

LEAD DESIGN ROLE: Expressions of Interest Invited

Vine Road Project Vine Road Recreation Ground, Barnes SW13 0NE Re-shaping a Historic Recreation Ground

The Vine Road Recreation Ground is managed by a third sector conservation and education charity, the Friends of Barnes Common (FoBC), in partnership with the site owners, the London Borough of Richmond-upon-Thames.

Following an initial soft public consultation to help identify possible project elements, FoBC is pleased to invite expressions of interest from organisations or individuals, acting in groups or alone, to be appointed as lead Design Consultant for the next phase to create new, and enhance existing, facilities at Vine Road Recreation Ground (the Project). This is intended to take the Project through initial design leading to Planning Application, Funding Applications, public consultations and for the Council, as owner of the site, to make a formal decision.

We are seeking a team/individual able to demonstrate relevant experience and a personal ethos to be at the forefront of design which will be robust and sustainable ecologically in all phases of construction and operation of landscape, recreational facilities, and buildings. It is vital the team/individual is excited by the opportunity to maximise the associated educational and wellbeing opportunities throughout all phases of operation and is prepared to liaise with our outdoor learning manager to help facilitate this.

The team will need to work with FoBC to secure third party funding. Modest 'seed funding' is available to support the Project through this phase. This funding can be used towards professional fees but is insufficient to offer normal professional rates without accruals or deferrals unless the appointee is able to assist in obtaining further support or sponsorship early in the process.

Participation in this Project has exciting potential to serve as an exemplar of best practice in the regeneration of a small urban park with significant policy implications, which we expect will reflect well on those involved for years to come.

Those interested are most welcome to visit the site on their own or can be accompanied (by mutual arrangement with FoBC). Any enquiries or initial expressions of interest, including supporting evidence of your interest and experience as appropriate, should be received no later than 30th September 2020. A shortlist will be drawn up and discussions held which will lead to tendering for the assignment.

Details of the site and the Project to date are available on the [Project website](#).

FoBC is not responsible for any costs incurred by third parties responding to this invitation. FoBC reserves the right to withdraw this invitation and to make an appointment or not, on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate in its absolute discretion.

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