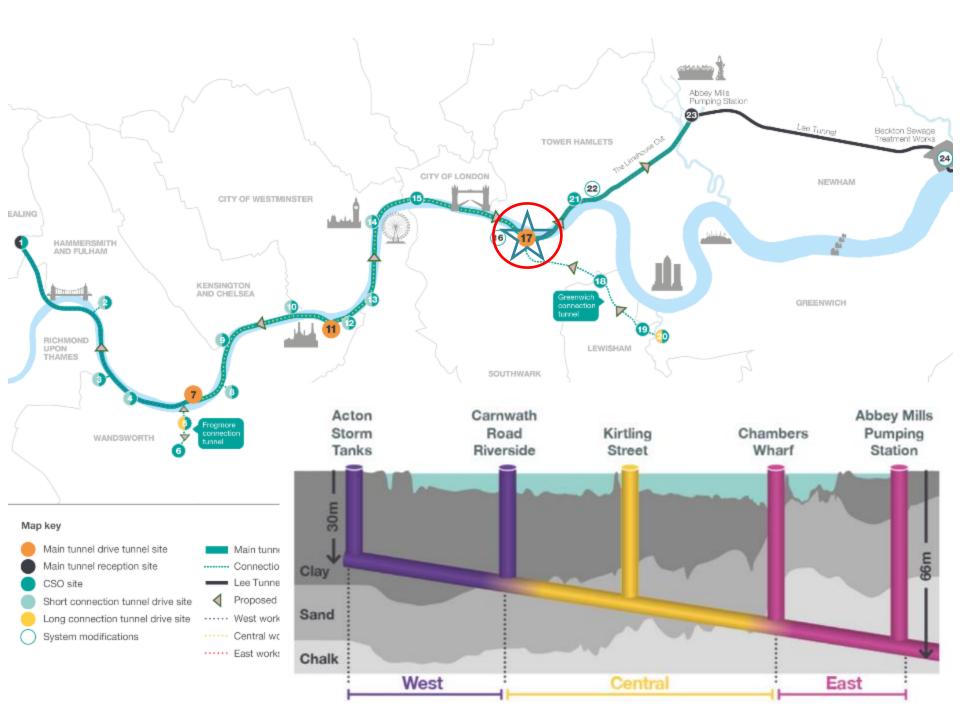


# **Chambers Wharf**

Jack Russell Archaeology Lead Tideway

14<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## **Pre-2014**

- Desk Study and Building Recording for abandoned development
- Foreshore Surveys
- Monitoring test pits



## 2014/2015

 MOLA land-side Evaluation



## 2016

- MOLA Foreshore Survey
- MOLA Building Recording of river wall



## 2018

 MOLA excavation of main shaft



## 2017

 MOLA monitoring of landside UXO and obstruction clearance



## 2016

 MOLA monitoring of cofferdam installation on foreshore



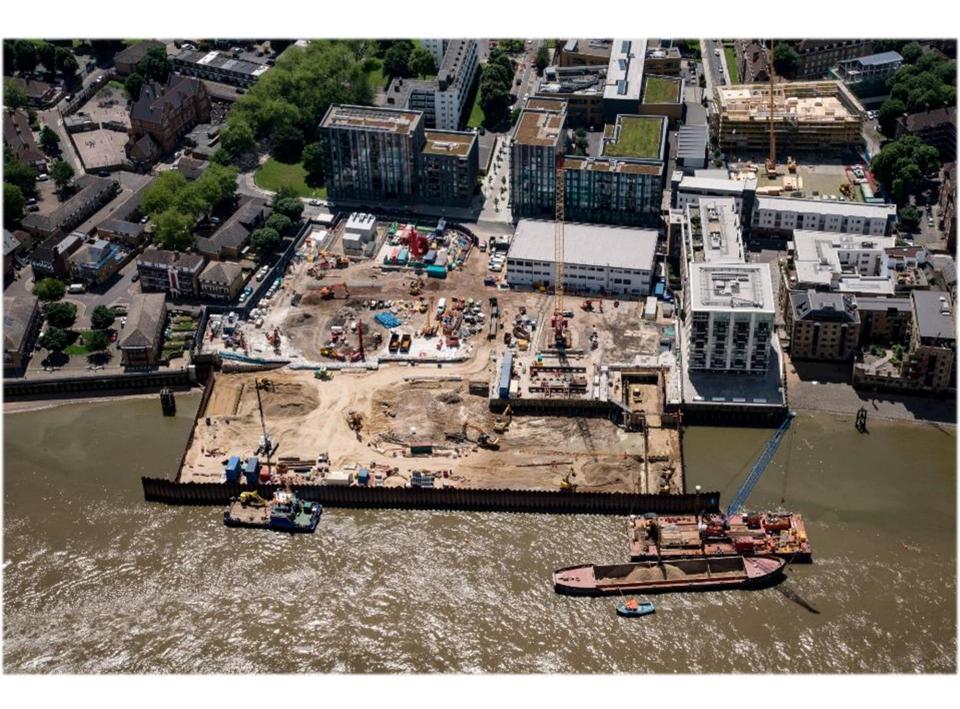






















# Plan of major structures and their preliminary phasing



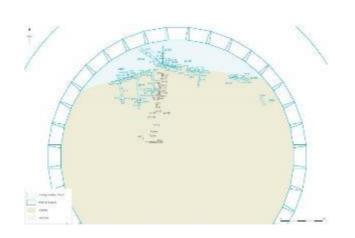




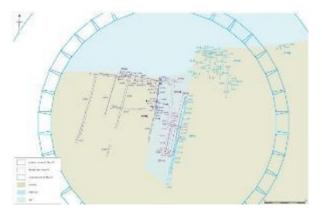


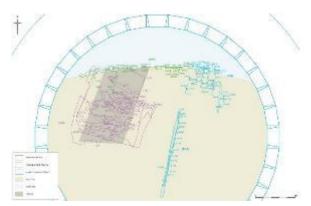
- Waterfronts have been assigned a provisional 17<sup>th</sup> century date.
- The revetments were similar to the 17th century structures recorded during the CSO shaft excavation - comprising vertical posts set into a horizontal sill beam with on edge plank sheathing attached to the riverward face.
- Many of the revetment components were reused from medium to large vessel timbers.
- Tree ring samples and specialist finds analysis will help to provide confirmation of the assumed date.
- Below the structures have been provisionally phased but this will be refined after specialist analysis

# **Chambers Wharf – 17**th century quays

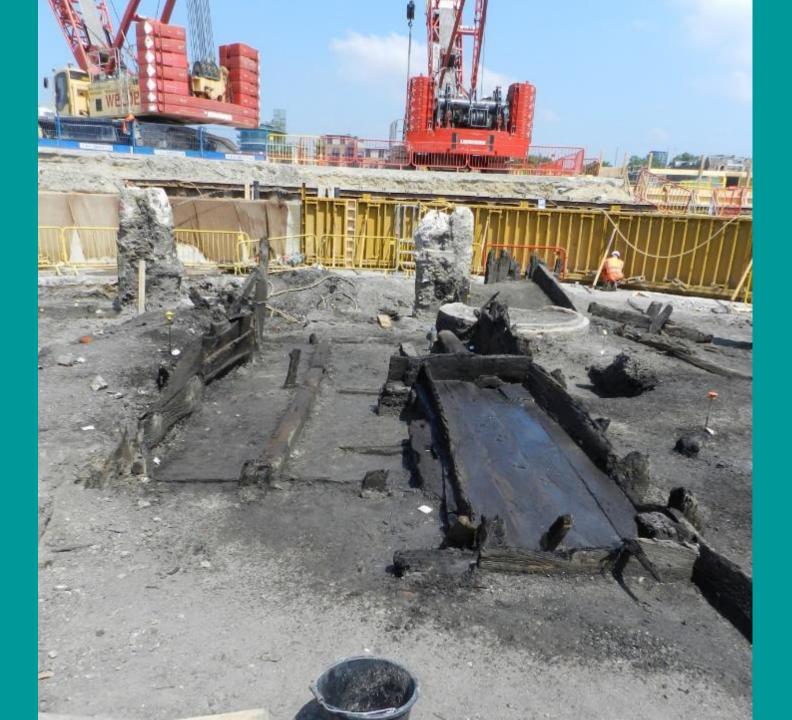


















# Re-used ship rudder













# **Finds**





















# 500-Year-Old Skeleton Found in London (Thigh-High Boots and All)



Excavating a skeleton believed to date from 500 years ago at Chambers Wharf in southeast London in June. Mola Headland Infrastructure/EPA, via Shutterstock

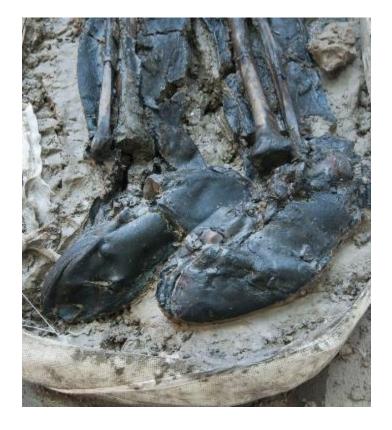
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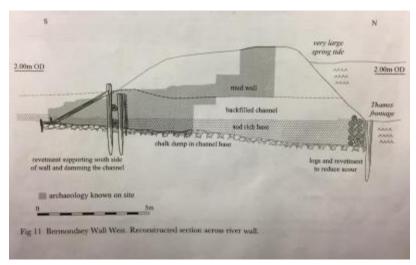
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m LONDON}$  — Britons fishing or scavenging in the River Thames in central London are a rare sight these days.

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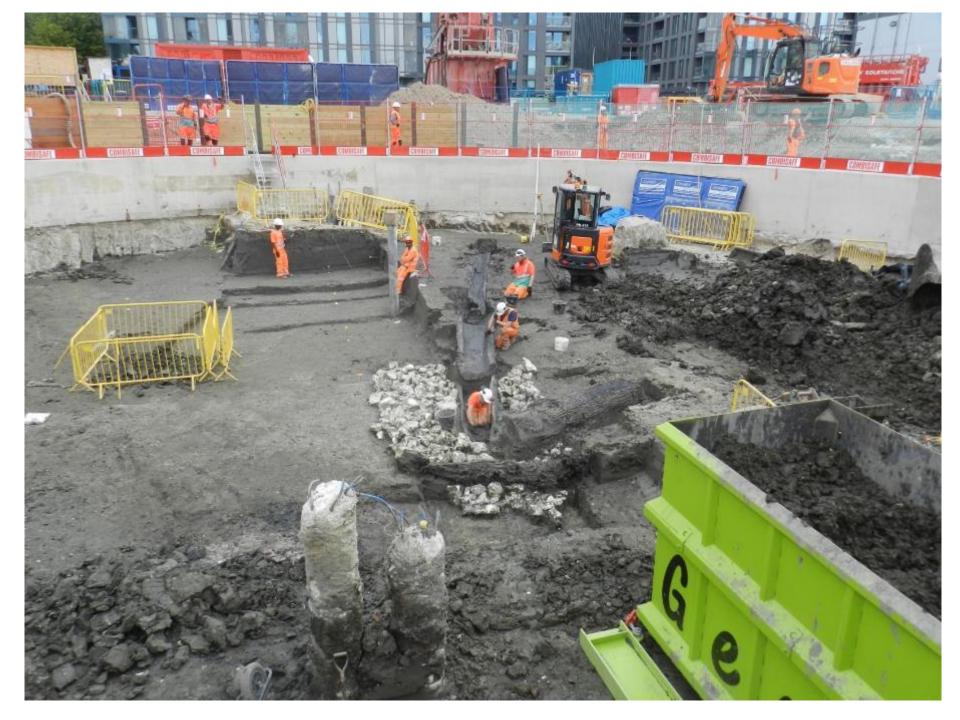
# **CHAMBERS WHARF Bermondsey wall and sluice**





















# **Further work**



 Processing, analysis, and eventually publication of results



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