

THAMESMEAD WATERFRONT

Thamesmead Waterfront Joint Venture confirms Strategic Masterplanner competition longlist

- Ten multi-disciplinary masterplanning teams selected for interview
- International open call closed on 25 November 2020 attracted 72 formal Expressions of Interest from practices around the world to help create a new and exceptional place for post-pandemic future
- Teams selected for interview include those led/co-led by practices from Sweden, the Netherlands and Denmark, as well as the UK



Peabody and Lendlease's *Thamesmead Waterfront* Joint Venture has confirmed a longlist of 10 teams in its strategic masterplanner competition.

The successful team(s) will play an important role in masterplanning the 250 acre site in South-East London which has the capacity for thousands of new homes and significant commercial and leisure space, set amongst lakes, ample green space and over a mile of undeveloped river frontage.

The 10 longlisted teams, formed of over 100 firms and individuals, will meet with the Joint Venture this month to introduce their teams and discuss their submissions in more detail, before 5 teams are shortlisted to progress to Stage 2 of the competition.

Stage 2 will see further interviews and discussions with members of the Joint Venture Board and a panel of partners who will be working closely with Peabody and Lendlease on the project.

Peabody Executive Director Thamesmead, John Lewis, said:

“We are delighted with the response to this hugely exciting opportunity. The quality of thinking behind each submission was incredibly high, and we’ve enjoyed discussing some wonderfully innovative approaches to the opportunities and challenges that this special project presents. We are grateful to everybody who took the time to make a submission. All of the teams we’ve selected have demonstrated a really strong commitment to working collaboratively with Thamesmead’s communities to create a fantastic place for the future.”

Bek Seeley, Managing Director of Development for Lendlease in Europe, said:

“Our longlisted teams’ submissions explored a range of themes and displayed great enthusiasm and passion for Thamesmead. They all clearly share our high ambitions for what can be achieved, and have thoughtfully considered the opportunities and challenges of the Waterfront. The assessment panel were really impressed with their creativity, design leadership skills and their ability to conceive something truly extraordinary for this project. We’re really looking forward to discussing the approaches further and sharing their plans when we get to the shortlisting stage.”

The competition is being run by Colander Associates. Regular updates will be posted at www.thamesmead-waterfront.co.uk

The Longlist

Team Lead(s)	Location of Lead Consultant(s)	Team Members
Allies and Morrison	UK	Jas Bhalla Architects; SLA; Ramboll; Montagu Evans; and Frances Holliss
BIG – Bjarke Ingels Group and dRMM	U.K. and Danish origins	Buro Happold, Gehl; LDA Design; Nigel Dunnett Studio; Gardiner & Theobald; Groundwork; Architecture Doing Place; Bell Phillips Architects; Erect Architecture; YOU & ME; Quality of Life Foundation, and Plan A Consultants.

Grimshaw	UK	Mica Architects; Sohoko; Architecture00; Momentum; Daniel Hill; Quod; Beacon Partnership; JLL; WT Partnership; Soundings; Thomas Mathews; Lionheart; The Centric Lab; Dark Matter Labs; Living Space Project; Hatch Regeneris; McGregor Coxall; Hortus Collective; Ecosulis; Useful Projects; Umbrellium; Hoare Lee; Campbell Reith; and Buro Happold
HTA Design LLP	UK	Tonkin Liu; AR-Urbanism; Ullmayer Sylvester; Kristofer Adelaide Architecture; The Young Foundation; Poor Collective; Beyond the Box; Nigel Dunnett; Green Infrastructure; Waterman; Steer; and Buro Happold
Karakusevic Carson Architects	UK	Wetherford Watson Mann; Stoss Landscape Architects; ORG Permanent Modernity; Assemble; Studio ONB; Creative Giants; Sahra Hersi; Kathryn Firth; Max Fordham; Lichfields; London Wildlife Trust
Prior + Partners	UK	Arup; West 8; The Place Bureau; Alison Brooks Architects; Turner Works; Marc Koehler Architects; JA Projects; Schulze+Grassov; Soundings; and Sage Culture
PosadMaxwan	Netherlands	Urban Place Lab; BoschSlabbers; Farrer Huxley; The Green Infrastructure Consultancy and Stantec.
Studio Egret West and Cobe	UK and Denmark	Dark Matter Labs; Studio Weave; Freehaus Design; Yinka Ilori Studio; AKTII; Hilson Moran; and Biomatrix Water
Urban Orchestra led by Tibbalds Planning and	UK	Create Culture; Gardiner and Theobald; Gibson Thornley; GS Solutions; Innovation First; Kjellander Sjöberg; LOLA; Madeleine Kessler Architects; Mary Duggan Architects; Nick Elias Studio; Nordic –

Urban Design, Mikhail Riches, Haptic and Expedition		Office of Architecture; William Matthews Architects and ZCD Architects.
White Arkitekter	Sweden	Publica; Tredje Natur; Central Saint Martins; Public Works; Bohn & Viljoen; Buro Happold; GL Hearn; and Aurora

The 4 week open call asked teams to submit expressions of interest which demonstrated the ability to understand, nurture and develop the principles of the Joint Venture vision:

- **Natural living** - Using and enhancing the existing landscape to create a unique natural destination for Thamesmead, London and the South-East - providing a place where people can unwind and find space to enjoy the natural world.
- **A city neighbourhood** - Providing the social infrastructure and workplaces to enable a resilient mixed-use neighbourhood with the choice, variety and opportunities of the best parts of London and the South-East.
- **Better connections** - Transforming connectivity into central London, including use of the river; connecting into the 'Go East' production corridor; and creating a legible, connected local network across Thamesmead.
- **A safe, stable and sustainable community** - Creating a place that people are proud of, through community ownership and participation. A place where you know your neighbours and your neighbourhood, where you feel safe and healthy. A place that is founded on robust stewardship and long-term viability.
- **Inclusive and affordable for all** - Making affordable but high-quality homes, workplaces and neighbourhoods, for a diverse community of people and businesses, creating jobs and opportunities for all.

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