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Project Name Ref	Project Description	Additional Information Partners, Funding, Management, Timeframes	Sept 2025 Update	Risk
1 TLS Memorandum of Understanding	<p>To continue to ensure that all partners sign up to the TLS MoU.</p> <p>To monitor any changes that may be needed.</p> <p>To investigate whether the remit of the OSC could be updated to include participation from non-funding partners</p>	All		
2 TLS Partnership Structure	To ensure that each TLS partner has appointed an appropriate officer and a member for the ERB by who will attend at least two TLS meetings each year to discuss project work, goals and progress. TLS Partner meetings. To organise regular ERB, OSC, CAG. Meetings to include 1 x site visit and 1 x joint meeting with CAG OSC .			
3 TLS Events	To host two TLS partner events p.a. that will bring in revenue for core costs. To link partnership events with fundraising activities where appropriate. To link these events with key events that are relevant to the TLS or linked to the role of the TLS chair or partnership priorities			

4 Promoting the TLS Communications Strategy	To write and circulate to TLS partners a comms strategy for project work, the close of RA and the TLS Review	To work with Cllr Giles and the JTS team to agree by summer 2025		
4.1 Meetings	To carry out a series of meetings with TLS partners, businesses and local civic and amenity societies	TLS Team 6 x events with community groups.		
4.2	Newsletters, Quarterly review, social media – facebook. Twitter. To update the TLS banners.	To update and keep updated the TLS website and Facebook pages – Laura and Becky. Linked to JTS. Add QR codes to banners		
4.3	TLS website	Continue to update. Laura		
5 Core Funding Diversification	To continue to diversify revenue streams through the measures outlined below (in this action plan) to meet the TLS core funding is met. To work with funding partners to demonstrate the benefits that they receive from the TLS in order to maintain core contributions. The core funding that the TLS receives from its partners is largely outside the control of the TLS. The TLS will need to demonstrate the benefits that the partnership and its work bring in order to secure this funding.	To find ways and to implement initiatives to ensure that a sustainable way to top up partner contributions is achieved. TO put in place new income streams for core funding target • Father Thames Trust		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business support • Sponsorship • Consultancy <p>Project work</p>		
6 Donations and Standing Orders	To work closely with the Father Thames Trust to increase revenue through standing orders and donations	For FTT administer donations etc .		
7 FTT Legacy Programme	To establish a legacy programme for the FTT to support the TLS – both project work and core costs	Legacies have been identified as a way to bring in funding to the TLS in the medium and long term. Legacies are a sensitive issue and need to be handled carefully. A volunteer officer with the appropriate skills is necessary who can talk with potential donors and ensure that the correct procedures have been put in place.		
8 New database	<p>To update and clean the TLS database</p> <p>To include a mechanism to record time</p> <p>Linked to ftt grants etc</p>	Becky and Laura		

9 Rewilding Arcadia	<p>Phase One of the Rewilding Arcadia project completed. To ensure that Phase Two priorities are weaved into the JTS.</p> <p>To continue to scope and deliver small demonstration projects .</p>			
10 Joint Thames Strategy	<p>To carry out a refresh of the TLS linked to the JTS programme. TLS updating TSKC also.</p> <p>Please see separate note within the action plan.</p>	Funding has been secured to carry out a review of the TLS strategic report, in partnership with the Thames Strategy Kew to Chelsea and the Thames Strategy East.		
11 Arcadian Thames TMP	To update annually the TLS Towpath Management Plan taking account of TLS project work only.			
12 TMP Volunteers	To manage volunteer groups to ensure that the actions included in the TMP are implemented.	Details are included in reach specific proposals		
13 Catchment Management Plans	For the TLS to continue its involvement with the relevant Catchment Management Plan partnerships, identifying funding opportunities	To continue to work on the Your Tidal Thames and the Thames Catchment Partnership Datchet to Teddington to ensure that the aims of the TLS are weaved into strategic		

		plans and to keep an eye on funding opportunities.		
14 Thames Path National Trail	To continue to work with the Thames Trail Partnership	Investigate a place on the OSC		
15 Replacement and Upgrade of TLS Signage	To work with partners and FTT to upgrade all TLS signs			

The Joint Thames Strategy and the Refresh of the Thames Landscape Strategy

Due to climate change, flood risk on the Thames will increase over the coming century. In response, the Environment Agency has established an adaptive management plan to manage this risk on the tidal river called Thames Estuary 2100 (TE2100) linked to measures set out in The River Thames Scheme (for the freshwater river).






The ground-breaking TE2100 necessitates local 'Riverside Strategies' to be written to establish how the plan will be delivered on the ground and multiple benefits can be achieved alongside flood risk measures. The EA's preferred method to create riverside strategies is through the 'Joint Thames Strategy' (JTS) that will be written by the Thames Strategy Partnership (TSP) collaboratively with the TE2100 programme to be published in 2027 (TSP consists of Thames Landscape Strategy, Thames Strategy Kew to Chelsea and Thames Estuary Partnership).

The JTS will provide a tool kit to equip stakeholders, landowners, planners and communities to understand what is needed to deliver the required flood risk measures that brings together five local Thames Strategies (5TS). These 5 Thames Strategies will establish the building blocks (riverside strategy detail) that can subsequently be used by boroughs to agree their own riverside strategies to ensure future flood resilience in their decision-making set within a framework of wider landscape management benefits.






Together, the JTS and the 5TS will provide a handbook for change to manage increasing flood risk along the Thames, a day-to-day link between the river landscape, statutory partners and the community.



Reach / Borough Specific Works







Elmbridge and Spelthorn Councils







16 Wey to the Thames	To complete the Wey to the Thames scheme - install fingerpost			
17 Rivermead Island	To continue to work with the Surrey Care Trust to manage backwater			
18 Desborough Island Conservation Work	To continue to work with the Surrey Care Trust to manage the riverbanks and towpath on Desborough Island through the implementation of the TLS Towpath Management Plan. To manage the towpath including the route from Desborough to Weybridge using Surrey Care Trust volunteers.			
19 Weybridge – Sunbury to Hurst Park Conservation Work	To continue to work with the Surrey Care Trust to manage the riverbanks and towpath on Desborough Island through the implementation of the TLS Towpath Management Plan			
20 Hurst Park Conservation Programme	To continue to work with the Surrey Care Trust to manage the riverbanks and towpath on Hurst Park through the implementation of the TLS Towpath Management Plan. To manage scrub and provide biodiversity enhancements to the riverbank in partnership with Surrey Care Trust.			





Royal Borough of Kingston

21 Kingston Riverside SPD RBK Riverside Strategy	To work with RBK to deliver the Riverside SPD and ensure that TLS priorities are well placed within the Riverside Strategy.	To work with to agree project works To work with RBK on Riverside Strategy RBK contact Colin Stewart		
22 Kingston Voice of the River Group	To continue to attend meetings and input into the group			
23 Canbury Gardens Promenade and Riverbank Naturalisation	For the TLS to work with RBK to implement the first phase in the improvement to the Promenade and naturalisation of the riverbank on the lower section of riverside. Canbuury gardens working group, Sand martin back osprey pole, Swift pole crowd funder To identify funding to implement project as set out in the Canbury Gardens SPD. To work with the EA to ensure that the scheme is included in the River Thames Scheme list of priorities.	TLS Lead - LN RBK contact Eliot Newton and Colin Stewart		
24 Canbury Gardens Riverside Entrances	To work with RBK to put in place a project to enhance the two riverside entrances to Canbury Gardens and the raised promenade	RBK contact Colin Stewart		
25	To update and implement the RBK Biodiversity Action Plan for the Thames	To continue to monitor the plan through the RBK Biodiversity partnership. RBK Contact Elliot		



Kingston Biodiversity Action Plan		Newton. TLS Contact Laura Nee		
26 Half Mile Tree	Work with RBK to enhance the Half mile tree	Plan for new tree and interpretation panel Laura		
27 Canbury Gardens to Lower Ham Road Conservation Programme	To continue to work with the Surrey Care Trust to manage the riverbanks and towpath at Canbury Gardens and Lower Ham Road to Borough Stone through the implementation of the TLS Towpath Management Plan	To manage scrub and provide biodiversity enhancements to the riverbank in partnership with Surrey Care Trust. TLS RL main contact RBK Eliot Newton Surrey Care Trust contact Roger Thompson TLS sets work, SCT gains volunteers and manages the work Funded 2023 through RA and EA funding Half-mile tree interpretation panel and landscaping		


28 The Restoration of the Home Park Water Meadows	To continue to enhance and increase understanding of the importance of the meadows located on the eastern boundary of Home Park. On-going Conservation Management Guided walks			
29 The Old Deer Park and Kew Towpath	As appropriate continue to gap up and repair any spiling to the riverside with volunteers			
30 The Old Deer Park Floodplain Restoration 'An Agreeable Wilderness'	To work with statutory agencies and LBRUT and local groups and societies to continue to develop the project to restore the natural floodplain to the Old Deer Park. To weave into JTS.			
31 Old Deer Park Ha ha Pennywort	Floating Pennywort is beginning to dominate the ha-ha and a plan for its management needs to be put in place.			
32 Kew Meridian Interpretation Panels	The 1999 interpretation panels to the two viewing places for the Kew Meridian have worn away. To work with CE, FODP and LBRUT to replace the panels. FTT funding			
33 LBRUT Riverside Waterman	To update and replace the panel - FTT			

Interpretation Panel				
34 Bucclugh Gardens – wetland area	If funded to create a freshwater tidal wetland garden on the floodable part of Bucclugh Gardens			
35 Ham Avenues	To manage the Ham Avenues using TLS volunteers.			
36 Teddington lock Ann's Garden	In partnership with the Teddington Society and Richmond Council to restore and create a tidally fed wetland gardens at the draw dock near Teddington Lock			
37 Ham, Petersham , Richmond and Twickenham Conservation Work	To work with the LBRuT and appointed contractors to continue to manage riverside vegetation through the volunteer programme. To manage scrub and provide biodiversity enhancements. To work with Petersham Sea Scouts – dock removal			
38 Riverside House Twickenham	To reopen the Orleans House vista. To manage the main TLS vistas in order to keep them clear of vegetation. To include TLS managed volunteer work .			
39 Queen Elizabeth's Field	Scrub Clearance, wetland Management and repair of kissing gate and fence			

40 Balsam bashing	To continue to lead the balsam bashing programme – carrying out volunteer works where needed.			
41 Eel Pie Island Sand Martin Bank	To repair			
42 Isleworth Ferry	To continue to monitor potential funding to restore and open the Isleworth Ferry			
43 Kew Towpath	To work with partners to repair the breached towpath wall.			

London Borough of Hounslow

44 Brentford Creek	To install an interpretation panel once the Heidelberg redevelopment has finished.			
45 Isleworth and Brentford Conservation Work	To work with the LBH and appointed contractors to agree the Towpath Management Plan and subsequently to roll out to manage the riverbanks through the volunteer programme.			

46 LBH Outreach Work	Syon house bat walks, cool walks sensory garden for blind Hounslow equalities and diversity team Hogarth's house – equality with environment Hounslow Ganash Mandel			
47 Syon Flood Meadows	To work with Syon Estates to manage scrub growth along the Thames			