

Westbourne Green Open Space

Design proposals for improvements to this public open space

Design principles

With funding from the Greater London Authority's Good Growth Fund, Westminster City Council has commissioned a multi-disciplinary design team to design and deliver public space improvements at Westbourne Green.

The project focuses on the stretch of Westbourne Green that runs adjacent to the canal, sitting between a new council development, 300 Harrow Road and includes Delamere Terrace. The project aims to enhance the open space as a new public park for northwest Westminster and to improve connectivity.

Concept designs have been produced in response to longstanding ideas and aspirations of local community groups and networks. From 2021, we have engaged with the local community to listen to their priorities. Feedback regarding the design development is also received via the community working group.



New views and connections to the canal

- 1 Opening the park up to the canal to enhance views by removing railings in key locations to help ecological enhancements and remove self-seeded vegetation
- 2 Placing space next to the towpath to better define canal side as a pedestrian space
- 3 Pockets along the route to create places to rest



Accessible for all

- 8 A more legible entrance with open sight lines to church
- 9 A widened 'path' to reduce pedestrian and cyclist conflict integrated wayfinding
- 10 Establish a pedestrian 'slow route' a secondary route, making it easy to avoid cyclists
- 11 Improved access from Warwick Estate improving existing stair and introducing a new ramp at Woodchester Square



Landscape uplift

- 4 Pedestrian 'desire lines' or informal routes formalised by new paving
- 5 Existing path extended to better connect its full length with surrounding nature and seating
- 6 Fully utilise the green space by rewilding spots to their natural state, enjoy the lawn and open spaces, and use the south facing slopes
- 7 External lighting of St Mary Magdalene Church/Grand Junction to enhance its setting



Connectivity improvements

- 12 Clear pedestrian / cyclist connections onto Delamere Terrace
- 13 Shared space on raised pathways for pedestrians and cyclists
- 14 Crossing improvements on Westbourne Terrace Rd
- 15 Raised carriageway on Senior Street / Lords Hill Road
- 16 Complementary proposals for the interface with 300 Harrow Road

Design character and materiality



A Proposed view of improved seating in the middle of the park. View looking east – Expanded pedestrian space by the water's edge, planting instead of railings and clear signage.

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B Proposed entrance to the park from Delamere Terrace looking West.

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