

Meeting

Tuesday 22nd June - Zoom

Aim of the meeting:

To meet with representatives of the new Institute of Technology which will be installed in the new building on London City Island.

Present:

- Stevan Tennant – Ballymore Director
- Paul Stephen – Principal and Chief Executive of Newham College
- Tony Croudass – Programme Manager, Institute of Technology
- Philippa Lloyd – Vice Principal Queen Mary University of London
- Tom Lawson - Associate Planner Roisdale Planning planning consultant who work on LCI as a whole for Ballymore and Newham collage and QMUL.
- Diane Young – Chair of London City Island Leaseholders & Residents Association
- YuaHaw Yeo – Committee Member
- Mel Henson – Committee Member

Key takeaways

- The college will move in in September 2022 on a 150 year lease.
- The college is keen to have a good long term relationship with residents and keep lines of communication open.
- The numbers of students present on any one day will be a maximum of 500, which is similar to the numbers should the building use have remained as an office. They don't all arrive at the same time but have staggered arrival times.
- Students are bound by a code to behave professionally. They mostly have employment and are studying on day release leading to a professional career, so are motivated to behave well.
- The college has a large outreach programme and works tirelessly to encourage disadvantaged students into education and has a track record of putting many on the path to a rewarding career.
- They will not be allowed to bring bikes to Canning Town station
- There is overprovision of bike storage within the building for students so it is unlikely students will be using the visitor cycle parks
- The college has a dedicated bin store within the building and a dedicated area for holding the hoppers
- The college contributes to the upkeep of common grounds through paying towards estate management. They do not have access to facilities such as gym and lounges and therefore do not contribute to service charge. They fully pay for the upkeep of their own building and therefore do not take money from residents service charge.
- The college will be shut at Christmas and Easter. It will be open during the summer, but there will be fewer students at those times.

Tony Croudass: What is the IOT?

New form of professional employer led training – a collaboration between Queen Mary's and Newham with employer input, CBRE, Siemens Alston and Port of London authority.

Focus developing high level skills in London to keep moving.

Majority apprentices and in employment, developing professional skills.

70% of the students will be in that category. On site a couple of days a week at most

Primarily to be used for desk based work – industrial training will be at Queen Mary and Newham campuses.

Numbers are broadly similar to those originally envisaged
500 on site at any one time – eventually – building up the numbers over approx 5 years.

Sept 2022 opening date

Envisage broadly similar 8.30- 5.30 Mon-Fri similar to an office.

150 year lease so long term commitment.

Demographics – 80% over age of 19

~There will be on- site security – staff of the college – who we can contact.

The college wants a long term relationship – can contact if any concerns

Students will all have contracts with Newham, and Queen Marys outlining conduct expected of them

Will try to make sure not flooding shops and eateries at key points during the day.

No accommodation/ residential courses – it's all day courses.

A number of different courses are on offer. Very much work based learning – earning as they learn. Will spend a lot of time in the workplace putting into practice what they're learning .

PL: Systems engineering, robotics, stem subjects.

Also adult learners

PS: Definitely will not be 1700 a day. Will work up to an average of 500 a day.

ST: Have not given access to any of the resident facilities such as gym, lounges, etc.

Have also only acquired only 6 car parking spaces, so will not be flooding the car park with traffic.

PL: Because a lot are working with professional firms. Tripartite agreement, College, Firm and student – are required to behave professionally. Could lose their job if they don't behave. It's quite a different take on being a university student because they.

DY: Will there be a canteen?

TC: Each floor is a breakout area where drinks will be on sale. Catering strategy is being worked on. Expected to have some facilities on site.

Queen Mary is at Mile End, Charterhouse, Smithfield etc, Newham Main campus is at Stratford.

MH: Would be preferable to have more facilities in the building to keep students more likely to eat there.

DY: Feel were not consulted until the planning came through. Numbers were originally said to be 350, then 480 and now 500. Will residents not be able to enjoy the grass outside on a sunny day because students will be using it.

TL: Colleges do tend to have staggered entry times so people are not all arriving – this helps in terms of assessment of infrastructure.

Will be additional people there, but will be similar to the numbers had it been a traditional office. Not expecting a substantial increase based on existing planned use (office or education). LCI was always designed to accommodate a number of people moving into that building.

DY: Said that we had been told the Clipper Stop is not going to open. TL and ST surprised. **ST to look into this and let us know.**

YHY: Asked about Roof Area – sports centre

ST: It's not part of the school It will be a sports pitch. Not yet decided whether it's public access or for residents.

MH: asked for sight of typical clauses for learning agreement and behaviour expectations. **PS to share.**

MH: Cycling. Noted that there's space for around 70 cycles in the building and 10 outside, underneath the canopy – for students and staff only.

PL: There are 138 spaces (this includes the ones above for students and staff, plus ones outside that are for use by visitors to the college or other visitors.

TL: Based on previous examples, this is likely to be a massive over-provision.

Some are adjacent and a few other spaces. Would not be just for the Ones not in the building anyone can use. Ones in the building will be

PS: Vast majority walk or take the bus

DY: We would want to encourage people to not cycle through down Lyell street.

TL: This would be part of the student management plan.

PS: Will be telling students not to use Canning Town as it can only take one bike at a time.

MH: We would like to campaign for Boris Bikes to be under the flyover, so would welcome a joint approach on this.

MH asked about litter bins.

PS: Will be contributing to Service Charge.

ST: College will be paying an estates charge, to external services. Don't have access to residential services, so won't be contributing to those. Fully responsible for maintenance of their own building.

TC: Confirmed there is a waste management strategy.

TL: Large hoppers for waste collection. There is a dedicated refuse store in the building for all refuse collection in the site. It's on the NE side, that faces towards the river edge. A small holding area where they will be wheeled out for collection the next day.

MH: We would really enjoy having good relations. Would like to be consulted rather than just discovering that things are happening (for example open days). This was well received, and it was felt that that the desire for good open relations with residents is mutual.

DY: outreach – what is envisaged.

PL: Both Newham and Queen Mary are very close to the communities they serve. We work v closely with Tower Hamlets as well as Islington. Do all sorts of things with them. Work with schools, volunteering, community engagement, events, projects. Sometimes have community events, legal advice. Arts and culture strategy, people working across law, etc delivering provision to support businesses. PL sits on a number o committees on climate, diversities.

PS: students do a lot of pro bono work for childrens charities, student groups, community events, construction students do maintenance for charities etc. Good relationships with business es across London and a lot of mentoring for students, and pathways for disadvantaged students to have fantastic careers. IoT is a prestigious badge to have – only 12 in the country. Fantastic to have one in such a deprived area of the country. Students respond very well to the structured education programmes that we run.

Want to be great neighbours. Fantastic potential for 500 people who are making their way in the world to great careers will have a positive effect. Newham used to be a place to get out of, but now working really hard to make Newham a place where communities can grow

PL: Aims to have real social inclusivity. About 50% of students are local 24% approx from households with an income of less than £12k – very proud of allowing so many students to access high quality education.

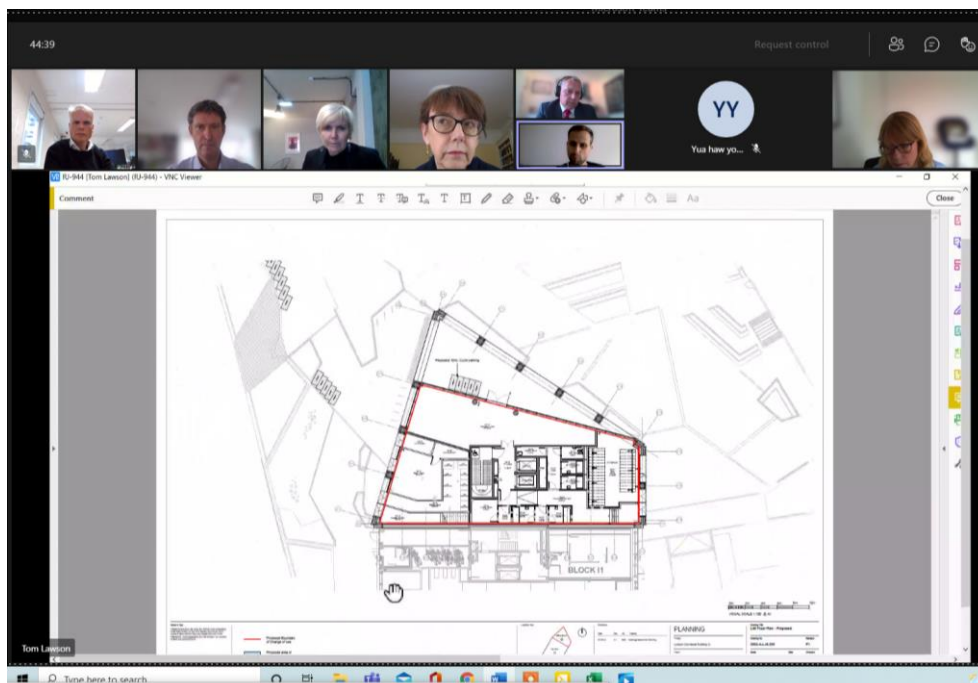
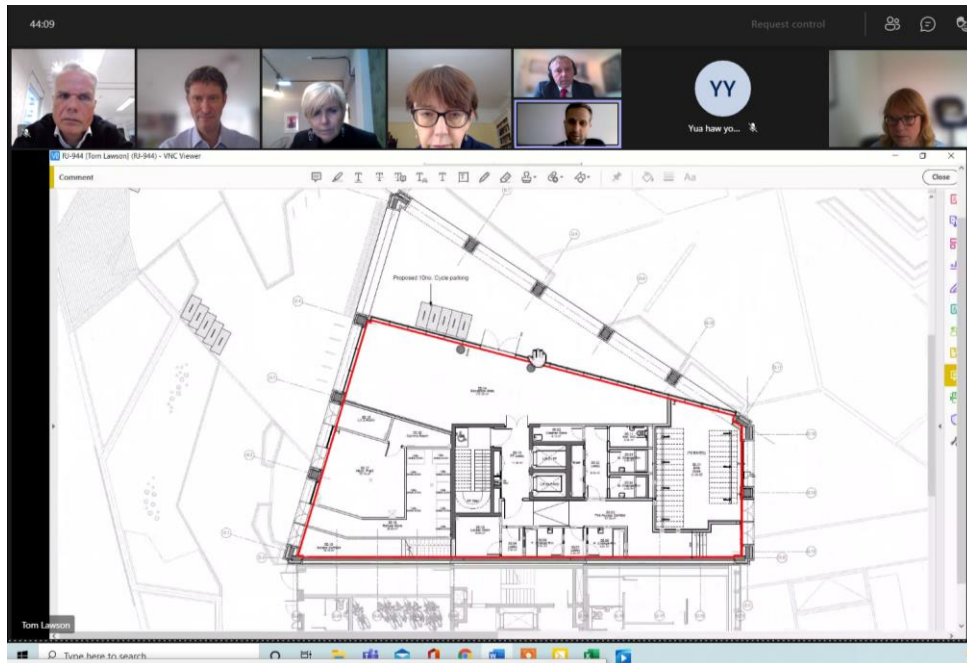
DY: What's the relationship between the uni and the IoT.

PS: Started at Newham college 4 years ago. DOE designed the procurement – wanted to end the spats between further education and higher education. Wanted the programmes that Uni and IoT colleges offer could be more parity.

When he started met a number of unis. Queen Mary was the most enthusiastic about collaboration in a meaningful way. Talked about how will collaborate and not compete and how to design the curriculum.

What attracted to Queen Mary, 100 one of the highest performing academically in the country but also very inclusive.

Not a new company but shared rights and responsibilities for making it a success. Contractually bound to each other to collaborate, support each other and make it a success.



Above screen grabs show the litter areas and cycle spaces within the building

DY: asked about term dates

PS: because some apprenticeships need year round training traditional term dates aren't the quite the same.

PL: Requirement of apprenticeship is 20% off-job training – blocks or day release. Depends a bit on the business model. Will be shut over Christmas and Easter, and likely to be quiet over the summer, although it will be in use.

ST : Will organise a group for future regular communications between residents and the IoT.