

INVITATION TO TENDER TO MANAGE BAY 20 COMMUNITY SPACE

FAQs

Invitations to tender for the contract to manage the Bay 20 community space by a Community Operator are open. If you are interested in finding out more information, please read the Q and A below, which includes contact and next step details.

What is Bay 20?

Bay 20 was created after the BBC programme DIY SOS offered to create a space for the community under the Westway near the site of the Grenfell fire. It produced two sites, one being a home for the Dale Youth Boxing Club, who have a long lease. Westway Trust consulted with the community on the other space and the result was a flexible, low-cost community space managed and run by people from the local area.

Who runs Bay 20 at the moment?

Bay 20 opened on 1 October 2018 and Westway Trust currently manage the space and has set up a Bay 20 Steering Group, which is working to select an organisation to be a Community Operator. The Steering Group is made up of eight residents of North Kensington, two representatives of local community groups and two local councillors. They will work alongside the Community Operator to ensure Bay 20 is a vibrant, thriving space delivering long-term benefit to the local area.

What will the relationship between the Community Operator and the Steering Group be?

The Steering Group will work with the appointed Community Operator of Bay 20 to make sure the space is accessible, inclusive and is utilised by all communities. The Steering Group will be responsible for monitoring the Community Operator's performance against agreed Key Performance Indicators, delivery against the overarching principles, and demonstrating community benefit from the space.

What does Bay 20 consist of?

Bay 20 is comprised of three meeting rooms and a large room upstairs, and a communal space with kitchen facilities downstairs; it can accommodate a range of activities, from meetings to social occasions and celebrations. Some of the space is flexible and all are available to hire at low cost to local groups, individuals or organisations.

What currently goes on at Bay 20?

The space is currently used by community groups and individuals for a range of activities including training, workshops, meetings, social occasions, learning and it provides a space for people to meet over a cup of tea for a chat.

What sort of skills and expertise should the successful applicant(s) have?

The Community Operator doesn't have to have a specific set of skills but demonstrable experience in the management of a similar community space and/or delivering activities that benefit local communities is desirable. The Operator must be an incorporated body and not for profit (newly formed organisations can apply).

What does the application consist of?

Expressions of interest are being sought and can be made via a Tender Response Document, which can be found with the Tender Specification document and a Budget Template, at <https://www.bay20.org/tender>.

Where can I find out more information?

There is more detailed information here: <https://www.bay20.org>.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a visit to Bay 20, please contact Marie Monaghan or Gary Thomas on 020 8962 5720.