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Project Coversheet

[1] Ownership & Status

UPI: 12058

Core Project Name: Wanstead Park Ponds Project

Programme Affiliation (if applicable): Not applicable

Project Manager: Tim Munday

Definition of need: The City of London Corporation has statutory duties as a reservoir owner under the Reservoirs Act 1975 to ensure the integrity of the structures within the cascade of ponds in the Wanstead Park lake system. The Environment Agency has identified three ponds as being High Risk. This project will carry out flood modelling to determine if the reservoirs meet the standards required for safe overtopping during the Probable Maximum Flood. If the engineering study finds the reservoir structures to be inadequate the City Corporation will have a statutory duty to make improvements. Potential solutions will be explored, including those that address further long-term issues affecting the ponds. Future work could be carried out in conjunction with works in the Wanstead Parkland Plan addressing the Heritage at Risk status of the park.

Key measures of success:

- 1) The reservoirs will comply with the statutory requirements.
- 2) Completion of the project without enforcement by the EA.
- 3) The public and other stakeholders will be kept informed during the process, of any conclusions and next steps.

Expected timeframe for the project delivery:

Original progression to Gateway 3: March - October 2020

Revised progression to Gateway 3: March 2021.

Project completion: June 2024 – January 2026 (no change)

Key Milestones: Progression to Gateway 3

Are we on track for completing the project against the expected timeframe for project delivery? No. Progression to Gateway 3 needs to be delayed to enable more detailed engineering studies to be undertaken which will materially impact the options at that stage.

Has this project generated public or media impact and response which the City of London has needed to manage or is managing?

No, but the project is of significant interest to local stakeholders and the project includes the appointment of a communications officer.

[2] Finance and Costed Risk

Headline Financial, Scope and Design Changes:

'Project Briefing' G1 report (as approved by Chief Officer 22/03/2019):

- Total Estimated Cost (excluding risk): £150 000 (engineering assessment only) £8-12 million (anticipated total cost of project)
- Costed Risk Against the Project: £0

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- Estimated Programme Dates:
Engineering assessment only: (8-10 months)

Lower Range estimate: Start: April 2019, Finish: November 2019
Upper Range estimate: Start: June 2019, Finish: March 2020

Should additional work be required the anticipated timeframe is:

Lower Range estimate: Start: December 2019, Finish: June 2024
Upper Range estimate: Start: April 2020, Finish: January 2026

Scope/Design Change and Impact: Approval by the Court of Common Council (18/07/2019) given for project to proceed outside of the Fundamental Review and for in year budget increase.

'Project Proposal' G2 report (as approved by PSC 22/03/2019):

- Total Estimated Cost (excluding risk): £150 000 to Gateway 3, £8-12 million total.
- Resources to reach next Gateway (excluding risk): £150 000
- Spend to date: £0
- Costed Risk Against the Project: 0
- CRP Requested: 0
- CRP Drawn Down: 0
- Estimated Programme Dates:

Engineering assessment only: (8-10 months)

Lower Range estimate: Start: April 2019, Finish: November 2019
Upper Range estimate: Start: June 2019, Finish: March 2020

Further works anticipated timeframe is:

Lower Range estimate: Start: December 2019, Finish: June 2024
Upper Range estimate: Start: April 2020, Finish: January 2026

Scope/Design Change and Impact: Approval by the Court of Common Council (18/07/2019) given for project to proceed outside of the Fundamental Review and for in year budget increase.

Total anticipated on-going commitment post-delivery [£]:0
Programme Affiliation [£]: Not applicable