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PLANNING APPLICATION VALIDATED FOR THE PROPOSED 280 BERTH RIVER THAMES MARINA DEVELOPMENT ON LAND AT WHITE CROSS FARM, WALLINGFORD, OXFORDSHIRE

London Rock Supplies Ltd and agents Greenfield Associates, the two companies involved with the plans for a dedicated offline marina development adjacent to the River Thames, on farmland to the south of Wallingford, have reached a crucial milestone in the proposed development.

The Planning Application – together with the Environmental Statement that takes into account all the likely effects and mitigation identified in the Environmental Impact Assessment – has been validated by the Oxfordshire County Council planning department. The reference number is **MW.0033/18**.

The application was submitted to the planning authority in April 2018, after a public consultation exhibition in January of this year. Around 100 people attended the exhibition, many of them staying for around 30 minutes – and clearly appreciating the opportunity for one on one conversations with the landowners, the lead consultancy and specialist technical consultants.

James Jeffries, Managing Director of London Rock and Simon Rees of Greenfield Associates felt the exhibition was a very worthwhile part of the public consultation process. They also confirmed that feedback from the consultation would be incorporated in to the application documents.



“While we recognise that some people don’t really like the idea of the construction phase of the marina in their neighbourhood, it was extremely helpful to be able to talk to local people face to face – and deal directly with some of the misconceptions about the proposed new marina development.

“In particular, it was very useful for us to understand local views about public access and future use of the marina.”

The proposals have been amended following comments from the exhibition to reduce the number of berths to allow for part of the marina to be dedicated to the hire and use of non-motorised water craft such as canoes and kayaks for the community, and the provision of a dedicated slipway and mooring for the Wallingford Accessible Boat Club.

Simon adds,

“The application is extremely comprehensive and includes 11 specialist technical reports. The accompanying Non-Technical Summary is available on the website http://londonrock.co.uk/wallingford_index.html. A direct link to the planning portal can be found on the same site”.

Oxfordshire County Council will now carry out its own consultation – and the local community will have further opportunity to comment.

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