# BETTER TOGETHER, FOR GOOD.



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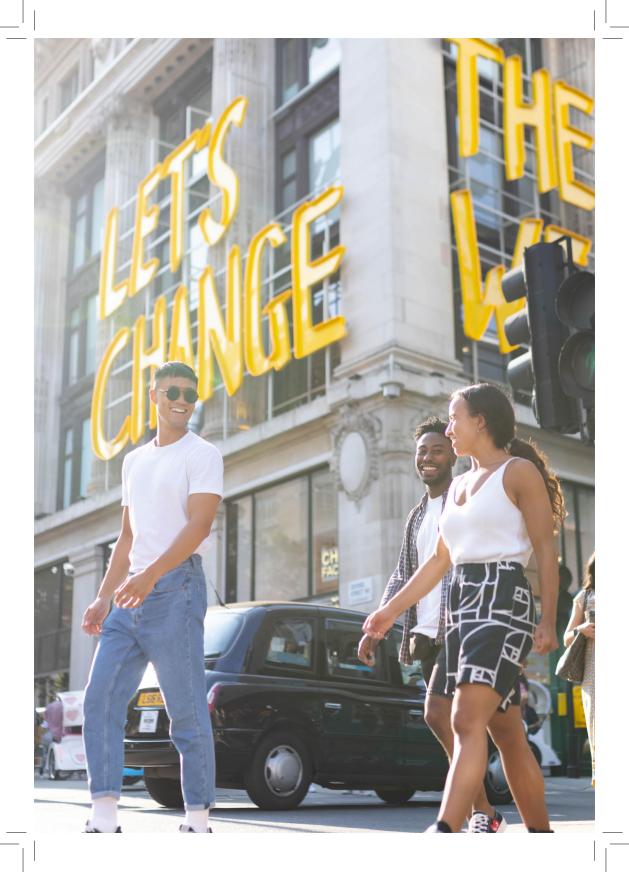
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# BETTER TOGETHER, FOR GOOD. 2022/23



#### **Foreword**



New West End Company works on behalf of you, our 600 members, to make the West End International Centre the most diverse, sustainable & inspiring place to visit and do business.

We enter 2022 with optimism and confidence that our District will continue to bounce back strongly from the ongoing pandemic.

For London's West End, 2022 will be pivotal in our ambition to return to £10 billion annual turnover by 2025. Working with you, our members and partners, we will ensure that our 2022 - 23 BID year offers the platform for success, and make certain that we can deliver our ambitions that will lead us to recover and rebuild strongly.

The ongoing structural changes in retail & leisure are becoming much more visual within our District, with an abundance of construction and transformation

signifying the level of development and change coming to the West End over the next few years. The successful delivery of these changes, including the opening of the Elizabeth Line, the completion of a number of public realm projects, and the momentus brand investments, will be pivotal in ensuring that we remain globally competitive and that we maintain our position as the most diverse, sustainable and inspiring place to visit and do business.

#### **OUR 2022 PRIORITIES:**

#### 1. Oxford Street District

Transformation: With £5 billion capital investment coming into our District, we will continue to support, with our partners, Westminster City Council's £150m transformation of the Nation's High Street.

- 2. Elizabeth Line: We will continue to work with Transport for London to ensure that the Elizabeth Line is opened in the first half of 2022 so that our District can reap the benefits of the £18 billion infrastructure as we continue our recovery.
- 3. Attract global & local customers, businesses & investors: We will lead on and support key campaigns to attract back customers and promote London's West End on the world stage to ensure that we retain our global city status and attract new, diverse and sustainable businesses to area.

- **4. Business Rates:** With the CBI and partners, we will continue to campaign the Government for a fundamental reform of business rates with a fair revaluation this year that truly reflects the reality of the West End economy.
- **5. A Sustainable District:** We will continue to work with partners on our decarbon and zero emission transport zone ambitions with the launch of our Sustainability Action Plan in April 2022.

Alongside these priorities, we will continue to work with our valued partners to provide our member businesses with our key services, including digital & physical destination marketing, street cleaning & security, insights & performance analysis and advocacy.

The full team and I very much look forward to continuing our partnership with you and all our West End colleagues throughout the year as we hopefully begin to move on from the pandemic and continue on our great West End recovery, together.

We are better together, for good.

JACE TYRRELL

Chief Executive

## STREET MANAGEMENT

343 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTS MADE

**57,593**SECURITY TEAM
VISITS TO MEMBER
BUSINESSES

HIGH PRIORITY
INCIDENTS
ASSISTED
WITH OVER
THE PAST 12
MONTHS

7,710
INDIVIDUAL NIGHT
TIME PATROLS
COMPLETED BY NIGHT
SECURIRTY TEAM

WE DEEP CLEANED AND FULLY FLUSHED

STREETS FOR CHRISTMAS

18,452 MEMBER REQUESTS RESPONDED TO BY THE CLEAN TEAM

# **EIGHT**

BRAND NEW
ELECTRIC
VEHICLES
ADDED TO
OUR STREET
CLEANING FLEET

## PUBLIC REALM & GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

WE HAVE 1 HAND SANITISER POINTS AROUND OUR DISTRICT

930 DIGITAL DOWNLOADS OF OUR DISTRICT WAY-FINDING QR CODE

E1.1 M BURLINGTON GARDENS SCHEME COMPLETED

HANOVER SQ GARDENS COMPLETED ONE

MEMBER SUSTAINABILITY AUDIT COMPLETED &

ONE

DISTRICT ACTION PLAN DRAFTED

## ADVOCACY & INFLUENCE

# OVER 50

MEMBER REPRESENTATIONS AT A LOCAL, LONDON AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT LEVEL

NEW WEST END COMPANY ENGAGED WITH OVER 30

PUBLIC OFFICIALS
OVER THE PAST 12
MONTHS

CONTRIBUTED TO
THE LONDON RECOVERY
TOURISM BOARD TO
SHAPE OUR WEST END
RECOVERY AS DOMESTIC
VISITORS RETURN

RELAUNCHED

ASSOCIATION OF
INTERNATIONAL
RETAIL & ATTENDED
PARTY CONFERENCES

## **BUSINESS VOICE & GLOBAL PROFILE**

800 MEMBERS ATTENDED

40

VIRTUAL EVENTS, SEMINARS & MANAGEMENT GROUPS

3000 PIECES OF TRADE MEDIA £6.5M

## MARKETING & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

£1.2M

DELIVERED IN BUDGET RELIEF THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS TOTAL PR VALUE OF

3.5M

FOR CONSUMER CAMPAIGNS

OXFORD STREET
SOCIAL MEDIA HAS

GAINED

5.5K NEW FOLLOWERS

### Campaigning & Advocacy

Our political representation during the past 12 months has been at a national, London and Local level to ensure our members' positions were clearly understood by policy makers and to provide real-time flows of information.







#### 2021 - 2022 Support:

- Engaged with over 30 public officials over the past 12 months on how we can continue our West End recovery to ensure that our District continues to thrive as it moves on from the impact of the pandemic:
- Made over 50 representations on behalf of London's West
   End at a national, London & local level, responding to key issues covering economic, planning & transport activity;
- Contributed to the London Recovery Tourism Board to ensure the West End was represented;
- Relaunched the Association of International Retail to ensure that our District is prepared to welcome back international visitors. We continued our international campaigns on taxfree shopping & visa reforms;
- Continued to campaign Government on business rates reform and highlighted that the latest changes will not benefit our District.

#### 2022-23 Recover & Thrive

We will work towards helping West End businesses recover and thrive by influencing public policies to create the most positive environment for trading.

Our four areas of focus for 2022-23 are:

- Increase international attractiveness through policy changes on visas, tax-free shopping & Sunday trading
- Lower costs for West End businesses through reforms on business rates & onlines sales tax
- Enhance public realm, transport & sustainability through the delivery of the Elizabeth Line and the Oxford Street District transformation, while working toward our goal of becoming a net-zero district
- Enable full recovery & growth following the Covid-19 pandemic by working with partners to transform city centres across the UK and here in London's West End.

Top: Chief Executive, Jace Tyrrell with Mayor of London Sadiq Khan; New West End Company meets with Metropolitan Police Commissioner Cressida Dick; Bottom: Working with Westminster City Council Cllr Matthew Green on new planning & occupiers in our District.

## Placemaking & A Sustainable District



Introduced new e-bikes to our fully electric street cleaning fleet



21 new wayfinding & sanitisation points installed across our District

In collaboration with public and private sector partners, New West End Company works to transform our district by enhancing public spaces in a sustainable way.

Over the past 12 months working with members and partners we have achieved:

- Completion of Burlington Gardens scheme;
- Completion of Hanover Square Gardens;
- Design & installation of new Christmas lights scheme on Oxford Street;
- Installation of public WiFi across Oxford Street & Bond Street:
- Re-installation of wayfinding totems and hand sanitisation points;
- Launched our first electric street cleaning fleet; one of the largest operated by a BID in the UK.

We will continue to work with our members and partners to:

- Launch our West End Sustainability Action Plan to set out our ambitions to become a more sustainable district;
- Ensure that the £150 million Oxford Street District transformation maintains momentum during and following the consultation in 2022:
- Ensure our district is prepared and ready for the Elizabeth
   Line opening in Q1 2022.



Lord Mayor of Westminster formally opens the completed Burlington Gardens



Hanover Square Gardens completed in Summer 2021 - the first completion of the wider Hanover Square transformation

### Clean, Safe & Healthy Streets

New West End Company works in partnership with local authorities to provide support and additional street management and security in our district.

We provide West End customers and colleagues with targeted services and enhanced management during core and peak trading periods, ensuring our returning customers feel safe in our District.



#### Over the past 12 months, we have:

- Maintained and enhanced high levels of security through both daytime patrolling and overnight dog patrols, to ensure our district was protected during this vulnerable period.
- Enhanced our cleansing regimes to ensure a high standard as we welcomed more customers back and ran the first Great West End Clean in the lead up to Christmas.
- Delivered a number of strategic table-top major incident exercises alongside Metropolitan Police and partners;
- Delivered threat assessment reports to members in the lead up to Christmas and ran joint patrols with Metropolitan Police and New West End Company Security including project Servator.

#### We will continue to provide our core services:

- 24/7 security personnel with overnight dog patrols to support the security of our customers, colleagues and businesses;
- Deep cleaning of the West End on a regular basis supporting members safety management on key trading days.





Top: Our Security Team made over 50,000 visits to member businesses; Bottom Left: Our clean team have ensured our district remains safe for all visitors; Bottom Right: Westminster Conservative Councillor Candidates joined local residents and New West End Company Clean Team Drop-In Session as part of our pre-Christmas Great West End Clean campaign

#### Data Driven Performance & Global Profile

Part of our role is to encourage investment into London's West End by providing a positive narrative for our area and businesses domestically and overseas and delivering unique insights on our customers.









We hosted & attended a series of virtual & physical events and seminars to ensure we remain engaged with our key stakeholders & members

We have continued to **promote a positive narrative** on the state of the West End as we recover from the impact of the pandemic. Through proactive national & international media, we have promoted issues that need addressing, highlighted the **resilience of our district and upcoming investment**, and ensured that the West End remains **globally competitive**.

Our insights offering has, continued to be a key source in keeping Government, businesses and key stakeholders informed about the trading conditions and consumer insights. Our PwC Insights Programme as been vital to better inform our businesses as they recover with regular insights into footfall, sales, travel and consumer data

With the reduction of restrictions, we have once again been able to physically represent our District. We attended COP26, LREF & MAPIC, while over **800 members** attended **NWEC-led physical & virtual events** Our event programme continues to draw both inspiring speakers and large audiences offering insightul, topical and valued content.



We've secured over 2,500 pieces of media coverage worth £8.5 million promoting and representing our district.

### Physical & Digital Marketing

Our district-wide communication campaigns aim to boost customer confidence and attract vital footfall back to the West End as we recover and keep people returning again and again.

We saw footfall in our District rise each month in 2021, and we delivered a number of **districtwide campaigns** to enhance the customer experience:

- West End Club: Signed up a further 600 offices this year to access our exclusive offers and experiences
- West End Guide: Wayfinding across our district with through QR codes generated over 1.800 scans
- Destination Promotion:
  Always on messaging to
  our customers has
  promoted our key
  campaigns and information

- throughout the year through our digital and social channels
- Art installations: Engaged over 40 Mayfair Galleries and installed 7 pop-up sculptures as part of the Mayfair Sculpture Trail & Art in Mayfair.
- West End-wide Christmas: Led the West End Christmas Partnership and coordinated a District-wide Lights switch on and campaign, reuslting in over 400 pieces of media coverage.
- Beyond Now: Launched our inaugeral consumer Sustainability campaign on Oxford Street with over 30 members to raise awareness of sustainable practises in retail.

Our package of promotions and activations are continually being developed with members and partners and are informed by intelligence from our Consumer Pulse surveys. Our strategy aims to attract firstly our London and UK domestic customers as we recover, with a longer term focus on our international visitors.

2022 will be a pivotal year for customer and cultural campaigns as we celebrate the **Queen's Platinum Jubliee and 50 years of Pride**, along with new initiatives and activations coming to our streets.

We will continue to work closely with our wider West End destination partners and tourism bodies including London & Partners and VisitBritain to ensure that our campaigns are as aligned and far-reaching as possible.





Left: 2021's brand new Oxford Street Christmas Lights scheme as part of our Only In The West End...Christmas campaign. Right: The Mayfair Sculpture Trail attracted thousands of visitors to explore the artwork over Summer 2021

### Occupier & Property BID



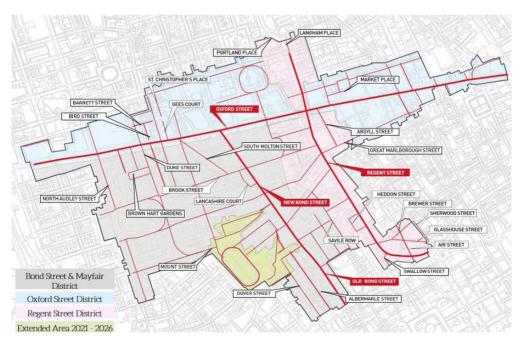
Aerial View of London's West End

New West End Company is privileged to represent property owners and businesses in one of the world's most renowned shopping & leisure destinations.

With over **20** years experience of working with businesses and strategic stakeholders, our aim continues to be in protecting and boosting the economic prosperity of your West End businesses.

Through the delivery of our 2021-2026 Business Plan, our key priority is to return our District to £10 billion annual turnover by 2025 through our great West End recovery.

Our work evolves with you at the heart, reflecting the needs of over 600 West End businesses to help realise our shared vision to make the West End's International Centre the most diverse, sustainable and inspiring place to visit and do business.



Our current BID area for 2021-2026

# Financial Management 2021/22 Forecast

#### OCCUPIER FINANCIALS

Safe, Clean & Healthy	52.9%
Physical & Digital	15.0%
Bad Debts	13.7%
Management & Overheads	8.6%
Insights & Innovation	6.4%
Campaigning	2.8%
Levy Collection	0.6%

Income	2021/22
	£K
BID Levy	3,677
Non BID Levy Income	134
Total Income	3,811

2021/22
£K
2,300
651
2,951
280
280
123
123
374
25
596
995
4,349
(538)

# Financial Management 2022-23 Budget

### OCCUPIER FINANCIALS

Levy Collection	0.6%
Campaigning	2.8%
Management & Overheads	8.0%
Insights & Innovation	8.3%
Bad Debts	11.5%
Physical & Digital	20.5%
Safe, Clean & Healthy	48.3%

Evpondituro	2022/22
Total Income	3,899
Non BID Levy Income	60
BID Levy	3,839
	£K
Income	2022/23

	2222/22
Expenditure	2022/23
	£K
Customer Experience	
Safe, Clean & Healthy	2,414
Physical & Digital	1,024
Total Spend	3,438
Insights & Innovation	
Data Driven Performance	418
Total Spend	418
Campaigning	
Advocacy	141
Total Spend	141
Company Management	
Management & Overheads	402
BID Levy Collection	28
Bad Debts	576
Total Spend	1,006
Total Expenditure	5,003
Net Profit/(Loss for year)	(1,104)
Surplus Brought Forward	1,289
Closing Surplus Position	185

# Financial Management 2021/22 Forecast

#### PROPERTY FINANCIALS

Physical & Digital	28.4%
Campaigning	23.2%
Insights & Innovation	16.0%
Safe, Clean & Healthy	15.6%
Bad Debts	9.5%
Management & Overheads	7.1%
Levy Collection	0.2%

Income	2021/22
	£K
BID Levy	3,810
Non BID Levy Income	124
Total Income	3,934

Expenditure	2021/22
Experialital c	2021/22 fK
Customer Experience	
Safe, Clean & Healthy	819
Physical & Digital	1,488
Total Spend	2,307
Insights & Innovation	
Data Driven Performance	840
Total Spend	840
Campaigning	
Advocacy	1,216
Total Spend	1,216
Company Management	
Management & Overheads	374
BID Levy Collection	12
Bad Debts	500
Total Spend	885
Total Expenditure	5,249
Net Profit/(Loss for year)	(1,315)
Surplus Brought Forward	3,350
Closing Surplus Position	2,035

## Financial Management 2022-23 Budget

#### PROPERTY FINANCIALS

Physical & Digital	28.2%
Campaigning	20.4%
Safe, Clean & Healthy	16.9%
Insights & Innovation	16.6%
Bad Debts	10.5%
Management & Overheads	7.1%
Levy Collection	0.3%

Income	2022/23
	£K
BID Levy	3,959
Non BID Levy Income	60
Total Income	4,019

Expenditure	2022/23	
	£K	_
Customer Experience		_
Safe, Clean & Healthy	958	_
Physical & Digital	1,596	_
Total Spend	2,554	_
Insights & Innovation		_
Data Driven Performance	939	_
Total Spend	939	
Campaigning		_
Advocacy	1,156	_
Total Spend	1,156	
Company Management		_
Management & Overheads	402	_
BID Levy Collection	15	
Bad Debts	594	_
Total Spend	1,011	
Total Expenditure	5,661	_
Net Profit/(Loss for year)	(1,642)	
Surplus Brought Forward	2,035	

**Net Position** 

394