

Wimbledon Park and Lake Master Plan

The London Borough of Merton has recently appointed LDA Design and its specialist team to develop a masterplan for the parts of Wimbledon Park and Lake owned by Merton which will create a long-term vision for the next 25 years and provide focus for decision making and future investment.

Project assumptions

- Must protect and enhance the ecological and heritage requirements wherever possible, whilst offering options for increased opportunities for greater engagement & participation in sports, cultural and leisure activities.
- Must embrace sustainable travel options as a means of access to Wimbledon Park.
- Must be operationally achievable and affordable, seeking to create a sustainable future for Wimbledon Park and lake, whilst improving its long term financial viability.



Scope of works

- Approach this masterplan with a blank canvas, producing a clear and comprehensive 'as is' baseline position for Wimbledon Park, taking account of all limiting factors and the severity of those limiting factors.
- Create a fully-costed (revenue & capital) masterplan for Wimbledon Park and Lake, taking account of all of the opportunities, competing interests and restrictions and ensuring that the proposals are encompassed within a new landscape for Wimbledon Park, whilst being respectful of the history of the park, the landscape and environmental assets.
- Produce five flexible design concept options with high level business cases that respond to and reflect future recreational, sporting, and cultural and leisure needs in so far as they can be predicted at this time.

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- These concept options would be put forward to council for shortlisting for public consultation (three options maximum to go out to public consultation) and following those processes produce a final masterplan with a detailed business case for council approval.
- Ensure that within any concept designs future opportunities, limiting factors and risks are all clearly identified and logged for further use should the concept designs be taken forward.

Contractors

- LDA Design is one of the UK's leading experts in park regeneration and design. Their portfolio includes many historic and new urban parks throughout the country, including the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Their interest and specialism in the regeneration of public parks and historic landscapes is evidenced through the high number of projects successfully designed and delivered in recent years – both nationally and in London. Many of these have been delivered for Local Authority clients and The Royal Parks, with successful funding applications from the Heritage Lottery Fund. For more information visit the website: www.lda-design.co.uk
- LDA Design have convened a specialist team to deliver the Wimbledon Park and Lake masterplan, which includes Randall Shaw Billingham (Architects), FMG Consulting (Sports Management & Business Planning), Huntley Cartwright (Cost Consultants) and PPS Group (Public Engagement), as well as input from John Phibbs of Debois Landscape Survey Group – one of the world's leading experts on Capability Brown and 18th century parks and gardens.

Community focus group

- A small local focus group has been convened to assist LDA Design through the initial design process.

Public consultation

- Local organisations, residents, businesses and the wider public will be consulted on options for Wimbledon Park and Lake in summer 2016.
- In the meantime check for latest updates on our website and register for regular newsletters by emailing leisure@merton.gov.uk

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