# **REPORT 1**



Subject:Chief Executive's report to the London Legacy Development<br/>Corporation BoardAgenda item:Public Item 4Report No:1Meeting date:27 September 2012Report to:BoardReport of:Dennis Hone, Interim Chief Executive

### FOR INFORMATION

This report will be considered in public

### 1. SUMMARY

1.1. This report provides progress updates on the activities of the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC) for the September 2012 Board meeting.

### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 The Board is invited to **NOTE** this report.

### 3. BUILDING ON THE SUCCESS OF LONDON 2012

- 3.1. The success of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games gives LLDC a great opportunity to harness the momentum of the Games and work with partners to create a new piece of London, providing jobs, homes, schools, sports and entertainment opportunities to local residents, Londoners and visitors.
- 3.2. LLDC has made significant progress in ensuring that the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park becomes a thriving community over the next 20 years, but there are major challenges for the Corporation in the next few months: the Park will be handed over to LLDC in October 2012 for Transformation of the Park to commence, which will allow the Park to start to re-open to the public from July 2013; the process to appoint concessionaires to the Stadium will conclude in the coming weeks; and negotiations continue with the preferred bidder on the Press and Broadcast Centres.
- 3.3. LLDC will also assume planning powers from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 facilitated by a statutory scheme to transfer the ODA's Planning Decisions Team and LTGDC planners to the Corporation.

### PARALYMPIC GAMES

3.4. LLDC's A Day in the Park completion allowed 10,000 Londoners to win tickets to the Paralympic Games. As part of the competition LLDC identified 30 Community Champions who will become Legacy Ambassadors to the Legacy Corporation, representing their local communities and helping to shape the future development of the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

3.5. LLDC used the excitement created by the Paralympic Games to publicise its plans for a Paralympic legacy programme. This will establish an annual festival of disability sport along with new sporting, leisure and employment opportunities. LLDC has pledged £2m to the programme over the next three years from existing budgets which will help to create new homes, public spaces and sporting venues that are accessible, along with introducing a range of sports for disabled people including wheelchair rugby, boccia, wheelchair basketball and goalball in the Copper Box. It will also help disabled people to get jobs on the Park.

### 4. CORPORATE REPORTING TO THE BOARD

4.1. This report updates the Board on progress on LLDC's major projects, achievements and challenges and will be produced for each Board meeting. It will complement the quarterly Corporate Performance Report which will measure progress against milestones, provide management accounts and update on risks and issues. The format of the quarterly report is under review; the next report will be circulated to the Board as part of October's papers.

### 5. TRANSFORMATION

- 5.1. Work has continued to mobilise the Transformation works programme to clear, connect, and complete the Park; construction work will commence in October 2012. The Transformation dashboard, or Monthly Programme Report, is a programmewide reporting tool which is produced monthly and covers progress, commercials, risks, issues, decisions required and trends. The Investment Committee has requested that this report should go to all Board meetings so it will be a standing item as an appendix to this report in future.
- 5.2. At the request of Daniel Moylan as Chairman, the design of Waterden Road has undergone a design review to establish whether the current four lane wide Waterden Road transformation design could be reduced, at least initially, to a two lane road in order to deliver a more sympathetic scheme in keeping with a park environment. The resulting design proposal, as attached at Appendix 1, seeks to minimise the impact on existing Transformation scope and protect the ultimate deliverability of the four lane road should future traffic flows require it. The reduction in traffic lane capacity would require agreement with Westfield and discussion with ODA PDT on whether a planning application would be required. It is anticipated that Westfield will require a trigger point to be agreed for the future increase in road lanes to the current four lane design and an undertaking that LLDC funding would be set aside to facilitate delivery, LLDC will seek to agree this trigger on the basis of travel time from the A12 Lea Interchange to Westfield Car Parks.

# 6. PARK OPENING PLAN

6.1. The Park Opening Plan monitors and coordinates the 28 LLDC workstreams that need to be delivered to ensure that a high quality Park is opened on time (North Park on 27 July 2013; South Park Easter 2014). A monthly Park Opening Plan programme board meeting is held to manage and monitor progress against the critical path. The programme is currently showing red/amber confidence for delivery.

# 7. LEGACY COMMUNITIES SCHEME

7.1. The Legacy Communities Scheme (LCS) planning application to deliver comprehensive mixed use development of the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park was considered at the ODA Planning Committee on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012 and received a resolution to grant planning permission. This is subject to the finalisation of a number of planning conditions and the completion of a Section 106 legal

agreement. The Board is asked to review and if content approve the Corporation entering into the agreement in a separate item on the agenda.

7.2. The Legacy Communities Scheme won a design award from New London Architecture for high quality architecture, planning and development projects in the Capital. LLDC also won the Public Spaces award for 'Stitching the Olympic Fringe', a series of public space projects in the areas surrounding the Olympic site.

### 8. STADIUM

8.1. This issue is being dealt with as a separate item on the agenda.

### 9. PRESS AND BROADCAST CENTRES

9.1. Following the Board's decision in July 2012 iCITY has been awarded sole preferred bidder status to become the long-term tenant of the Press and Broadcast Centres – in keeping with its vision to create a new commercial centre on the Park. iCITY will now have an opportunity over several months to demonstrate that it can deliver the Legacy Corporation's aspirations for the Press and Broadcast Centre site before any agreement for lease is formally signed.

### 10. CHOBHAM MANOR

10.1. The July 2012 Board also approved the appointment of Taylor Wimpey and L&Q as development partner to build LLDC's first Neighbourhood on the Park, Chobham Manor. This will return to London's traditional family neighbourhoods of terraced and mews houses, set within tree-lined avenues and supported by a new health centre, nurseries and community spaces. LLDC expects to enter into contract in September 2012; Transformation work will commence in October 2012 once LLDC takes over control of the Park. The aim is for the first homes to be ready by the end of 2014.

### 11. PLANNING POWERS

11.1. LLDC'S planning powers commence on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012, facilitated by a transfer of planning staff, assets and liabilities from the ODA Planning Decision Teams and London Thames Gateway Development Corporation. TUPE consultations have taken place with staff from both organisations and LLDC is undergoing an asset assurance exercise to ensure that all liabilities associated with transfer of assets are identified.

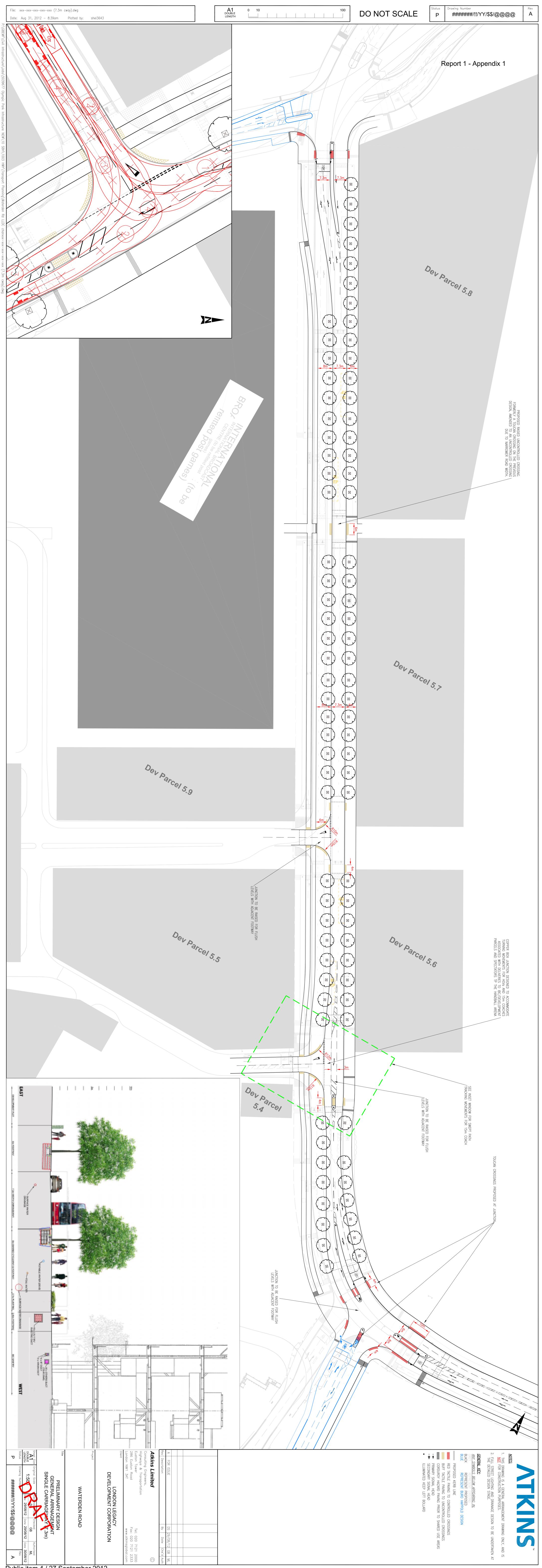
### 12. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Waterden Road drawing

#### List of Background Papers

None

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