Dr. Savas Sivetidis also led a Thames Walkabout Tour during the conference. <u>Read more.</u>



After four exciting years at CRP, <u>Tanja Dalle-</u> <u>Muenchmeyer</u> will be moving on. Before deciding what's next, Tanja will be taking a year out to spend time travelling the globe with her family! Tanja would like to take this opportunity to thank all CRP partners, funders and wider stakeholders for the great partnership work throughout her four years. She has been truly impressed by their dedication to making London an even more vibrant, liveable and healthy place. <u>Read more.</u>

If you are passionate about making a longlasting change by making central London a nicer and healthier place to live, work and visit, then take a look at the two exciting vacancies we are recruiting to:

- Healthy Streets Everyday Project
 Manager
- <u>CRP Project Support Assistant</u>

The closing date for applications for both roles is: **31st July 2019.** <u>Read more.</u>





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