



LIVERPOOL APPOINTS TEAM FOR NEW CRUISE FACILITY

Liverpool City Council has appointed engineering consultancy Ramboll to lead a highly skilled technical team to develop a new permanent Cruise Terminal Facility on the River Mersey.

The multi-disciplinary design team, who have been appointed after a European wide tendering process, includes architects Stride Treglown, cost managers Gardiner & Theobald, global planning and property consultants JLL, and landscape architects Hyland Edgar Driver.

The team will initially work on developing a detailed design on the proposed £50m passenger facility before submitting a planning application for the former Princes Jetty, off Princes Parade, later this year.

Further applications could potentially include supplemental projects with a new 200 room hotel and 1,100+ multi-storey car park to enhance the city's capabilities in handling the next generation of turnaround cruises, which can carry up to 3,600 passengers.

Last year Liverpool welcomed more than 60 vessels, with 120,000 passengers and crew, but wants to capitalise on the cruise boom by creating a new passenger and baggage facility complete with passport control, lounge, café, toilets, taxi rank and vehicle pick up point.

Subject to planning approval the Ramboll team would then project manage and assist with ongoing monitoring of construction of the new facility, as well as assisting with contractor procurement The

Ramboll team will be drawing on over 20 years' experience of working on cruise liner terminals in the UK, and over 30 years of experience in marine structure design. They also bring unparalleled local knowledge through their work over the last 16 years' in developing both Liverpool's Princes Dock and the surrounding area; including the existing Liverpool cruise liner terminal, which opened in September 2007 and now generates more than £7m a year to the city's economy.

Mayor of Liverpool, Joe Anderson, said: *"Liverpool needs a new cruise facility so that we can provide the next generation of super liners and passengers with a world class welcome and a five star experience. Appointing Ramboll to lead this very experienced technical team is a key step in ensuring we develop a facility to the highest standards. A new cruise facility would also be a huge boost to our plans to regenerate the North Liverpool docklands and create thousands of new jobs."*

Dave Grove, Project Director, Ramboll said: *"The whole design team is extremely proud to have secured the position of Technical Advisors, and look forward to supporting Liverpool City Council in this exciting endeavour. The cruise ship terminal project is one of vital importance to the City, and will secure the future of this new cornerstone in Liverpool's economy. Having personally worked in the quayside area throughout my 20 year career at Ramboll, I am confident that we can deliver a design that will meet the highest standards and needs of all who will use the facility."*

As well as appointing Ramboll, Liverpool City Council will now submit an outline business case for a £20m contribution to the facility from the Liverpool Combined Authority's Strategic Investment Fund (SIF). If that stage is successfully passed, the project will then progress to the final stage, a full business case.

Although the proposed multi-storey car park has been earmarked for the new Cruise facility, the council is reviewing locations north of Leeds Street so it could also support initiatives around the Ten Streets district and North Docks areas, including Everton FC's proposed stadium at the nearby Bramley Moore Dock.

The council recently approved a new £20m waterfront link road by extending Leeds Street, to support the new facility and a new Isle of Man Ferry terminal, with construction expected to begin by 2019.

Liverpool City Council, which is currently overseeing £13bn worth of regeneration projects, is also carrying out further maritime and infrastructure investigations, environmental impact assessments and surveys and is working closely with Peel Land and Property which has gifted the Princes Jetty, which sits within its £5.5bn Liverpool Waters scheme, to the city.

Ian Pollitt, Assistant Project Director at Liverpool Waters, said: *"We are delighted that the design team for the new cruise terminal is now in place. Liverpool is a maritime city and this new terminal will be a great way of linking our future with that proud heritage. There is a real buzz around Liverpool Waters and the Waterfront at the moment, with a constant stream of good news. We are working very closely with Liverpool City Council and our other partners to progress the development and this latest development is a further sign of our joint commitment to the Liverpool Waters project and the wider city region."*

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About the appointed technical team:

About Ramboll:

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Ramboll works across the markets: Buildings, Transport, Planning & Urban Design, Water, Environment & Health, Energy, Oil & Gas and Management Consulting. www.ramboll.co.uk

About Stride Treglown:

Stride Treglown is an employee owned architectural practice of more than 300 people, operating from nine offices across the UK. The firm's ethos is rooted in the complementary characters of its founding architects; Ray Stride was a stickler for detail, buildability and process, whereas Gerry Treglown was an intuitive, creative powerhouse. The result was a practice that combines originality with technical expertise, underpinned by a culture of respect and trust that continues today. All employees have a say in the running of the practice and a shared pride in achieving the common goals of satisfying client objectives, delighting users and enriching the communities in which Stride Treglown's buildings sit. The success of this approach is borne out by the practice's success: with a turnover in excess of £20 million, it is one of the largest practices in the UK. www.stridetreglown.com

Gardiner & Theobald:

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About JLL:

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Hyland Edgar Driver Landscape Architects:

Hyland Edgar Driver Landscape Architects offers an individual and refreshing approach to landscape architecture where creativity and vision respond to the demands of environmental responsibility. HED's experience of designing public realm and infrastructure projects is varied and includes the largest and some of the most complex landscape projects completed in the UK in the past 10 years, the 2012 London Olympic Stadium (including its transformation for legacy uses), Terminal 5 Heathrow, and a history of port developments along the south coast. Believing in social justice in design equality, HED's approach is universally applied to all projects and all users.

About Liverpool Cruise Terminal:

Liverpool was named the UK's best port of call three times in 2013, 2014 and 2016 and scooped Destination of the Year by Seatrade Global in September 2015. In 2016, Disney Cruise Line came to Britain for the first time and Liverpool was one of just two English destinations they sailed in to. A showreel has now been produced promoting the city's cruise offer. It can be viewed online at www.cruise-liverpool.com

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