



Community Liaison Group

Wednesday 15 February





Agenda



1. Introductions
2. Safety moment
3. Actions from previous meetings
4. Social value update with ACCIONA
5. Project update
6. Community engagement and wider social value update
7. Authority update
8. Q&A



1. Introductions



2. Safety moment

David Cullen

Mental health awareness in the construction industry: Mates in Mind

Mates in Mind is a mental health charity. One of their key campaigns is to improve mental health across the construction industry with an aim of reaching **75% of the industry by 2025**. Negative impacts within the construction industry have become undeniable, but in the last year, Mates in Mind have built a community of **185 Supporter organisations**, reaching more than **187,000 individuals across the sector**.

Key facts:

- Suicide rates amongst construction workers **more than 3 times higher the national average**.
- In 2017, a report showed that **34% of construction workers surveyed have experienced a mental health condition in the last 12 months**.
- **73% felt that their employers do not recognise the early signs of mental health problems**.

Working with Mates in Mind on the NLHPP:

- NLWA are subscribed to Mates in Mind and they are now a partner on the NLHPP.
- We have dedicated facilitators who lead weekly **'Start the Conversation'** to create awareness and understanding of mental health. It provides tools on how to start a conversation round mental health and signposts to professional support and advice.
- Sessions began in January and we can already see the positive impact that it's having through the feedback we've received from participants.





3. Actions from previous CLG meeting

James Sachon



Actions from previous CLG meetings



Action	Responsibility	Completion Date	Current Status
Newsletter to be emailed to CLG members	NLWA	Ongoing	All newsletters have been sent to CLG members. The March 2023 newsletter will be sent to all CLG members.
Engage with Bountagu to discuss primary school and youth group engagement.	NLWA	May 2022	<p>Call between Bountagu and NLHPP Social Value team happened in May 2022 regarding support of a Family Fun Day. Unfortunately the event had to be cancelled however, NLWA are keen to support when a new date is arranged.</p> <p>The Social Value team have reached out to a number of youth groups which Lisa provided details for.</p> <p>NLWA held a briefing with Bountagu and the Edmonton Community Partnership on 9th June to discuss future events and opportunities for NLWA to support.</p>
Fore Street for All Event	NLWA	Dec 2022	Following the last CLG tour and recommendation from REACT, NLWA attended Fore Street For All festival during December to talk to community members about the Project and Waste Prevention recommendations.



4. Social value

Jane McRobbie, Social Value Delivery Lead, ACCIONA



RE-Power Communities



- ACCIONA is the lead contractor for the Energy Recovery Facility at Edmonton EcoPark.
- ACCIONA has developed an extensive Social Value Strategy for the project to outline how we will work with NLWA to offer opportunities to the local community.
- To date, ACCIONA have employed 49 people from the 7 boroughs. Local spend to date by ACCIONA across the 7 boroughs is £3,773m.
- We engaged with the CLG last year about how ACCIONA can support the community. We listened to your feedback and have developed a new initiative: **RE-Power Communities**. Over £180,000 has been set aside to support local projects in through **small grants, volunteer time and donation of resources**.
- The first round of applications closed in January and we received **30 applications**. Successful groups were selected based on their ability to achieve at least one of the following outcomes:
 - Places and spaces that matter to communities are improved
 - People are helped to reach their potential
 - Vulnerable people within the community are supported
 - Community networks that respect cultural diversity are strengthened
 - A legacy of stronger and more connected communities is achieved
- The next round of applications will open in summer.





Time Bank

Volunteer support from the ACCIONA team and supply chain



Community Fund

Small grants of up to £2,500



On-site Resource Bank

Access to construction materials

Enfield:

- AFK – working with disability
- Edmonton Community Partnership
- Enfield Island Youth and Community Trust (ENACT)
- Express Tuition Ltd
- REACT - Residents of Edmonton Angel Community Together
- 21K Digital Media

Haringey:

- Disability Action Haringey
- Haringey Play Association (HarPA)
- Ozer Umagen
- Step by Step London
- Youth on the Move

Waltham Forest:

- Friends of Barnabas Church
- Leytonstone and Wanstead Synagogue
- Walthamstow Toy Library and Play Centre
- Whittingham Primary Academy Parent Teacher Association



Women into Construction



Are you interested in helping to redevelop North London's Edmonton EcoPark & build the greenest Energy Recovery Facility in the UK?

Introducing the Women into Construction North London Heat & Power Employment Programme!



We are encouraging women to sign up to the **Women into Construction Employment Programme** throughout February.

Register your interest at northlondonheatandpower.london/careers.

An **information session** for successful applicants will take place on **7 March 2023**.



5. Project update

David Cullen

Construction progress update

April 2022: Completion of the Temporary Bulky Waste Recycling Facility



April 2021: Construction of a northern site access complete



March 2021: Construction of the Laydown Area offices



Sept 2021: Completion of the Sewer Diversion



Nov 2020: Completion of relocation of the Transport Yard to Hawley Road



*Hawley Road is located to the south of the North Circular



February construction update video



NLHPP Construction Update

Winter 2023





Progress at EcoPark South





Ongoing works at the Energy Recovery Facility site

- In 2022, **Taylor Woodrow** won three awards for their involvement building the new recycling facilities:
 - **Corporate Social Responsibility** award at the Construction News Workforce Awards
 - **Constructing Excellence** SECBE Awards in the 'Innovation' category for the use of Exegy® Ultra Low Carbon Concrete
 - Bronze award at the Green Apple Environment Awards for the use of **Ultra Low Carbon Concrete**
- Taylor Woodrow were also Highly Commended in the 2022 CN & NCE **Inspiring Women in Construction & Engineering** Awards





6. Community engagement and social value



Trudi Axtens



National Apprenticeship Week 2023



- **National Apprenticeship Week** took place from **6th – 12th February**.
- The theme this year was **‘Skills for Life’**.
- To celebrate, we spoke to apprentices on the NLHPP about their experiences and the skills they have developed.



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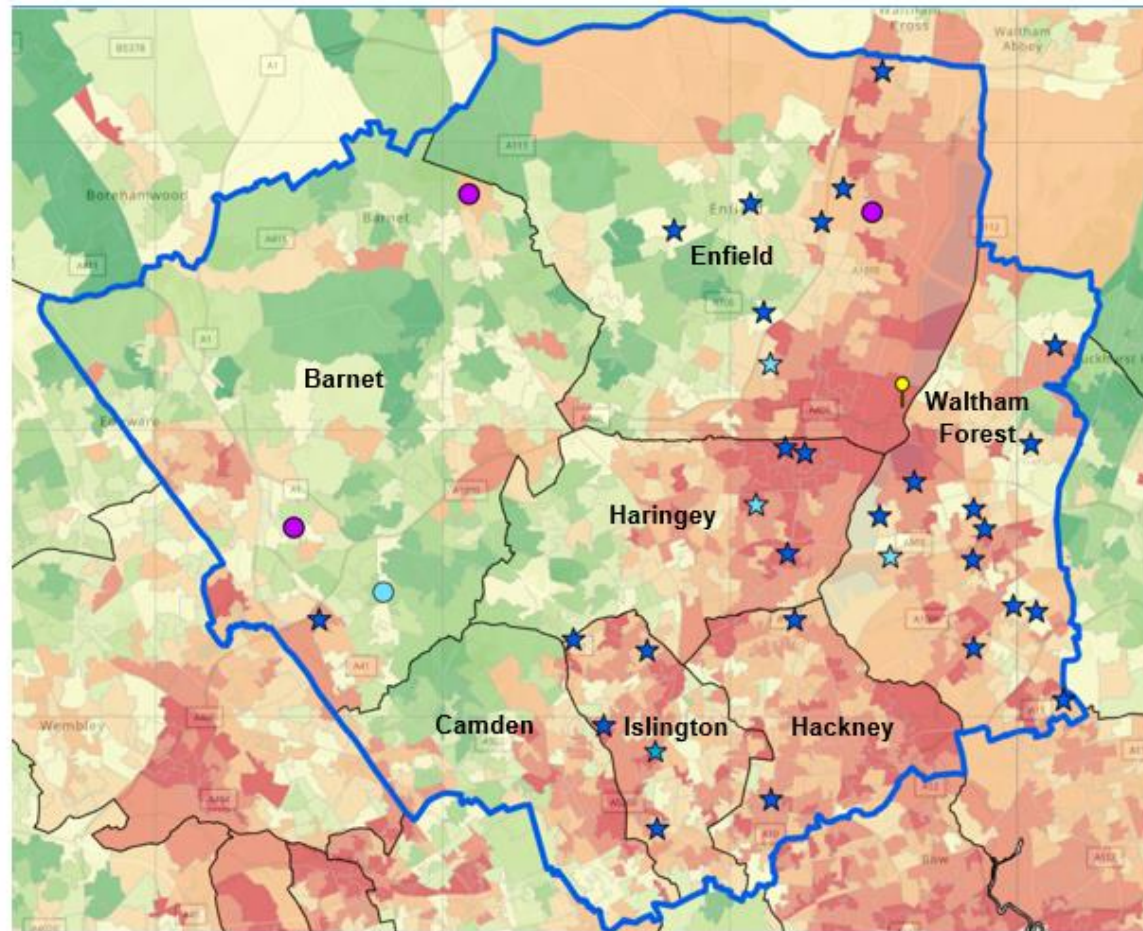
BOROUGH: **Waltham Forest**
APPRENTICESHIP ROLE:
**Quantity Surveyor
Apprentice**

What skills have you developed so far as part of your apprenticeship?
“Using Microsoft Excel to a good standard as this is an important aspect of my role. I believe learning this was key, and I believe that I have done that early on.”

What is your biggest achievement on your apprenticeship to date?
“Valuating costs for a subcontractor to ensure they are paid correctly. This involved me going out on site to see their progress to date.”

Skills for Life #NAW2023

- We have worked with **45 local schools and colleges**.
- We have reached more than **1,500 students** in north London through **workshops, career fairs, work experience and site visits**.



Key

- NLWA boundary
- Project site
- Schools/colleges directly engaged with
- Schools/colleges with planned future engagement
- SEN school directly engaged with
- SEN school with planned future engagement
- Pupil Referral Unit

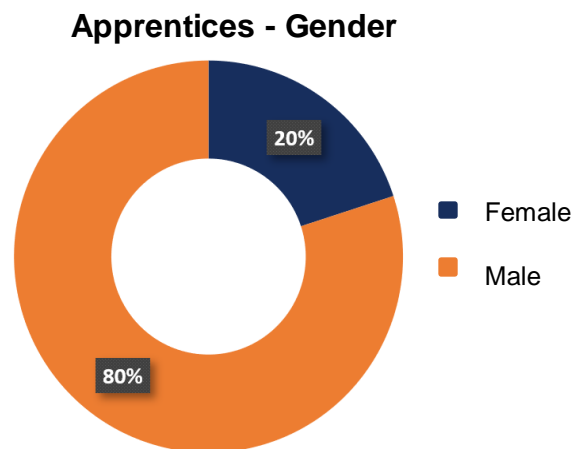
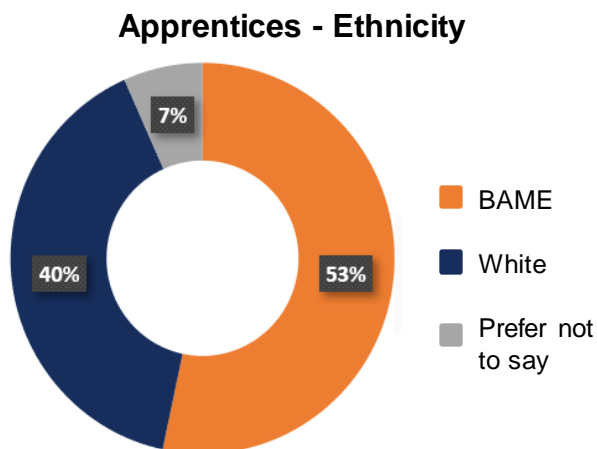
- **141 training placements** have been delivered on the NLHPP.
- We are working with providers including **Women into Construction** and **Enfield Skills Bootcamp** to deliver training placements for north London residents over the coming months.
- For more information about our training placements, visit northlondonheatandpower.london/careers

Journey from placements into apprenticeships:

- A Haringey-based student was unemployed when she joined a Women in Construction programme with Haringey Works and Waltham Forest College. She then applied for a Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability apprentice with ACCIONA at the end of the placement.
- A Waltham Forest-based Quantity Surveying apprentice for ACCIONA recently joined an apprenticeship through the schools' programme.



- Since our last CLG presentation, 11 more apprentices have joined the project, taking the total number so far to **30 apprenticeships**.
- 10 apprentices are from Enfield, 8 from Waltham Forest and 4 from Haringey.
- Ensuring diversity and inclusion in apprenticeship provision is a key priority for NLHPP.





Community Engagement



Volunteering at Firs Farm site (July 2022)



Bake sale for AFK (May 2019)



Ironman for AFK (June 2022)



Upcoming engagement and social value activities



• February

- Delivery of community projects as part of Re-Power Communities
- On-site training placements via Enfield's 'Construction Skills Bootcamp'
- Community newsletter

• March

- Meet the Buyer event for local businesses
- On-site training placement programme with Women into Construction
- Attendance at career fairs for National Careers Week (6th – 10th)

• Beyond Spring...

- At least 8 new apprentices in 2023
- Support a Special Educational Needs internship with West Lea School in autumn
- Engagement with students via the school's programme
- Workshops with youth groups in Enfield, Haringey and Waltham Forest
- Delivery of on-site training placements with Haringey community partners
- Site visits for schools





7. Authority update

Martin Capstick

- **£15m windfall dividend for 7 north London boroughs**
 - Last year, the seven north London boroughs received money totalling **£4.75m** due to windfall electricity earnings from our company LondonEnergy.
 - Last week **another £10.2 million** was announced for north London boroughs from NLWA.
 - The windfall will significantly **reduce the boroughs' waste levies** across 2023, and will mean more money available to fund essential services, finance climate measures, and help residents with the cost of living crisis.
- **£250,000 community fund**
 - NLWA's **North London Community Fund** is providing £250,000 in funding for community groups across the seven north London boroughs.
 - By December we received **38 applications across all 7 boroughs**. Our target was 30.
 - We have identified 12 initiatives that will receive funding. They cover a range of waste streams including, **food/composting, textiles, bulky waste and nappies**.



8. Questions