

CANADAWATER Community Update

Welcome to our spring community update on the Canada Water development – which includes the redevelopment of the Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, Surrey Quays Leisure Park, The Printworks, and the former Rotherhithe Police Station.

CANADAWATER connect

Connecting local people to new opportunities

Our new service Canada Water Connect has launched to help local people access the jobs, training and community initiatives being created by the development – more details overleaf.



British Land's Social Sustainability Executive Freddie Broadhurst with Canada Water Connect's newest recruit Kita Berman van Heerden, Team Lead Julie Hutchinson and Employment & Skills Manager Ian Walker

Construction update

Our construction of a new town centre in Canada Water is progressing well and works have begun to revitalise the historic Canada Dock. Piling in the western edge of the dock will begin this month, before the main construction work begins in April. The Deal Porters Sculpture will be removed, refurbished, then reinstated once the works are complete. Hoarding will move closer to the shopping centre around the site, meaning pedestrian routes may need to be diverted to accommodate work between the southern edge of the dock and The Range, but disruption will be limited as much as possible.

Our contractor Galldris is working closely with environmental specialists to minimise the disturbance to wildlife throughout. Measures will include creating silt curtains as a protective barrier, bird feeding platforms and refurbishing the floating islands in the dock for birds to nest on.

The project is due to complete in early 2024, providing improved habitats to boost biodiversity. People will be able to see nature up close with a 170m boardwalk and steps down to the water's edge.

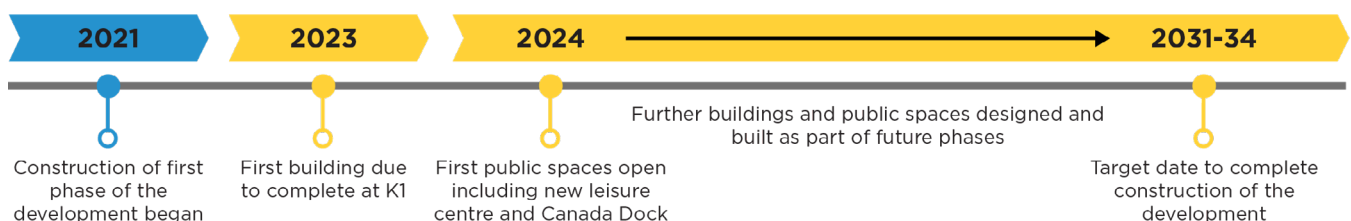
Read on to find out what else is going on with the development and in the surrounding area.

What is the Canada Water Masterplan?

The development will deliver a new town centre for Southwark, with shops, restaurants, bars, offices, and community and leisure facilities, alongside nearly 3,000 new homes of which at least 35% will be affordable. Importantly, the development will include 12 acres of new public open spaces, including a park and a town square.

It is being brought forward by British Land as a 50/50 joint venture with Australian pension fund AustralianSuper, in partnership with Southwark Council. British Land is a UK-based property company and we have been active in the local area for many years, principally as owners of Surrey Quays Shopping Centre.

Construction timeline



New service connects local people to new opportunities



Local people attended to discuss opportunities on the development

Canada Water Connect launched officially on Monday, 20th February at T&T2 in Surrey Quays Shopping Centre. The open drop-in was well attended by residents, schools, businesses, charities, and other organisations in the area. Canada Water Connect's team lead Julie Hutchinson, Employment & Skills Manager Ian Walker, Social Sustainability Executive Freddie Broadhurst and newest recruit Kita Bermen van Heerden were on hand to meet people and discuss the many opportunities for local people that are being created by the Canada Water development.

The new service was established in 2022 by British Land and ELBA, an organisation with 30 years' experience in enabling successful partnerships between businesses and the community. There will be jobs available at various levels in many sectors throughout the Canada Water development, including construction, retail, hospitality, leisure, estate management, and with the businesses that will be located here. We are working with a number of referral partners including Southwark Works, Construction Youth Trust, the Southwark Construction Skills Centre and many others, to get local people into meaningful,

sustained employment. Ian is already hard at work helping local jobseekers find suitable roles on the development and finding people pathways into training to equip them for employment in and around Canada Water.

Connecting Riette to a new career

Riette, a former set designer who had seen her career grind to a halt because of the pandemic, recently began a new career on the Canada Water development. With help from Ian at Canada Water Connect through the application and interview process, she pursued her interest in plumbing and was hired to work with McAleer and Rushe, contractors on Plot K1 on Roberts Close.

Riette is now working towards an NVQ qualification in plumbing while installing bathrooms on site.



Riette is enjoying a fresh start with the help of Canada Water Connect

She says:

"I felt stuck, as I didn't think anyone was going to take on a short, middle-aged lady on a building site no matter how good her grades, but then I met Ian at Canada Water Connect, who got me an interview with HTC Mechanical. My fantastic now-supervisor, Emmett, gave me a chance, and I'm working really hard to justify the faith put in me."

To find out more, including the many employment and training opportunities currently available, to list jobs you are offering locally, and to register for updates, visit www.canadawater.co.uk/jobs-and-training or email team@canadawater.co.uk



Apply for construction jobs now

We want to get local people into meaningful, sustained employment as part of the Canada Water development, and we expect over a thousand jobs, including apprenticeships, to be created by the development.

McAleer & Rushe, our contractor on Plot K1, has the following vacancies currently open for Southwark residents:

- Electrician
- Carpenter

Applications will be accepted until August 2023. To apply please email team@canadawater.co.uk

A CSCS card is required for all roles above. We are working with the Southwark Construction Skills Centre, which runs free pre-employment training courses for Southwark residents, to help them acquire the CSCS card. More information is available at southwarkconstructionskillscentre.com/pre-employability

Mace also has an opening for an **Electrical apprentice**, starting in September 2023.

To apply please email team@canadawater.co.uk

Further jobs, including apprenticeships, will be coming forward soon. To register your interest and find out more, sign up to our mailing list by emailing team@canadawater.co.uk, call **0800 470 4593** (freephone), or keep an eye on: www.canadawater.co.uk/jobs-and-training and noticeboards around the site.

Mace, our contractor on Plot A2, has the following vacancies currently open for Southwark residents:

- Plumber
- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Electrical / Mechanical mate
- Labourer
- Storeman / Logistics manager

Overview of the development



Label	Description/update
1	Former Dock Offices and former Dock Office courtyard: Restoration works to create a sales and marketing suite in the Grade II listed former Dock Offices are now complete. The courtyard of the former Dock Offices will provide a new community space that will be opening soon to the public
2	Plots A1 & A2: Construction work is well underway to build new homes, offices and shops, as well as new leisure centre and public open space
3	Canada Dock: Work to revitalise Canada Dock continues, including the installation of hoarding alongside the dock (adjacent to Deal Porters Way), delivery of site cabins, removal of existing timber structures and piling works. Main works in the dock are due to complete in early 2024, with landscaping scheduled to finish in summer 2024
4	Southwark Construction Skills Centre on Surrey Quays Road is running free pre-employment training courses for local residents
5	Printworks Street / Reel Street (proposed names): Enabling works are underway to facilitate the ongoing development. This includes crossovers and service installation works to facilitate Zones F, H and L

6	We're bringing forward designs for a new 3.5- acre park within the development and will be sharing the next iteration of the plans in the autumn
7	Plot K1: Construction work is progressing well to build 79 homes for Southwark Council and is due to complete in autumn this year
8	Below ground substation (Zone L): Construction work continues to build a new below ground electricity substation at the rear of the Printworks by Quebec Way. It will provide electricity for the development as well as the wider local area. The site will reach full operation by 2025
9	Global Generation is building a more permanent home. It will include a multi-use education space to continue education workshops with local schools and groups
10	Paper Yard: Work on phase two of the temporary modular hub next to TEDI's campus is ongoing, with the completion of works planned for spring/summer this year. The building will be similar in design to TEDI and of modular construction.
11	Zone G: A Reserved Matters Application has been submitted to Southwark Council to develop Zone G, providing affordable housing and a brand new Tesco

Local news

Spring at the markets

As the weather gets warmer, there are plenty of opportunities to do your shopping outdoors. Venture out to some of these stalls this spring and see what you can find.

Finnish Church Spring Fair

33 Albion St, SE16 3HZ

- Friday 24th March: 12pm - 8pm
- Saturday 25th March: 12pm - 6pm
- Sunday 26th March: 2pm - 5pm

Come along and enjoy traditional Finnish Easter treats. There will be a BBQ outside and a café and shop inside, with a wide selection of Finnish gift items for sale.



Thrive's monthly markets

Outside The Range, Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, Redriff Rd, London SE16 7LL

- Saturday 25th March
- Sunday 29th April
- Saturday 27th May

Hosted by low-cost workspace Thrive, these markets on the last Saturday of every month showcase independent local businesses. Come and browse fashion accessories, arts & crafts, plants and more.

Canada Water Market

Deal Porter Square

- Every Sunday 1pm - 3pm

Talented artisans and local producers offer cheeses, breads, meat products, beverages and more. Support your local community while celebrating nature and boosting sustainability.

Surrey Docks Spring Fair

Rotherhithe Street, SE16 5ET

- Saturday 13th May

The highlight of this event is watching the sheep receive their annual haircut. There will also be wool spinning demos and lots of activities for all to enjoy.

Restoration of the Dock offices completes



The marketing suite is open by appointment only

British Land has opened its new residential marketing suite, completing the restoration of the iconic Dock Offices building. The sensitive refurbishment continued the work begun at the Dock Manager's Office with designer Conran & Partners.

The structure, with its recognisable clock tower, has been restored to its former glory. Contractors Wates worked carefully with the building's unique features, showcasing the large trusses, high archways and triple-height vaulted ceilings. Internal conversions to office space from the 1980s have been stripped out to expose the historic brickwork and celebrate the heritage of the building.

Following the restoration, British Land's new marketing suite is now open by appointment only, for people interested in purchasing a new home in the Canada Water development. The historic building continues to play a central role in the story of this neighbourhood.

Half-term crafts at Surrey Quays



Children made jellyfish and other sea creatures

Kids were kept busy during February half term, with a free Under the Sea event at Surrey Quays Shopping Centre.

Across the week, almost 600 children followed a trail around the centre. More than 800 attended arty workshops to make sea-themed crafty creations from upcycled materials, including an ocean-friendly bath bomb, a snappy cardboard shark and a recycled paper sea creature.

The event gave children some fun activities to do during the holiday, while teaching them about ways to become more environmentally friendly.

Get in touch!

British Land is committed to engaging with people in a way that is inclusive and accessible to everyone who lives, works and spends time here. We always look to communicate proactively and be contactable via a range of 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.



If you have any questions or comments, please **get in touch** with the project team. Please also sign up to our mailing list for updates. We look forward to hearing from you.

Contact us: [canadawater.co.uk](https://www.canadawater.co.uk) team@canadawater.co.uk 0800 470 4593 (freephone)

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