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# PARK NEWS

Autumn 2019



## AUTUMN ON THE PARK!

**From international events to technical innovations, it's been a summer to be proud of on the Park! Now as the seasons change, it's time to look ahead at some of the exciting things to come.**

It was great to see so many people out enjoying the Park over the summer months and, with the fountains on hand for cooling off, we think it was the perfect place to make the most of the sun. It's not just us, either - this year we picked up our sixth consecutive Green Flag Award, recognising Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park as one of the best green spaces in the world.

Now the green is beginning to look a little more gold and bronze (bringing to mind the 47 medals picked up by the British team in last month's World Para Swimming Championships...) as autumn arrives in all its splendour!

The seasons aren't the only things changing on the Park, with construction continuing on a number of exciting projects that

you can read more about in this issue. Cancer Research UK will become the latest organisation to move their offices to International Quarter London, bringing 1000 jobs to the area. In the Park's other business district, Here East continues to pioneer innovation and enterprise, with Stafford University's Digital Institute London bringing its esports degree to the capital for the first time.

Six Day, the prestigious international cycling event, is returning to Lee Valley VeloPark in October and the football season is well underway at London Stadium - including women's football, a first for the venue.

The events programme for 2020 is already looking exciting, including the FINA Diving Finals at the London Aquatics Centre, boxing at the Copper Box Arena and rock stars Green Day, Weezer and Fall Out Boy at London Stadium. With more being announced all the time, it seems the Park is continuing to be a home for world-leading events in the worlds of sports, music and culture.

## HAVE YOUR SAY!

The Design Team at the London Legacy Development Corporation are in the early stages of developing masterplans for Pudding Mill, the new Park neighbourhood comprised of Pudding Mill Lane and Bridgewater. Plans for Pudding Mill include new homes to meet the needs of families, a new neighbourhood centre around Pudding Mill Lane DLR station, creation of new workspace and improving connections between Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Stratford High Street and beyond.

To share your thoughts and priorities for the neighbourhood see: [www.puddingmill.commonplace.is](http://www.puddingmill.commonplace.is).



# EVENT ROAD CLOSURES

Our events programme will continue throughout autumn and winter. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns regarding any of our events. You can call our customer services hotline on **0800 0722 1100**.

Information is correct at the time of publication, but please check again with our hotline or on our website nearer the time.



## West Ham United FC home games

Roads will be closed on the days of West Ham matches at London Stadium for several hours before and after the game. Roads likely to be affected include Westfield Avenue, Marshgate Lane (from White Post Lane to Carpenters Road East) and Montfichet road.

Please note, similar road closures apply to all London Stadium events.

## PARK WORKS

Construction work continues across the Park especially in the key development areas of East Bank, the UCL campus beside the ArcelorMittal Orbit and the new East Wick homes.

The new highway connecting London Stadium to Waterden Road is expected to open before Christmas. It has been confirmed that the spur roads will be named Sweetwater Place and Bassett Lane, and these will open fully in the spring once the new Monier Road Bridge is in position.

Elsewhere, the first phase of homes at East Wick are rapidly taking shape next to Here East, and works to connect utilities on Copper Street will continue into the autumn.

Work has also begun on Clarnico Quay, the new short-term space between the Copper Box Arena and the canal. A collaboration between London Legacy Development Corporation, East Wick and Sweetwater and Make Shift, Clarnico Quay will house creative community spaces and provide a use for the temporarily vacant plot of land around the East Wick and Sweetwater development.

## COMING UP

5 OCT	Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 10km Series, the Park
5 OCT	West Ham v Crystal Palace, London Stadium
6 OCT	Urban Rush London, Timber Lodge Café
9 OCT	Chase The Moon 5k And 10k, south of the Park
12 OCT	The Ovarian Cancer Walk/Run, Timber Lodge Café
12 OCT	British Fast5 All-Stars Netball Championships, Copper Box Arena
13 OCT	British Basketball All Stars Championships, Copper Box Arena
18 OCT	Supernova Run London, the Park
19 OCT	Red Trousers Day Ramble, the Park
22 - 27 OCT	Six Day London, Lee Valley Velo Park
23 OCT	London Lions v Worcester Wolves, Copper Box Arena
26 OCT	West Ham v Sheffield United, London Stadium
2 NOV	Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 10km Series, the Park
2 NOV	West Ham v Newcastle United, London Stadium
13 NOV	Chase The Moon 5k And 10k, south of the Park
23 NOV	West Ham v Tottenham Hotspur, London Stadium
7 DEC	British Rowing Indoor Championships, Lee Valley Velopark
7 DEC	Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 10km Series, the Park
7 DEC	West Ham v Arsenal, London Stadium
8 DEC	London Lions v Glasgow Rocks, Copper Box Arena
11 DEC	Chase The Moon 5k And 10k, south of the Park
14 DEC	Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 5k And 10k, south of the Park
18 DEC	London Lions v Bristol Flyers, Copper Box Arena
21 DEC	West Ham v Liverpool, London Stadium
28 DEC	West Ham v Leicester City, London Stadium

For more information and new event announcements, visit [QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/whats-on](https://www.queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/whats-on)

# PARK VISITORS ENJOY A RIDE INTO THE FUTURE!

Driverless Capri pods travelled the Park for a smart mobility test trial as we continue to support innovative technologies.

Did you spot one of the orange and white driverless pods on the Park in September? As part of our ongoing commitment to being a testbed for smart mobility and other innovation projects, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park welcomed two autonomous pods for a two-week trial as part of a research project into connected and autonomous vehicle (CAV) transport services.

The trial – run by the AECOM-led Capri consortium – was open to the public, with visitors able to book a ride using an app from



Photo: AECOM

different stops along the pods' route and select which stop they'd like to get off at. Local schools were also invited to take part in the trial, giving children a useful learning experience with future-facing technology. Students from Manorfield Primary and Rokeby School were among the first to ride the pods as part of a science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) day.

LLDC's Chief Executive, Lyn Garner, said: "Connected and autonomous vehicles will change the face of transport and this is an exciting opportunity to understand the

practical implications of this new technology."

The Park was the very first public appearance for the Capri pods, and proved a promising start. They are set to return to the Park next year – following an additional trial in South Gloucestershire – for a final trial.

Visit [caprimobility.com](http://caprimobility.com) for more information.



## REOPENED CYCLE LANE CREATED FROM WASTE PLASTIC

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park now has the UK's first cycle path to be made from recycled waste plastic. The cycle bridge, along the Greenway in the south of the Park, has been closed for nearly a decade and was reopened in July this year by Thames Water working with Balfour Beatty.

The waste plastic asphalt was developed by MacRebur, who use both plastic bottles and carrier bags to create their road surfaces – it's estimated that the stretch of tarmac along the bridge alone has saved a whopping 1.1 million plastic bags from going to landfill!

## WORKING AT LONDON LEGACY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

If the projects in Park News are of interest to you, you might want to consider a job at LLDC! We regularly recruit at all levels and for a wide range of functions, from finance and administration, to development, HR, planning and marketing. For more information, follow Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park on LinkedIn or visit [QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/work-with-us/jobs-at-lldc](http://QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/work-with-us/jobs-at-lldc)

For those just starting out in their careers, the graduate work placement programme currently has opportunities in construction, engineering and architecture. The programme targets young people who attended schools in Hackney, Newham, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest and are now studying for an undergraduate degree in one of the disciplines outlined above.

One recent participant was Momina Ahmed, who grew up in Newham and attended Langdon School and Sir George Monoux Sixth Form before choosing to study Architecture at the University of Greenwich. She spent a one year placement as a Design Assistant at LLDC and gained a lot from the experience: "Since working at LLDC I learnt something new every single day as there was significant exposure across the industry. My insight into the wider built environment and the opportunities available has impacted on my decision to continue my studies this September with an RTPPI and RICS accredited masters in planning at UCL"

To date we have placed over 40 local people with practices like Allies & Morrison, PRP, Adam Khan Architects, Buro Happold, Stanton Williams & Lifschutz Davidson Sandiland as part of commitments from our East Bank and Chobham Manor design contracts. For more information or to register your interest in the graduate work placement programme, please email [creatingopportunities@queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk](mailto:creatingopportunities@queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk)

# CULTURAL PARTNERS INSPIRE NEXT GENERATION OF CREATIVES AT EAST SUMMER SCHOOL



Aimed at young people aged 13-16 living in the boroughs of Newham, Hackney, Waltham Forest and Tower Hamlets, EAST Summer School is a programme of free short courses and sessions held over two weeks during the school holidays in Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

This year, the EAST Summer School was bigger than ever with over 250 participants taking part in 24 courses



across the two weeks. Ranging from a few hours to five days, these courses were held by world-leading organisations with links to the local area, including the East Bank partners – the BBC, Sadler's Wells, UCL, UAL's London College of Fashion and the V&A. Holding the school at Here East gave the students the opportunity to explore the workspaces of the organisations already on the Park.

From budding performers to would-be digital programmers, not to mention those who aren't quite sure what they want to do yet, there were courses to suit everyone. This included a hip-hop theatre workshop by Sadler's Wells Breakin' Conventions, an interactive drone workshop from UCL Engineering, dance classes, film making and computer game design.

As well as teaching valuable skills and introducing young people to the sort of

roles that will be opening up in East Bank and beyond in future, they offered unique, inspiring experiences and were a great chance for students to meet new people and have fun! One student, 15 year old Mohaiminul, said: "What I enjoyed most is that I got a chance to try new activities that I had never tried before, and meet new friends instead of sitting at home doing nothing!"

At the end of the Summer School, students and their families were invited back for a showcase event, with live performances, screenings and presentations from participants across both weeks.

Applications for EAST Summer School 2020 will open in the spring. Visit [QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/SummerSchool](http://QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/SummerSchool) or register your interest at [summerschool@londonlegacy.co.uk](mailto:summerschool@londonlegacy.co.uk)

## BUILD A CAREER IN CONSTRUCTION WITH FREE TRAINING COURSES

Whether you want to learn the new in-demand trades that industry needs such as dry lining, formwork and groundwork or you want to progress your career to the next level and become a site supervisor or project manager, LLDC has put together a series of intensive introductory courses for residents living near the Park.

We are currently recruiting for the one-day Health & Safety and CSCS courses, groundwork/formwork operatives as well as introduction to construction courses for those interested in exploring the sector as a fulfilling career. Courses are often fully funded and running on an ongoing basis. Attendees must be a resident of Hackney, Newham, Waltham Forest or Tower Hamlets. To find out more or register your interest, please email [creatingopportunities@londonlegacy.co.uk](mailto:creatingopportunities@londonlegacy.co.uk)

## FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY DURING OCTOBER HALF-TERM

Half-term is on the horizon, and there are plenty of ways to have fun on the Park during the holidays. As well as activities running at the Park venues, such as biking sessions at Lee Valley VeloPark and the much-loved Ultimate Aqua Splash at the London Aquatics Centre, we'll be hosting another **Family Fun Day on Wednesday 23 October**.

Taking place around The Last Drop in the south of the Park, there will be a full programme of free activities including arts and crafts, face painting, African drumming, garden games and more.

Everyone is welcome, so come along and bring your family, friends and neighbours! Find out more at [QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/whats-on](http://QueenElizabethOlympicPark.co.uk/whats-on)

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