# CANARY WHARF'S NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD WOOD WHARF NEWSLETTER 16 SPRING 2022



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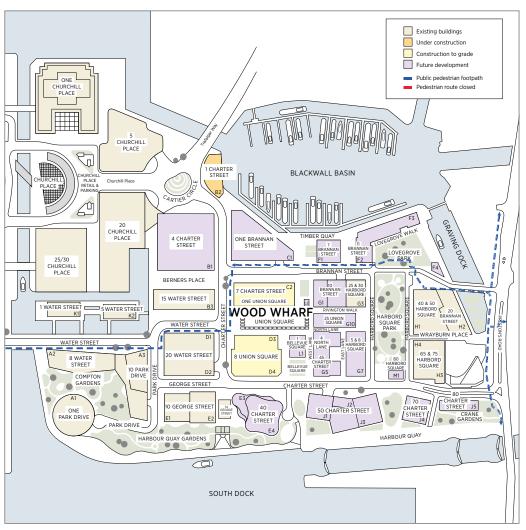




## PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

Access from Charter Street (heading North) via Cartier Circle was reinstated in October having completed the infrastructure works at Cartier Circle roundabout.





# ONE CHARTER STREET (B2)

B2 celebrated the delivery of its first module to site in January. This is the first of 340 modules which will form the 272 prefabricated serviced apartments, risers, and corridors and the main body of the building, from level 2 to 18. The modules will sit on a 1.2-metre concrete transfer slab.

The modules are manufactured in Newark, Nottinghamshire, and will make a 143-mile journey to Canary Wharf where they will be offloaded, lifted, and stacked by crane off Trafalgar Way bridge. Each module is a fully fitted serviced apartment with a shower room, bathroom, kitchen, lounge area and double bed.

Mast climbers surround the perimeter of the building which are essential for the workforce to make the modular connections and install the cladding. A hoist will be used to serve people and materials to different levels of the building. Cladding has commenced at the lower levels enclosing the building. This will progress up the building as the modules are stacked on top of each other. Blockwork is complete at the lower promenade, mezzanine and ground levels. This has formed dividing walls for plant rooms, laundry, waste and café preparation rooms.

This is also a milestone for Canary Wharf Group as this is our first venture into using major off site pre-fabrication techniques, reducing the need for on-site resources and providing a more carbon neutral and environmentally friendly method.



Tower crane delivering modules at B2



**B2 CGI south elevation** 



Floating ecosystem habitat

## GRAVING DOCK ECOLOGY ISLANDS

The Ecology Islands, which create a floating ecosystem habitat, are currently being installed at the Graving Dock on the east side of Wood Wharf. Floating ecosystems offer an attractive habitat for many creatures, remaining at a constant water level throughout the year. These systems provide a stable aquatic habitat, which helps bring water to life.

Beneath the Ecology Islands, invertebrates and fish can feed and seek shelter. Anti-grazing material has temporarily been installed around the perimeter of each island to avoid overgrazing by geese until planting has fully flourished. The Ecology Islands have been planted with a mixture of different sized plants, incorporating plug plants and 9cm pots. As part of the overall strategy, 100 sqm reeds have been distributed across all three islands where the grass-like plants should thrive.

The southernmost deck extends into the water to create a larger platform that will allow further engagement with the water and has a sufficient buoyancy to support a group of up to 20 visitors. The public realm next to Preston's Road, by the Ecology Islands, is scheduled to be open to the public in April once the overall scheme is completed.

## FLOATING PAVILIONS (K1/K2)

Now occupying the first floating pavilion at 1 Water Street (K1) is popular London-based steak restaurant, Hawksmoor. The New York inspired restaurant and bar has been open and welcoming diners since 25 November. For more information on this exciting addition to Wood Wharf click here:

Hawksmoor Wood Wharf and
The Lowback to Open on
Thursday 25 November – 28.10.21
Canary Wharf Group

The second pavilion (K2), will welcome **The London Project**. The landscaping works are now complete on the water level as well as by the dock edge. A floating island has been installed, 5 new trees have been planted, and a 13mx1m planter has been placed into position ready to bloom in the spring.



**Hawksmoor interiors** 



**Emilia's Crafted Pasta interiors** 

## NEW ARRIVALS AT GEORGE STREET

- Emilia's Crafted Pasta (open since February)
- Mercato Metropolitano (by end of March)

### CONSIDERATE CONSTRUCTORS SCHEME

At the end of last year, the project had its bi-annual audit as part of the Considerate Constructors Scheme, achieving an exceptional score of 45/50 once again! The scheme is designed to encourage best practice beyond statutory requirements, and we hope this high score shows our on-going commitment to our community, environment, appearance, safety, and workforce.



Students, tutors, and visitors to D1/D2 balcony as part of Open Doors event

### OPENING OUR DOORS FOR OPEN DOORS 2021

On Wednesday 6 October, the project team took part in Open Doors, an initiative by Build UK and the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB), where local young people and their coaches were invited to our Wood Wharf development to explore careers in construction and hear about the vacancies at Canary Wharf Group.

Attendees came from local organisations such as Circle Collective, SPLASH,

and Sirlute. The visit started with a presentation by one of the project managers who provided an overview of the project from the start to its current status, our People and Development team then highlighted the skills and requirements needed for the job roles currently available. The day ended with a guided tour of the Wood Wharf project with a closer look at the floating pavilions and 20 Water Street. One of the coaches said, "I could hear how much they enjoyed the experience – one said he wants to become an architect and build Sirlute a new studio!"

For more information about Open Doors, please visit the website here: **Open Doors 2021** 

## WELCOME TO THE MUD KITCHEN

Canary Wharf Group's construction team were recently approached by Virginia Primary School in Tower Hamlets who wanted to completely revamp their outdoor mud kitchen. Children in Tower Hamlets, in particular, suffer from a lack of outdoor space and outdoor play opportunities, many living in cramped flats, and this has led to the school reaching out for help to improve their outdoor play equipment.

The school is not able to fund the project in its entirety themselves so, with the help of our subcontractors, James Johnson Ltd and Ergonom Ltd, the project donated funds towards the material costs and assembled the brand-new mud kitchen following a design by Herzog & de Meuron. Barbara at Virginia Primary School says "Thank you so much for the most amazing kitchen ever! You should see the state of it now! The nice clean look didn't last the hour! The children (and adults) are thrilled and will enjoy making mud recipes for months and years to come. Thank you for making this happen. We are very grateful."



Newly constructed mud kitchen for Virginia Primary School





#### **VACANCIES**

Job opportunities within Canary Wharf Group are advertised on our company website and you can look through the list of vacancies here: www.group.

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