London Mooring Strategy – ongoing work

The London Mooring Strategy sets out long-term proposals to help improve the boater experience of boating in London. This table includes London Mooring Strategy works planned for the coming year, updates on future planned work, and where revisions have been made to the Strategy.

Towpath moorings (14 day)

What is proposed?	Where? (LMS ref)	When will this happen?	Further information
Create additional towpath moorings – subject to further dredging and/or vegetation management	Slough Arm (1.2) Regent's Canal (3.7, 4.4, 4.5) Grand Union - Paddington Arm (2.4, 3.6) Grand Union (2.5) River Lee (7.5, 7.8) River Stort (8.5, 8.6)	April 2021 onwards	Dredging surveys are scheduled to take place in April 2021 on the Slough Arm, Regent's and Paddington Arm, Norwood (GU). Wall inspections are taking place to ensure the structural stability before rings can be installed. Additional vegetation management has taken place on the Slough Arm and River Stort, and more is planned to take place during the winter of 2020/21 (subject to Covid restrictions). If delayed this will happen after the nesting season has finished in 2021.
New mooring rings installed	West Drayton (2.23, 2.24) Regent's Canal – east of Bridge 3A (3.5) Regent's Canal - Haggerston (4.3) Tottenham Hale (7.6) Bishops Stortford (8.4)	Estimated completion summer 2021	Wall inspections are taking place to ensure the structural stability before rings can be installed. Subject to the findings, rings will be installed by the end of 2021. The total number and length of rings to be installed will be confirmed once the surveys have concluded, but we anticipate this will be in the region of 2,000-3,000 meters (400 meters of new rings have been installed to date)
Water Safety Zone	River Lee (6.26 / 7.31)	Estimated completion summer 2021	Two sections of the River Lee will be designated as Water Safety Zones (previously called 'water sports zones' in the LMS). 6.26 Lower Lee, between Lock 17 (Tottenham Lock) and Lock 19 (Old Ford lock). 7.31 Broxbourne between, Lock 7 (Carthagena Lock) and Lock 8 (Aqueduct Lock). These sections have high numbers of powered and unpowered craft, the introduction of the water safety zone is to ensure safe navigation for all craft. The zone will include entry point signage and clear signage where mooring is not permitted due to safety factors.

Short-stay mooring

What is proposed?	Where?	When will this	Further information
	(LMS ref)	happen?	
Create new short-stay moorings	Hertford Union (4.2) Regent's Canal (3.10, 4.7, 4.8, 4.14, 4.15, 4.21) River Stort (8.14, 8.15, 8.16, 8.17) River Lee (7.9,8.7)	By summer 2021	The Strategy set out proposals to create some new 48-hour stay moorings. These will be in place by summer 2021. The re-location of the mooring at Burnt Mill Lock (8.16) is subject to further investigation. To retain open water in central London, this proposed 48-hour mooring at Regent's Park (3.10) has now been removed from the Strategy, but the visitor mooring at nearby Camden will be amended to include some 48-hour mooring.
Review and amend existing short-stay moorings	Grand Union 1.3a, 1.3b, 1.3c, 1.3d, 1.4, 1.5, 2.7, 2.8, 2.19, 2.20) Grand Union - Paddington Arm (3.8) Regent's Canal (4.16, 4.17, 4.18, 4.19, 4.6) River Lee (8.8, 8.9, 8.10, 8.11, 8.12, 8.13) River Stort (8.16, 8.18, 8.19)	By summer 2021	The Strategy set out proposals to amend some existing short-stay moorings. Reviews have been taking place to confirm changes and agree new signage requirements. The changes will be finalised and in place by summer 2021.

Long-Term moorings

What's proposed?	Where?	When will this	Further information
	(LMS ref)	happen?	
Potential for development	Grand Union, GU Paddington Arm,	The Trust's	The development of long-term moorings will be dependent
of long-term moorings by a	GU Slough Arm (1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2)	Waterside	on proposals submitted by different parties for individual
range of providers	Regent's Canal (4.1, 4.2)	Mooring team are	sites. Waterside Mooring are developing proposals for a
	River Lee/ Limehouse Cut (6.1, 6.2,	looking to bring	small number of London sites, but most sites will be
	6.3, 7.1, 7.4, 8.1)	forward up to	delivered by independent operators.
		approximately 20	
		additional	
		permanent	
		moorings at	
		existing and new	
		mooring sites in	

London in 2021/22
(4.1)
Private Admiral
Road residential
moorings scheme
expected to be
implemented in
2021/22 (3.2)

Customer Service Facilities

What's proposed?	Where? (LMS ref)	When will this happen?	Further information
New elsan and pump out facilities. Re-opened facilities. New and relocated water points	Grand Union (1.13, 2.15) Grand Union - Paddington Arm (3.26, 3.27) River Lee (6.15, 6.16, 7.19, 7.20, 8.23)	We are focusing on progressing new facilities on the River Lee (7.20) in the 2021/22 financial year. Other facilities in 2022/23	Progress on these new facilities has been slowed due to Covid-19. Extensive surveys, investigations and discussions with utility companies are required before final timescales can be confirmed. It is unlikely that the majority of these new facilities will be installed before the 2022/23 financial year. Following further investigation it is not possible to re-open the water point at Bow Lock - lock 20 (6.16) so this has been removed from the Strategy. Long-term issues with pump-out facilities at Hazelmere on the Lee have been resolved and the facility is now open and working again (8.23).
Additional waste sites.	Grand Union (1.14, 2.15) River Lee (6.14, 7.20, 8.24/8.25)		New/improved canal-side bin stores have been installed at Feildes Weir (8.24) so the Rye House option (8.25) is removed from the Strategy. Ongoing feasibility work for remaining waste site improvements will be undertaken in 2021/22. Following further investigation, due to no suitable sites with road access for servicing, the proposal for an additional waste site at Ponder End (7.13) has been removed from the strategy.
Mobile waste collection	GU Paddington Arm / Regent's Canal (3.22)	The pilot was carried out in 2020, a decision will be made in	A weekly barge-based rubbish collection service on the GU Paddington Arm and Upper Regent's was piloted in 2020: we are currently evaluating the pilot and the cost of a permanent mobile waste collection service in this area.

		early 2021 on future mobile waste collections	
Composting toilet pilot	River Lee (7.18)	We hope the pilot will begin in 2021	We have been supporting an independent group to help them pilot a composting toilet waste collection scheme on the River Lee. We are currently exploring funding opportunities for the pilot and hope that this pilot can begin in 2021.
Oil waste disposal	River Lee (7.17)	Waste oil collection scheme piloted on the River Lee	A pilot waste oil collection scheme has been developed on the River Lee in partnership between the Trust and an independent operator. Waste oil is separated and deposited in a bund provided by the Trust.
Temporary boat maintenance mooring sites	River Lee (7.14), Grand Union (2.17)	DIY boat maintenance berths piloted on the River Lee	The two potential sites identified in the Strategy under the A12 bridge and at Adelaide Wharf have proved unfeasible to progress, however as a pilot DIY boat maintenance berth is being trialled on the River Lee.

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