



Canal &
River Trust

London Mooring Strategy

London user group meeting
May 2016

The plan for today

- Presentation
 - what are the drivers?
 - What's been done already?
 - What are the aims?
 - What's next?
- Group discussions – needs and issues
- Group mapping exercise
 - what can be improved
 - where are the opportunities (and who with)?

Why are we doing this?

- To improve the experience for boaters and of boating in London



What are the drivers?

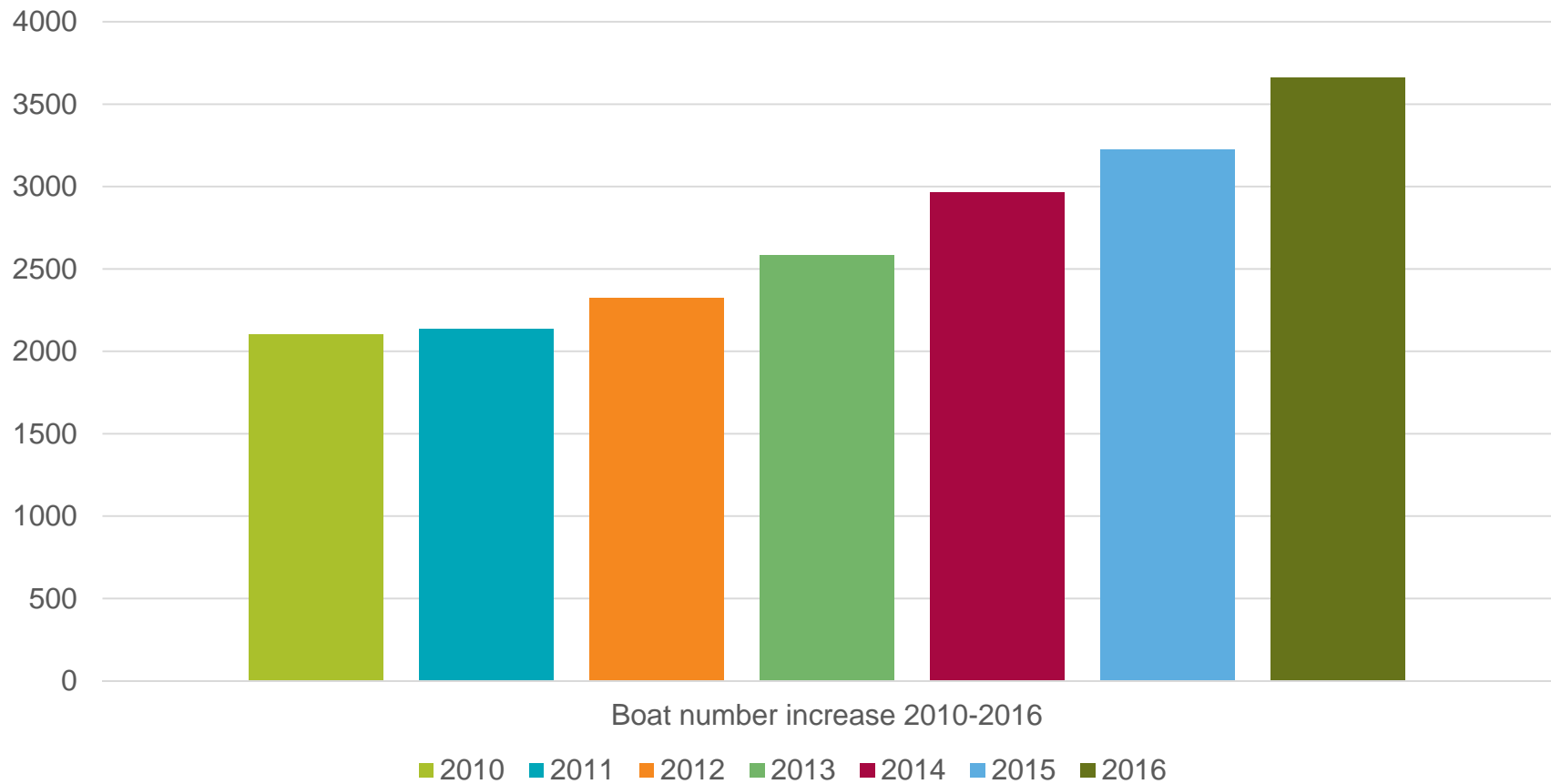
- CRT national boat count data records that between 2010 – 2015 there has been an **increase of boats** in London from **2101 to 3662**
- If other waters where CRT takes sightings are included between 2010 – 2015 there has been an **increase of boats** in London from **2164 to 4820**
- (a doubling of boat numbers)

What are the drivers?

- No sign of a slow down in the growth in boat numbers in London year on year.
- The growth in boat number has put pressure on mooring space and facilities
- Increased number of boats also has implications for how the waterway can be used for different boating activities

National Boat Count

All boat sightings on London CRT License enforceable waters



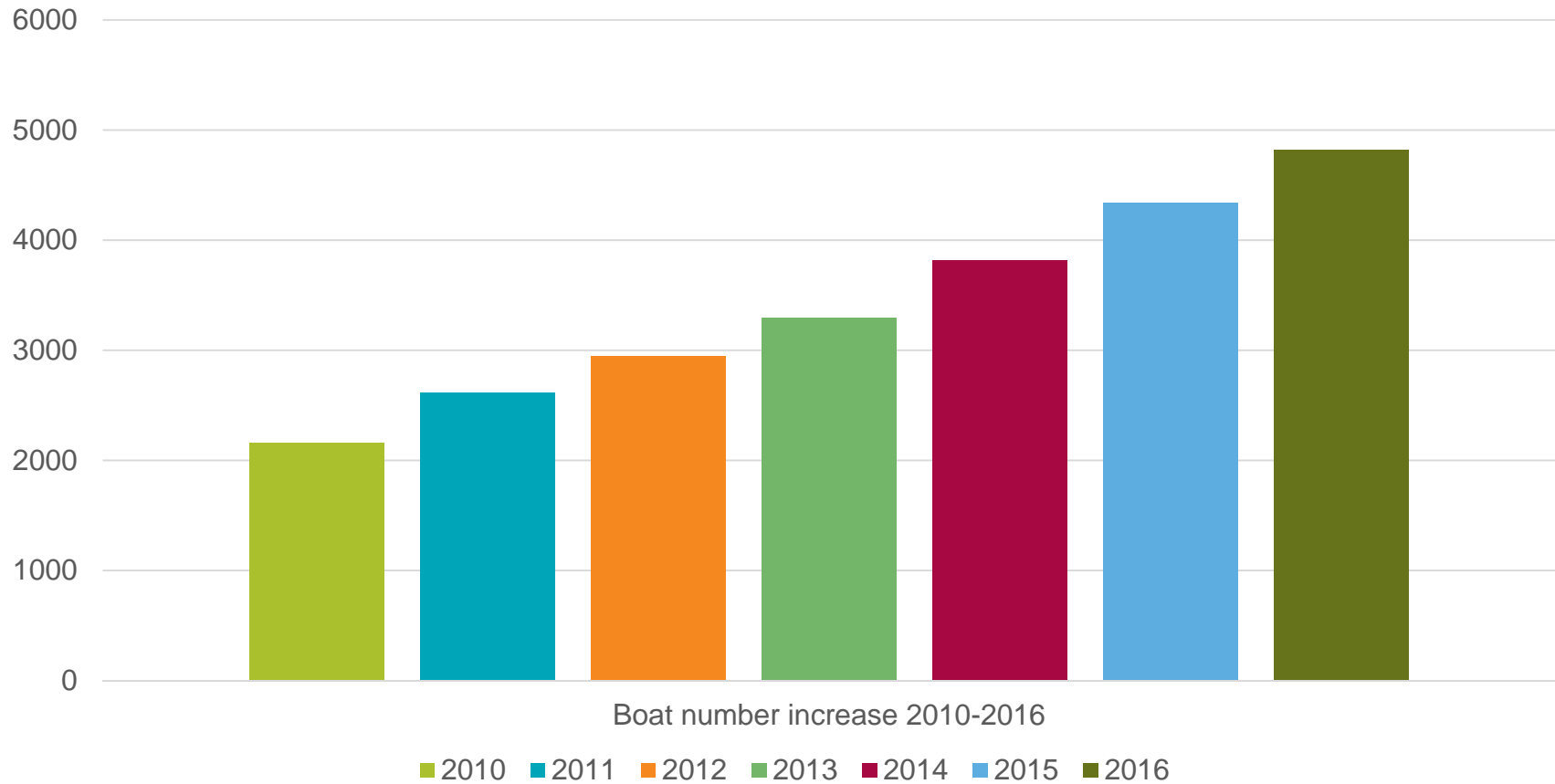
National Boat Count

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Not registered	26	22	28	31	34	55	19
Boats with a home mooring	1607	1506	1599	1674	1732	1797	1935
Boats without a home mooring	413	522	638	769	1036	1225	1615
MAC (mooring awaiting confirmation)						143	57
	31	62	40	83	140		
BIN	13	5	6	7	4	3	4
Trailable	1	5	5	4	6	16	12
Other Navigations	10	15	10	13	12	16	20
Total	2101	2137	2326	2581	2964	3225	3662

Boat sightings only on CRT License enforceable waters

National Boat Count

All boat sightings on all London CRT waters



(% increase in boat numbers sighted since 2010)

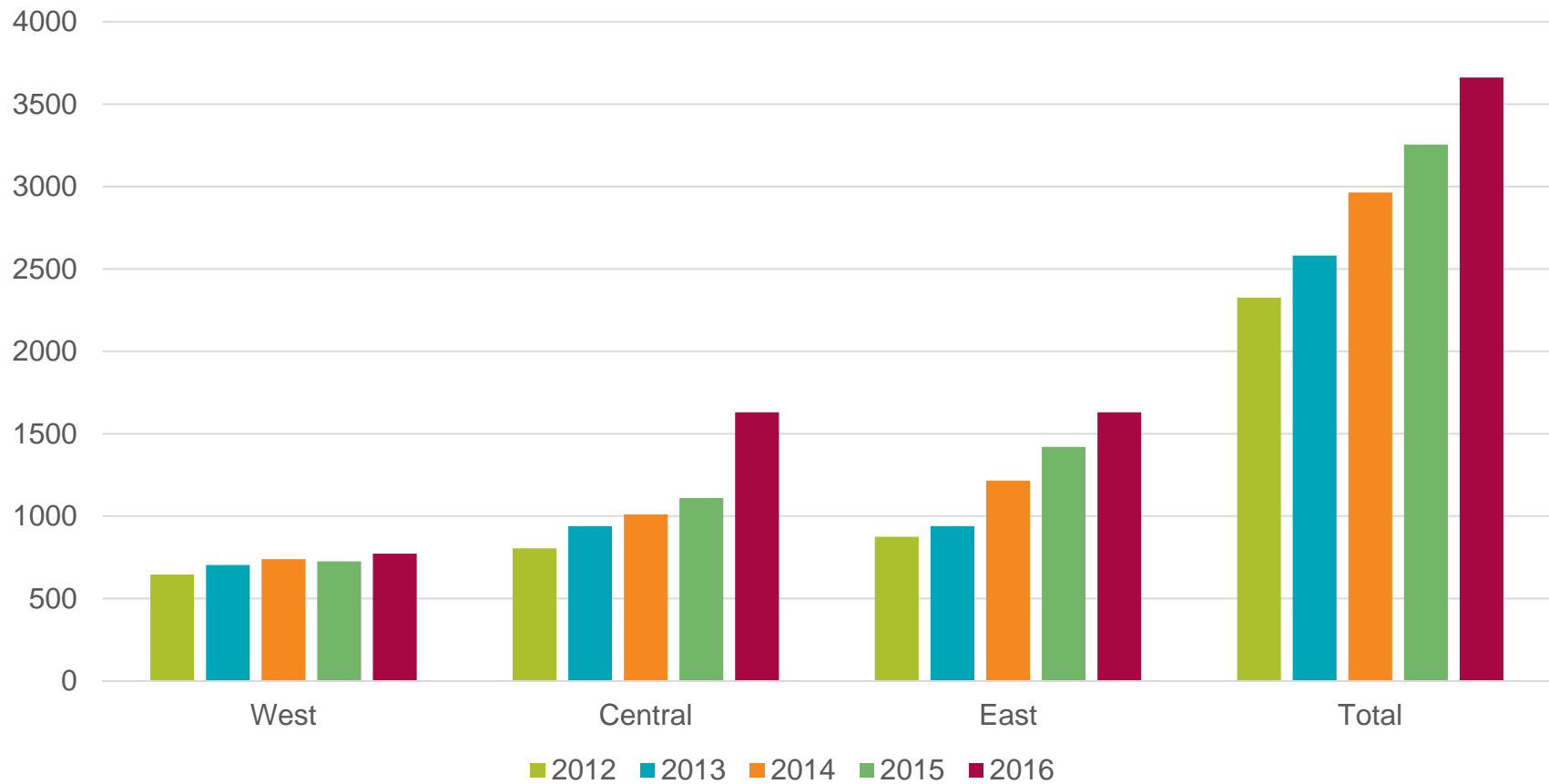
National Boat Count

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Not registered	27	60	89	216	329	613	729
Boats with a home mooring	1663	1903	2108	2129	2177	2160	2304
Boats without a home mooring	417	537	657	802	1065	1323	1641
MAC (mooring awaiting confirmation)	31	72	57	103	202	189	88
BIN	13	16	16	26	17	11	12
Trailable	2	5	5	6	10	26	23
Other Navigations	11	20	11	17	16	18	23
Total	2164	2613 (21%)	2943 (36%)	3299 (52%)	3816 (76%)	4340 (100)	4820 (123)

Boat sightings including on non CRT enforceable waters

Boats on Towpath by area

All boats sighted on towpath by area



Boats on towpath by area

3 year growth in all boats in London, by sub-regional division

	West	Central	East	Total
Mar-12	646	804	876	2326
Mar-13	703	939	939	2581
Mar-14	739	1010	1215	2964
Mar-15	725	1110	1420	3255
Mar-16	772	1260	1630	3662

East : comprises Limehouse Cut, Hertford Union Canal, Lee Navigation and River Stort

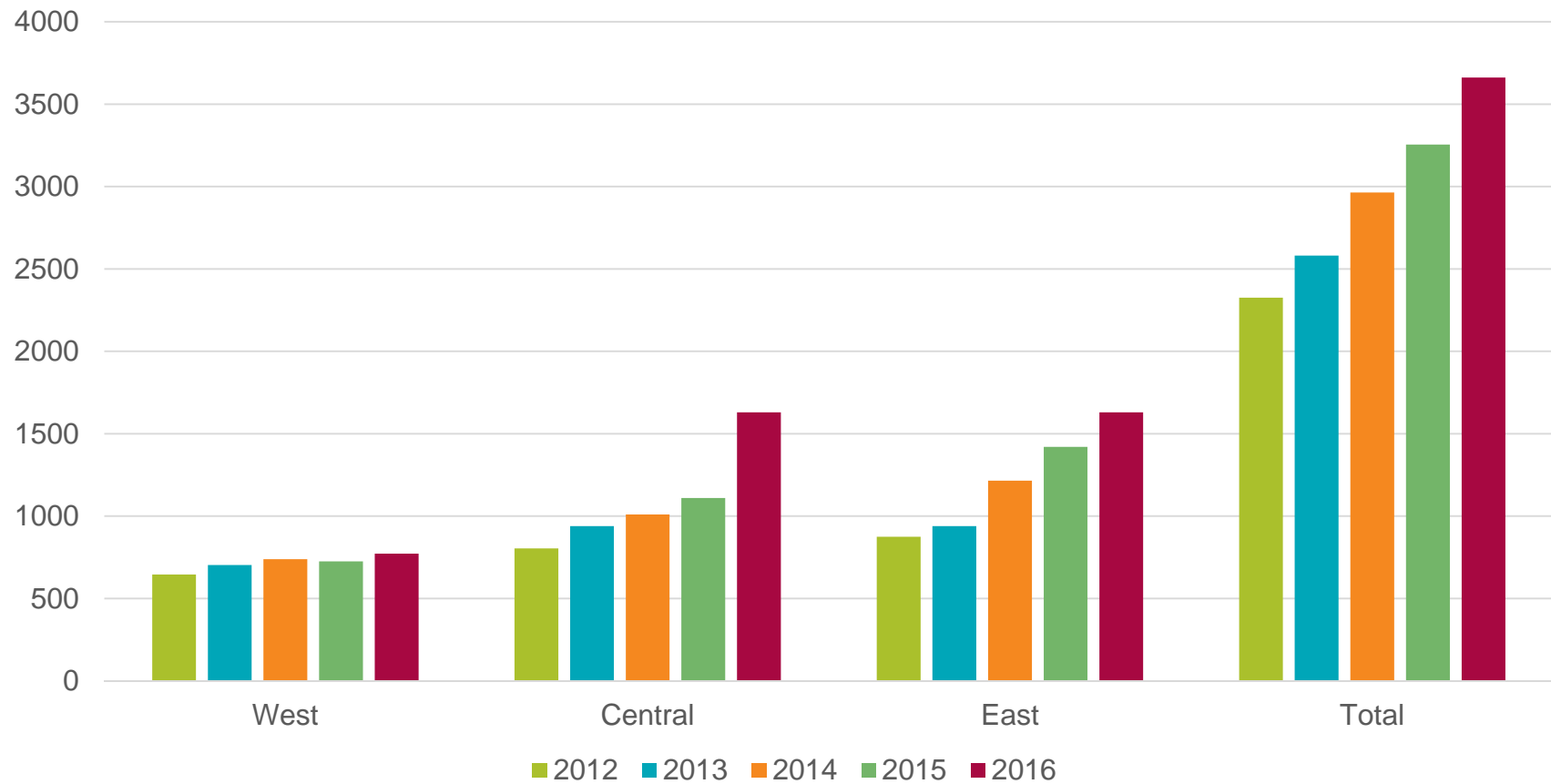
Central: comprises Regent's Canal and Grand Union Paddington Arm.

West: comprises Grand Union, Slough Arm

Figures relate to boats recorded on CRT canals and rivers which are not at their home mooring, during annual National Boat Check on a typical day in March each year.

Growth in CC boats

Boats without a home mooring by area



Growth in CC boats

	Year	West	Central	East	Total
	2012	129	232	277	638
	2013	149	350	270	769
	2014	151	381	499	1031
	2015	153	444	628	1225
	2016	204	629	782	1615
Difference 2015 –16 (nos. of boats)		51	185	154	390
% change on previous year		33%	42%	25%	32%

East : comprises Limehouse Cut, Hertford Union Canal, Lee Navigation and River Stort

Central: comprises Regent's Canal and Grand Union Paddington Arm.

West: comprises Grand Union, Slough Arm

Lots done already

- Improved towpath moorings
- New and reviewed short-stay moorings
- Delivered new long term moorings
- Trialled different winter moorings offer
- Improved boating facilities
- Existing bookable moorings (free & paid for)
- Developing business opportunities
- Engagement and physical survey work

Project Objectives

- Better provision and management of a range of moorings in London
- To manage the high number of boats in London and to manage/mitigate the environmental impacts of the high number of boats on the waterways and neighbours
- To protect existing and generate additional income to maintain the waterways in London

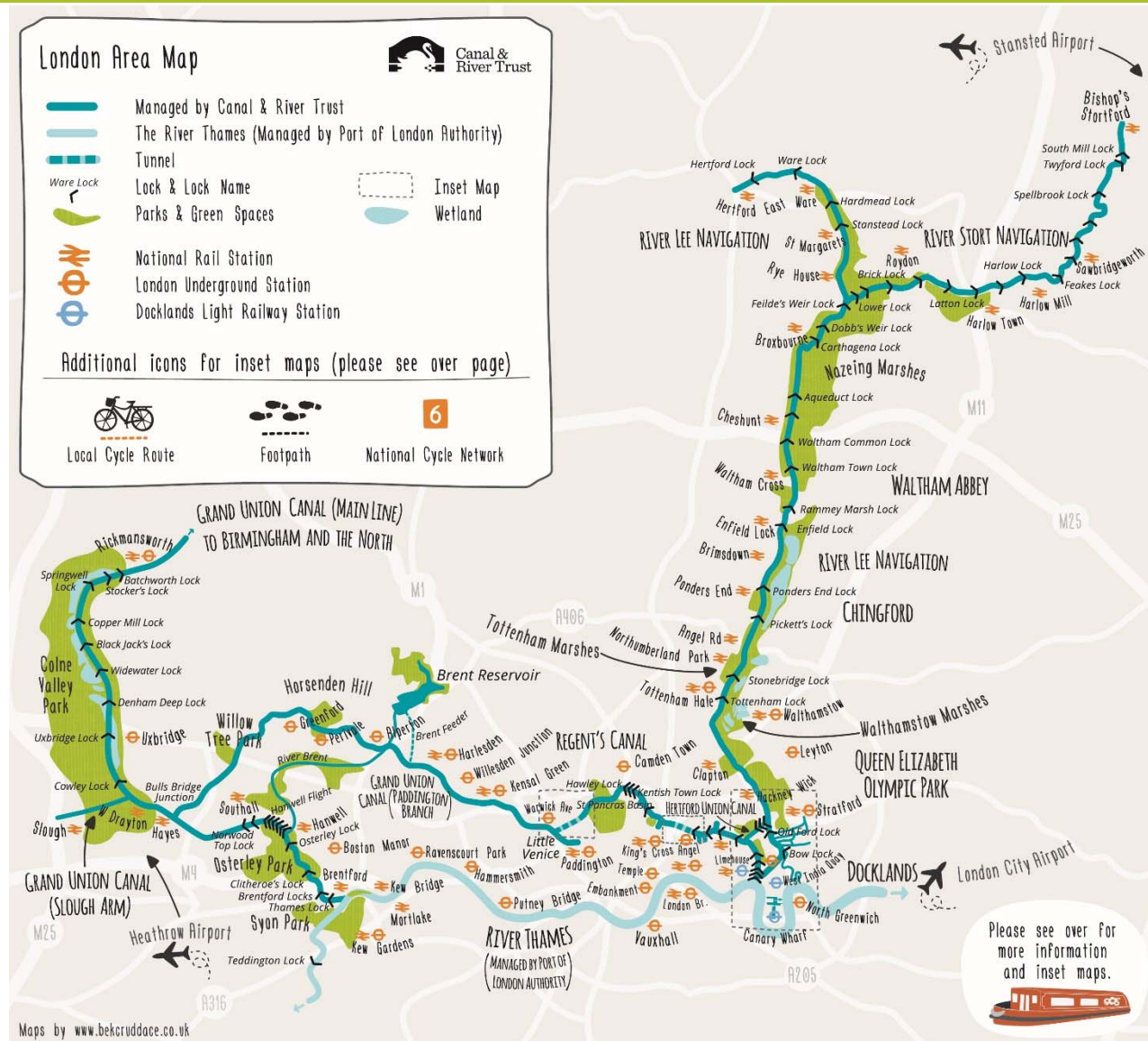
Project Objectives

- To help ensure fair sharing of water space amongst competing demands
- To enable a wider range of boaters can visit and navigate in London.
- To support London waterway destination and tourism strategy
- To ensure mooring strategy contributes to CRT aim that London's waterways help to transform neighbourhoods and enrich people's lives

Strategy key themes

- Short-term visitor moorings
- General tow path moorings
- Long term moorings
- Short term pre-bookable moorings
- Business boating
- Winter mooring strategy

Where are the opportunities?



Next steps

- Working group – monthly
- Steering group – six weekly
- Stakeholder engagement – lots!

- Early focus on...
 - Winter mooring strategy
 - Short-term moorings
 - Pre-bookable short stay mooring trial

Group discussion

- Ask yourself:
‘What would a fair and successful mooring strategy look like?’
- Use one post-it note for each comment
- ‘For me, a fair and successful strategy would / could / should / must / needs to / is..’

Mapping exercise

- Mark your ideas / suggestions on the maps
- Use numbered sticky dots to identify locations
- Write your comment on the post-it notes
- Use one post-it note for each sticky dot
- Copy the dot's number onto your post-it!