

IN THIS ISSUE: New faces at WLB | London Tech Week & Circular Economy Week kick off | Funding secured for WL Institute of Technology | WLB to celebrate 25th anniversary at Summer Reception... and more!

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## WLB CEO Update

*June 2019*



Dear colleague,

**The WLB team is growing!** [Amelia Grant and Elliott Parker form our new member services team and Sarah Spateri has joined as Park Royal Business Group Manager.](#) All bring exceptional experience to the organisation as we continue to develop our services and increase our impact. We wish Ryan well in his new role at Brunel University London's Coinnovate.

Over the next few days we support **London Tech Week** and **Circular Economy Week** with **TechWest.London** returning with a number of gatherings on [Tuesday](#) (Ealing), [Wednesday](#) (Brentford) and [Thursday](#) (White City). Do book on and join us if you haven't already.

Read more below about the exciting news of funding being secured for a new **West London Institute of Technology** delivered by HCUC with support from Fujitsu, Heathrow and West London Business. We are also delighted to support the [Mayor of London's Construction Academy West London hub](#) convened by West London College and supported by WLB members including Berkeley, Kier and Build Training.

**A key milestone in our 25th Anniversary celebrations will be our [Summer Celebration](#) on Thursday 4 July when we will enjoy making new business connections as we take a trip down the River Thames.**

[Finally consider whether your business could benefit from taking part in the West London E-bike trial this summer.](#) Last year's trial delivered by WestTrans was so popular it is being repeated!

Andrew Dakers

Chief Executive

## Local news bites



**One of the country's first Institute of Technology (IoT) centres will be established in Uxbridge, led by HCUC, the merged college group for Harrow College and Uxbridge College – and with Brunel University London as the higher education provider in the partnership.** Working with Brunel and other anchor partners Fujitsu, Heathrow and West London Business, HCUC is among just 12 education and training providers nationally to be selected by the Department for Education in a competitive bidding process.

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**Plans announced to open a new music venue in White City.** Exhibition London will be based in the Grade II listed Dimco East building at Westfield London. The space will create new jobs for local residents and give local young people more opportunities in the arts. The development of the space supports the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham's Industrial Strategy, which aims to make H&F a place where new developments and investment offer real benefits for local residents.

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## Summer mingling with WLB



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[Our programme for Tues 11 - Thurs 13 June 2019 >>](#)



## West London Business 25th Anniversary Summer Reception

Thursday 4 July 2019 | 6–10PM

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## West London Summer Property Lunch

Friday 19 July 2019 | 1–4PM

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### Policy watch

**West London Business is currently undertaking research into the digital skills needs of London SMEs operating in Hospitality & Tourism; Property & Construction; Retail and Social Care.** The insights emerging from a series of ongoing workshops, a digital survey and additional research will inform a report with recommendations on future business support to the London Growth Hub/ London Economic Action Partnership (LEAP) at City Hall.

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**Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation (OPDC), has welcomed the government's decision to award £250m to kick-start development on the West London site.** The investment, from the government's Housing Infrastructure Fund, will be used to assemble land, design and build vital roads and utilities infrastructure. This will allow development of homes and businesses to begin at Old Oak North, close to the new transport 'Superhub' where the HS2 and the Elizabeth Line will meet.

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### Member news

#### **B P Collins law firm announces four promotions**

B P Collins has announced that, as of 1 May 2019, Chris Brazier will be promoted to a partner in B P Collins' employment team, where he leads its business immigration practice, after joining the firm in 2012.

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#### **Heathrow takes bold action to reduce airport-related vehicle emissions**

The UK's only hub airport is putting plans in motion to introduce charges for passenger cars and all

## Berkeley launch Southall Waterside website



The Southall Waterside Community Team are delighted to announce the launch of the Southall Waterside Community website. You can now visit [southallwatersidecommunity.co.uk](https://southallwatersidecommunity.co.uk) to keep up-to-date with the latest community events and development news. The community team also produce a quarterly newsletter - the latest edition of which is now out.

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## Knight Frank launches London Residential Development research



A new report by Knight Frank provides a handy if somewhat concerning overview of the residential development sector in London, covering a range of indicators, from house prices, to the supply and delivery pipeline and construction costs.

private hire vehicles. This includes the world's first airport Ultra Low Emission Zone (the Heathrow ULEZ), set to be introduced in 2022.

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## Golden Bolt Ceremony held at Brentford Community Stadium

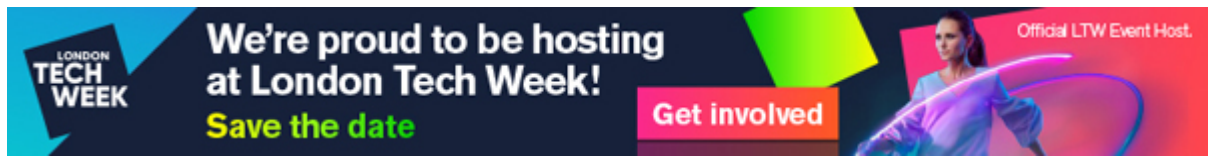
A major milestone was reached in the construction of Brentford's new home as a Golden Bolt ceremony was held. Brentford FC will be moving to its new stadium at the end of the 2019/20 season and construction has been underway since 2018.

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## New Member offer from WLB member Timeless IMS

50% off network and cyber security audits. One day engineer onsite, written report provided after audit with findings including risks or issues found. *If you are a WLB Member and wish to explore this offer further, please contact [elliott.parker@westlondon.com](mailto:elliott.parker@westlondon.com)*

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