

Project Management Services: Southwark Climate Collective

Client: Better Bankside



Source: Southwark Climate Collective

The Project

Cross River Partnership delivered specialist project management support to Better Bankside, shaping and initiating the 2025-2026 phase of the Southwark Climate Collective (SCC). The SCC launched in 2023 to provide targeted sustainability and de-carbonisation support to Southwark Small Medium Enterprises (SMEs). The SCC is funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and supported by the Mayor of London.

Better Bankside secured additional funding to continue the SCC into 2025-26, and provide bespoke decarbonisation training and targeted business support. Throughout summer 2025, CRP worked with Better Bankside to establish the framework necessary for effective project management during the 2025-26 programme phase, whilst Better Bankside were actively recruiting for a new Sustainability Manager.

What We Delivered



Applied our expert project management skills to develop the Southwark Climate Collective 2025-26 delivery plan with supporting project management tools, processes, budgets and funder liaison.



Delivered extensive businesses engagement with Southwark SMEs, through one-to-one interviews, to understand how the 2025-26 phase of the SCC could be shaped to support effective business decarbonisation and sustainability.



Delivered the procurement of high-quality sustainability consultants to deliver bespoke business decarbonisation support to 20 selected Southwark SMEs.



Our Approach

- 1 Embedded Collaboration:** Successfully integrated into the Better Bankside team on-site to build strong working relationships and gain a deep, first-hand understanding of project goals, team dynamics, and operational context.
- 2 Co-Creation of Tailored Tools:** Partnered with the team to co-develop bespoke project management materials and frameworks that reflect their ways of working, ensuring long-term usability and ownership.
- 3 Stakeholder Engagement:** Leveraged strong communication and interpersonal skills to engage effectively with a diverse range of stakeholders, including businesses, consultants, and project funder.
- 4 Programme Management:** Utilised expert project management skills to develop the project delivery plan and ensure that the project would be delivered to the agreed timescales, budget and achieve ambitious project outputs.

“ CRP was the obvious choice to assist and collaborate with Better Bankside in establishing this new phase of Southwark Climate Collective. CRP’s experience in running similar, innovative, stakeholder-led programmes ensured we created a successful platform for delivery.

Gideon Taylor, Director of Place
Better Bankside

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The Result

- **CRP effectively designed the framework, delivery arrangements and monitoring tools for the SCC 2025-26 programme**, ensuring full compliance with external audit requirements and enabling Better Bankside to deliver a seamless project rollout.
- **Facilitated partnerships with engaged Southwark SMEs** to understand the key barriers and opportunities to decarbonisation and how the SCC 2025-26 could be designed to support them in their decarbonisation journey.
- **CRP ran a successful tender process**, including drafting of Invitation to Tender (ITT) documents and consultant engagement meetings, to deliver bespoke business decarbonisation support to 20 selected Southwark SMEs.
- **Comprehensive project handover** to the new Better Bankside Sustainability Manager, both in-person and via tailored tools, to continue the successful delivery of the programme following the conclusion of CRP's project management consultancy services.

CRP Skills Evidenced



- Project Management
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Communication
- Funder Reporting
- Developing Networks
- Collaboration



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