



MB25 Field trips

Tues 21 October 9:30 - 11:30

Overview

Field trips offer participants a chance to experience local transition stories firsthand — visiting local projects, meeting community leaders, and seeing real examples of change in action. Please find your trip and meeting point and read on for more information. Enjoy the adventure!

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The UP Garden - p.4	Eric Close Laundry Yard, E7 0AY	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Trip lead: Russell Smith2. Misty Twigg3. Luna Cohen4. Carolyn Axtell5. Tom Geens6. Jamie Anley7. Farah Elemara
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The Foundry & Art in the Docks - p.6	The Foundry, 60a Albatross Close, Beckton, E6 5NX	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Trip lead: Joy-Caron Canter2. Jessica Eilts3. Richard Tyrie4. Ant Conlin5. Kemar Walford6. Roisin Carr7. Christoph Warrack



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Royal Wharf

Contact on Location: Jennifer Ball

Mobile Number: 07775 801489

Meeting Time: 9:30 - 10:30

About the fieldtrip:

Join developers Ballymore for this study tour of Royal Wharf, a new Thames-side district of East London. The 15.2-hectare site is home to over 4,000 new homes and is a model of how to create a new community focused sustainable neighbourhood. During this tour, you will discover the neighbourhood's waterfront lifestyle, connectivity and green spaces, and gain an expert insight on the architectural design of the Royal Wharf. This tour will also explore Royal Wharf Pier and new Thames Footpath at Lyle Park.

Meeting point: Riverscape Gallery, 2 Starboard Way, London E16 2JX (at Royal Wharf)

Travel advice: DLR – two nearest stations are Pontoon Dock and West Silvertown



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Compressor House

Contact on Location: Matt Davies

Mobile Number: 07971 131373

Meeting Time: 9:30 - 11:00

About the fieldtrip:

The Royal Docks Team (RDT) represents the long-term re-development programme of the Royal Docks – having oversight of the 20+ year plan to deliver 35,000 new homes and 55,000 new jobs in the area. The programme is a partnership between the Mayors of London and Newham. The team has recently installed its 3D model in Compressor House, which will become the new front of house for the team's operations and symbolic of change in the area.

The RDT is able to offer a range of thematic discussion pieces alongside providing an overview of the place using the aforementioned model. There is a very relevant story to be told on sustainability that includes energy, circular economy and community wealth.

Meeting point: Compressor House, Dockside Road, London, E16 2QU

Travel advice: Compressor House is adjacent to the Royal Albert DLR. Short journey on the DLR from The Good Hotel.



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The UP Garden

Contact on Location: Suzanne Hu

Mobile Number: 07919 440272

Meeting Time: 9:30 - 11:00

About the fieldtrip:

The UP Garden was a decades-abandoned laundry yard in an East London council estate before being transformed by local residents with support from the local authority and housing association into a community space for gardening, playing, socialising and relaxing around nature. Volunteers host weekly community gardening drop-ins, term-break family activities sessions, quarterly community gatherings and other ad hoc events. Outside of its events calendar, The UP Garden is open every day for free for anyone to enjoy. It has a nature trail, book exchange, piano, fuball table, mud lab, picnic benches, micro-allotments, and various plant projects.

In October 2023, within a year of launch, The UP Garden was the inaugural winner of The RHS' and the BBC's Growing Together award for community gardening, and was featured twice on The ONE Show.

Meeting point: Eric Close Laundry Yard, London, E7 0AY

Travel advice: The UP Garden is walkable from Forest Gate station (Elizabeth Line), Wanstead Park station (Suffragette Line) and the 58, 308 and 330 bus stops. The simplest route is to get to Bignold/Leonard Road, turn into Eric Road and follow the cul-de-sac to the end, where you will see signs to The UP Garden's entrance. There are limited paid parking spots on surrounding streets.

Other information: The ground has uneven patches so sensible footwear is recommended. Most of The UP Garden is uncovered, so please dress for the weather. Please note there is no toilet on site.



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Green Schools Project, St Luke's School

Contact on Location: Dean Scott

Mobile Number: 020 7476 3559

Meeting Time: 10:00 - 11:00

About the fieldtrip:

The Green Schools Project helps schools transform how they respond to the climate and nature crises by embedding climate education and action into school life. Their flagship programme, Zero Carbon Schools, equips children and young people (especially Years 4-8) to calculate their school's carbon footprint, lead projects to reduce it, and develop leadership, communication and problem-solving skills.

For teachers, there's dedicated professional development to help bring climate education into many subjects and classroom practice. The ultimate goal is not only to lower emissions in schools but to empower students to act within their communities — creating sustainable habits, understanding, and hope for the future.

This field trip will be a visit to a primary school, St Luke's, running the Zero Carbon Schools programme. They have done lots of work on sustainability and have an active eco committee. There would be a tour of the school given by children and the sustainability lead teacher at the school would explain their work and the importance of it to the school and wider community.

Meeting point: St Luke's Primary School, Ruscoe Road, London, E16 1JB

Travel advice:

If coming by Tube / Underground, aim for Jubilee line to Canning Town. From there, switch (if needed) to DLR or walk directly.

If coming by DLR, get off at Canning Town DLR and walk. Royal Victoria DLR is a secondary option if your route works better via that direction.



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The Foundry & Art in the Docks

Contact on Location: Ann-Marie Willison

Mobile Number: 07711 560 443

Meeting Time: 9:30 - 11:00

About the fieldtrip:

The Foundry is West Ham United Foundation's new community hub in Beckton, offering a welcoming space for local residents. It features a café, flexible rooms, and outdoor facilities for events, workshops, and wellbeing activities. The hub delivers 35 programmes spanning education, employment, health & mental wellbeing, inclusion, enterprise, and sport. Inspired by West Ham's roots as Thames Ironworks FC, The Foundry celebrates community, opportunity, and local pride.

From there you will travel to Art in the Docks. This is an artist-led social enterprise based in the Royal Docks, East London. Rooted in the diverse community of Newham, it provides an open, welcoming space where creativity and wellbeing meet. The gallery and studios host exhibitions, workshops, and community projects that invite people of all backgrounds to explore art, share ideas, and connect through creative expression.

Through their Creative Wellbeing programme and regular public events, Art in the Docks champions inclusivity and aims to make art accessible to everyone — especially those who might not normally engage with the traditional art world.

Meeting point: The Foundry, 60a Albatross Close, Beckton, E6 5NX

Travel advice: Nearest station is Beckton DLR with a 10min walk or East Ham Station about a 30min walk. There are also a number of buses. There is also an accessible carpark onsite.