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Key piece of infrastructure installed at Hale Wharf connects communities

Urban waterfront regenerators, Waterside Places, joined with McLaren Construction and the mayor of Haringey, councillor Adam Jogee, to celebrate the official opening of Hale Wharf Bridge – a key piece of infrastructure installed over the River Lee Navigation.

The bridge, which opened shortly after the completion of the first phase of 249 homes at Hale Wharf, represents a vital part of Haringey Council's green and open space strategy, improving access and movement between the high street and the Lea Valley for local residents. This strategy aims to make an important contribution to the overall quality of life for communities across the borough, by connecting people to open spaces and provide places to relax and play.

Andrew Boyle, project director at Waterside Places, said: "It's a massive achievement to deliver Hale Wharf Bridge, which was testament to the hard work of everyone involved with the scheme. There are large pockets of open space here at Hale Wharf and across the borough, and it's right that we do everything we can to make sure they can be accessed by the community.

"Together with partners, we're delighted to have delivered this key piece of infrastructure as part of the council's wider strategy and we look forward to seeing more people using open spaces around Hale Wharf over the summer months and beyond."

John Butten, McLaren's managing director – construction major projects, said: "We are proud to hand over this project as part of the Haringey Green Link initiative, delivering outstanding homes and connecting local people to the Lea Valley nature reserve with a brand-new footbridge. The homes delivered here in phase one are of an exceptionally high standard, incorporating a blend of build-to-rent and private sale apartments.

"We are extremely proud to have played our part in bringing this important urban waterfront scheme to life for Waterside Places and Grainger. We hope to continue this work in phase two which will provide more much needed homes for the London Borough of Haringey."

Councillor Adam Jogee, Mayor of Haringey, said: I'm delighted to officially open the pedestrian 'Hale Wharf Bridge', the first of a series of structural public assets coming to Tottenham Hale as part of a programme of wider improvement works and local area development. The bridge creates a fantastic opportunity for all the good people of Haringey to better access the wonderful open space and wetlands right on our doorstep.

"Previously hidden or difficult to reach, with its step free access, the new bridge, will enable all existing and future residents to benefit from the improved connectivity between Tottenham High Road and the Lea Valley area.

"This bridge is an exciting feature to the local area which will enable and promote wider use of the green and open space we are so fortunate to have here in Tottenham and across our borough of Haringey."

Partners are currently welcoming new residents to their new homes, with 108 delivered for rent through leading landlord, Grainger plc and the remaining 141 - known as Navigation Point - for sale on the open market.

The wider Hale Wharf scheme is being delivered by Waterside Places – a strategic joint venture between Canal & River Trust and one of the UK’s most innovative urban regenerators, Muse Developments, in partnership with the Mayor of London and London Borough of Haringey. The scheme is part of the Mayor of London’s Housing Zones programme, and with 505 homes due to be delivered once complete, Hale Wharf will make an important contribution to the mayor and the Greater London Authority’s aspiration for 2,000 new homes in the borough.