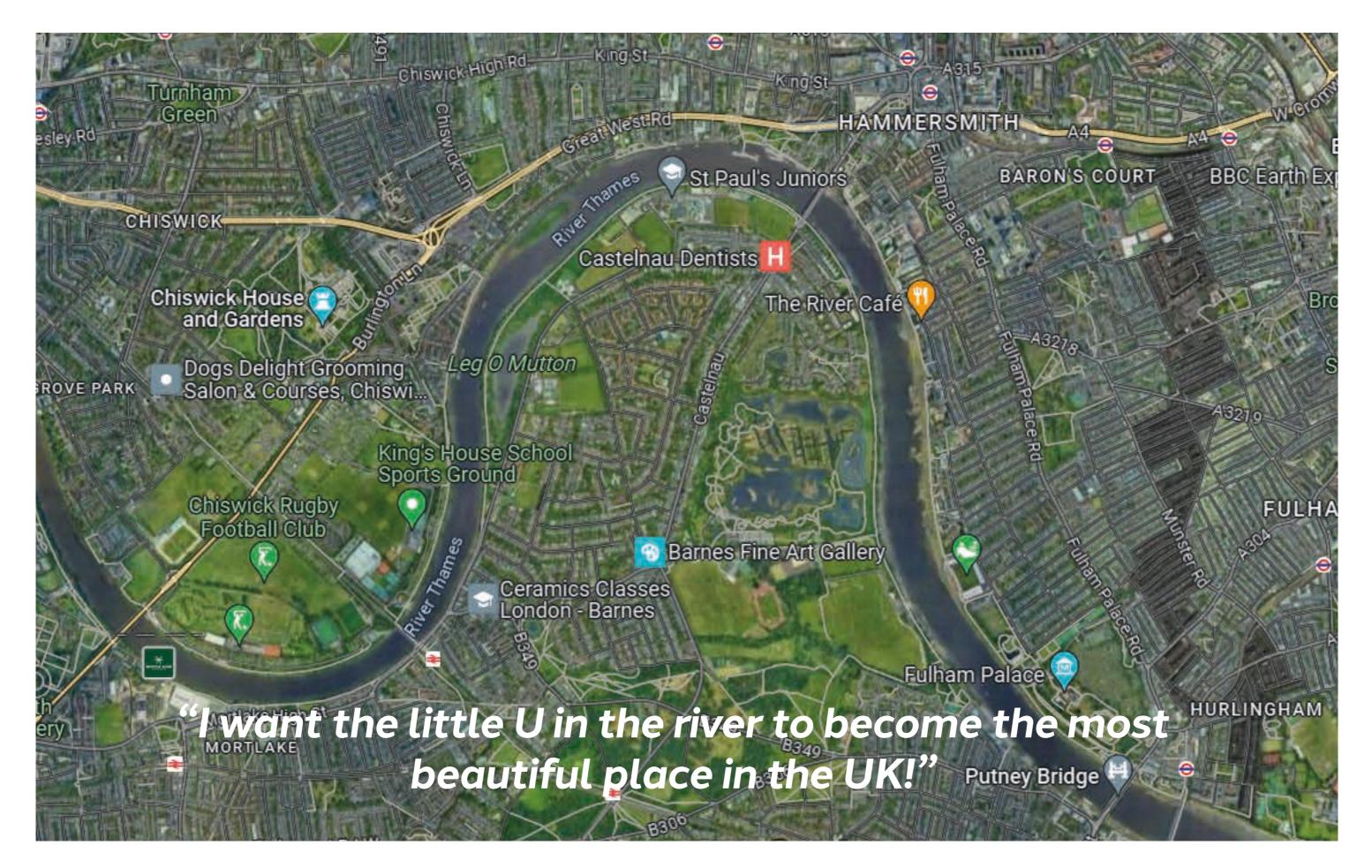
The Big Barnes Ponder 2 Report Back Presentation 15 January 2024











Barnes Ponder October 2013









Previous Ponder Projects









Previous Ponder Projects



Footfall more than doubled!

A plethora of festivals

and much more...

Finalist in AoU Best Street Award 2022





Barnes Ponder 2 Publicity



DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF BARNES

What do you think are the big challenges facing Barnes and how should we tackle them? How do we retain our unique character with large developments around us?

How can we be prepared for the impact of environmental changes such as flooding?

How can we improve our transport links?

Join us and have your say at Barnes Ponder 2 at the Barnes Green Day Centre on Saturday 14 October between 10am and 4pm. Drop in for a few minutes to view the exhibition or stay longer and participate in the workshops - it's up to you.

> Barnes Community Association







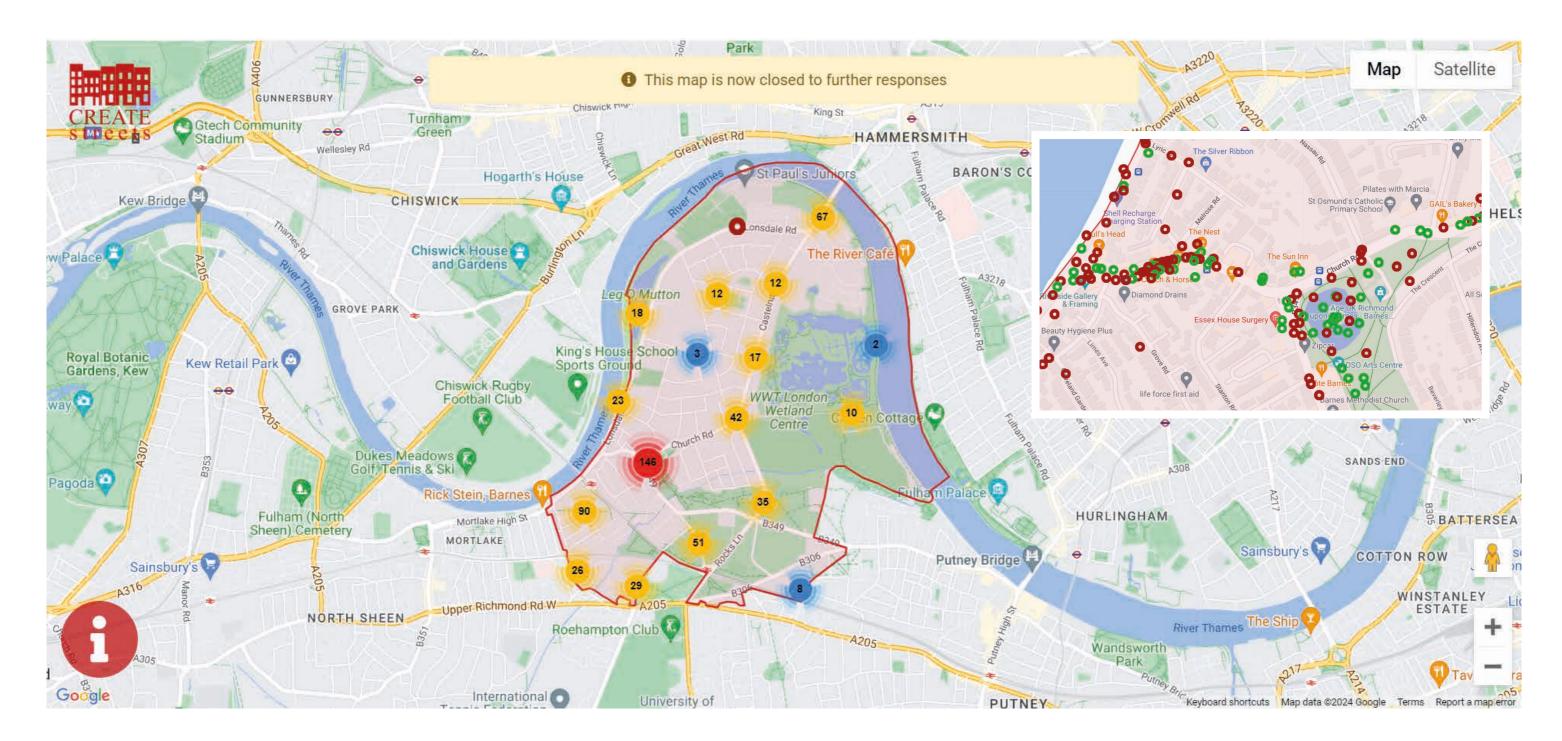








Create Communities Interactive Map



https://communities.createstreets.com/BarnesPonder2

Nearly 600 comments received



Create Communities: What's Good?

- Pond and Barnes Green
- Barnes Common
- Shops and businesses
- Local events
- Lockers by station
- Pedestrian bridge
- Wetlands Centre discount for locals
- Wider pavements
- Parklet
- FARA (second hand for kids)
- BCA
- **OSO**
- Olympic Cinema

"Barnes is unique and special – preserve and protect it!"

"Thanks for the work you do!"



Create Communities: What's Contentious?

High Street

- "Barnes High Street is a traffic sewer" reduce cars / pedestrianise "Be bolder"
- Opposition to changes the parklet need more parking

Hammersmith Bridge

- Open the bridge to cars
- Make the bridge car free



Create Communities: What's Bad? (1 of 2)

Placemaking Barnes

- Uneven pavements
- Poor quality surfaces of bike lanes
- Potholes
- Lonsdale Road bad road surface
- Dog poo
- Ugly new benches on Green
- Litter / fly-tipping/ overflowing bins
- Ugly shop front shutters enforcement
- Unloved triangle of grass by Boileau and Washington Roads
- Ugly wall Harrodian School
- Old concrete river wall (someone else keep the wall)
- Value heritage river railings need attention
- Dukes Meadow Old Pavilion is an eye sore

Safe Barnes

- Safety for women walking home at night from station "it's like a curfew for women!"
- Barnes Green drug run to Laurel Road very visible. Police aware, do nothing.
- Benches attract people with alcohol issues
- Leg o' Mutton nature reserve used by dope smokers



Create Communities: What's Bad? (2 of 2)

Green Barnes

- Concern over flooding
- Paving over front / back gardens

One Barnes

- North Barnes feels a little unloved
- Padding pool rarely filled in the summer
- Location of library?

Travel Barnes

- Needs more 485 buses to Wandsworth
- Crossing to Barnes Green from Farmers Market and Cleveland Road
- Barnes Bridge station accessibility
- 20 mph limits
- Parked cars blocking pavements esp White Hart Lane area
- Junction of Ferry Road / Castlenau parking: cars block pavements
- Lack of parking
- Terrace Gardens huge HGVs in residential road
- Cars parking in cycle lane
- Speeding bikes and e-scooters
- Lime bikes parked on pavements



Create Communities: Suggestions

One Barnes

- Young people's voices to be heard
- Rose House could be a place which connects teens and the elderly
- More nurseries for kids
- More WCs
- Local affordable gym and outside gym
- Climbing wall
- More access to water sports on the river
- Kimber style skate park (to engage 11 to 17 year olds)

Green Barnes

- Autonomous pods across bridge
- Add swift bricks and nest boxes
- Weekly litter-pick teams

Placemaking Barnes

- Turn area in front of Hammersmith Bridge into a park
- New public space on river path between Barnes Bridge and Nassau Road

Travel Barnes

- Designated bike spaces where children pick up school bus
- Boat dock at Barnes with commuter service



Barnes Ponder 2 - Community Planning Event



Friday Team Tour



"The parklet is well used – and just for two parking spaces."



Castlenau Community Centre Talking Workshop



"It's wonderful that you're here today. 10 years ago you didn't come to North Barnes."

Castlenau Community Centre Issues

Placemaking Barnes

- Poorly maintained pavements & drains
- No space for wheelchairs due to hedges & obstructions encroaching on pavements
- Trees in Howell Road problems for asthmas sufferers
- Sewage at Small Profit Dock
- Poor signage

Travel Barnes

- Traffic congestion, constant speeding / cars / buses
- TfL bus routes using the estate roads, roads too small / not suitable
- Misuse of electric scooters
- No dropped kerbs on this estate
- Illegal driveways, gardens used for parking

High Street Barnes

Money allocated for North Castelnau Parade but no action yet

Safe Barnes

Drugs

"People want affordable shops, an Aldi, a Lidl – but you won't get that in Barnes."



Castlenau Community Centre Actions

One Barnes

- More public toilets
- Rates reduction for free public access to pubs (copy Richmond)

Placemaking Barnes

- Public realm improvements
- Studs in the pavement to indicate extent of encroachment

Travel Barnes

- Work to improve the traffic flow, esp. railway crossings
- Lobby TfL to change buses using Howsman Road
- Speed cameras on Lonsdale Road; more on Castlenau

High Street Barnes

More local affordable shops

"I'm 70 and I cycle everywhere."

"Barnes is not just about the bit up there."



Community Planning Day Setup





Saturday Talking Workshop









Saturday Talking Workshop Issues (1 of 2)

One Barnes

- Library don't lose it as a Library
- Some food shops expensive makes Barnes too exclusive / elitist?
- No club for young people
- Lack of affordable homes

High Street Barnes

- Great shops but need for some budget / affordable shops
- Shops opening / closing many can't survive

Green Barnes

- Flooding
- Beverley Brook health risk
- Engines idling at White Hart Lane level crossing despite signage & fines (unenforced)

Placemaking Barnes

- Dirty pavements and fly tipping
- Noisy leaf blowers

"Barnes is in a bend of the river. Things [flooding] will get worse."

"Young people won't come to you - go to them!"



Saturday Talking Workshop Issues (2 of 2)

Safe Barnes

• Crime, antisocial behaviour (drugs), safety and security

Travel Barnes

- Accessibility for mobility impaired
- Cycling on pavements (esp. speeding) & river towpath (no clear pedestrian priority)
- Lack of parking for cargo bikes
- Uncertainty over future of Hammersmith Bridge
- Short stay parking on High Street dangerous for cyclists
- Buses speeding; dangerous on narrow residential streets
- Traffic too much; 20 mph speeds zones too slow for some roads
- Lack of zebra crossings
- Future traffic impact of Mortlake Brewery redevelopment

"A lot of people use the towpath to cycle because the roads are so bad round here."

"People say they want lights when they really mean they want to be safe."



Saturday Talking Workshop Actions (1 of 3)

One Barnes

- Respond to Barnes Needs Report six calls to action
- Community attitude / behaviour: Disagree agreeably! Better control of dogs!
- Future of Library is it in right location?
- U3A opportunities in Barnes
- Provide more affordable housing and workspace
- Create centralised communal banking hub
- Better communication
- Share information (learn from elsewhere, eg Putney and Chiswick websites) "What's on this week")

Cultural Barnes

- More social and cultural spaces & opportunities
- A local creative arts hub art therapy & craft
- A film festival in conjunction with the Olympic

Young Barnes

- Youth Ponder event
- Drop in places, pop up events, music
- Youth notice boards / better info about what's on
- Soft play space for under 10s



Saturday Talking Workshop Actions (2 of 3)

Green Barnes

- Make Barnes a 'Garden Village' (link open spaces with private gardens; save front and back gardens; Garden Bridge)
- Cleaner rivers and better water / flooding strategies
- Actively discourage paving any more green areas
- A Repair Cafe as a community initiative

Placemaking Barnes

- Civic pride look after area outside front door, eg leaf / weed clearing / litter pickup
- Improve public realm (pavements, drains, cleanliness, flowers,
- Car free days round the Pond
- North Barnes markets by the bridge (pedestrianise for events), Parklet
- Make use of space in front of Tesco
- Shops more accessible

Safe Barnes

• Better lighting – eg bat friendly



Saturday Talking Workshop Actions (3 of 3)

Travel Barnes

- Encourage cycling & walking locals and visitors
- Introduce cargo bike hire
- Realistic options for Hammersmith Bridge; local pickup / drop off; car free for & against
- Parking for shops for & against
- Improve bus transport links (station to Pond; 378 to Putney Bridge station; 209 North Barnes to High Street)
- New pedestrian crossings (Pond and Essex House; Station Road (opposite Green); Station Road & Cleveland by Cote restaurant
- Improve river walk Barnes Bridge to Leg o' Mutton
- Improve car access to Barnes station
- Level crossings pollution / safety delays

Next Steps

- Provide feedback and follow-up
- Circulate findings, organised into groups; email everyone and ask for people to champion a group



Incredible Edible: Mary Clear



"There's a group of strangers coming together to eat a meal – no money changes hands. Eating together is really powerful."

Incredible Edible: Todmorden



"If you eat, you're in!"

Incredible Edible: Mary Clear

"Kindness and community are all that matter in a year of wobbly governments and increased temperatures. Beautiful Barnes needs active citizens to shape the future."



Hands-on Planning The Local Economy



Hands-on Planning The Local Economy



"There are more people at Barn Elms than at the Farmer's Market."

Hands-on Planning The Local Economy

Key

- 1. Provide a banking facility, funded by a range of banks
- 2. Provide training for people who struggle with banking apps
- 3. Create a Barnes Business Improvement District (BID)
- 4. Link North Barnes with activity through festivals, markets and temporary events

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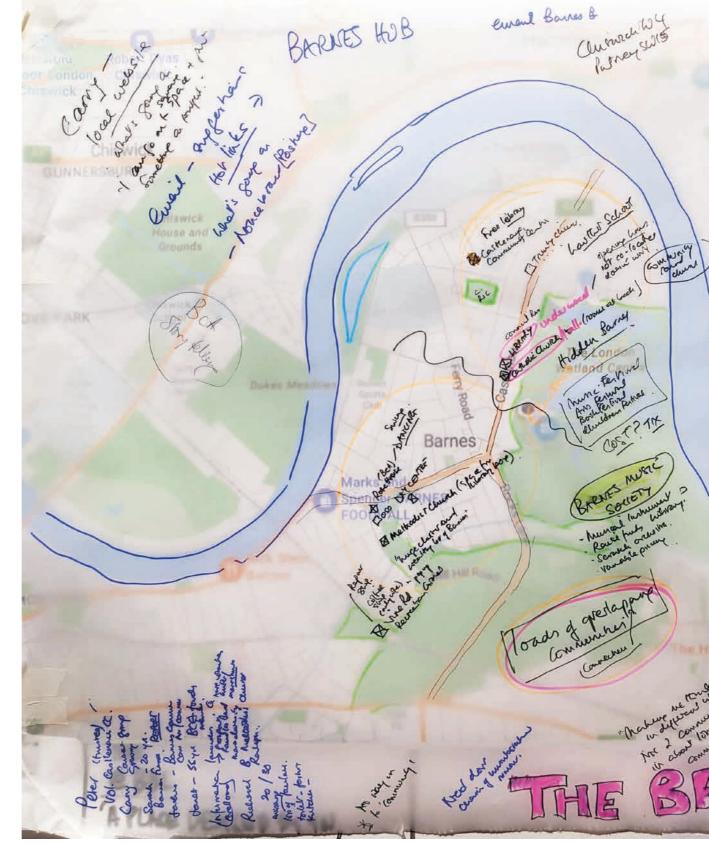


"A bandstand could have links to a music festival."

Hands-on Planning The Barnes Hub

Key

- 1. Many community spaces inc:
- Castlenau Community Centre
- Castlenau Rec (open space)
- Holy Trinity Church
- Methodist Church (has facilities, kitchen, WC)
- St Osmunds Church Hall (rooms at rear)
- Library (under-used, location)
- BCA Rose House
- Day Centre
- OSO Arts Centre
- Vine Road Recreation Ground (repair shop, café)
- St Marys Church and Kitson Hall
- 2. Many Festivals: music, art, children, books but expensive
- 3. Make use of existing groups, eg Barnes Music Society – has variable pricing
- 4. Create the Barnes Hub: a new local website
- a digital notice board to let people know what's going on
- to provide links to activities and events
- to bring people together
- 5. Create a banking hub



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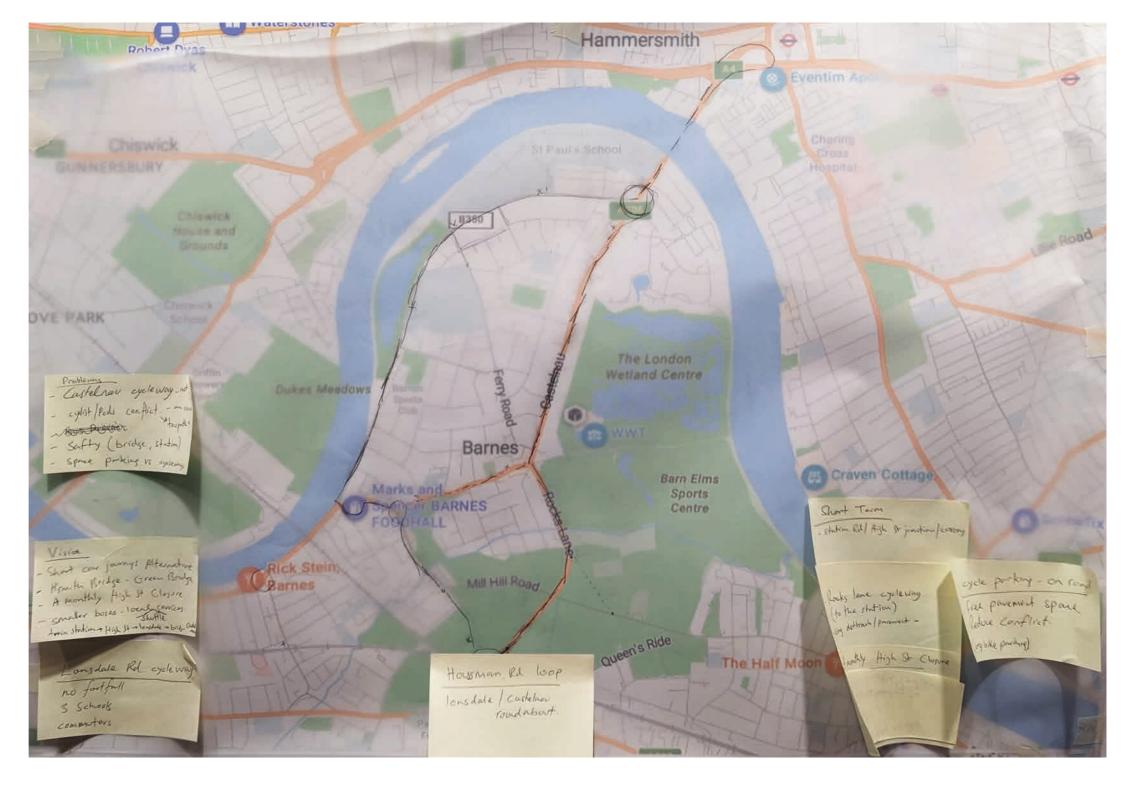


"If we want to reduce our car journeys, then we need attractive alternatives."

Hands-on Planning Getting About

Key

- 1. Resolving Housman Road loop
- 2. Lonsdale Road protected cycleway (no footfall, speeding, 3 schools, commuters)
- 3. Castelnau cycleway improvements
- 4. Rocks Lane cycleway (linking Castelnau route to Barnes Station)
- 5. Improving walking routes to Barnes station from the Green to Station Road
- 6. Improve Station Road crossing (near market/ Cleveland Road)
- 7. Improve crossing between the Green and shopping parade Church Road
- 8. General decluttering footways
- 9. High Street closure trial (collectors' market?)
- 10. Shuttle service (Barnes station, High Street, Hammersmith Bridge)
- 11. Events by Hammersmith Bridge (eg Coronation) to support local businesses



Hands-on Planning Big Green Plan



Hands-on Planning Big Green Plan



"We want to see planting rather than traffic lights."

Hands-on Planning Big Green Plan

- 1. New paths are poorly constructed so difficult for wheelchair users
- 2. Humanise the streets with more tree planting
- 3. Enhance resilience to climate change and increase Biodiversity Net Gain
- 4. Long term management plans to include rainwater recycling and pollution mitigation
- 5. Ensure residents refrain from paving over front and back gardens



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Hands-on Planning Barnes Common



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"We don't want quick fixes but a consistent plan over a number of years that can be sold to or generated by the community."

Barnes Common Projects



We are the independent charity Barnes Common.

Our Vision is Conservation · Biodiversity · Wellbeing · Lifelong Learning – for all

Upcoming events



Community Growing Session January 13



Barnes Common Volunteer Open Morning January 15





Community Growing



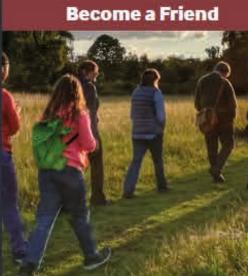


Palewell Beverley Brook Restoration Project January 17



Community Growing Session January 20





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Latest News

Community engagement: working together for wellbeing and conservation January 8, 2024

Stop Flooding: Start Shovelling December 5, 2023

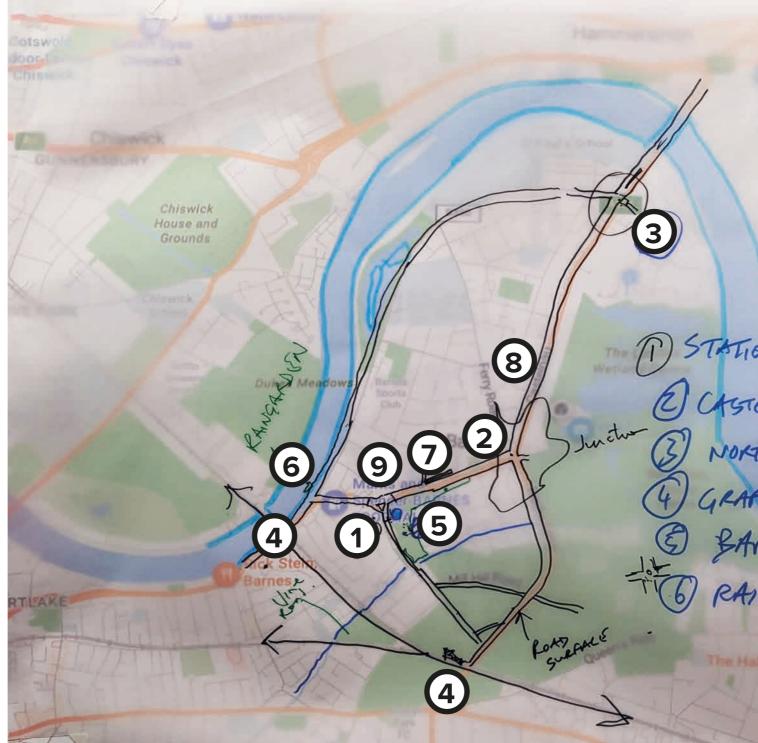
Lifelong Learning: A Year on the Common December 5, 2023

Christmas is coming... November 27, 2023

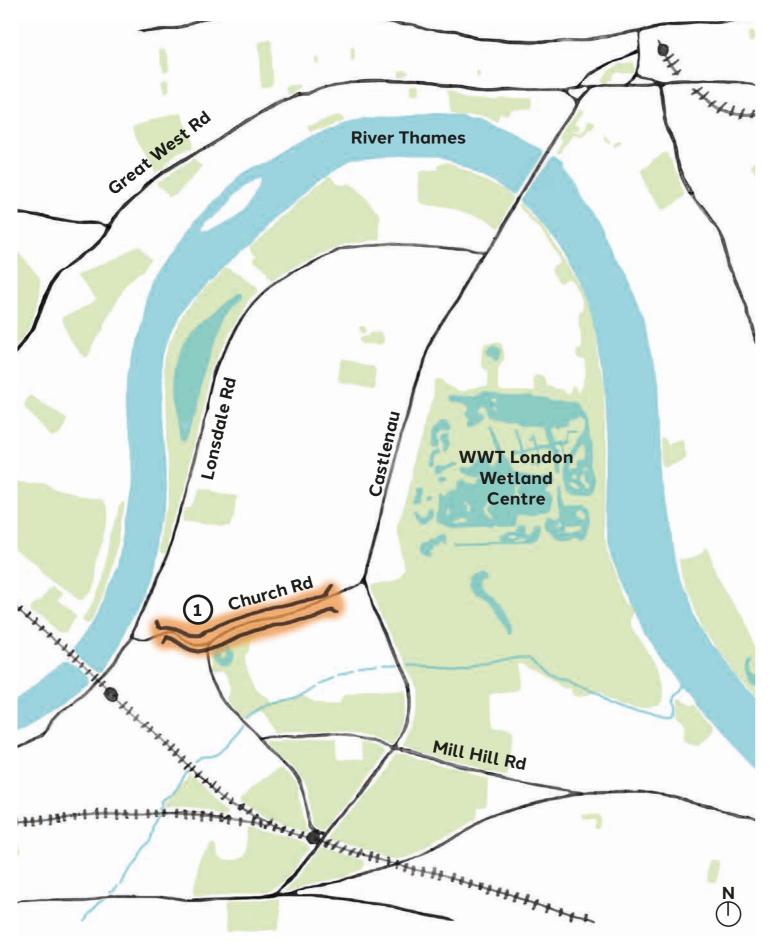
Meet us at the Big Barnes Ponder 2 October 11, 2023

Hands-on Planning Bits & Pieces

- 1. Improve foot crossing from Farmers Market to Barnes Green
- 2. Improve Castelnau / Church Road junction – more space for people, are traffic lights needed?
- 3. Placemaking at N Barnes inc parklets, pocket square, market days on bridge approach, shop front improvements, remove traffic lights, etc
- 4. Better maintenance of bridge and accept graffiti at the station – work with artists
- 5. Bandstand on the green with acoustic music
- 6. Improvements to river wall, High Street junction with rain gardens, outdoor seating for pub/restaurant
- 7. Campaign to improve look and feel of high street with road closures
- 8. Affordable workspace provision
- 9. Instant pedestrian phase on High Street pelican crossings



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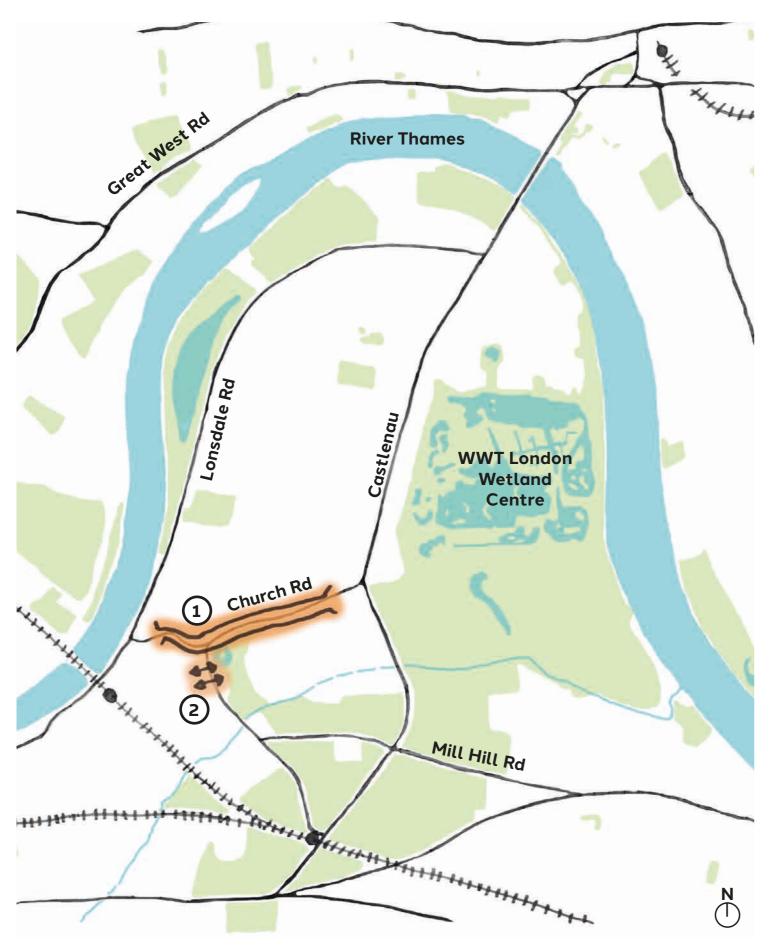
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The Vision High Street/Church Road



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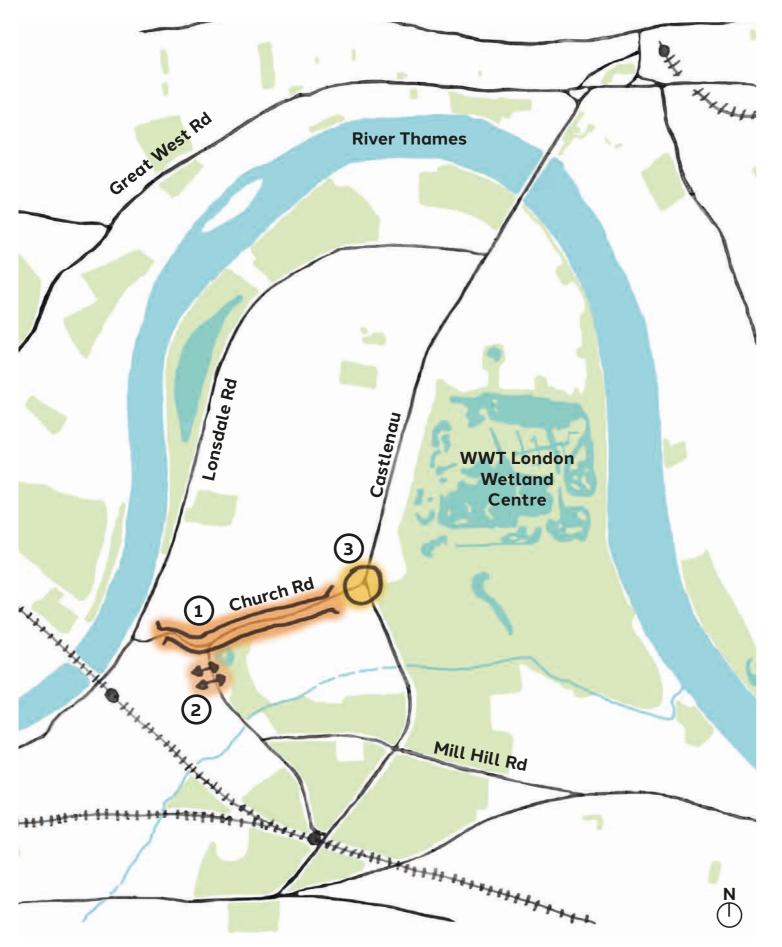
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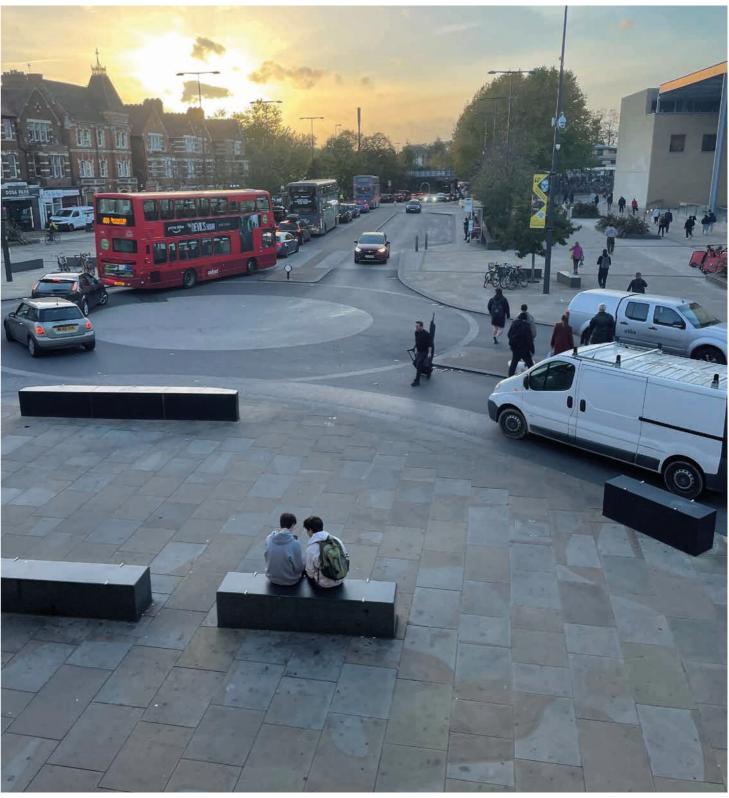
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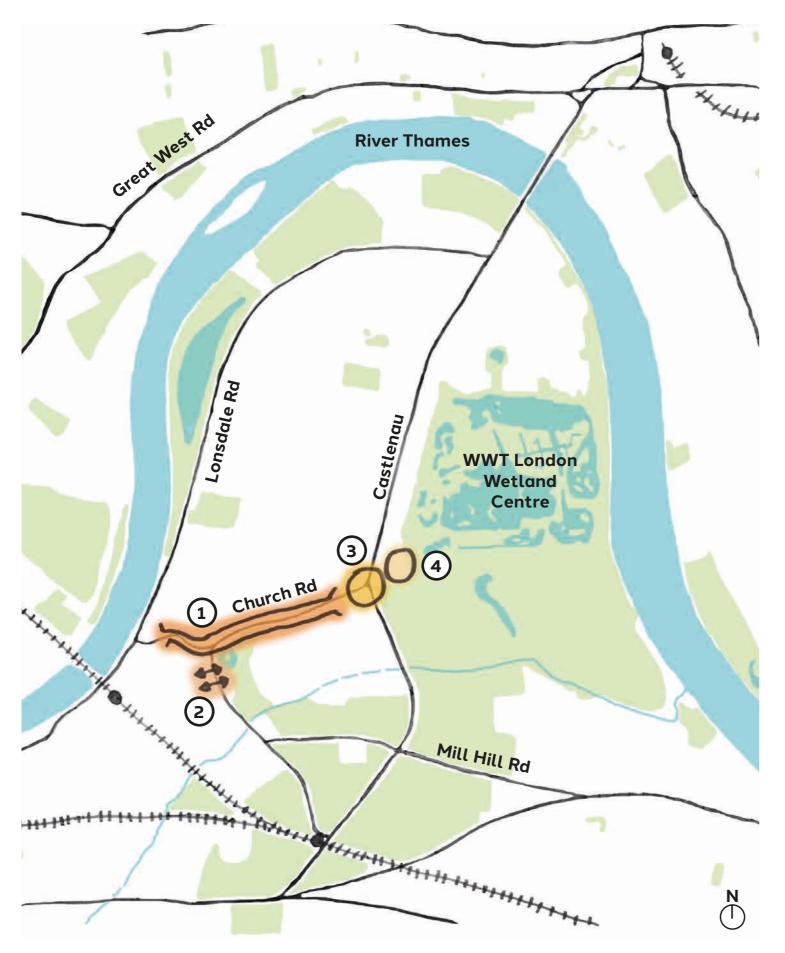
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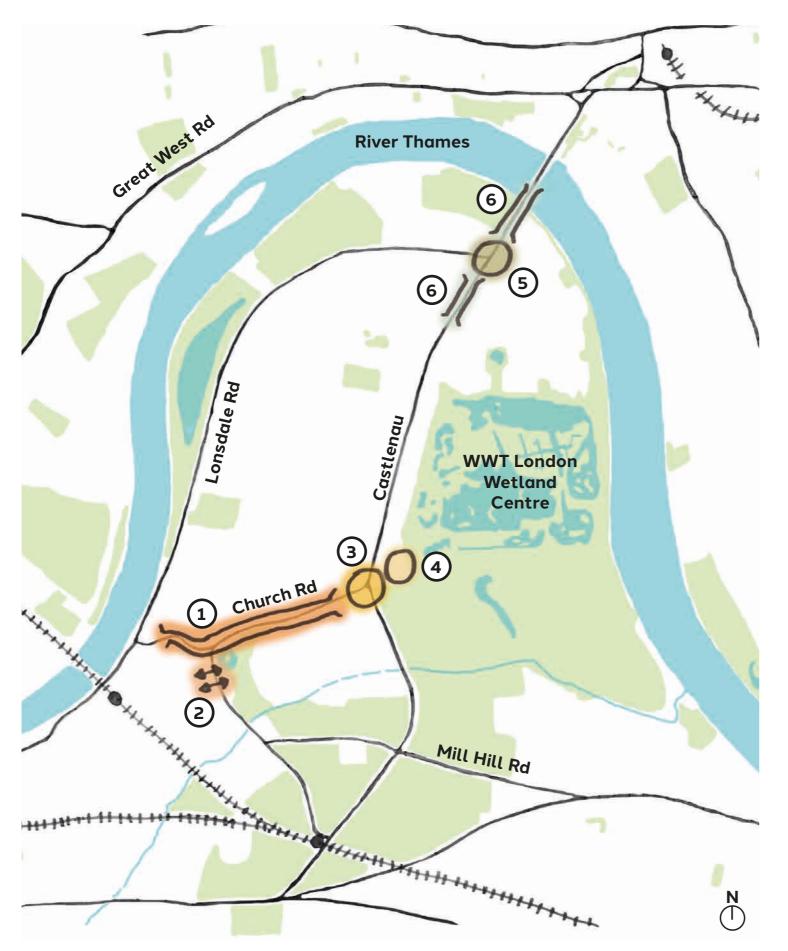
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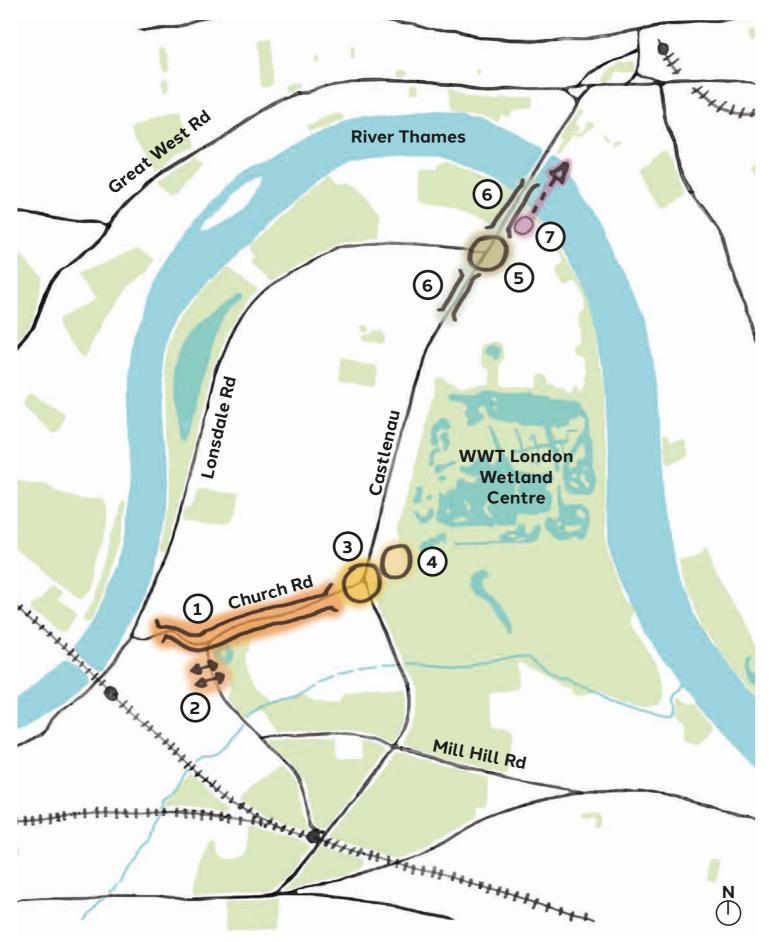


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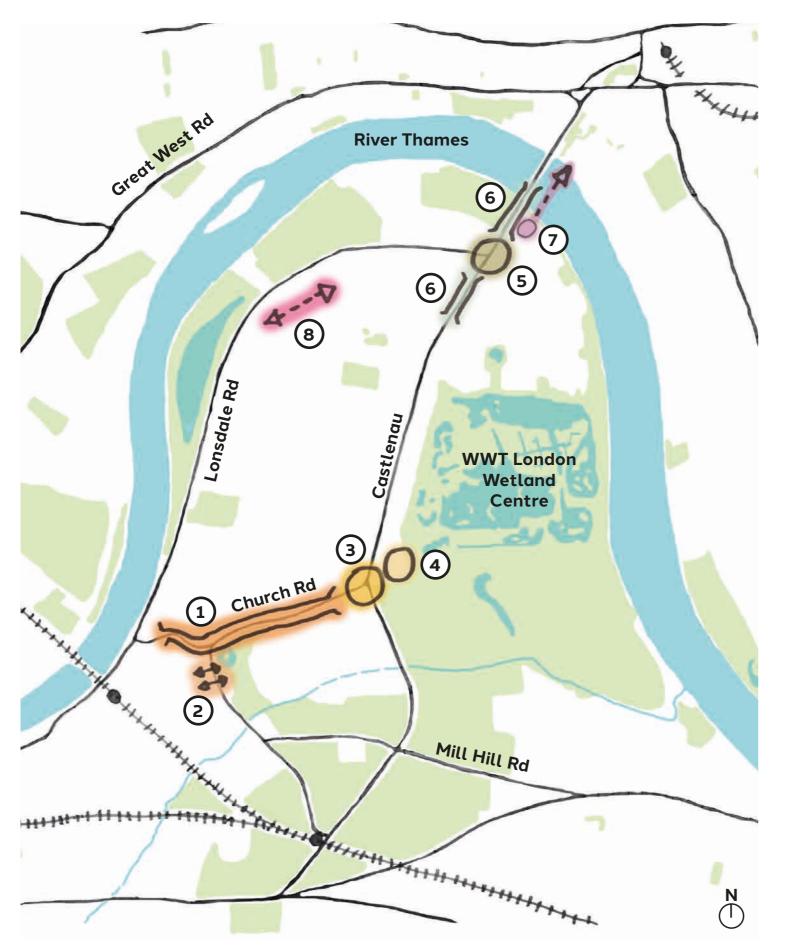


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The Vision Hammersmith Bridge Pod Shuttle



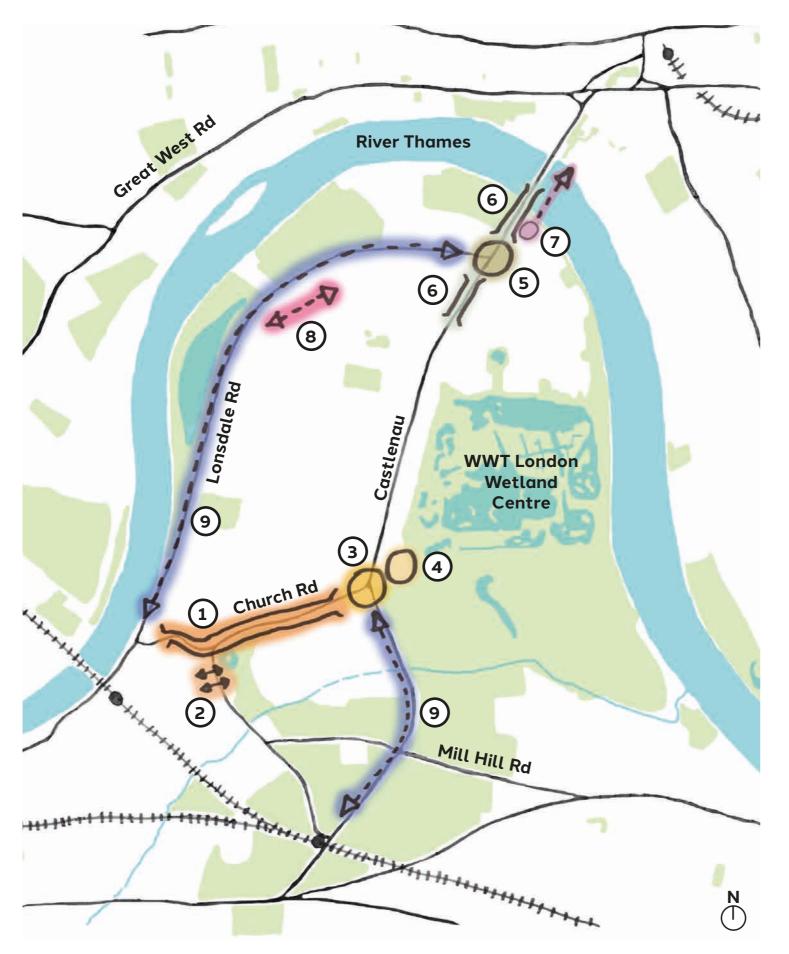




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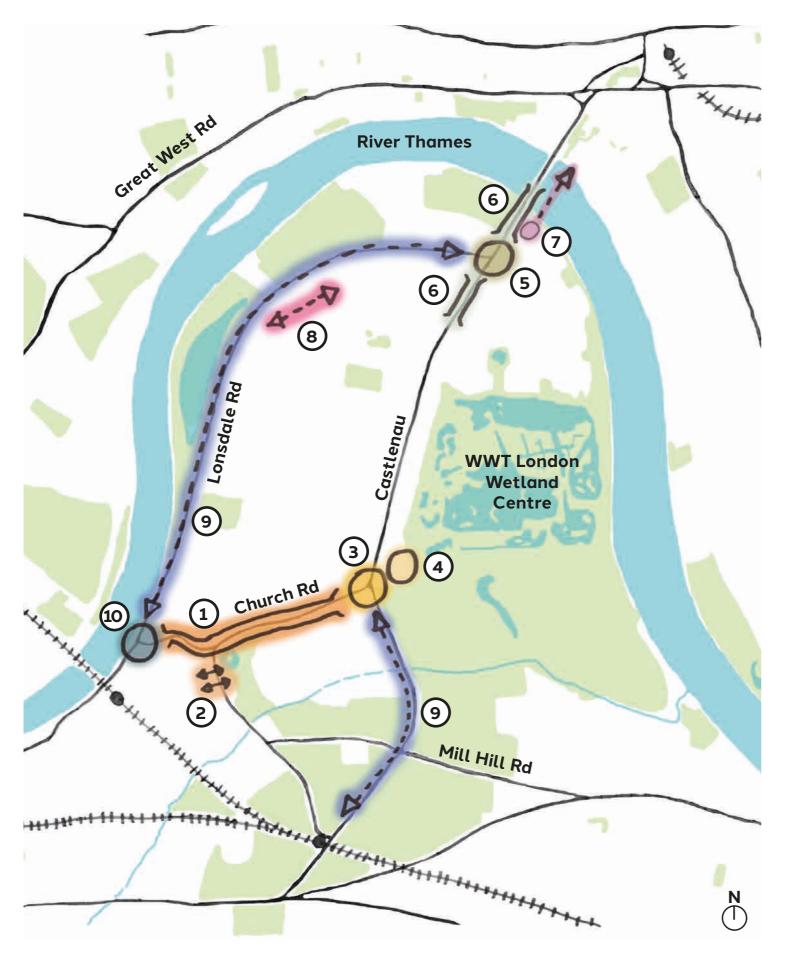


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The Vision Lonsdale Rd & Rocks Lane Protected Cycleway







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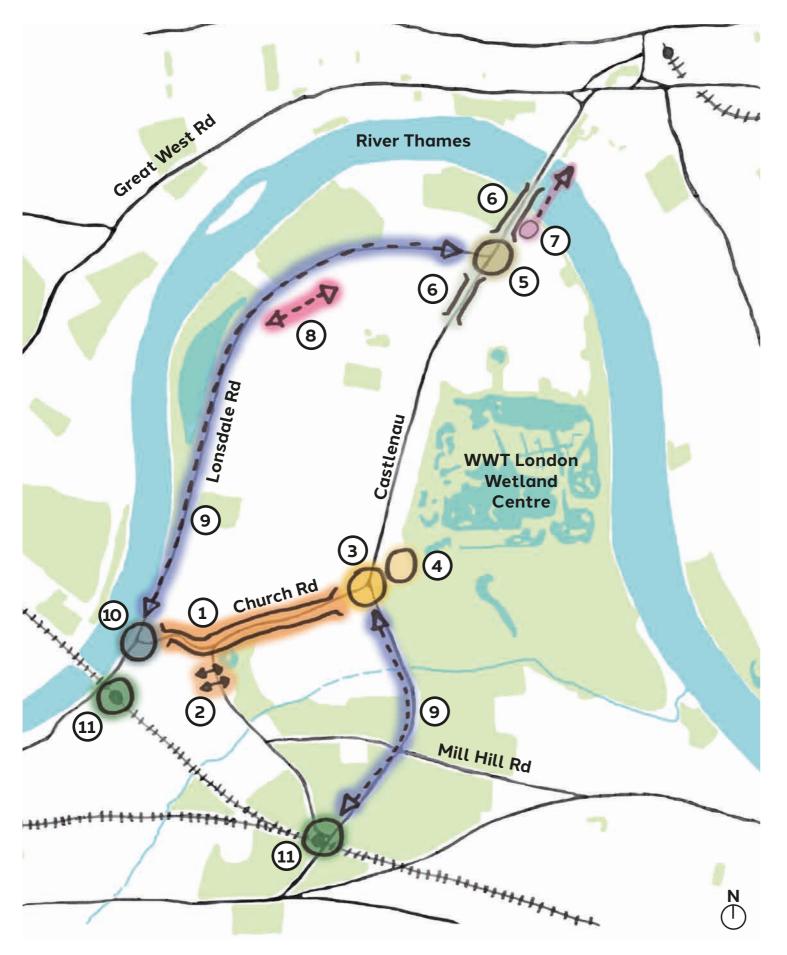




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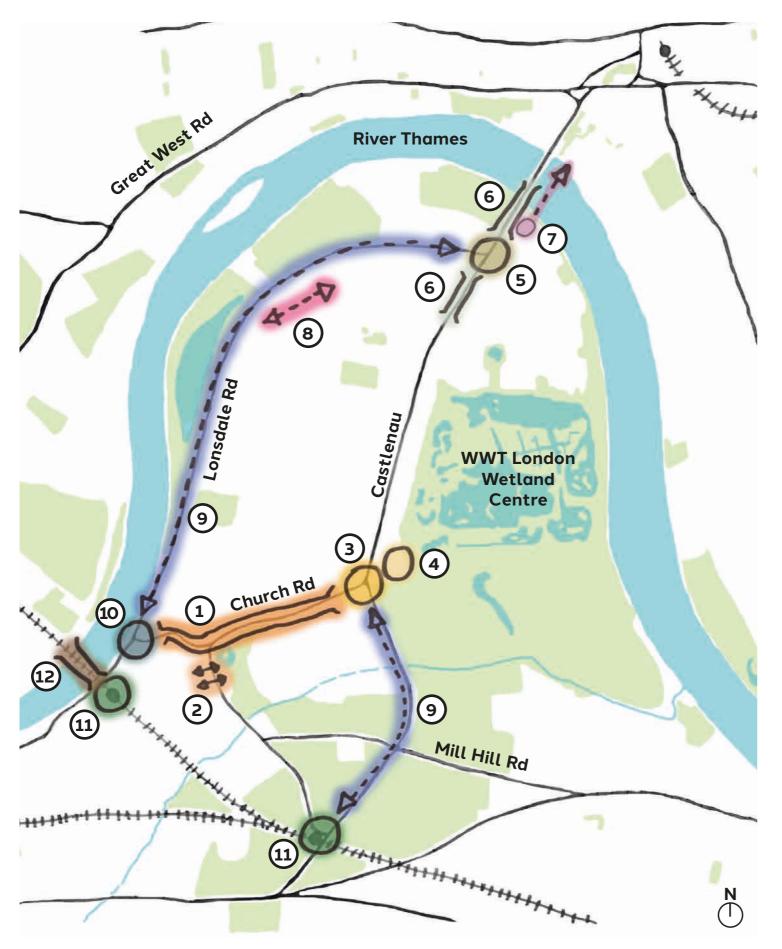


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The Vision Railway Infrastructure Maintenance & Graffiti Art Project







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- 12. Deliver The View Garden Bridge project

The Vision "The View" Garden Bridge Project



https://www.theviewatbarnesbridge.org/



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Next Steps (1 of 2)

Next steps

- Presentation feedback of Ponder 2 (15 January 2024)
- Advertise widely, to increase attendance
- Find champions!
- Set up working groups

Process

- Prioritise greatest needs first
- Identify quickly implementable projects for impact and engagement
- Focus on existing initiatives to ensure sustained output
- Discuss with Council / Barnes councillors:
 - New business development
 - Youth
 - North Barnes plans
- Identify resources: council, volunteers, funding sources etc.

Next Steps (2 of 2)

Communication

- Create a centralised website drawing together a directory of sources, clubs and activities around Barnes - Emulate Chiswick Calendar
- Online hub: not just updates but a place for:
 - Pondering (ideas) by young people
 - Integration with TfL etc.

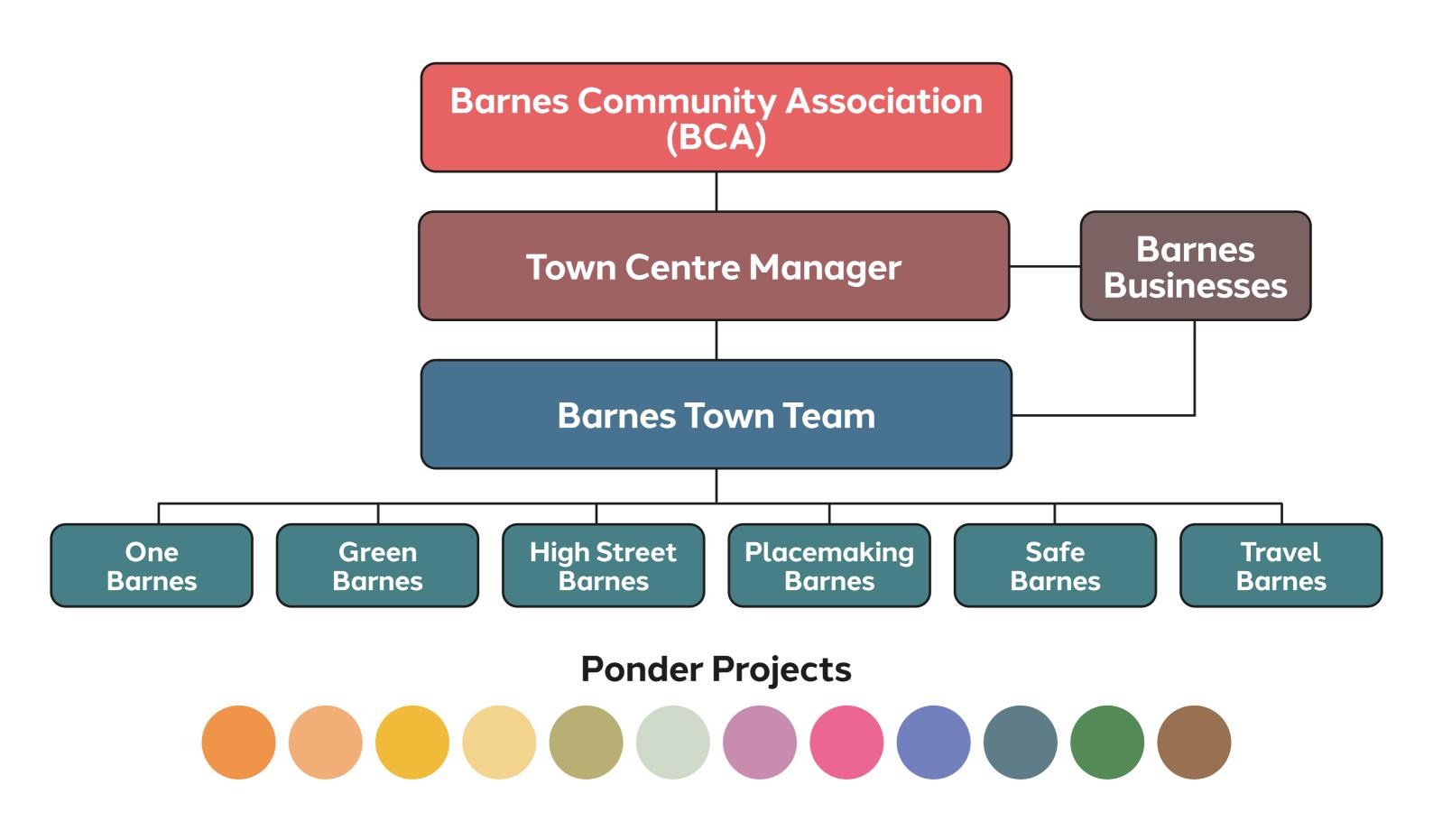
Make use of existing amenities / people

- Barnes Common happy to organise drop-in sessions on:
 - Building ideas into the Vine Road Plans
 - Flood and climate change resilience

New amenities

- Banking Hub
- Men Shed
- Youth club
- Affordable gyms

Working Groups to Deliver Projects





A Plethora of Ponder Projects

One Barnes

- 1. Create "One Barnes" Hub digital platform to improve communication, promote one village and inclusivity through sharing information
- 2. Provide a Banking Hub
- 3. Deliver Men's Shed, craft hub and friendship spaces
- 4. Provide a "library of things"
- 5. North Barnes public realm improvements, renaming of the area, reduce impact of Harrodian wall
- 6. Organise Young People's Ponder Carrie and Steven plus a small team to organise
- 7. Deliver Skate park at Vine Road Barnes Common team

Green Barnes

- 1. Explore the concept of the green village and identify and deliver local initiatives
- 2. Support Barnes Common spread the word about their projects work with the Wetlands Centre
- 3. Support local front gardens through Awards initiative, etc.
- 4. Plastic free Barnes work with business and community to reduce plastic use, eg plasticfreepz.co.uk
- 5. Promote more rain gardens eg outside Waterman's Arms
- 6. Greener streets re-introduce grass verges / wildflowers in tree pits

A Plethora of Ponder Projects

High Street Barnes

- 1. Shop Local campaign
- 2. Weekly spend campaign
- 3. Work with businesses on "look and feel" in Barnes, eg sweeping front of shop, shutters, shop displays
- 4. Digital High Street new project in partnership with MyHighStreet

Placemaking Barnes

- 1. Graffiti wall at Barnes Station
- 2. Graffiti arch at Barnes Bridge
- 3. High Street closure for a community event
- 4. Deliver The View garden bridge
- 5. Glass river frontage at the end of the High Street
- 6. Making Small Profit Dock a destination for river users including café
- 7. Phone booths removal or reuse
- 8. Rose House forecourt
- 9. Towpath resurfacing (QEW to Beverley Brook) and improved management

A Plethora of Ponder Projects

Safe Barnes

- 1. Work with the community and businesses to improve awareness of how we can protect ourselves and our premises
- 2. Work with the One Barnes team to promote use of hub to disseminate information about safety locally
- 3. Work with Barnes Common to clear greenery on approach to Barnes Station
- 4. Work with Safer Neighbourhood Teams to deliver 'safe haven' approach across **Barnes**

Travel Barnes

- 1. Look at ways to improve crossing outside Essex House and on Station Road
- 2. Work with TfL to address Howsman bus loop
- 3. Improve cycle routes and cycle parking (Lonsdale Road and Rocks Lane)
- 4. Double yellows on High Street
- 5. Review junction and traffic lights on Castelnau (Lonsdale Road and Rocks Lane junctions)
- 6. Provide Hammersmith Bridge rickshaw/pods
- 7. Mill Hill safer crossing



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