

Engage



Local news for the London 2012 Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue
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Welcome

Welcome to the summer issue of 'Engage'. This is the newsletter for some of our closest neighbours – the community living around the temporary London 2012 Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue site.

You will have seen that the site has already undergone a significant transformation since work began on the venue in February this year. All three indoor ranges are well underway and the venue is starting to take shape.

We have now completed all of the foundations for the ranges, which involved piling. We appreciate that this activity may have been disruptive and would like to thank you for your patience during these works.

We were delighted to meet lots of you at our community meeting in the Woolwich Common Community Centre in March. At this meeting you told us

that you were concerned about how the traffic impacts would be managed during the Games.

Inside, you will find information that we hope will answer some of your questions. We have also invited our transport team to our upcoming community meeting in September so they can talk to you directly about our plans.

Local residents asked us to consider providing an outdoor gym within the Woolwich Common Estate. We are pleased to announce that we are able to provide this facility. Work has started and the gym is due to be ready

for use by early October. We hope you enjoy using it.

We will also be providing some additional resources including planter boxes and topsoil to the Welcare children's allotments scheme that operates within the Estate.

Please call our free Construction Hotline on 08000 722 110 if you have any concerns or questions about the construction work, or about the construction programme in general.

**Community Relations team
Olympic Delivery Authority**



Construction is progressing well on the London 2012 Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue

Meet the construction team

Find out more and ask questions about the construction programme at our next community meeting.

Date: Thursday 8 September 2011

Time: 7pm

Location: Woolwich Common Community Centre, 16 Leslie Smith Square, London SE18 4DW (within Woolwich Common Estate)

Please call **08000 722 110** to confirm your attendance and any accessibility requirements.

Our work on the London 2012 Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue

Construction work is well underway on the facilities for the Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue for the London 2012 Games.

Since work started on the Olympic and Paralympic Shooting and Paralympic Archery venue in March the site has been transformed with all three indoor ranges well underway.

We are on track to complete the construction of the facilities by January 2012. Below is an update on the works that we will undertake between September 2011 and the completion of construction.

Outdoor shotgun/archery range

Piling is now complete and work has started on the ballistic screen. Works will continue on this screen during September through to December.

Indoor ranges

The structures for all three indoor ranges are now complete and cladding

is underway. Work on the cladding will continue throughout September and October.

Blue Badge parking

Work on the Blue Badge parking area is nearing completion. Before the Games the parking area will be used as a secure drop-off and pick-up zone for Willow Tree Nursery to ensure they are able to continue to operate safely throughout our construction programme.

Security fence

During September and October the existing site hoardings will be removed and will be replaced by the final venue security fence. This will be a mesh fence enabling you to watch progress on the venue. A branded section of hoarding will remain in place along Ha Ha Road.



Construction is well underway on the temporary facilities, with cladding now being installed on the indoor ranges

Four Colours

Four Colours, a group of four female artists, have been working closely with residents and groups of the Woolwich Common Estate to host unusual art events on the estate this summer.

Activities have included transforming the local launderette using the London 2012 colours (pictured below), creating art installations with residents using the balconies of the flats in Lawson House, a pop-up arts event with Welcare staff and volunteers in their community garden and creating a gallery in two local residents' garage.

The last event on 29 July included the screening of a short film made especially for the project with athletes from ParalympicsGB Archery team with more than 80 attendees. Theo Osunbor, who runs the launderette says about the transformation in his shop, said: 'It's very good. Everybody talks about it. Everybody likes it. Because everyone wants change and everyone likes colour.'

This programme of artist-led activities was commissioned by the ODA as part of its Arts and Cultural Strategy and in response to the forthcoming commemorative landmark for Woolwich, which will recognise the role the Royal Artillery Barracks played in hosting the London 2012 events long into the future.



Transport

London 2012 is aiming for 100 per cent of spectators to arrive at the Olympic and Paralympic Games by public transport, walking or cycling. Spectators with a ticket for a Games event in London will get a one-day Games Travelcard for the day of that event.

Spectators

It is estimated that around 104,000 spectators will attend The Royal Artillery Barracks venue during the Olympic and Paralympic Games. This will be around 6,500 spectators per day.

Spectators will be encouraged to arrive at the accessible Woolwich Arsenal station and walk to the venue. An accessible shuttle bus service will be provided between New Road and the venue for spectators with limited mobility. There will also be limited Blue Badge parking provided close to the venue, which will need to be booked in advance.

Spectators will enter the venue via Ha Ha Road and Grand Depot Road junction.

Access to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital will remain fully operational throughout the London 2012 Games. Access to the hospital will remain via Stadium Road.

Local bus services

The existing bus routes using Ha Ha Road and Repository Road will be affected by the road closures. The London 2012 team has developed plans with Transport for London to divert these routes to the north and

south of the venue and provide additional services during the periods that the roads are closed. All changes to existing routes will be publicised and clearly signed.

Walking and cycling routes

London 2012 will be enhancing a number of walking and cycling routes, including the Thames Path, to connect the Olympic Park to venues in the London Borough of Greenwich.

During the Games, two alternative routes will be provided, which will be publicised and clearly signed. South to north: walkers and cyclists will travel along Academy Road on the edge of Woolwich Common, onto Grand Depot Road and into Woolwich town centre.

East to west: walkers and cyclists will travel across Woolwich Common onto Circular Way and then continue onto the A205.

Olympic Route Network (ORN) and Paralympic Route Network (PRN)

The ORN and PRN will enable the safe, secure and efficient transportation of athletes and team officials between venues and accommodation. It will also minimise the impact of the Games on residents, businesses and visitors to London and the rest of the UK.

Coaches and cars transporting athletes, competitors and officials will access the venue via Shooters Hill Road and Charlton Park Lane, and drop off in designated areas within the venue. You can get more information on the ORN and PRN by visiting: www.london2012.com/ORN

Traffic Management and Parking

London 2012, together with the local authority and emergency services, will be putting in place a Local Area Traffic Management and Parking Plan around the venue. This will use a variety of temporary traffic and parking measures to ensure that Games and local traffic is managed in a controlled and coordinated manner.

The plan will be designed to prevent spectators parking in the area surrounding the venue, with the aim that:

- residents and businesses will continue to have access to their properties;
- residents and businesses will be able to continue to park their vehicles (arrangements will be made for friends and families or other activities such as deliveries and carer visits);
- emergency access to all properties will be maintained at all times;
- residents and businesses will be further protected as the number of vehicles needing to access the venue will be minimised as far as possible, there will be no cost to any resident or business for permits or similar schemes; and
- the temporary changes will be for the Games period only.

The London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) is currently working on these plans and will be contacting you in the next few months to provide up-to-date information about the proposed changes.

Road closures

	Test events	Pre-Games period				O	P	Venue removal			
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December		
Repository Road	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	
Ha Ha Road	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	
Circular Way *	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	

Key

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Closed

Open outside competition hours (daily)

O Olympic Games Shooting competition

P Paralympic Games Shooting competition

* Circular Way closed between March 2011 and December 2012

Shooting

Shooting developed as a hunting sport in the 15th century. The rules and structure of the modern shooting competition were developed in Europe and the USA, spreading worldwide in the late 19th century.

Shooting is made up of Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun competitions. In Pistol and Rifle events, competitors fire at a target from a set distance. In Shotgun events, athletes fire at a moving clay target at varying distances.

Olympic Shooting facts

- Traditionally the first medal awarded in the Olympic Games
- 390 athletes
- 15 medals
- 9 days
- Rifle and Pistol events take place

within shooting ranges with a single bullet targeted at distances of 10m, 25m and 50m

- Shotgun uses clay targets propelled at a variety of directions and angles in an outdoor range

Paralympic Shooting facts

- Pistol and Rifle Shooting are part of the Paralympic Games programme
- There are two classes of competition: SH1 (for athletes who can support the weight of their firearm); and SH2 (for athletes who use a 'shooting stand' for support)
- Paralympic athletes shoot over 10m, 25m and 50m distances

Paralympic Archery

Bows and arrows have been used for hunting and warfare since prehistoric times. Archery developed as a sport in

medieval England, where tournaments were held to encourage the military art of the archer in peacetime.

Today bows are made from special aluminium alloy and laminated carbon materials. They are designed to shoot aluminium and carbon graphite arrows at speeds of more than 150mph.

Paralympic Archery facts

- Paralympic Archery was part of the programme for the first Paralympic Games in Stoke Mandeville in 1948
- 140 athletes
- 9 medals
- 7 days
- Paralympic Archery consists of Standing and Wheelchair events
- Arrows are shot at a target from a distance of 70m

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