

# Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area

Draft

Community Events 12th/13th July: Summary of Feedback Received

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August 2019





## This note has been prepared to provide a record of feedback gathered during the Kensal Canalside community weekend event in July 2019.

### a. Event Overview

#### Purpose

The purpose of the Kensal Canalside community weekend event, was to share local knowledge and obtain feedback to inform the emerging Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). The first half of the event on both days started with walk and talks (two each day) around the area where attendees talked to the main landowners and Icenl about what they liked and disliked and described any aspirations or concerns. This was followed by a group discussion on Friday 12th July, and a more informal drop-in discussion on Saturday 13th July. Exhibition boards displaying initial design ideas were displayed on both days. A copy of the exhibition boards can be found in Appendix B.

#### Venue

The event was held over two days in two different locations close to the Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area:

- Friday 12th July 2019 between 2pm and 6pm at SPID Theatre Company, Kensal House Community Rooms, Kensal House Estate, Ladbroke Grove, London W10 5BQ; and
- Saturday 13th July 2019 between 10am and 2pm at All Saints Catholic College, 75 St Charles Square, London, W10 6EL

#### Attendance and Advertising

Across the two days around 40 members of the public attended.

The event was advertised with 6,848 A5 flyers delivered twice, door-to-door in the Ladbroke Grove Area, via social media, direct email invites to key stakeholders and with a three-quarter page advert in the North Kensington News. A copy of the flyer and advert in the North Ken News can be found in Appendix C.

#### Built-ID (draft feedback to date)

Following the Kensal Canalside community weekend, a new set of polls relating to transport and access went live online from 8th August 2019, displaying the same material as used during the community weekend described above. Since the 30th July to the time of writing this draft report there have been 306 visits to the Built-ID site, with 305 questions of the new poll answered by 66 users. A summary of feedback from the new poll is below:

- That the highest priority for the Canal is cleaning it up and improving safety.
- 79% of people voted positively on using the canal to move site materials
- Feeling safe was ranked as the highest priority for pedestrians
- 65% of people voted positively on using a route through the cemetery
- 83 % of people voted positively on travelling to use more commercial and community spaces on the site.



SPID Theatre exhibition



All Saints Catholic College exhibition

## b. Overview of Community Weekend Feedback

Overall the engagement was positive and those who attended appeared supportive of development and improvements to the area.

There was lots of positive discussion around a replacement Sainsburys store.

There were some constructive conversations held, for instance, there was a positive and useful discussion with some of the boat owners with regards to potential improvements to the area, with an immediate requirement for a water tap.

There is concern about height, particularly strongly from those very close to the southern part of the site.

There was clear concern around transport and congestion and the impact the volume of new homes being discussed could have.

The majority appeared supportive of new linkages across the railway and into the cemetery but there was nervousness about the management of the linkages, the potential for antisocial behaviour and impact on the setting of the cemetery.

There was a desire to see the whole of the site as part of the next consultation, partly out of interest but also to assist with gaining perspective on how the development could come forward.



## c. Feedback Received

Below we have noted the feedback received. This includes written comments and comments/ questions noted down by facilitators. We have grouped the feedback by area/ theme.

### Connectivity and Transport

- It was commented that the existing road network is heavily congested during morning and evening rush hours.
- An attendee questioned the road bridge between the north and south sites and how this might connect into existing road network to south. It was commented that the road is already congested and questioned why the bridge was required. The pedestrian bridge was preferred but it was asked why this was considered necessary.
- It was commented that Ladbrooke Grove/ Barlby Road/ Harrow Road junctions are already heavily congested especially in the morning and from about 3.30pm. It was asked how the area cope with more traffic including construction traffic and if the new schemes will be car free?
- Questions were raised around Crossrail and some disappointment that there was no new station.
- Cemetery and 'connectability' for use of open space and commuting was discussed.
- An attendee commented that a road bridge would be a bad proposal sharing that a pedestrian bridge would be a better idea to improve access for all.
- Congestion and overcrowded buses during rush hour at Ladbrooke Road and Barlby Road was highlighted.
- It was commented that the idea of a pedestrian bridge sounds good.
- Issues with traffic management with any major development near Ladbrooke Grove and Scrubs Lane. It was commented that it would be useful to have a pedestrian bridge from Barlby Road area to the new site.
- It was recommended that having an estate with shuttle buses etc like Park Lane in Sheffield should be considered.
- It was commented that the junction should be modelled as a trio (Harrow and Barlby).
- One attendee commented that the biggest issue is buses getting into site as they get clogged up on the roundabout. It was asked if they should enter the site.
- Reduce need for vehicle access as much as possible. Give priority to pedestrians, bikes and buses.
- Any new bridges should be wheelchair accessible with lift.
- There should be links to HS2 should improve the offices on site.
- There should be bus access & termini through to the western side of Kensal Gasworks site.
- Access to/across to Old Oak Common on new route south of rail tracks was suggested.
- It was commented that a Crossrail station would be good as well as a bus service that serves the scheme, so people don't have to walk from Ladbrooke Grove.
- Access and connectivity should be a key consideration - i.e. how to link north and south sides of the site.
- Residents recognised that different groups use the canal path in different ways e.g. it is a popular commuter route for cyclists. Management of an improved cycling route along the canal was agreed as important.
- One resident suggested there should be bus access and a terminal through to the western side of the site.
- Suggestion that there should be access to/across to Old Oak Common on a new route south of the railway tracks.
- Concerns expressed about how 3,500 new residents will be able to access the site from one main road. RBKC answered that they are looking at improved cycle, pedestrian and bus routes and how they can function across the site.
- One resident commented that the cycle route along the canal towpath needs to be looked at as currently it is very busy and not safe for pedestrians. RBKC replied that they will only be able to improve one section of the path which falls within the boundary of the development.
- KTRA commented that Harrow Road Crossing is a notoriously poor and needs to be improved as part of this development. RBKC agreed, however this is Westminster controlled.



- A resident asked whether a pre-existing overground tube stop would be reinstated. RBKC have lobbied for this.
- One resident commented that 'road discussions should be leading this project'.
- It was recognised that the bus infrastructure needs to be improved. Residents cited 6/7 popular existing bus routes, and they would welcome a major bus terminus at the centre of the development.
- One resident asked how the area will cope with more traffic including construction traffic? Will the new scheme be car free?
- There should be north south access across the site.
- Quality and Connectivity agreed as the key issues.
- One resident commented "there is no point in this development if people cannot get in or out of it".
- A resident from North Kensington Environment Forum commented 'if you don't connect the site outwards it doesn't work'.

### Height and Massing

- Comment that this is the right place for height.
- It was commented that tower blocks were not wanted.
- Issue of very high buildings and density to match. It was questioned how popular the buildings will they be in 20 years' time.
- Relative heights of buildings across site discussed and the idea of height to the railway south side of the northern site with lower height to the canal acknowledged.
- It was suggested landmark buildings should include references to our local identity – what about a clock tower or a water tower?
- One resident commented that the height of the housing is going to be one of the most important considerations.
- Concerns were expressed about massing. One resident had reservations about tower blocks overlooking the cemetery.
- One resident commented that they like "the New York feel" of the proposals but the height should work sensitively with the area.
- It was fed back that for people to understand what the density of the site might mean the visuals presented need to be clearer. This resident felt that the development principles displayed were ambiguous in relation to the capacity modelling board.

### New Homes

- Should be suitable for disability access. Wheelchair units on ground floor ideally. If any are above ground floor there should be more than one lift.
- Any plans to include sheltered or nursing home? E.g.

sheltered or extra care?

- It was commented that social housing should ideally not be at the 'grotty' end of the site.
- Questions were asked about appropriate utilities. RBKC replied that this would be provided.
- One attendee feedback that they would like the plans to define what affordable means.

### Canalside House and Canalside Activity Centre

- The social office occupiers in Canalside House were raised and it was asked where they are going?
- It was commented that the Canal Canoe Centre should be kept.
- Canalside House - what will happen to the RBKC buildings and organisations offices?
- Canalside House facilities would need replacement, probably on larger scale.
- It was commented that it seems poor value for money to replace the Canal Boathouse Building.
- An attendee commented "I would like to see Canalside House (RBKC Building) preserved".

### Sustainability

- Let's create 'Living Streets'.
- Garden recycling was suggested.
- The importance of sustainability in construction was raised.
- Consider carbon footprint.
- Questions were asked about green planting and air quality. RBKC answered that ecology and green space will be better and therefore air quality is likely to be improved.
- A resident suggested roof greening to improve air quality.
- A resident from the North Kensington Environment Forum shared that water-based infrastructure such as an electric boat along the canal would be key.
- One resident asked about whether the buildings will be carbon neutral.

### Community Facilities

- Local infrastructure questions were asked such as whether schools/ doctors' surgeries would be provided on site to accommodate new residents. RBKC replied that they won't be building another school but will have funds allocated for education that will need to be spent.
- A community space/hall would be welcome; children's play space; community theatre and a café.
- Questions were asked about what local services would be provided? Hairdressers/nail bar would be welcome along the high street.

- One resident asked whether this would include affordable workspace. Raised the idea of artists' workspace or a new artist centre. There are currently waiting lists for artists to occupy sites so there is a local demand and would also be a way of celebrating the area's creative heritage. There could be an opportunity for meanwhile use here.
- It was commented that "a lot of young people would visit the site" if it had creative uses.
- It was commented that the site "can't be Portobello 2".
- One attendee commented that investment in new health infrastructure is a "must". If there is no doctor's surgery or hospital built, the scheme should invest in existing medical facilities in the area.
- It would be good to have a museum on site based on the history of the local travelling community.
- It was suggested that the site could partner with places like Island Studios.
- Attendees from the North Kensington Environment Forum commented that more information is needed on how you make good communities and high-density developments. If the design team were to facilitate a bus ride to nearby high-density developments, they would be keen to attend.
- There should be accessible amenity space that local people are able to afford.

### Green Spaces

- An attendee commented "the immediate area next to the railway line I feel strongly should be built up with trees as an absolute essential for air pollution and air quality. It has been on the news how vital the trees are and how effective they are. If you build only houses you will create a social problem for later with no areas for people to breathe. Our area already has had severe environmental pollution from Grenfell. Too sad, but important to remember."
- Green spaces should be accessible to all (not gated or walled off).
- Central pedestrianised areas on both sides would be good e.g. with cafes and shops etc.
- Questions were asked about the Council's plans for the scrubland and it was noted that RBKC has aspirations to link up the scrubland but have encountered land ownership issues.
- Questions were asked about what was planned for Kensal Green cemetery and the surrounding area.
- One resident commented that they hate the idea of the cemetery simply becoming a "path" through the local area. It is not a park, but a space of remembrance and this needs to be balanced carefully.
- One attendee commented that there is a need for more public open space.

### The Grand Union Canal

- It was commented that the canal is a bonus and "lifeline", which is very well used.
- A permanent water supply for canal boats was requested.
- Boat owners requested a rubbish collection point, sewage 'flush out' provision, boatyard maintenance and boat-owners compound.
- Boat owners perceived that Canal and River Trust are difficult to deal with.
- The canal path has pinch points rectified in part by the widening of the path to accommodate the HV cables (conversation prompted by cyclists riding around pedestrians).
- Potential for workspace areas linked to canal.
- Looking at Paddington Basin was suggested as an example.
- Lots of bird life.
- Wildlife is beautiful.
- Keep wildlife corridor.
- It was commented a heron has been seen on the canal.
- Duncan Terrace in Islington raised with regard to boat owners conflicting with adjacent house owners and how this could be avoided.
- The potential for permanent residential canal boat moorings in the new restored basin were discussed.
- Include the waterway identity in the development.
- An environmental programme along the Canal was suggested.
- It was commented that cyclists dominate along canal route.
- Dog mess bins and cleaners for the canal path and wider site were suggested.
- A café to enjoy the canal was suggested.
- Activities for families was suggested.
- It was perceived that cyclists sometimes are an issue.
- It was suggested that the canal could support sustainability proposals.
- It was commented that it would be good to reopen filled in dock.
- It was commented that a pedestrian bridge to the cemetery and some facilities there would be good.
- Questions were asked around maintenance and upkeep of the canal.
- Temporary hard standing in vicinity since Christmas, appears to be waste transfer station, leads to dust further up the river.
- It was suggested that the canal towpath could be widened.
- There is an opportunity to link up the canals with the cemetery – residents did not like the current cemetery railings but appreciate this could have ASB implications. Kensal Triangle Residents Association

commented that they have argued for years to create a link from the cemetery to the canal; but this came to nothing.

- Seating space would be welcome along the canal. The current space was described as 'utilitarian'.
- It was agreed by several attendees that more could be done to maximise the use of the Canalside and associated space, but without spoiling the much-valued tranquillity.
- A resident commented that there should be access to the cemetery via the canal.
- It was recognised that there could be an opportunity for green space alongside the canal to be developed e.g. small parks. Cafes/services alongside the canal should also be explored.

### Sainsburys

- There was lots of positive discussions around replacing the store from attendees.
- It was commented that air quality is poor in this area.
- An attendee noted that the viability case for Sainsburys should not leave an excuse to forget about other legitimate uses for the site.
- It was commented that the roads must be designed for delivery lorries and is likely to exacerbate congestion.

### Gas Holders

- Gas holder contamination was discussed and the process of demolition.
- The nature of conservation decisions surrounding the gas holders was discussed.
- An attendee expressed regret at losing the gas holders, due to the link with the area's history, the engineering they celebrate and their iconic image.

### Southern Boundary/ Barbly Gardens

- Residents of Barbly Gardens voiced concerns about the height and the proposed link from this area into a new development.
- Attendees that were architects themselves, voiced a desire for high-quality design in this area. They perceived the Barbly School as an example of insensitive design in the area.
- It was pointed out that the green area directly adjacent to the Barbly Garden properties that used to be closed is now used for dog walking.
- It was highlighted local trees have been lost.
- Discussed the potential for communal gardens/ linear garden to the rear of the properties here which was of interest.
- Attendees commented that the like Wormwood Scrubs as a local facility and use it regularly.
- It was raised that the site is close to a Conservation Area.

### Aspirations for the Future

- Consider the musical history associated with the area.
- Consider the long and complex history of the area and deep routes, which goes back to the racecourse
- It was highlighted that there is currently no corner shop.
- An attendee commented "let's make this our crowning glory".
- It was commented that this is the future of London, and asked how we plan this? There is a need to include local identity.
- The memorial site should be kept. To be made more inviting and larger to honour all the people who died.
- Need community rooms (equivalent to a village hall) where people from private and social housing meet and mingle. Residents Association?
- To be able to move around safely and easily.
- One resident asked if RBKC were in discussions with Brent Council. Attendees agreed that collaboration across boroughs and communities is an important consideration.
- An attendee commented that the site should consider how we 'use spaces better in the city without destroying them'.
- Members of the North Kensington Environment forum expressed that the site should 'plan for the future'. It should consider the introduction of electric vehicles and other technology of the future.
- It was commented that "this site is a great opportunity as long as it is done sensitively", and "doesn't have an impact on the people already living here".
- The site should "make links" with people through "real things".
- One resident commented they would like to see "a place where people are able to live happily".



# d. Appendices

Exhibition Boards



# Welcome



Site Location

### About Kensal Canalside

Kensal Canalside has been allocated as one of 38 Opportunity Areas in London within the London Plan and the Council's Local Plan. It will bring a minimum of 3,500 new homes and 2,000 new jobs to the local area. The Council is engaging with the community and landowners to produce a guidance document for the site. The guidance document will be called a supplementary planning document.

### Housing Need in London

The lack of supply of the homes that Londoners need has played a key role in London's housing crisis. The 2017 London Strategic Housing Market Assessment identified a significant overall need for housing, and for affordable housing in particular. The new London Plan suggests that London needs 66,000 new homes each year, for at least twenty years to meet the demand. Delivering the housing London needs will be a huge challenge that will require everyone involved in the housing market to work together. Kensal Canalside is the Council's largest opportunity to contribute to tackling the Borough's and London's housing need.

### What are Opportunity Areas?

There is a pressing need for new homes in London. Opportunity Areas are London's major source of brownfield land which have significant capacity for development - such as housing or commercial use - and existing or potentially improved public transport access.

### What is a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)?

The SPD will guide where and how development should take place over the next 15 years, reflecting community and Council expectations, and once agreed and adopted it will be used to assess and determine relevant planning applications. The document will be completed by early 2020.

### What is Happening Now?

Before preparing the guidance document, the Council is consulting on an emerging vision for Kensal Canalside. It has been prepared by the Council using extensive local research including the consultation responses collected so far. The purpose of this consultation stage is to ensure that anyone who is interested, particularly the local business and resident communities and affected landowners, has the opportunity to comment on what should be included in the document.

**The Council wants to hear from local people and believes that local knowledge and opinions will result in a better plan.**



Land Ownership

For more information visit the give my view website [www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside](http://www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside). You can also email the team directly at [kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk).






# What has been the feedback so far?

We have been collecting comments about the future of Kensal Canalside in a variety of ways:



1,112 people have answered online polls



7,959 questions answered



5,000 individual visits to the website



4 drop in sessions have been held



41 comments cards have been reviewed

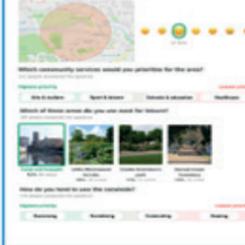
We have analysed all the responses. Comments from the drop-in sessions included:

- Improvements to transport facilities
- Connectivity with Old Oak Common
- Pedestrian access/cycling route linking the site with Kensal Green Cemetery
- The need for a bridge across the railway
- Congestion around Sainsburys

Key comments from the online engagement are:



What do you feel about current community facilities provision?





Which industry best reflects the local job market/economy?





What is most important to you for the new business on site?





Which of these facilities do you see most in the area?



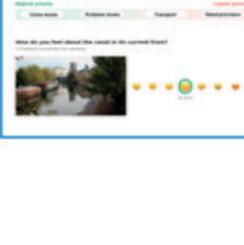


Rank in order of importance from a community perspective



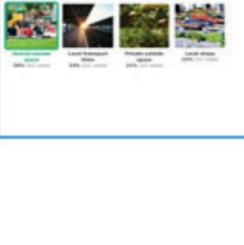


Which of these are most in need of improvements in the area?





What is most important to you for the area around your house?





Which opportunities would be most beneficial to you?





# What are the key site issues we need to consider?

The scope and scale of development in an Opportunity Area is dependent on a number of planning and design challenges, some of which are shown on the diagram below. We know the superstore is important to people and needs to stay open. The gasholders will be removed in 2020 in line with the planning permission approval.



The railway and canal currently form barriers to north - south movement within and beyond the site.

1. The site currently suffers from a singular access road from Ladbrooke Grove.
2. High walls along the majority of the canal.
3. No access to North Pole Depot site
4. No crossings over the railway



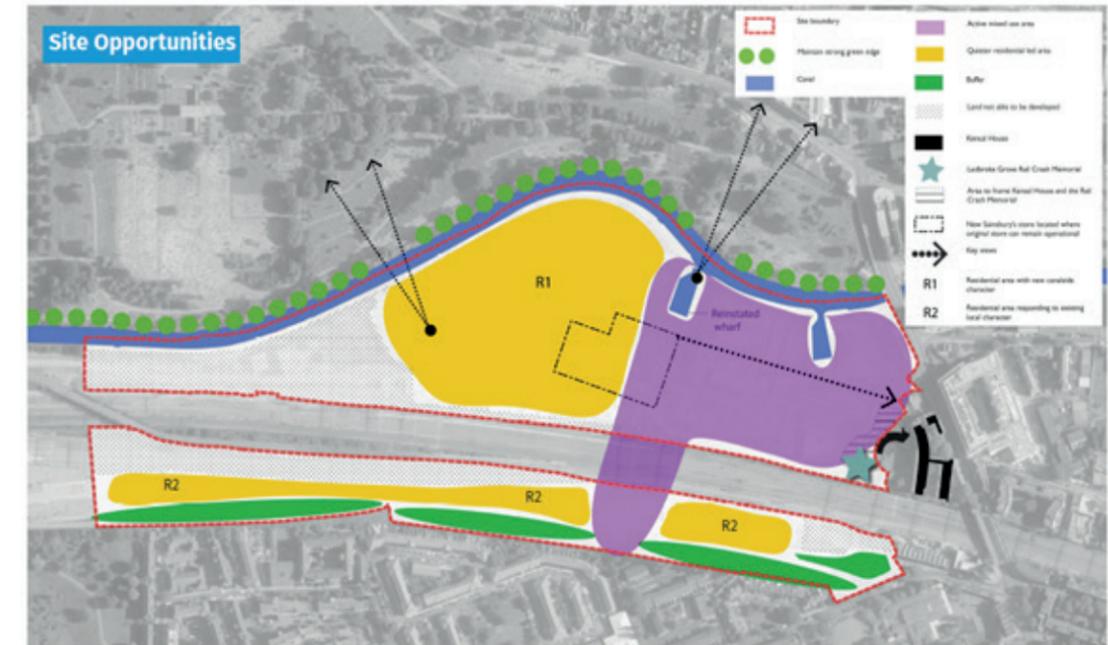
# What are the key site opportunities?

Using the feedback received so far and reviewing the key issues, a spatial framework for change has been developed and is shown below.

"The developers should prioritise keeping a small area of land undeveloped for use as a park and recreational space with emphasis on wildlife."

"The canal walks could be bigger and made into social places."

"I'd love for there to be more local shops, not large-scale business but small businesses supported"



## Movement Opportunities

"There must be a link with the cemetery for residents"

"It would be ideal to put in cycle tracks in and near the area to reduce the dependence on motor vehicles"

"This scheme should include modern cycle infrastructure that reflects the London Mayor's cycle strategy"

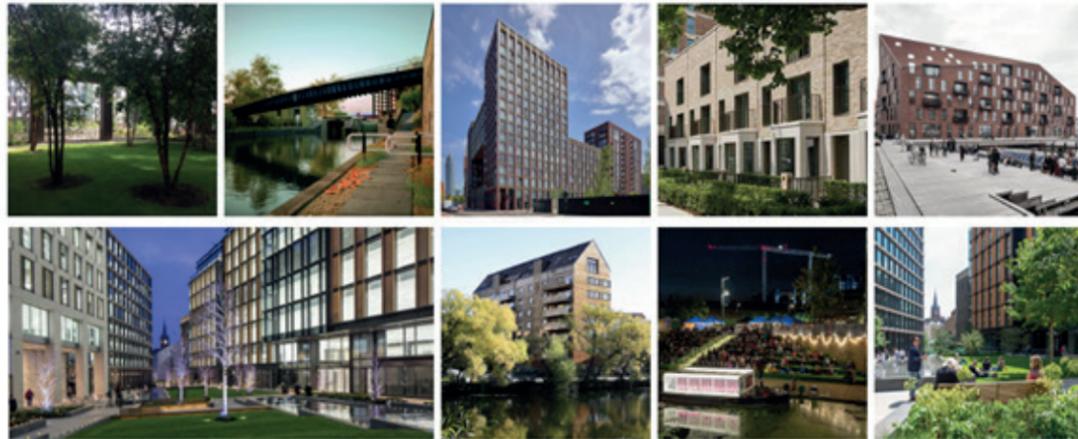
"Link the area up comprehensively with the rest of North Ken and Kensal Rise via links over the railway and the canal"

# Development principles



Guidance will be produced for Kensal Canalside to frame future growth and development. It will include analysis, recommendations and proposals for the area's population, economy, housing, transportation, community facilities and land use. It will be based on public input, planning initiatives, physical characteristics and social and economic conditions.

The potential key objectives of the SPD are listed below – let us know your ideas for each:



1. **Enriched:** To create a neighbourhood that enriches the local area and builds in flexibility for the future, while responding to its existing character and setting, where appropriate.
2. **Connected:** To provide new, legible connections for pedestrians, cyclists, public transport and cars (in that order) into and within the site
3. **Active:** To create safe, inviting, and attractive streets offering opportunities for meeting, playing and staying
4. **High Quality:** To design high quality public open space and social infrastructure
5. **Sustainable:** To deliver sustainable development from construction to management of water, waste and energy on completion
6. **Liveable:** To create high quality homes for all



# Timeframe



# How can you get involved?

We are looking for people who would like to be involved in shaping decisions for the site, not just now but into the future. If you would like to be more involved please contact us using the details below.

Email: [kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk)

Online: [www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside](http://www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside)

Telephone: 020 7361 3012



# Capacity modelling in response to development principles

At the request of the Council, the landowners have been working together to assess how the allocation of 3,500 homes could be delivered on the site taking into account constraints, opportunities and the development principles.

They have produced an indicative massing study, which is shown below.

This illustrates some of the benefits of varying building heights across the site, creating more space at ground level for green space, a high street and public realm. It also allows for a sensitive approach to height along the canal and other key locations.

The massing study aims for a balance between the benefits of placemaking and optimising the site for new homes and job opportunities.

Please note this image represents 3,500 new homes, which is the minimum allocation for the Opportunity Area.



image prepared by landowner's design team

## Appendix B

Flyer

# Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area community events



**Come along to a walkabout and  
workshop, everyone welcome!**

### Community Walkabouts

Join a walkabout of the opportunity area with landowners. Each walkabout will take under an hour. You will have the opportunity to talk about the opportunity area with the landowners, share your local knowledge and for landowners to outline the key opportunities and constraints being considered as part of the masterplanning process.

#### Day 1

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 2 p.m or 3 p.m**  
Meet outside of S.P.I.D Theatre Company, Kensal House Community Rooms, Kensal House Estate, Ladbroke Grove, W10 5BQ

#### Day 2

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 10 a.m or 11 a.m**  
Meet outside of All Saints Catholic College, 75 St Charles Square, W10 6EL

### Community Workshops

Community workshops will discuss the opportunity area, including the challenges, key local community priorities and ways the community could be involved in the area's future. Refreshments will be provided.

#### Day 1

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 4 p.m – 6 p.m**  
S.P.I.D Theatre Company, Kensal House Community Rooms, Kensal House Estate, Ladbroke Grove, W10 5BQ

#### Day 2

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 12 midday – 2 p.m**  
All Saints Catholic College, 75 St Charles Square, W10 6EL



# Come along to a walkabout and/ or workshop:



The Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area has been allocated as one of 38 Opportunity Areas in London within the London Plan and the Council's Local Plan. It will bring a minimum of 3,500 new homes and 2,000 new jobs to the local area. The first stage of our work is to engage with the community and landowners to produce a guidance document for the site that gives more detail about how the site will be developed.

The KCOA team held drop-in sessions in the local area throughout March to begin the conversation with the local community on the development of the site. We are now moving into the next stage of the project and these sessions will share new material that it would be great to have your feedback on.



## Please register:

If you would like to attend a walkabout and/or workshop, please register your interest with [kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk) or call 020 7361 3012.

We look forward to meeting you!



## Canalside calling – Have your say on Kensal's new neighbourhood

The next stage of the exciting Kensal Canalside Opportunity Area project is about to begin, and we want to hear from you. One of 38 opportunity areas across London, Kensal Canalside will bring at least 3,500 new homes and 2,000 new jobs to the local area. The site will have a new supermarket to replace the existing Sainsbury's plus all the services and infrastructure needed for the new homes and jobs.



We will be holding the next workshops on the future of Kensal Canalside on Friday 12 July at the SPID Theatre, Kensal House, Ladbroke Grove, W10 5BQ from 2pm to 6pm and on Saturday 13 July at All Saints Catholic College, 75 St Charles Square, W10 6EL from 10am to 2pm.

If you'd like to receive details on upcoming workshops and walkabout events where you can meet the Kensal Canalside team, learn about the key details and opportunities around the project and have your say, email [kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:kcoateam@rbkc.gov.uk) or call 020 7361 3012.



In March, the Council held four drop-in sessions to begin discussions with the local community. All the feedback has been reviewed and will help shape the planning guidance document for the area.

To find out more about the project and share your views on some initial topics, visit [www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside](http://www.givemyview.com/kensalcanalside) or scan the QR code.



# The Sustainable Development Scorecard

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) has running throughout it the 'golden thread of sustainable development'. In spite of this, there is no clear-cut, NPPF-based assessment criteria to consider a site or project's sustainable development credentials, making current assessment processes both tricky and subjective.

The Sustainable Development Commission was established to address this recognised issue with our planning system. Made up of a balanced cross-section of industry professionals, the Commission has debated the issues and found solutions, culminating in the creation of the Sustainable Development Scorecard.

The Scorecard website is free to use and accessible to anyone with a vested interest in development, including developers, architects, planners, community groups and members of the public. By crystallising the NPPF's guidance into a simple, online analysis tool, the Commission aims to provide a more consistent approach to sustainable development, leading to a more sustainable built environment.

[www.thescorecard.org.uk](http://www.thescorecard.org.uk)



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