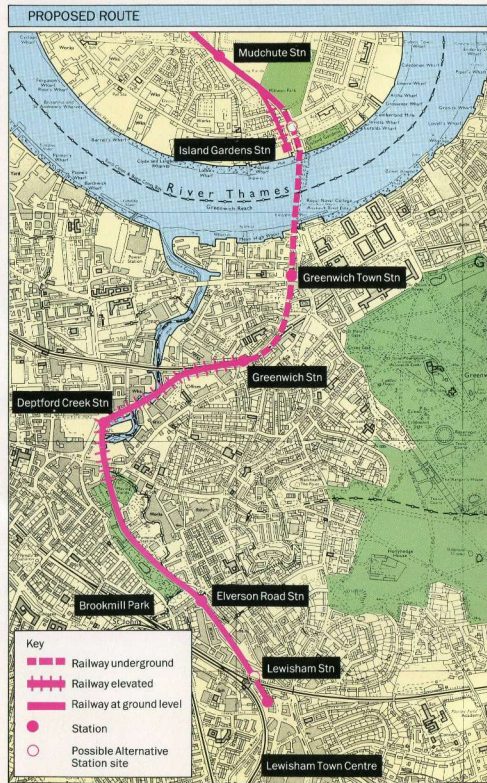


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Docklands Light Railway Extension to Greenwich and Lewisham



Docklands

London Regional Transport in conjunction with the London Docklands Development Corporation and the London Boroughs of Greenwich, Lewisham and Tower Hamlets are examining the feasibility of extending the Docklands Light Railway from the Isle of

Dogs to Greenwich and Lewisham. A route has been identified from a study of alternatives and we would now like to hear your views on the project, in particular on the route and station locations, before deciding whether to go ahead.

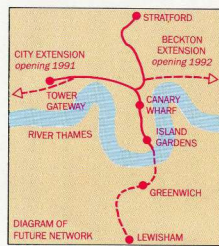
IMPROVED PUBLIC TRANSPORT CONNECTIONS

Docklands Light Railway (DLR) has evolved from the development of modern tram technology, combining the best features of both bus and rail services in terms of comfort, reliability and convenience for all users including those with disabilities.

The aim of the extension is to improve accessibility by public transport between Lewisham, Greenwich and Docklands. This will provide greater opportunities for employment, shopping and recreation for residents in these boroughs as well as improving the accessibility of Greenwich and Lewisham town centres from Tower Hamlets and areas north of the river.

The extension will provide access through the Isle of Dogs to Stratford, the City and the Beckton Branch of the railway. Trains will operate every 4 minutes in peak periods and every 10

minutes during the off-peak. Stations at both Greenwich and Lewisham will provide good interchange with BR and local bus services.



DESCRIPTION OF ROUTE

The extension will run from Mudchute Station on the Isle of Dogs to Lewisham via Greenwich.

Isle of Dogs
The route will leave the existing railway just south of Mudchute Station, descending from the viaduct before entering a tunnel alongside Millwall Park. This alignment will necessitate the loss of a strip of Millwall Park, and at this stage we are considering three alternative arrangements to minimise the effect on the park:

- A) Retain viaduct and a service to Island Gardens Station.
- B) Replace Island Gardens Station with an underground station just east of the existing station site under Manchester Road
- C) As B) but demolish the viaduct using some of the land to construct the extension.

Island Gardens To Greenwich BR Station

This section of the route will be in tunnel under the Thames and through Greenwich town centre avoiding environmentally sensitive areas. There will be an underground station in the town centre which will need to be constructed by excavation from the surface. This will require the acquisition of the corner site fronting Greenwich Church St (north of Creek Rd) and Creek Rd, but the frontages could be retained. Following construction, this could provide a redevelopment opportunity. The route will surface at Greenwich BR station where there will be an easy interchange.

Greenwich BR Station To Deptford Bridge
To enable it to cross both Norman Road and Deptford Bridge, this section of the route will be elevated through an industrial area. There will be a station in

the Deptford area to provide access to the shopping areas surrounding the High Street as well as neighbouring residential areas.

Deptford Bridge To Lewisham

South from the A2 at Deptford Bridge, the route will descend to ground level and continue at this level to its terminus at Lewisham. The route will run along the east bank of the River Ravensbourne apart from a short stretch opposite Crescent House where the route will cross onto the west bank involving the loss of a small area of Brookmill Park. Because of technical problems with the Thames Water site, there is a possibility that more of the route may need to be on

the west bank of the river involving the loss of a greater area of Brookmill Park.

South of Brookmill Park, the route crosses Elverson Road which will be closed to through traffic. A station will be provided in this area and a small number of residential properties will need to be acquired.

The southern terminus of the route will be either on the north side of Lewisham BR station next to the TESCO store or on the south side of the station next to the bus station. In either case, there will be a convenient interchange between DLR and British Rail. This could provide the opportunity for redevelopment in the station area.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

For a scheme of this size, it is inevitable that there will be some loss of land and property. Every effort will be

made to minimise such losses and the impact of the railway on the environment.

TIMETABLE FOR NEXT STAGES

The timetable for the extension is as follows:

Public Consultation	April-June 1989	Submission of Parliamentary Bill	November 1989
Boroughs' views to LRT	June 1989	Granting of Royal Assent & start of construction	May 1991
LRT decision to whether to proceed	July 1989	Railway Opening	1993/4
Publication of selected route	October 1989		

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The purpose of the consultation is to seek your views on the route and station locations which have been identified during the technical studies. This will assist in finalising the proposal. A scheme such as this involves conflicts between the transport benefits and the environmental costs and therefore the aim is to seek your assistance in reaching a solution which has the support of the community.

If you have any views on the

proposals or would like additional information, please complete the prepaid reply form and return it to us by post. No stamp is necessary. In addition, we are organising public meetings in your area which will give you an opportunity to find out more about the plans and discuss the issues. These meetings will be advertised in your local newspapers and at your library.

Further information may be obtained from:

Lewisham Tel: 691 0154	Planning Enquiries Town Hall Chambers Rushey Green SE6 4RU	Deptford Town Hall New Cross Road SE14 6BR	Lewisham 2000 Offices 246 Lewisham High St SE13
Greenwich Tel: 853 0077 x 2257/2258	Planning Dept John Humphries House Stockwell Street SE10 9AN		
Tower Hamlets Tel: 987 6966 x 6278	Isle of Dogs Neighbourhood Offices Great Eastern Enterprise, Millharbour, E14	Strategic Planning Unit Town Hall Patrol Square E2 9LN	
LDDC	Enterprise House Millharbour E14 9XX	LRT	Group Planning Department 55 Broadway SW3H 0BD

PLEASE RETURN THE FORM BY MAY 8TH 1989 AT THE LATEST

FORM

The purpose of this leaflet is to seek your views on the route identified.

- How do you feel about the proposal? (Please tick)
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- Are there any parts of the route and/or stations you feel should be changed? If so please say how.

3. Do you have any further comments about the proposal?

To assist us in our analysis please indicate your address (give street/post code if you prefer not to give full address)

Name _____
 Address _____
 Post code _____
 NB If you have further more detailed comments, please write to us at the address given overleaf. All replies will be treated in the strictest confidence.

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