

MEETING NOTES

Subject:	Earl Pumping Station Community Liaison Working Group	
Date and time:	1 st November 2021, 5.30pm – 6.30pm	
Location:	Virtual meeting on Microsoft Teams	
Chair:	Chair: Martin Griffiths (MGr), Senior Community Relations Manager CVB	
Notes:	Emily Black (EB), Engagement Manager, Tideway	

Agenda items

Item	Topic	Lead
1	Welcome and introductions	All
2	Updates from project team	Tideway and CVB
3	Any other business	All

Attendees

Nine people attended the online meeting, including two members of the public.

Tideway and CVB

- Emily Black (EB), Engagement Manager
- Guillaume Borel (GB), Earl Project Manager CVB
- Matthew Gardiner (MGa), Environmental Advisor CVB
- Martin Griffiths (MGr), Senior Community Relations Manager CVB
- Brooke Knight (BK), Project Manager

LB Southwark

· Roger Taylor (RT), Highways and Enforcement Officer

Thames Water

 Demi Dean (DD), Technical Administrator & Communications and Stakeholder Liaison

Apologies

- Allen Summerskill (AS) Tideway
- Rebecca Oyibo (RO) CVB

Residents

2 x residents

	Item		
1.0	Welcome and introductions		
	MG welcomed all attendees and introductions were made.		
2.0	Updates from the project team		
2.1	Construction update		
	GB provided an update from Earl Pumping Station. At Earl pumping station we are constructing:		
	 a 50m deep drop shaft to connect to the 5m internal diameter tunnel currently being constructed from Greenwich a 10m deep chamber to intercept the existing Combined Sewer Outfall (CSO) various services diversions 		
	The tunnel is being built between Greenwich Pumping Station and Chambers Wharf. The tunnel boring machine (TBM) is currently underground, due to transit through Earl Pumping Station shaft on Wednesday 3 November 2021.		
	To view the location of the tunnel boring machine visit our TBM Tracker webpage - https://www.tideway.london/tbm-tracker/		
	The work at Earl Pumping Station will reduce annual sewer discharges into the River Thames locally from around 25 to just 4.		
	Between July 2021 and November 2021 we have been carrying out the following work:		
	On the Combined Sewer Overflow interception works we have:		
	In the Shaft we have: Removed the hoist Completed the vortex top plinths Temporarily filled the shaft with water Started the shaft enclosure wall		
	Surface works: • Completed the watermain replacement works		
	 In addition, we have: Removed the extra welfare facilities and rearranged the site area for shaft works Reinstated the muck bin and installed the silos and plant for the Combined Sewer Overflow geotechnical work 		

The next activities that will take place in the shaft include the following:

- Tunnel Boring Machine Annie will pass through the site
- We will complete the shaft enclosure at surface level
- Drain the shaft
- Complete the concrete landing works at the top of the Vortex tube
- Make good the concrete surfaces within the shaft
- Remove the concrete backfill and the tunnel segments located at the bottom of the shaft.

The next activities that will take place in the wider site include the following:

- Continuing with the geotechnical works using construction techniques to create a sealed box in the ground to enable us to safely excavate the Combined Sewer Overflow
- Continuing with the jet grouting and secant piles
- Using tension piles to anchor the sealed box in the ground

A programme for the next 6 months of work and a programme for the remainder of the works was included the presentation.

<u>Question</u> – the decommissioning timescales were queried, and it was asked when the rest of the welfare offices are planned to be removed. GB stated that the welfare facilities are expected to remain in place until at least 2023.

2.2 Noise and air quality

MGa presented slides on current and upcoming working hours and noise and air quality monitoring.

There have been zero air quality exceedances recorded in the period June – September 2021.

There has been one noise limit exceedance recorded in the period June – September 2021. This was in June, linked to concrete pours for the secondary lining of the shaft. The Local Authority was informed and works activity ceased.

Closed Action – Previous action from July meeting. Team to check what the acoustic barriers are being used on site. MGa explained that the below methods are being used to reduce noise on site:

- Planning construction works methodologies with noise impacts as a key consideration (Section 61 consent)
- Monitoring noise across the site to identify exceptional noise sources
- Screening static plant where possible
- Screening known loud activities where possible (concrete breaking, floor sawing etc)
- Sourcing/developing low noise plant and equipment where possible
- Shutting down plant and equipment when not in use
- Off-site fabrication of construction elements where possible
- Removal of concrete blocks during demolition to avoid concrete breaking
- Trialling innovative techniques to reduce noise like chemical demolition agents or hydraulic splitting of concretes.

Post meeting note:

There is an Independent Compensation Panel, who can review applications for additional noise mitigation and some properties were identified as possible ones that could seek measures.

To make a claim, you can contact the local community team, or you can download the ICP claim form from our website and email the completed form to admin@tidewayicp.london. If you prefer to write you can send your completed ICP claim form to Freepost TIDEWAY.

You can also email the chair directly in confidence at: chair@tidewayicp.london.

2.3 Architecture and Landscaping upcoming submission

EB informed the meeting that a draft submission is expected for the above ground architecture and landscape works towards the end of 2021 / early 2022.

We will schedule a meeting and send leaflets to residents to increase awareness of the submission.

Once submitted, comments should be sent to London Borough of Lewisham at planning@lewisham.gov.uk

2.4 **Legacy & Community Investment**

EB/MGr presented slides on legacy and community investment activities. Recent activities include:

- Tideway recently marked the end of the 8-year partnership with London Youth Rowing with a celebration day
- Tideway and CVB are supporting the Creekside Discovery Centre including volunteering for their recent Open Day
- CVB staff have recently voted to support the Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity. As staff make observations eg. Health, safety, quality a donation is triggered to the charity. Donations are capped at £5,000 per year.
- Our contractors are taking part in the Government's kickstart scheme where 16-24 year olds take part in extended work experience.
- Our magazine River Times has been distributed to residents within 250m of the site. this showcases the work we are doing.

3 Any other business?

Question – the impact of Covid-19 was queried. GB explained that they closed the site for approximately 7 weeks but construction then resumed.

A resident noted that the team are doing good work but that they are keen to get their view back.

MG closed the meeting and thanked residents and officers for attending.