

Transforming Edmonton EcoPark



North London Waste Authority is transforming Edmonton EcoPark. World-class recycling and waste infrastructure is being built including the UK's most advanced energy recovery facility. It will continue to prevent rubbish going to landfill and use it to make heat and power for local homes. There will also be vast new recycling facilities and an education and visitors' centre. For local people, there are loads of opportunities including apprenticeships and training placements, as well as grants and benefits for local organisations.

Young people gain valuable career insights



Local students learn about careers

Young people across north London are more likely to pursue further study, apprenticeships and careers in science, technology, engineering, and maths after hearing from professionals working to transform the EcoPark.

More than 2,300 students have attended our dedicated schools programme, which is supported by the project's contractors including global infrastructure companies, Arup, WSP, Ramboll, Taylor Woodrow, and ACCIONA.

Students hear from engineers, planners, and architects, as well as finance, communication, and construction professionals. The four main topics covered include recycling and waste, energy-from-waste, and delivering a large-scale construction project.

This autumn, the programme is expanding to more primary schools as well as tours of the EcoPark.

If you would like your school to be involved, please **scan the QR code** or email



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We can tailor sessions to your school's requirements.

School spotlight

West Lea School in Edmonton is an inclusive school for children with special educational needs. The school's purpose is to help students progress to further education and into work. To achieve this, the school has built extensive partnerships with local employers including ACCIONA.

This September, sixth formers came to the EcoPark to see the infrastructure under construction, including the formation of the energy recovery facility's bunker walls and almost complete recycling facilities. They learnt about the wide range of careers that are available on large projects.

One student said that the visit had "opened their eyes" and that they would explore



West Lea School students at the EcoPark

opportunities while one of the West Lea teachers attending said that it had been "really valuable for our students". The

partnership between West Lea School and ACCIONA has also led to a supported internship on the project for a student.

Local businesses and jobs boosted

Local businesses including construction and catering firms have now earned more than **£38 million** supplying goods and services to help transform the EcoPark. And **a quarter** of the workforce are local people.

RE-Power grants

Earlier this year, 15 local groups were awarded grants of up to £2,500 each.

To hear how one group used their grant to improve its community facilities, including installing a new wood floor and outdoor paving to improve access for wheelchair users, **scan the QR code** and watch our latest construction update.



New floor for a local community facility

