

Continuing an East End swimming tradition

A LIDO FOR WAPPING?



PUBLIC CONSULTATION:

Raine House, Raine Street E1W 3RL
Wed 4th, Thur 5th, Fri 6th, November from 4-7pm
Saturday 7th November 11am-3pm
www.turksheadcharity.com/lido
www.shadwellbasinproject/lido



HISTORY

Back in 1930 a rich philanthropist paid for thousand of tonnes of sand to cover the foreshore at Tower Bridge. Thousands of local children learned to swim in the Thames. The beach was removed in the 1960's because of river pollution.

Building on the idea for an outdoor swimming pool developed with the community and presented at the 2011 Shindig, two local charities, the Turk's Head Charity and Shadwell Basin Project have now joined forces to develop a new swimming facility for local people. Swimming is great exercise and a must-learn for children in a borough surrounded by water.

The Wapping Lido aims to use part of Shadwell Basin to create a 50 metre-long swimming pool, with changing rooms and a new café/restaurant.



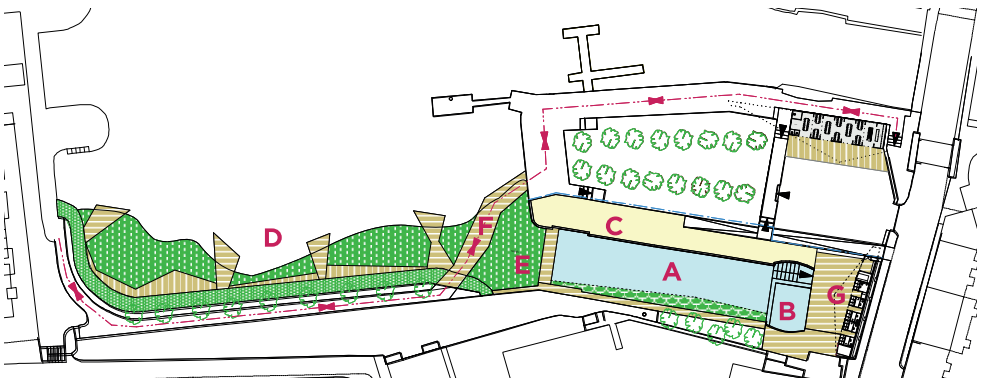
Bathers in natural outdoor pool

NATURAL WATER TREATMENT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

The plan is to treat the water in the pool with natural processes – reed bed and phosphor filtration – and heat it year round with a heat exchanger in the basin. Solar panels will provide electricity. An enhanced wetland park area on the south of the basin will enhance opportunities for fishing and environmental education.

BUSINESS PLAN

The cost of the scheme is estimated at £3.5 million, which the charities plan to raise from the National Lottery, the Greater London Authority and charitable donations. The running of the facility will be subsidised by the new café/restaurant on the wharf and open to all for a modest admission charge. A new charity set up for the purpose will run the Lido for public benefit.



A. Pool (50 x 11m); B. kid's pool (10 x 11m); C. beach; D. wetland area with jettys; E. reeds; F. new footbridge connection; G. pool facilities building (changing, toilets, office, storage); H. restaurant / café with terrace



Next Steps:

The charities plan to submit a planning application this year (2015) and are seeking local people's views and suggestions on the project at a four-day public event from November 4th – 7th 2015 on the site at Brussels Wharf; each day from 3-7pm.

The Promoters:

The Turk's Head Charity improves Wapping for public benefit and promotes education about history, the environment and nature. It runs the annual Wapping Summer Shindig and derives its income from owning and managing the former pub on Green Bank.

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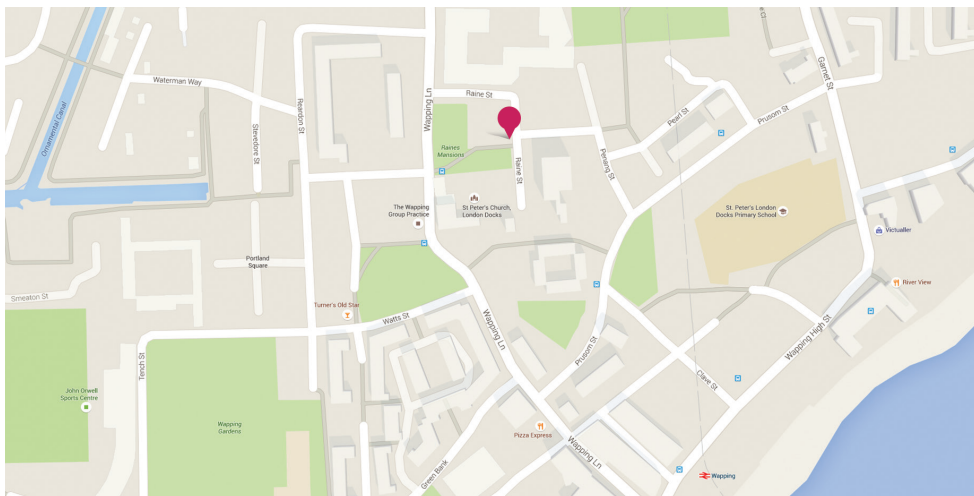
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The Shadwell Basin Outdoor Activity Centre provides activities for young people and adults and promotes education. Established in 1976, it uses Shadwell Basin for year round sailing, canoeing, rowing and kayaking.

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Come along to have a look at the proposals and let us know your views!