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## **Battersea Power Station welcomes the general public**

*Treasury Holdings to create 2.4 acre landscaped park for the local community and wider public*

Following the recent approval of its planning application for comprehensive regeneration of the Battersea Power Station site, Treasury Holdings is pleased to announce that it has submitted plans to Wandsworth Council to create a landscaped park between Battersea Power Station and the river, accessible to the general public from July 2011. The plans also propose to connect the site to Battersea Park by opening up the river walk beneath Grosvenor Railway Bridge.

Battersea Power Station welcomed over fifteen thousand people over the course of the planning application consultation process, and received widespread support from a range of stakeholders, including the local community and wider public. In recognition of their interest and desire to get close to this iconic landmark, and in appreciation of their support for its restoration and development, Treasury Holdings has decided to open the Battersea Power Station site to the general public for the first time.

The 2.4 acre landscaped park is aimed at creating a destination of choice over the summer period and will allow the space to be used as a place for a programme of community events, relaxation and contemplation by London's residents.

Treasury Holdings' vision for the site is to create a modern, cosmopolitan, creative district around the restored Power Station, where visual arts, design, and music sit comfortably alongside business and commerce. Rafael Viñoly's masterplan encompasses a 10.1m sq ft mixed-use sustainable development with a mixture of uses including over 3,400 new homes, 1.7m sq ft of office space and 1.5m sq ft of other commercial uses including community, hotels, cultural, leisure, conference centre, shops and restaurants.

Construction on Phase 1 of the development is scheduled to commence in early 2012 with completion in 2016. The remaining phases, including the new underground station will follow, with the entire development scheduled for completion in 2024.

Jeremy Castle, Planning Director of Treasury Holdings said:

*"Many people have asked us when the Power Station will be opened to the public. Our recently approved plans include a new 6 acre riverside park, and we are delighted to announce our intention to open part of the park from this summer, and to connect the River Walk between Battersea Park and Central London.*

*"For the first time, the public will be able to get close to the Power Station and to walk through the site. This is in recognition of all the time that local people have spent working with us and for the huge support that we have received. The new park will begin to add a sense of place around the Power Station."*

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Images of the Battersea Power Station development can be found at:  
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