

# Continuum E-news

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Since the launch of the new website and our Spring 2006 News page, we continue to go from strength to strength and have been delivering and developing a number of new and exciting projects over the summer months.



## NEXT STOP 2012 CONFERENCE

**Building on the momentum and enthusiasm created by the Gateway Boroughs' 2012 Prospectus ('Next Stop 2012' – see Spring 2006 News) on July 12th Continuum successfully hosted and delivered an interactive Conference and workshop.**

The event was planned by Continuum to determine the next steps to be taken by the Gateway Boroughs and their partners in their quest to secure the maximum dividend from the 2012 Games.

Held at the CEME Centre in Havering, Council leaders, Cabinet members, Chief Executives and other key figures listened to inspiring talks from Grace Clancey (Director of Continuum), Eric Sorensen (Chief Executive, Thames Gateway London Partnership), Sir Robin Wales and Tessa Sanderson, and heard first-hand from five talented national squad junior athletes, representing each of the Boroughs, what London hosting the 2012 Games means to them.

Over 100 key officers from a range of partner organisations including the five Gateway Boroughs, Tour East London, the LDA, Volunteer England, the Arts Council and Skills Active played an active role in five themed 'next step' workshops, the outputs of which have now been turned into an Delivery Plan by Continuum for use by the Gateway Boroughs and their partners.

The well-received event concluded with the official launch by Tessa Sanderson of 'Next Stop 2012', followed by a lunch at which delegates 'networked' into the early afternoon.

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## EAST LONDON SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PARTNERSHIP – FRAMEWORK FOR SPORT AND PHYSICAL IN EAST LONDON

We are delighted to announce that Continuum secured a significant contract to develop the Framework for Sport for the East London Sport and Physical Activity Partnership.

Our work will identify the sporting needs, gaps and priorities for the Partnership and will be used to identify the future direction and focus throughout the lead up to and beyond the London 2012 Games (2006/7 - 2016). The Partnership now has a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to demonstrate the power and value of sport and physical activity in the context of developing sustainable communities.

This is an exciting time, not only for sport but for East London with the significant ongoing and planned regeneration becoming the subject of much attention in recent years. The recent triumph of London winning the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games combined with the regeneration of the Thames Gateway, Elephant and Castle and many other areas, significant transport and infrastructure improvements for business, residential and leisure continue to pave the way for East London to secure a real dividend for sport and community development.

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## SPORT ESSEX COUNTY SPORTS PARTNERSHIP – SPORTS RESEARCH PROJECT

Continuum recently completed the detailed research of the sports infrastructure in Essex to inform the developing County Sports Partnership business plan and sports strategy.

sportessex is the new County Sports Partnership for Essex, Southend and Thurrock.

Our previous experience in South Essex has enabled us to work with the whole County, its unitary and district authorities to provide the CSP with a focus for developing sport and physical activity.

The work culminated in a detailed research study focusing on overall participation, club and coach development, sports volunteering and sport and recreation facilities across the county.

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# BARKING AND DAGENHAM – LEISURE ASSET STRATEGY

Continuum were commissioned by Barking & Dagenham to develop a Leisure Asset Strategy looking at the current sport and recreation facilities and future demands for its growing diverse population. 'Planning for our Sporting Future' is a 6 year facilities strategy for the borough of Barking & Dagenham.

It covers the period leading up to London's hosting the 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. The strategy has been developed to provide an investment

framework in order that the borough can move forward to achieving suitable provision for all its residents. It identifies and promotes investment into areas of greatest priority and is underpinned by clear set of guiding principles.

'Planning for our Sporting Future' concludes that the central challenge for the borough is to address both the current identified facility shortfall as well as continuing to keep pace with community provision for the borough's ever increasing population. For more details email [nick@continuumleisure.co.uk](mailto:nick@continuumleisure.co.uk)

## BROMLEY STRATEGIES

The London Borough of Bromley commissioned Continuum to develop the aligned production of a Cultural Strategy & Sports Strategy to serve the borough between 2007 and 2012.

The Strategy will be used by the Council and its partners to underpin its work across a number of service areas. It's designed to provide an overall framework for Cultural Services across the Council in realising the ambitions of a number of existing plans and strategies. It will highlight for all of the borough and its partners the 'best of Bromley' and its rich cultural heritage.

The Sports Strategy will build on the increasing role that sport and physical activity has on the education, health and development of all of Bromley's communities and aims to drive up participation in sport and physical activity. For details contact [nick@continuumleisure.co.uk](mailto:nick@continuumleisure.co.uk)

## NEW VIC COLLEGE

Continuum have been commissioned by New Vic College (Newham 6th form College) to develop an initial feasibility study and options appraisal for the development of outdoor sports facilities.

The college has recently undergone significant recent capital developments on the site and the growing sports development, coaching and extra curricular programme has lead to the need for additional sports facilities.

The work is set to culminate in a funding application to the Football Foundation (and other potential sources) drawing on our unrivalled funding experience and success.

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## THAMESMEAD NEWS

Continuing our development work in Thamesmead and following on from the detailed feasibility study on the regeneration of the Northern Arches Continuum are currently project managing the on-going development of this innovative project.

The focus of this regeneration project is the provision of community facilities, training and employment opportunities for young people, coupled with personal, educational and health related advice.

These have all been identified through extensive feasibility work and associated recommendations which we have previously carried out on this and adjoining sites.

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## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY – INTERIM LEISURE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Since January 2006 we've provided interim management services for the London Borough of Hackney Community Services Team.

Experienced Associate Principal Consultant, Julie Simpson has been acting in the capacity of Leisure Partnerships Manager to support the Council on a temporary basis whilst they recruit for a permanent member of staff.

The contract has been extended to include a review of the Council's leisure facilities. For details contact [julie@continuumleisure.co.uk](mailto:julie@continuumleisure.co.uk)



## NEWHAM – REGIONAL INDOOR ATHLETICS CENTRE

Continuum completed the detailed Stage 2 application to Sport England for the development of Newham Regional Indoor Athletics Centre. Building on the previous feasibility study completed on the site, and our exceptional track record for funding, the host Olympic borough are to set to see the development of a 4-6 lane indoor athletic facility to compliment the wide range of facilities already on site at Newham Leisure Centre and the Terrence McMillan Stadium.

The site was identified by UK Athletics as the priority venue for East London for this prestigious facility and is home to one of the most successful athletics clubs in England – the Newham and Essex Beagles. The new facility will not only be able to host year round training for all clubs in East London as well as schools but has been designed to meet a number of other sporting needs and a true multi sports focus.

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## HAGGERSTON BATHS REGENERATION PROJECT



After completing an in-depth feasibility study we secured the contract to undertake the project management for the ongoing regeneration and redevelopment this iconic and historic swimming baths.

We were also retained to further develop the preferred Option from the original report. The focus of the development is for a mixed use site in the heart of Hackney which will include arts, culture, health care, housing & sports facilities.

Our work oversees a range of interconnecting actions giving Hackney a detailed feasibility study from which they can determine the future of the Baths.

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