



MEETING MINUTES

Subject:	Dormay Street and King George's Park Community Liaison Working Group
Date and time:	Thursday 7 March 2019, 19:00 to 21:00
Location:	The Brewers Inn, 147 East Hill, Wandsworth, SW18 2QB
Minute Taker:	Yvette Hewlett, Administrative Support, Tideway
Chair:	Rt Hon Justine Greening MP (JGr)

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1	Welcome and introductions
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1. Welcome and Introductions

Attendees:

- Jamie Gray (JG) - Stakeholder & Consents Manager (Tideway)
- Iain Tytler (IT) - Senior Project Manager (Tideway)
- Andeep Gehlot (AG) - West Communications Lead (Tideway)
- Vic Chetty (VC) - Senior Community Relations Officer (Tideway - BMB)
- Kevin Dollard (KD) - Section Manager (Tideway - BMB)
- Yvette Hewlett (YH) - Administrative Support (Tideway)

Eight other attendees including residents and representatives from Wandsworth Council, Wandsworth Society and Southfields Grid Residents Association.

2. Tideway Works Overview - Dormay Street

Presentation to be distributed with the minutes. **Action 1: YH.**

KD advised the tunnel boring machine (TBM) named Charlotte is due to start tunnelling towards King George's Park the middle of next week (week commencing 11 March).

A resident asked what the diameter is of the TBM. KD advised 3.1m, which will give an internal tunnel diameter of 2.8m. Once the secondary lining of concrete has been applied, the final tunnel diameter will be 2.6m.

Justine Greening MP (JGr) asked how long the tunnelling to King George's Park will take. KD confirmed just less than three months, at a rate of approximately 7m per 24 hours.

A resident asked if the spoil that comes out of the shaft during tunnelling will be transported off the site by road. KD advised this is correct.

A resident asked what type of ground Tideway will be tunnelling through. KD advised it will all be clay to King George's Park. It will be recyclable and used for golf course construction, bird sanctuaries etc.

JGr asked when tunnelling will take place in the other direction from Dormay Street. KD confirmed the TBM will arrive at King George's Park at the end of May / early June 2019. There will then be around two weeks of surface maintenance and the same TBM (Charlotte) will tunnel from Dormay Street to Carnwath Road.

JGr asked how long the second tunnel phase to Carnwath Road will take. KD advised the TBM will leave Dormay Street end of June / early July and arrive at Carnwath Road in October 2019.

A resident asked if any archaeological work has been carried out at either of the two sites. KD advised MOLA (Museum of London Archaeology) is only interested in investigating the top 3-4m soil and is therefore currently interested in the combined sewer overflow (CSO) area at King George's Park. They have representatives present as Tideway continue to excavate in that area.

A resident said there are a lot of utility services underneath the ground at Dormay Street and King George's Park and wondered if Tideway will be tunnelling underneath these. KD advised Tideway will actually be tunnelling above them. The major utility in the area is the National Grid Tunnel that we will be tunnelling over but will be under the everyday services, electric/gas/water etc.

3. Tideway Works Overview - King George's Park

A resident asked how long the 24-hour working will take place for in the summer to carry out the secondary lining slipform trials. KD advised four nights.

Jamie Gray (JG) said the draft application was submitted to Wandsworth Council last week for the kiosk (which will be the only operational above-surface Tideway structure left at King George's Park post-construction), the bronze ventilation column and the public realm area.

KD advised that vehicle access to the 'dome' structure within the park will be via Neville Gill Close, once Tideway is complete. This will be for maintenance purposes every five and 10 years. JG added that part of the reason for this route to access the 'dome' is so the fire service can gain access to the area quickly, if required.

A resident said he was concerned the application was out in the public domain, as he knew nothing about it.

A resident said there is no information advising people how to view the application on the park gates either.

A resident said she visited Wandsworth Council and asked to view the application, but the person could not assist.

JG said that since the post-DCO consultation phase, in which approval was given for the indicative design, two further consultation events were held in November 2017; one during the week in the park itself and one at the Wandle Recreation Centre at the weekend. These consultations provided the public with the latest information on the design. During these events, the process was explained for submitting the draft application and we are now at that stage. Wandsworth Council will have the application for four weeks and Tideway is required to put notices up. The draft application is in the public domain and is available for the public to view.

John Stone (JS) said he will check with his colleague regarding uploading the information to the council website, although he does not believe that draft applications are normally uploaded. JGr suggested circulating plans to key local stakeholders. **Action 2: JS.**

JG advised eight notices were put up in the vicinity of the park. He will find out exactly where and report back. **Action 3: JG.**

A resident said it was disappointing to hear this news tonight as this group wanted to be involved in the plans. The plans should have been here tonight.

JG advised this is the first stage of the application process. This draft period lasts for four weeks. It is highly likely that comments will be received, which Tideway will take on board, formally recorded and potentially acted upon. Once that phase is complete, the formal application is submitted, which is an eight-week process, which includes a consultation phase of 21 days.

KD pointed out the kiosk will be 60% longer, due to the size of the safety monitoring equipment that needs to be housed inside. Therefore, the new length will be around 11m, with the width remaining at 2.5m.

A resident asked if the name of the kiosk could be changed, as he believes the word 'kiosk' gives the wrong impression and leads people to believe it stores gases etc. Could another name be used to indicate what is stored inside? **KD** confirmed it is a mechanical and electrical control room, so could be referred to in future as the control room. JG confirmed the terminology within the application will be changed.

A resident mentioned it was discussed early on about the control room have a natural living roof and wondered if that was still the case. JG said this is still the case. JG confirmed the control room features a brown roof in accordance with the DCO design principles.

Vic Chetty (VC) said that an information sheet will be sent out before the formal application is submitted to Wandsworth Council, to advise of the date it will be submitted, plus details of Wandsworth Council's process.

JG added the formal application will be uploaded onto Wandsworth Council's website.

JGr said she produces a monthly newsletter and will therefore include a link, once the information is known.

JGr added it is important to avoid school holidays for the 21-day consultation period when people are away and cannot view the plans / comment.

A resident asked if the control room could be moved slightly so that trees could be planted in between the fence and the control room, to block the view of the control room from the road. KD said the infrastructure underground is very complex and he will bring a visualisation with him to the next meeting, which shows everything underground and why the control room has to be in a certain location. **Action 4: KD.**

KD advised the artwork for the control room will come under a separate consultation.

JGr said it needs to be decided whether the control room will be left open to art and graffiti (as this does work in some areas and can look really good) or be screened off completely.

JGr said it would also be good to encourage schools / pupils to get involved in the consultation.

VC gave an update on community engagement.

VC advised the offer of a site visit is still very much open, although Dormay Street is trickier and more difficult to get in and around. King George's Park has a viewing platform within the offices and no PPE (personal protection equipment) is required.

JGr said she is very interested in a site visit and KD advised he can arrange for group visit. JGr will get some dates together. **Action 5: JGr / KD.**

A resident said she is concerned about the lighting at King George's Park, as there are some patches of darkness. KD said he will look at the lighting by the lake and see what can be done. **Action 6: KD.**

A resident said she heard the children at Riversdale School really enjoyed the STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) session that Tideway provided at the school recently.

JGr said she knows a company which deals with ex-offenders and said her PA will liaise with VC about the possibility of the organisation working together with Tideway.

VC mentioned it had recently been announced that KD's team has been nominated for an award relating to the Consider Constructors Scheme.

A resident asked if it is common for TBMs to be given women's names. Iain Tytler (IT) said it is considered good luck.

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A resident asked if a bat survey is going to take place at King George's Park soon. VC advised he will take this away as an action. **Action 7: VC.**

A resident said there is still a missing link, which is that a proper lake survey still has not been carried out. VC advised Tideway has not been instructed to carry one out and Tideway needs to be instructed by the appropriate company, which is Enable.

JG said he has a number of contacts at Enable so he will chase and report back. **Action 8: JG.**

A resident mentioned the possibility of an event taking place at King George's Park during the first two weeks of July, which would have a high footfall. He is not sure how this event would fall into the consultation phase. JG said the summer would be around the time the formal application would be with Wandsworth Council. VC said he could arrange for Tideway to have a stand at the event. **Action 9: VC.**

A resident asked if progress with the east, west and central sections of the project are all on target to finish as planned. VC said he cannot speak for the east and central sections, however all the west sites are pretty much on track.

JGr thanked everybody for attending and said she feels these meetings are time well spent. JGr said the meetings are massively appreciated by all and they give reassurance that we can all have a good working relationship.

Date of next meeting - Thursday 11 July at The Brewers Inn.

ACTIONS:

1. Presentation to be distributed with the minutes.
2. JS to check with colleague regarding uploading the kiosk, ventilation and public realm draft application to the council website and circulate the plans to key local stakeholders.

3. JG to find out where the eight notices have been put up around the park regarding the draft application and report back.
4. KD to bring a visualisation with him to the next meeting, which shows everything underground and why the control room has to be in a certain location.
5. JGr / KD to get some dates together and arrange a group site visit.
6. KD to look at the lighting by the lake in King George's Park and see what can be done, as there are some patches of darkness, as mentioned by a resident.
7. VC to find out if a bat survey is going to take place at King George's Park soon, as asked by a resident.
8. JG to speak to Enable regarding whether a lake survey can be carried out.
9. VC to arrange for Tideway to have a stand at the event at King George's Park during the first two weeks of July, advising people about the formal consultation.