

CANADAWATER Newsletter

Welcome to our community and construction update on the Canada Water development – which includes the redevelopment of the Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, Surrey Quays Leisure Park, the Printworks building and the former Rotherhithe Police Station. Read on for the latest updates on community events and construction progress at Canada Water.



Southwark Mayor Cllr Naima Ali (dressed in red) with performers at the Lunar New Year celebration in Surrey Quays Shopping Centre

Coming soon to Canada Water

Corner Corner is coming to Canada Water, bringing together live music, culture, food and sustainable farming under one roof. ... [page 3](#)

Time & Talents builds communities

From tennis and dance to parenting classes and energy saving tips, our partner organisation Time & Talents has so much to offer the local community. ... [page 2](#)



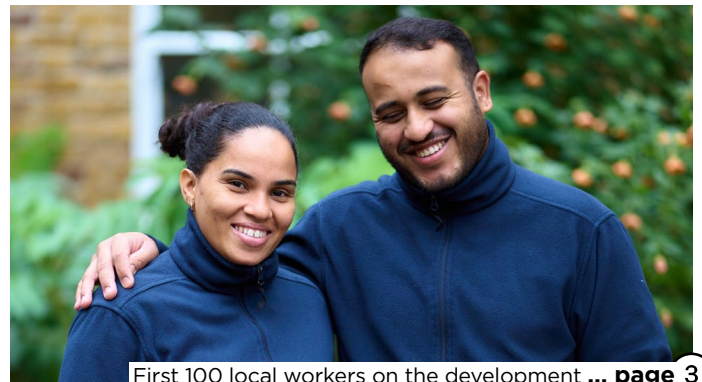
Corner Corner will be a groundbreaking destination ... [page 3](#)

Come and speak to us about construction

Our Construction Liaison Forum will provide an update on construction works taking place across the development. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions to contractors working on site.

Please register your attendance in advance:
email team@canadawater.co.uk,
or call **0800 470 4593 (freephone)**.

Date: Tuesday, 1 April
Time: 6:00pm-7:30pm
Location: Canada Water Library, 21 Surrey Quays Road, London, SE16 7AR
(You'll be directed to the room on arrival)



First 100 local workers on the development ... [page 3](#)

Nesting islands move to Greenland Dock

With the wetland habitats we've created in Canada Dock now complete, the local swans, ducks and other birds have permanent places with ideal conditions to build their nests. This means they'll no longer be needing the temporary floating islands in Canada Dock which we installed while these new habitats were being constructed. At the Harbour Master's suggestion, these islands will now be moved to Greenland Dock, to continue the project of improving the docks as havens for wildlife and places where local people can get close to nature.

To move the temporary islands to their new location, cranes will be operating in the area during early 2025. The start of the year also sees works begin to create a dipping pond at Canada Dock, where people will be able to observe its aquatic life.

Read about how we're managing the new wildlife habitat at Canada Dock at canadawater.co.uk/news/keeping-the-dock-shipshape

Time & Talents offers something for everyone

Our community partners Time & Talents have been active in the local area for 138 years, helping make sure everyone feels part of a community. Below are just a few of their many programmes people can get involved with over the coming weeks:

No Limits Dance

A movement class for anyone who loves to dance. All skills and abilities welcome.

T&T2, Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, Redriff Road, SE16 7LL

Fortnightly

£5, with free spaces available for those who need them

The Break Room

Free hot lunches, teas and coffees for adults of all ages, along with energy advice and a limited number of energy vouchers and warm packs (hat, gloves, scarf) also available.

T&T2, Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, Redriff Road, SE16 7LL

Mondays, 12pm - 2pm - Free

Beginners' Tennis

Suitable for all abilities and all equipment is provided.

Decathlon, Surrey Quays, 9 Maritime Street, SE16 7FU

Fridays, 11am-12pm, from March - Free



Friday social for an older people's group at Time & Talents

Volunteer with Time & Talents

For anyone interested in being part of Time & Talents' mission to reduce isolation, the group have befriending and event opportunities open to individuals. They also work with Corporate Volunteers who offer support across gardening, leading sessions and building maintenance.

For more information on any of these programmes, email info@timeandtalents.org.uk or call **020 7231 7845**.

A year of community partnerships

Through the Canada Water development, we aim to contribute to a community where everyone can thrive. We're proud to have partnered with over 30 local organisations in 2024 alone, to deliver programmes serving the needs of this part of London.

British Land supports these partnerships with direct funding, access to space, and by co-ordinating volunteers from our supply chain. Much of our work with these groups

is through Canada Water Connect, a partnership between British Land and ELBA that was set up to connect people to opportunities being created by the development.

Our partners this year have included, but by no means are limited to, Roosters Boxing Club, Bede House, Bermondsey Community Kitchen, and the Construction Youth Trust. Read more about our partner organisations' work in the community at canadawater.co.uk/news

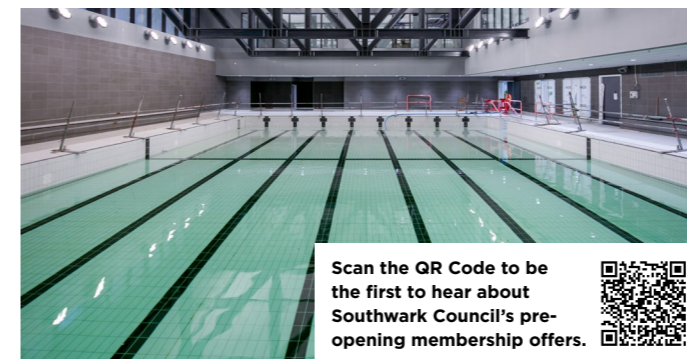
Last chance to see the First 100 exhibition

At the time this has been printed, there are a few days left to catch the First 100 exhibition, celebrating the more than 100 local people who've been supported into long-term jobs on the development. Canada Water Connect, a partnership between British Land and charity ELBA, has been busy linking up businesses with great local talent and connecting Southwark residents to life-changing employment.

Positions created so far range from hands-on construction roles to receptionists and project managers. All employees are receiving at least the London Living Wage, while more than 60 people are earning and learning on apprenticeships and more than 90 local people having completed professional training courses. 39% of all candidates supported into work are Black, Asian or from the Global Majority, making progress towards our ambition to reflect our diverse local community.

The exhibition telling the stories of these local workers will be **next to Superdrug inside Surrey Quays Shopping Centre until the beginning of March**. Catch it while you can!

Canada Water Leisure Centre gears up for opening



Scan the QR Code to be the first to hear about Southwark Council's pre-opening membership offers.



The new Canada Water Leisure Centre is set to open to the public in spring 2025, with its courts, pools, and studios ready for their debut. Designed to inspire movement, connection and wellbeing, the council-run facility will feature:

- state-of-the-art gym with cutting edge equipment for all fitness levels
- a competition-standard, eight lane swimming pool, plus a smaller learner pool
- a swim school offering lessons for all abilities
- three studios offering high-intensity workouts, yoga & Pilates and indoor cycling
- a sports hall with wooden floor, suitable for basketball, football, badminton and more

Behind the name: Marker Way

Marker Way, a new pedestrian and cycle route connecting Deal Porters Way with Lower Road, remembers a vanished trade that was vital to the running of the docks.

During the docks' heyday, the vast quantities of timber and other goods landed were unloaded and moved by hand. To make sure all these packages reached their destinations, they had to be marked according to a system that also recorded origin and ownership.

The markers used a written language intelligible only to the initiated, scribing symbols based on Roman numerals into the wood with a hand tool. Writing in the Port of London Authority Magazine in 1970, the year the docks closed, Editor Alan Cameron noted that, while mechanisation had by this point transformed timber haulage, "along the river you may still find workers who could name the timber in a hardwood log at a glance, tell you what port it was shipped from and where it was cut."

The name Marker Way stands as a tribute to these workers who played such a vital role during a period when British trade and industry made the country the leading player on the global stage.

Read more about the markers at canadawater.co.uk

Groundbreaking cultural venue opening soon

We have received planning permission to create a new flexible leisure and events space on the southern dock edge at Canada Water, where food, culture, live music and sustainable farming will come together. Corner Corner will be the place to go for a distinctive take on the jazz club and a unique food and drink offer featuring street food stalls and using fresh produce from London's biggest commercial indoor vertical farm.

Broadwick, the events management company that reinvented the Printworks site as a major music destination, will take charge of Corner Corner's music offer, with resident DJs spinning on Thursday evenings, and live jazz and ticketed shows every Friday and Saturday.

Corner Corner's dining experience has been curated by KERB, early pioneers of the street food scene in London and the operators of Seven Dials Market. KERB have developed the food hall experience at Corner Corner to represent the diversity of London's independent food scene while championing sustainability.

For all the latest including opening, and what's on, visit cornercorner.com



The dockside will be the place to go for food and music

In case you missed it...

We recently submitted a Section 73 (s.73) application to update the planning permission granted in 2020. This type of application seeks changes to the approved plans, helping us to meet new building safety regulations and managing rising construction costs, ultimately keeping us on track with the development. We have also submitted an application for four padel courts to go at the end of the dock. Visit canadawater.co.uk to find out more



Anthony Stewart,
Level 2 Groundworker
at Galldris



Sylvia Nakatunde,
Forklift Driver
at O'Neill & Brennan



Araci Simone Assuncao
Gomes, Cleaning Supervisor
at Principle Cleaning



Brian Katongole,
Trainee Bricklayer
at City Brickwork (UK) Ltd

Works in progress

Plot A1, Plot A2 and Canada Dock

Works at Plot A1 (The Founding and Three Deal Porters) are progressing well. Wates are undertaking mechanical and electrical testing as part of the commissioning phase of the internal fit out. Works to the façade of the buildings are nearing completion, balcony installation has commenced and landscape works which will form part of the public realm are ongoing.

Works at both Plot A2 (Dock Shed and Canada Water Leisure Centre) and Canada Dock are nearing completion. More information on the new Canada Water Leisure Centre can be found on page 3. In Canada Dock, Galldris are undertaking final snagging works and continue to install the dipping pond in the south-west corner.

Zone G

Contractor Erith continue to carry out site clearance at Zone G (the former Surrey Quays Leisure Park site). Erith carefully monitor noise, dust and vibration to ensure they're operating safely and within the limits set by Southwark Council.



Supporting the next stage of the development

Over the coming months, planned works will continue on the local road network. These works include utility diversion works which are required to support the next stage of the development and a capacity upgrade which UK Power Networks are currently undertaking. This upgrade will help meet the demands of the local area and provide energy resilience for local residents and businesses across the peninsula for years to come.

Due to the nature of these works, timings and approach to traffic management may be subject to change so **please always refer to site signage and our website for the latest information**. To help plan your journey, an overview of works expected to take place by British Land's contractors or utility providers is included below.

The contractor or utility providers will contact close residents in advance of any works beginning. All works on the public highway involve many months of discussion and co-ordination before permits are granted by Southwark Council. We appreciate that there will be disruption while this work is carried out, thank you for your ongoing patience.

Surrey Quays Road and Redriff Road

Morrison Water Services are carrying out utility diversion works along Redriff Road and Surrey Quays Road. To facilitate this, traffic management is expected to be in place in phases until the summer, with pedestrian access maintained. Morrison Water Services are minimising disruption as far as possible. Please be assured that the works should not impact the water supply.

Wates plan to remove the final tower crane from the A1 site in the coming weeks. To facilitate this, we expect the section of Surrey Quays Road from the Dock Office to the junction of Deal Porters Way to close to traffic for two days, likely on a weekend. Traffic will be diverted along Deal Porters Way.

In the coming months UK Power Networks expect to undertake cable installation works from the junction of Deal Porters Way to the junction of Needleman Street, requiring a single lane closure. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Gomm Road and Lower Road

UK Power Networks expect to begin cable installation works on Lower Road from the junction of Surrey Quays Road to the junction of Gomm Road in the coming months. Temporary traffic lights will be in place and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

We are committed to keeping you updated and managing construction so that disruption is minimised as far as possible.

Please do get in touch by emailing: team@canadawater.co.uk, or calling: **0800 470 4593 (freephone)** if you have any questions or require further information.

Get in touch!

British Land are committed to engaging with people in a way that's inclusive and accessible to everyone who lives, works and spends time here. We always look to communicate proactively and be contactable via various means, as well as keeping engagement personal and continuing to listen and learn about the local area and seek ideas and feedback on how we're doing.

All information in this newsletter is accurate as of the print date. If you have any questions or comments, please get in touch with the project team or visit the website. Please also sign up to our mailing list for updates. We look forward to hearing from you.

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