

# CANADA WATER Community Update

Welcome to our summer 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.

## Thrive moves into the shopping centre

We are delighted to have helped Thrive, the low-cost workspace that we set up in 2017 with Tree Shepherd, move into a new home in the heart of Surrey Quays Shopping Centre.

Tree Shepherd helps people in the area establish their own business enterprises, and this new prime location puts its member businesses in front of many more potential customers and gives them the platform they need to grow. More on this over the page.



(L to R) Tree Shepherd's Workspace Co-ordinator April Collins, with Thrive business owners Millicent and Lucy

## New cultural venue for Printworks

As the new town centre in Canada Water begins to take shape, we bring you news of our revised plans for the former Printworks building.

The new proposals incorporate workspace alongside a new cultural venue, whilst celebrating and preserving the industrial heritage of the Printworks building.

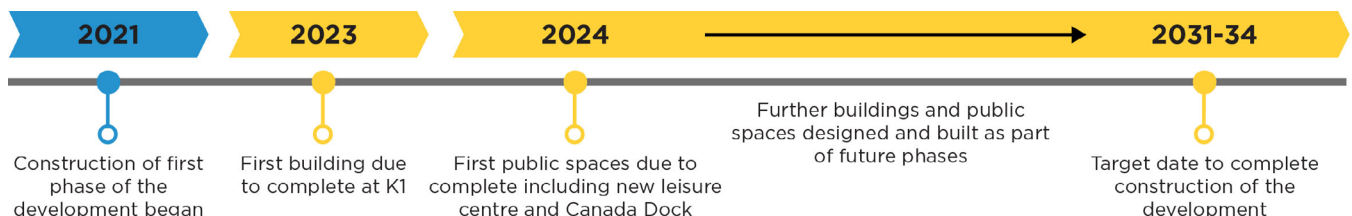
From Monday 26th June to Sunday 9th July, you can explore our proposals through a virtual exhibition. Additionally, we're hosting two public exhibitions where you can meet the team and learn more about the proposals. Further details overleaf.

## 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



Come and meet the team and learn more about our updated proposals for the Printworks building!



Illustrative view of Printworks building

**We are sharing new proposals for the iconic Printworks building which will include new workspace, alongside a brand new cultural venue that will attract talented artists from all over the world. From Monday 26th June to Sunday 9th July, learn more about our proposals via a virtual exhibition, or come and meet the team at one of our two drop in events.**

In July 2022 we received planning permission from Southwark Council to turn the Printworks building into an office-led development. We have listened to the feedback we received and have developed new proposals for the Printworks building to retain it as an iconic venue for music and culture. These proposals incorporate workspace alongside a new cultural venue offering events ranging from live music and concerts to captivating art exhibitions and mesmerising dance performances.

Our proposals aim to preserve the legacy of the Printworks by retaining and reimagining it as a new landmark. Best of all, the new Park, which we are building as part of the new town centre being delivered for Canada Water, will be conveniently located next door.

You can view the proposals in two ways:

### 1. Printworks public exhibitions

Come and meet the team and learn more about the proposals.

**Tuesday 4th July, 4:00 pm - 7:00pm**  
**at Rotherhithe Primary School, 61 Hawkstone Road,**  
**Rotherhithe, SE16 2PE**

**Saturday 8th July, 11:00am - 3:00pm**  
**at The Docklands Settlements, 400 Salter Road,**  
**Rotherhithe, SE16 5AA**

### 2. Virtual Public Exhibition

Or, if you prefer to view the proposals online, visit: [cwm.exhibition.app](http://cwm.exhibition.app) or scan the QR code. The website will be live from:

**Monday 26th June - Sunday 9th July 2023.**



We can also provide printed copies of the information shared in the virtual exhibition. If you don't have internet access or would prefer to receive it in this format, please get in touch with the team.



## Apply for construction jobs now

**We want to get local people into meaningful, sustained employment as part of the Canada Water development, and we anticipate around a hundred construction jobs and apprenticeships to be generated over the next four years.**

Across the development we have various job opportunities open with the contractors building our sites. Many of these are reserved exclusively for Southwark residents. Roles that have recently become available include social value managers, sustainability managers, plumbers and electricians.

For an up-to-date list of current vacancies and details of how to apply, scan this QR code to visit our jobs and training page.



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](mailto:team@canadawater.co.uk), call **0800 470 4593** (freephone), or keep an eye on [www.canadawater.co.uk/jobs-and-training](http://www.canadawater.co.uk/jobs-and-training), [canadawater.co.uk/connect](http://canadawater.co.uk/connect) and noticeboards around the site.

We are also working with the Southwark Construction Skills Centre to help local people of all ages access these opportunities. Throughout the autumn they are running several free pre-employment training courses for Southwark residents. These courses focus on helping local residents acquire a CSCS card, which can open the door to a variety of construction job opportunities. More information is available at

[southwarkconstructionsskillscentre.com/pre-employability](http://southwarkconstructionsskillscentre.com/pre-employability)

## CANADA WATER

### connect

Canada Water Connect was established last year as a collaboration between British Land and business charity

ELBA, to connect local people into the jobs and other opportunities being created by the Canada Water development. Here's a snapshot of what they've been up to recently.

### Stepping into the world of construction

Canada Water Connect's Ian Walker was part of an insight session with contractor Wates on Wednesday 14th June. Fifteen students and aspiring professionals got to look around Plot A1, immersing themselves in the lively atmosphere of a construction site. Canada Water Connect has also been working with Southwark Construction Skills Centre (SCSC) to invite SCSC course candidates into British Land's Dock Offices and give them an insight into the development through models and VR systems. The Dock Offices have also served as a venue where Canada Water Connect helps Construction Youth Trust run mock interviews.

### Inspiring young readers

Canada Water Connect's Kita Berman Van Heerden attended a session of the National Literacy Trust's summer programme at Galleywall Primary School. Local artist Rod Kitson (see also overleaf) and storyteller Alim Kamara ran workshops to inspire the children to read and get creative.



# Overview of the development



Label	Description/update
1	<b>Former Dock Offices:</b> 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 soon be opening to the public
2	<b>Plots A1 &amp; A2:</b> Construction work is well underway to build new homes, offices and shops, as well as a new leisure centre and public open spaces. Expected completion late 2024
3	<b>Canada Dock:</b> Work to revitalise the dock continues, as piling has now commenced. Main works, including the new 170-metre boardwalk, are scheduled to complete in spring 2024. Landscaping is scheduled to finish in late summer 2024
4	<b>Southwark Construction Skills Centre</b> on Surrey Quays Road is running free pre-employment training courses for local residents
5	<b>'Printworks Street/Reel Street' (working names):</b> Enabling works are underway to facilitate the ongoing development. This includes crossovers and service installation works to facilitate Zones F, H and L

6	<b>Park:</b> A Reserved Matters Application has been submitted to Southwark Council to provide a brand new 3.5-acre park within the development.
7	<b>Plot K1:</b> Construction work is progressing well to build 79 homes for Southwark Council and is due to complete by autumn this year
8	<b>Below-ground substation (Zone L):</b> The new below-ground electricity substation at the rear of the Printworks by Quebec Way is now complete. It will provide electricity for the development as well as the wider local area. UKPN will now commence their internal fit-out, and contractor Galldris will return in summer 2023 to install covers over the transformer bays, before UKPN return again to continue with the fit-out/installation. The site will reach full operation by 2025
9	<b>Global Generation</b> is building a more permanent home. It will include a multi-use education space to continue education workshops with local schools and groups
10	<b>Paper Yard:</b> Work on phase two of the temporary modular hub next to TEDI's campus is ongoing, with the completion of works planned for the end of this month. The building is similar in design to TEDI and of modular construction
11	<b>Zone G:</b> A Reserved Matters Application has been submitted to Southwark Council to develop Zone G, providing affordable housing and a brand new Tesco

## More than just shopping at Surrey Quays

Surrey Quays Shopping Centre's wide range of retail outlets make it a big draw for people in the area. But it's not just shopping, eating and drinking that goes on there - it's fast becoming a community hub for Canada Water. We look at three initiatives that are now working from the centre.

### Time and Talents

Time & Talents is a lively community organisation that works to bring together people who might otherwise be isolated in the community, for fun, friendship and mutual support. It does a lot of work with both young families and older people, running a wide-ranging programme that includes activities from gardening to arts and crafts to mindfulness and many more. Time & Talents now operates from two venues - their original home at the Old Mortuary near Rotherhithe Overground station, and T&T2, a second community space in the shopping centre. T&T2's busy location puts Time & Talents at the heart of the action and enables it to reach many more people.

### Faces of Canada Water

Local artist Rod Kitson is exhibiting 400 portraits of people from the local area and beyond. Rod has been painting faces since 2019 and in that time has portrayed people of all ages and backgrounds.

The exhibition, called Where Are We Now, is on at his Art of Isolation gallery upstairs in Surrey Quays shopping centre until Thursday 20th July.

For more information, visit [rodkitson.art](http://rodkitson.art)





## Thrive's new maker space



Lukas works for Strongman's Tipple, an innovative drinks business operating out of Thrive.

Establishing London's first new town centre in 50 years isn't just about the construction: we want to help to grow a vibrant local economy where businesses based in the area can serve the needs of the people who live around them. We're creating a place where businesses of all types and sizes sit side by side, with jobs at all levels, and where independent operators help forge the new town centre.

In 2017 business enterprise charity Tree Shepherd and British Land partnered up to establish Thrive, an affordable workspace that offers local startups lower-cost rents, as

well as access to free expert training and mentoring. Thrive currently supports 31 member businesses, ranging from filmmakers to beauty therapists to counsellors, with many having already moved into their own premises.

After six years, Thrive has now moved into a new, larger space next to Tesco in Surrey Quays Shopping Centre which 12 of its member businesses use as their base. The new location is just a short walk from Surrey Quays Overground station, putting the businesses based there at the heart of the action.

Thrive businesses sell their wares at a mini market held in Surrey Quays shopping centre on the last Saturday of every month. The next one will be held on Saturday 24th July from 9am - 6:30pm.

Sandra Ferguson, CEO at Tree Shepherd, says:

**"We're excited to have moved to a busier space frequented by more people. This puts the independent businesses we support right in the heart of the action at Surrey Quays Shopping Centre. The new location offers them a base where they can develop and grow to make sure they remain vital parts of the local economy and community."**

To find out more about Thrive and Tree Shepherd, visit [www.treeshepherd.org.uk](http://www.treeshepherd.org.uk)

## Summer fun!

### Love Summer returns!



Love Summer was a big hit with families last year

Summer lovin'? Get ready for the 2023 edition of Love Summer, British Land's popular pop-up park that's set to open in July outside Surrey Quays Shopping Centre from Friday 21st July until the end of August. Last year's pop-up welcomed many people from Canada Water and beyond to The Chill Zone and The Plant Room to relax, play games and enjoy a busy programme of events including live music, terrarium workshops and yoga. More details of this year's Love Summer coming soon....

### Bermondsey Carnival is back

The 123-year-old Bermondsey Carnival was cancelled last year due to lack of funding, but this summer it's back with British Land as a proud sponsor.

The Bermondsey Carnival began in 1900 as a way to raise money for those widowed and orphaned by the Boer War, with part of the funds raised reserved for the families of local soldiers and sailors. Now the local community and businesses have come together to keep it going.

Assemble Gala, which runs Peckham Rye's Gala Festival, has agreed to lend Bermondsey Carnival its music stages - Southwark Park will host the carnival on Sunday 6th August, the day after Assemble Gala's new Rally Festival. A children's funfair will be brought onto site.

Past editions of the carnival have featured music, food and workshops.

### Rotherhithe Festival 2023



Cllr Sunil Chopra, last year's Mayor of Southwark, with his wife Varsha at the 2022 Festival

The Rotherhithe Festival returns to King George's Field on Saturday 22nd July. Running from 11.30am to 8.30pm, the festival is free to attend and anyone is welcome. The line-up will feature live music from acts including Robin BiBi, Bill n Rickey and the Chris Corcoran Band, with Paul Cox and the Soul Intention band headlining.

Other attractions include free children's rides, food, local information stalls and much more. British Land is backing this event for another year and will have a number of free goodies to give away at our stand - please come by and say hello!

## 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.

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