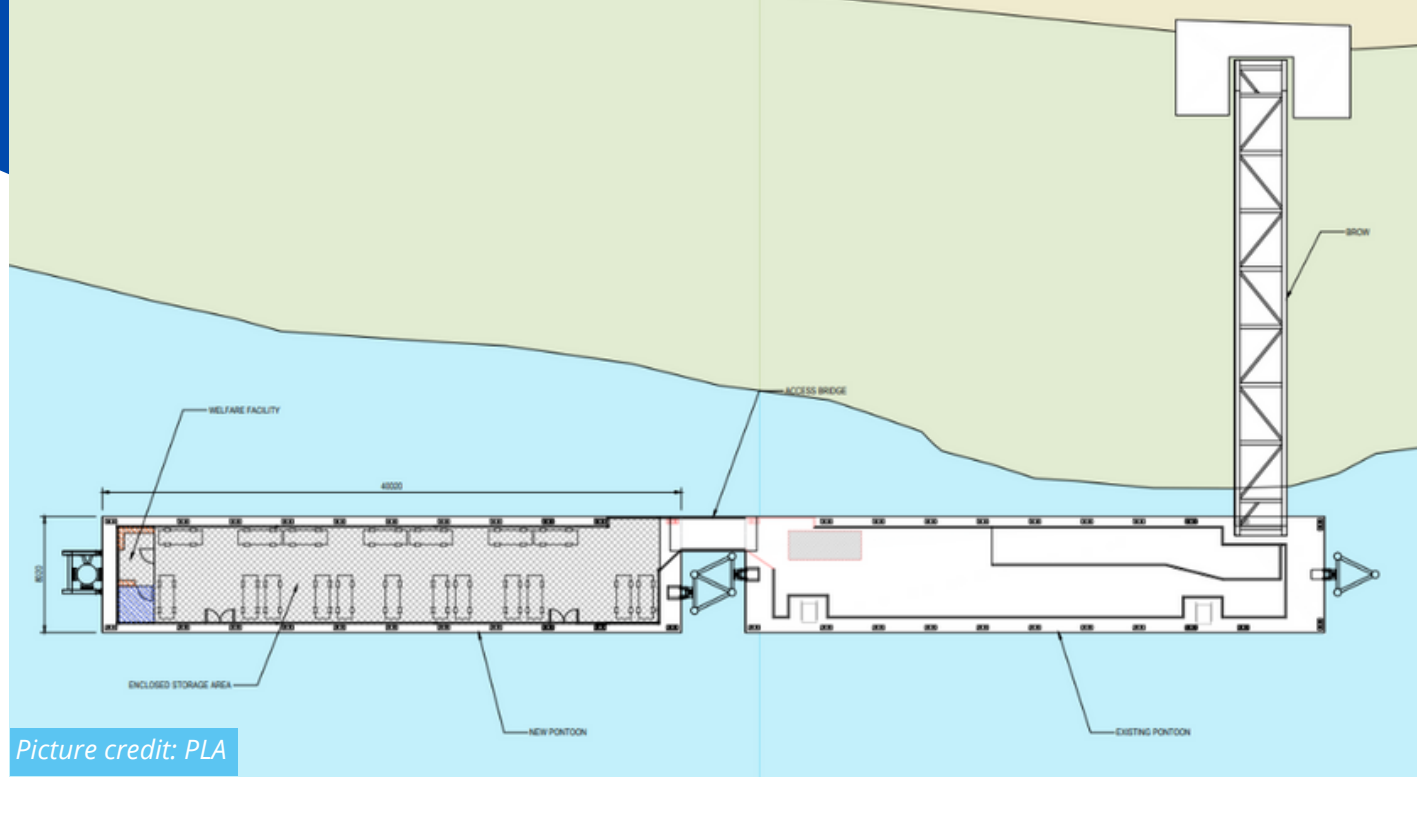


Masthouse Terrace Pier:

London's First Dedicated Freight Pier



Picture credit: PLA

Cross River Partnership (CRP) has been supporting the Port of London Authority (PLA) to create London's first dedicated freight pier. Masthouse Terrace Pier, which is located on the Isle of Dogs in East London, was acquired by the PLA in November 2022. As part of the [Clean Air Logistics for London](#) (CALL) Programme, CRP has provided funding for a pontoon to expand the pier to make it the first in the capital with space dedicated to the transportation by river of parcels and other light freight.

With good connections to nearby Canary Wharf, the pier will include the following elements to support the transportation of parcels and other light freight by river:

- A new, dedicated, berth for freight vessels
- An enclosed storage area for the sortation and loading of cargo bikes
- Space for approximately 20 cargo bikes and e-cargo bike charging facilities
- Solar panels for renewable energy electricity generation
- Welfare facilities for staff and cargo bike riders including a toilet and shower
- Lockers for the storage of any personal items

Subject to consents, scheme development is expected to start later in 2023.

A Testament to The River



"Through our investment strategy, we are working to encourage more trade on the river. It's a win-win. More river trade boosts the economy, creating jobs, and helps reduce carbon emissions in the capital, by taking lorries off the region's roads".

PLA Director of Planning and Development, James Trimmer

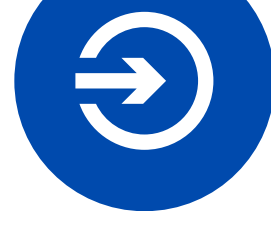
"Complementing CRP's work across river, road and rail, this will provide a brilliant opportunity to deliver freight directly into the capital in a more sustainable way. It also demonstrates how piers can be adapted for e-cargo bikes and wider river freight activity".

CRP Senior Programme Manager, Fiona Coull



Designing Piers for Freight

Although Masthouse Terrace Pier will have dedicated space for light freight, it will also continue to be used as a pier for the Uber Boat by Thames Clipper River Bus Services, highlighting how both passenger and river freight operations can be supported through safe and considered pier design. As part of CRP's Clean Air Logistics for London Programme, CRP and the PLA have developed a guidance document to support pier owners and e-cargo bike operators to ensure the safe and efficient transfer of light freight between the river and shore. The guidance includes details on elements such as:



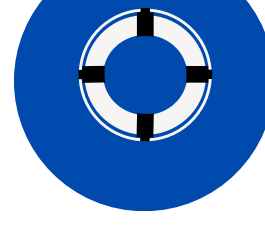
Access spacings



Gradient considerations



Interaction with Pedestrians



Water Edge Safety



Rider Training and Etiquette



Safety and Security



E-Cargo Bike Swept Paths



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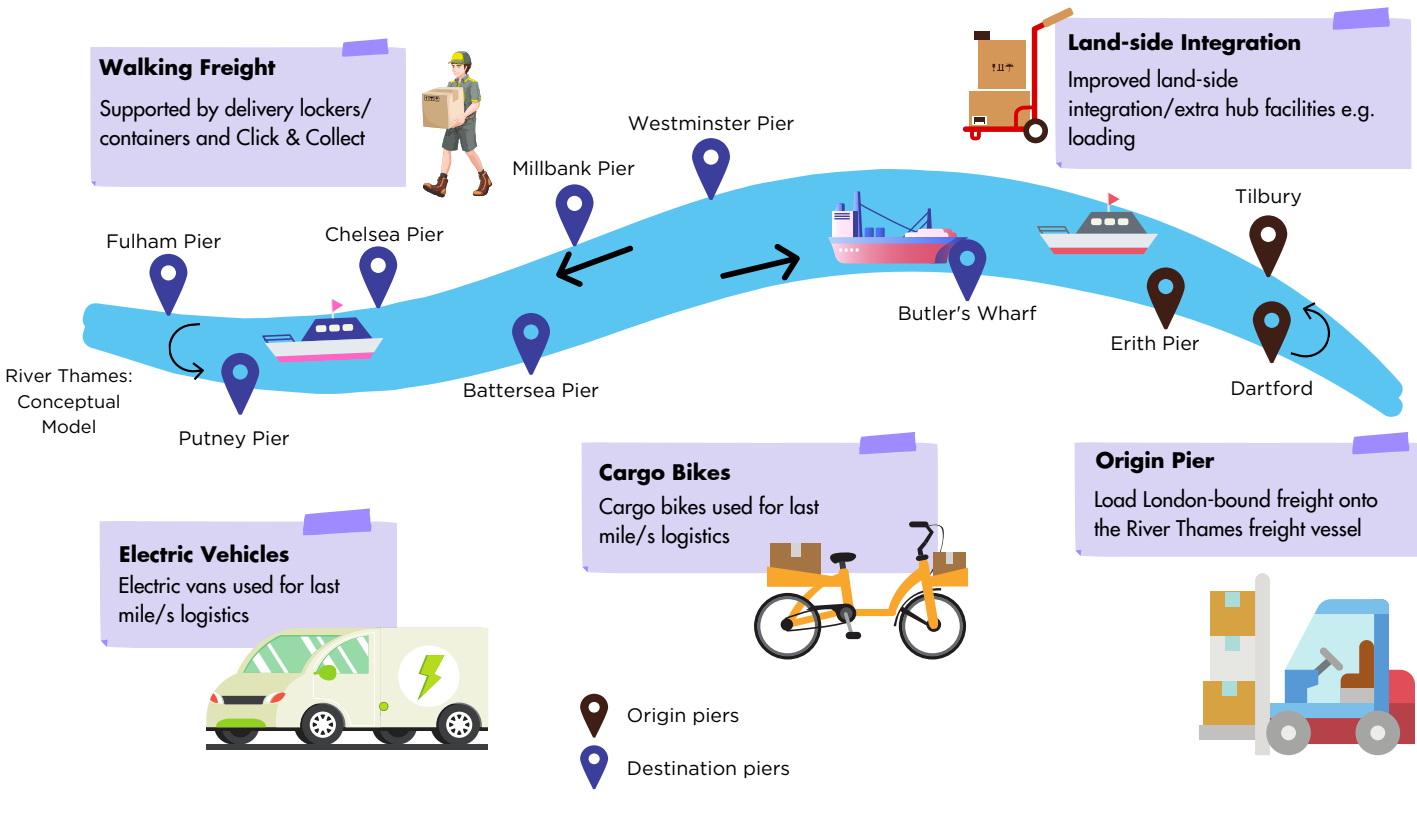
Click here to read the Guidance



What is Clean Air Logistics for London?

Cross River Partnership's Clean Air Logistics for London Programme (CALL) is a Defra-funded project led by Westminster City Council in collaboration with 12 project partners. The project aims to move more freight into London via river rather than road, supported by zero emission delivery methods in Central London. CALL will build on the success of CRP's [Clean Air Villages 4](#) programme.

The CALL project will expand river freight in London, reducing both congestion and pollution at the same time. A lack of light freight being moved by river has been highlighted and investment in infrastructure is required to increase the viability of this. CALL locations have been chosen to reflect GLA Air Quality Focus Areas and the importance of the River Thames for freight. The CALL project will support the delivery of Defra's Clean Air Strategy, Westminster City Council's Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) and other's partners air quality objectives.



Project Partners

Cross River Partnership is proud to be working with the following Local Authorities and other partners.

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