

### Appendix 3 Consultation responses to South Bank and Waterloo Neighbourhood Forum application

Reference	Respondent	Representation	Officer Response
SoWN001	Port of London Authority	Thank you for consulting the Port of London Authority (PLA) on the application for the re-designation of the South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours Neighbourhood Forum. I have now reviewed the submitted documents and can confirm that the PLA have no objections the re-designation of the forum.	Comment noted.
SoWN002	Historic England (Historic Places)	We are content for the re-designation of the South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours Neighbourhood Forum to be determined by the Council as they see fit, on the advice of their own specialist staff.	Comment noted.
SoWN003	Individual	I am fully supportive of the application to re-designate South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN) as a neighbourhood forum.	Support noted.
SoWN004	Highways England	Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity. Highways England will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). Having examined the above documents, we do not offer any comment to this proposal.	Comment noted.
SoWN005	Lambeth Estates Residents Association Planning	I very much support the re-designation of Southbank and Waterloo Neighbours as a Neighbourhood Forum for this area. It has proved to be a well-structured, organised and balanced forum, representing interests of local residents, local businesses and larger institutions with a presence in the area. The draft SoWN Neighbourhood Plan represents the results of the largest public consultation in the area in recent years, and is very much in line with the interests and priorities of local individuals and organisations. Once the plan has been formally approved,	Support noted.

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		SoWN will be an important body in helping to ensure the priorities and objectives contained in the plan are respected and implemented. For all these reasons I support SoWN's re-designation.	
SoWN006	Individual	Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the application to re-designate the South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours Neighbourhood Forum. I approve of this redesignation and of the work of the South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours Neighbourhood Forum.	Support noted.
SoWN007	Individual	With regard to the application to re-designate the SoWN neighbourhood forum, I wish to express my support of the application and have no further comment on the submitted documentation.	Support noted.
SoWN008	Individual	I support the SoWN Neighbourhood Forum re-designation application. My only observation is that the map in Appendix B of the application has mis-labelled Savoy Place as Strand.	Support noted.
SoWN009	Coin Street Community Builders	<p>Before Christmas, Coin Street Community Builders made responses to LB Lambeth's consultation about the South Bank &amp; Waterloo Neighbourhood Plan and the revised draft Lambeth Local Plan. These responses are attached. In the first response we stated:</p> <p>"CSCB fully supports the Neighbourhood Plan but believes that an even more important product of the process is the body that has produced it; a body that brings together residents, local businesses, councillors, and other organisations to discuss how they can collectively help shape and improve the neighbourhood. We strongly support the re-designation of SoWN and trust that Lambeth and Southwark will support and empower the organisation going forward."</p> <p>In the second response we stated:</p> <p>"CSCB has been involved in the development of the draft South Bank and Waterloo Neighbourhood Plan and supports the positive references to neighbourhood planning in the draft Local Plan. However, it is important that this extends to enabling the Neighbourhood Plan to significantly influence the allocation of CIL according to neighbourhood priorities."</p>	Support noted.

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		<p>CSCB believes that it is important to re-designate South Bank &amp; Waterloo Neighbours as the neighbourhood forum for this area and for LB Lambeth and LB Southwark to work closely with SoWN to ensure that there is proper investment in the creation, management and maintenance of green spaces and facilities to support our local community.</p>	
SoWN010	Natural England	<p>We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with information sources you may wish to use in developing your plan, and to highlight some of the potential environmental risks and opportunities that neighbourhood plans may present. We have set this out in the annex to this letter.</p> <p><u>Natural England's role</u></p> <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development. Your local planning authority should be able to advise you when we should be consulted further on your neighbourhood plan.</p> <p><u>Planning policy for the natural environment</u></p> <p>Neighbourhood plans present significant opportunities, but also potential risks, for the natural environment. Your proposals should be in line with the National Planning Policy Framework. The key principles are set out in paragraph 109:</p> <p>The planning system should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• protecting and enhancing valued landscapes, geological conservation interests and soils;</li> <li>• recognising the wider benefits of ecosystem services;</li> <li>• minimising impacts on biodiversity and providing net gains in biodiversity where possible, contributing to the Government's commitment to halt the overall decline in biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures;</li> </ul> <p>You should also consider the natural environment policies in your area's Local Plan. Your neighbourhood plan should be consistent with these, and you may decide that your plan should provide more detail as to how some of these policies apply or are interpreted locally.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The information in the annex will be shared with the neighbourhood forum.</p>

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		The attached annex sets out sources of environmental information and some natural environment issues you may wish to consider as you develop your neighbourhood plan.	
SoWN011	Chair of SoWN	I am writing as both an employee within the SoWN area and as Chair of SoWN for the last five years to support the re-designation. Despite the amount of work required, and the many unforeseen delays, an alliance of residents and business people have worked together to create a Neighbourhood Plan for this most vital, and multi-faceted, inner city area.	Support noted.
SoWN012	Individual	I am writing to support the re-designation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN) as a Neighbourhood Forum.	Support noted.
SoWN013	Individual	Further to the notification on your website, I write in support of the application by South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN) for re-designation as a neighbourhood forum.	Support noted.
SoWN014	Individual	I fully support the redesignation of SoWN as the neighbourhood forum for the area.	Support noted.
SoWN015	Waterloo Action Centre	Waterloo Action Centre strongly supports the re-designation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN). WAC has been involved with SoWN since its creation and are impressed by the amount of local commitment and skills which have gone into the thinking about the plans for Waterloo Efforts have been made to ensure contributions are broad based including such things as use of a market stall and many social events in different locations to help involve people who do not usually go to meetings. Their engagement activities within WAC included a special ideas sharing with older local residents at an early stage. An important side effect of SoWN is the improved links between local businesses community groups and residents groups. These are a benefit to general wellbeing.	Support noted.
SoWN016	Individual	I support the re-designation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN).	Support noted.
SoWN017	Individual	This is to let you know that I fully support the application for re designation. This organisation has been very proactive and consultative. It works well in gathering the community's views and promoting positive change in our neighbourhood.	Support noted.

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SoWN018	Individual	I am writing on behalf of the Jubilee Gardens Trust to inform you that the Trust is in full support of the re-designation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN) as a neighbourhood forum.	Support noted.
SoWN019	South Bank Employers' Group and South Bank Business Improvement District	<p>South Bank Employers' Group (SBEG) and South Bank Business Improvement District (BID) are pleased to respond to LB Lambeth's consultation on South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours' (SOWN) application to be re-designated as a neighbourhood forum.</p> <p>As you are aware, Lambeth Council designated SOWN as a neighbourhood forum on 10 February 2014. As a neighbourhood forum designation expires after five years, SOWN's status as a neighbourhood forum will expire on 10 February 2019.</p> <p><u>SBEG and South Bank BID</u></p> <p>SBEG was formed in 1991 as a not for profit company to represent the collective ambition of the main employers - businesses, cultural and arts organisations, social enterprises, statutory agencies, public institutions and infrastructure providers - on London's South Bank. Following nearly 30 years of success in transforming the area, the ongoing commitment to SBEG reflects our members' desire to see South Bank remain as one of the most culturally and economically dynamic parts of London and the UK.</p> <p>SBEG brings together a diverse group to achieve a shared vision - one that is based on collaboration, joint working and a firm commitment to those issues that matter to the local business and residential community - a quality public realm and environment, social amenities and facilities, and access to jobs, skills and training opportunities for residents of Lambeth and Southwark.</p> <p>SBEG established South Bank BID in 2014 as a separate and stand-alone company, governed by a Board whose members are drawn from the business community. SBEG is the delivery agent for the BID and ensures that local services are coordinated and joined up to maximise benefits to all businesses and employers in the South Bank neighbourhood.</p>	Support noted.

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		<p>SBEG is a vital part of South Bank life. Working with our members and partners, including South Bank BID and LB Lambeth, we provide and coordinate several key services and initiatives, which span security, cleaning, destination marketing and area promotion, employment and skills, and community engagement.</p> <p>SBEG members are internationally preeminent in their respective fields, and span the worlds of culture, property, tourism, hospitality, transport, education, health, commerce and community. Our members are vital to the very fabric of Lambeth's identity, and to the day to day life of its many communities. Our members are also critical to Lambeth's economic prosperity, and to the borough's future success.</p> <p>Both SBEG and South Bank BID work as part of South Bank Partnership<sup>1</sup>, and are fully committed to addressing and achieving the priorities of the current South Bank Manifesto, published in March 2018, and its ambition for A Better South Bank for Everyone.<sup>2</sup></p> <p><u>SBEG and SOWN</u></p> <p>SBEG was an early advocate for a Neighbourhood Plan for the area, and saw the potential for an effective Neighbourhood Forum, which could build on the area's history of resident and business engagement, in shaping how this distinctive part of London could grow in the 21st century. SBEG committed time, finances and other resources in getting SOWN established, and to the process for getting the Neighbourhood Plan underway.</p> <p>In February 2014, SOWN was formally designated as the Neighbourhood Forum for an area that encompasses nearly all of Bishop's ward. SOWN has since led the process to produce a neighbourhood development plan, under the 2011 Localism Act. It has 500 members and an annually elected steering group of around 30 people, representing various constituent groups, including businesses, residents, charities, community groups and ward councillors. As CEO of both SBEG and South Bank BID, I am a member of the SOWN Steering Group, effectively representing the most significant bodies of employers and businesses in the borough.</p>	

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		<p>SBEG was active in getting its members and other businesses in the area engaged in SOWN's consultation process on the first draft version of the Neighbourhood Plan. This took place in late 2016 and early 2017, and included providing updates at Board meetings, sharing responses, and in facilitating meetings and discussions with both the Chair and Secretary of SoWN. Several our members responded directly to that consultation, given their interest in and commitment to the Neighbourhood Plan and its policies.</p> <p>We provide regular updates on the Neighbourhood Plan and its progress to South Bank Partnership and South Bank Forum.</p> <p><u>Context</u></p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan comes at an important point in the development and growth of South Bank and Waterloo, and there are several relevant local and London-wide policies and strategies that will affect the area, its continued development and growth, and - given its importance and significance - its impact on the rest of Lambeth.</p> <p>Lambeth's consultation on the Neighbourhood and SOWN's application to be re-designated as a neighbourhood forum comes at the same time as the review of Lambeth's Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule (PDCS) and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) rates. LB Lambeth is also reviewing and consulting on a review of its draft Local Plan, its draft Transport Strategy, and its draft Infrastructure Plan. These are being undertaken in the context of the preparation of the new London Plan, and the Examination in Public (EiP) which commences in January 2019.</p> <p>In addition, and of direct relevance to Lambeth's consultation on its PDCS, CIL rates and its Local Plan, the Neighbourhood Plan is being reviewed in the context of the Mayor's proposals for Mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy 2 (MCIL2) which has recently been through its own EiP process.</p>	

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		<p>LB Lambeth has recently published Creative Ways to Grow - its growth strategy for the creative and digital industries, which rightly identifies the South Bank and Waterloo area as an important hub for these important economic sectors.</p> <p>The Council is concluding its work on its Public Realm Delivery Framework for Bishop's Ward and continues to progress its plans for a new Economic and Cultural Vision for the area. A consultation process on the Cooperative Local Investment Plan for the Waterloo area (Bishop's Ward) was undertaken in 2017/18 although the results, and related priorities for Neighbourhood CIL, have yet to be made public.</p> <p><u>Support for SOWN</u></p> <p>SBEG and South Bank BID have given their full support the South Bank and Waterloo Neighbourhood Plan, and its policies. We believe that the Neighbourhood Plan and its policies will make a positive contribution to the area, if accepted by the Inspector and is successful at the referendum.</p> <p>It is worth highlighting the references to SOWN and to the Neighbourhood Plan in the 2018 South Bank Manifesto (see footnote 2):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (SOWN) has been established and the Neighbourhood Plan has been developed following extensive community engagement (page 8 - Progress Report, Growth and Jobs).</li> <li>• (We will) support the implementation of the Neighbourhood Plan and its policies on green infrastructure, open space and air quality, and streetscape and transport (page 10 - The Environment and Public Realm).</li> <li>• (We will) deepen collaboration between South Bank Partnership, South Bank Forum, and SOWN to represent all South Bank stakeholders, ensuring that the Partnership's activities are conducted in a transparent manner (page 13 - Inclusivity).</li> <li>• Take steps to engage proactively with residents and provide regular updates on progress towards implementing the Manifesto, through South Bank Forum and other groups that are active in the area, including SOWN.</li> </ul>	

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		<p>Furthermore, and in active pursuit of the above aims and objectives, in October 2018, SOWN was formally accepted as a member of South Bank Partnership. Its inclusion as a South Bank Partnership member reflects its position, credibility and standing with South Bank and Waterloo's residential and business communities.</p> <p>In conclusion, SBEG and South Bank BID are fully supportive of SOWN's application to be re-designated as a neighbourhood forum, and we look forward to working with them in taking forward the Neighbourhood Plan, and the shared objectives of the 2018 South Bank Manifesto.</p> <p>Footnote 1: <a href="http://www.southbankpartnership.org">www.southbankpartnership.org</a></p> <p>Footnote 2: <a href="https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/19a7b6_f9670363ac794d0ba5bb4c7dbcd230a9.pdf">https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/19a7b6_f9670363ac794d0ba5bb4c7dbcd230a9.pdf</a>.</p>	
SoWN019	WeAreWaterloo	I'm [redacted], Chief Executive of the WeAreWaterloo Business Improvement District, and I would like to offer my support to re-designate South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours as a neighbourhood forum.	Support noted.
SoWN020	St John's, Waterloo	The Parochial Church Council of St John's Church, Waterloo, strongly supports the proposal to redesignate SOWN.	Support noted.
SoWN021	Transport for London (Spatial Planning)	Thank you for consulting TfL Spatial Planning. I have no comments on the application.	Comment noted.
SoWN022	Individual	I support the re-designation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN).	Support noted.
SoWN023	Individual	I support the redesignation of South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN) as the Neighbourhood Forum.	Support noted.