

APPENDIX 1

Criteria for seeking a leaseholder to occupy the Old Nursery (former Fish Farm) site in Southwark Park (“the Site”)

Potential acceptable uses:

A range of proposed uses have been suggested for the Site to date including:

- Community Food growing / community orchard
- Horticultural training
- Volunteer participation/training
- Biodiversity enhancement
- Allotments
- Plant nursery
- Appropriate commercial activities

Other uses will be considered, as long as they comply with the essential criteria, below.

Essential criteria for the proposed use of the Site:

- the use must not compromise security of the Site or cause nuisance to the park or surrounding properties
- the potential uses listed provide some value to the local community, any alternative proposal must also offer value to the local community
- the use must be established at no cost to the Council (both initial capital and ongoing revenue costs)
- the use must maintain the existing infrastructure
- the selected leaseholder must actively seek to secure investment in the Site to enhance facilities and access
- all interested leaseholders must submit proposals on how the Site could be better integrated with the park and its immediate access area including the area around the cafe & wildlife garden along with securing funding for improvements
- the use and appearance of the Site must be in keeping with a park environment and appropriate for the setting of a Grade II listed park
- the use must be fit for purpose and comply with the Canada Water Area Action Plan
- the selected leaseholder has an Equal Opportunities Policy in place

Proposals will be assessed against a set of technical criteria:

Criteria	Information which must be provided
Technical	Evidence of professional ability and capacity to deliver – staffing capacity, business plan, quality systems, professional affiliations
Organisation information	Name, address (registered office), contact details Constitution, company status etc
Financial information	Provision of annual reports, financial statement or audited accounts
Equal opportunities	Equal Opportunities and/or diversity policy
Health and Safety	Policies, evidence of training, risk assessment or reporting procedures
Professional references	3 required

Other (essential)	Willingness to take on the lease of the whole of the Site
	Ability and willingness to engage the wider community in the Site's activities/proposals
	Proactively seek to provide public access to the Site
Other (desirable)	Statement on how the organisation might work in partnership with other organisations