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Queensmere Restoration Project

The Commons' nine ponds provide important wetland habitats for wildlife including birds, amphibians, and invertebrates.

However, Queensmere, created as a concrete-banked bathing pond to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887, has recently been in a poor ecological condition, with severe silt build-up and lacking any marginal vegetation.

Despite being located within the wild landscape of the Commons, without any marginal vegetation, the pond is far from reaching its full ecological potential.

The much-loved Pond is now being transformed into an attractive haven for wildlife and visitors, with an ambitious restoration project undertaken by WPCCC, the charity that cares for the Commons.

The pond has been desilted and planted with a new reedbed habitat to filter the water; the concrete banks will be covered with marginal planting to allow shelter for wildlife and help reverse bank erosion.

An unplanted 'dog beach' has been created to allow dogs to enter the pond without disturbing its wildlife, while a new feature island has been created to provide a new wildfowl habitat.

The 'new' Queensmere will be completed by Autumn 2025, with an official 'opening' next Spring. year. The project is supported by a grant from the Rewild London Fund, supported by the Mayor of London, in partnership with the London Wildlife Trust.

However, we still need to raise additional funding to complete the project...and you can help!

Help transform Queensmere by supporting the restoration:

Viewing Deck Plaque

Celebrate a person, moment or memory, with an engraved plaque set into the handrail of the new Queensmere viewing deck – the ideal spot to watch wildlife and admire the views across the pond.

- Specification: 150mm x 60mm.
- 3 lines of 25 characters max per line.
- £750 per plaque to cover the plaque, the installation and a donation to the Queensmere restoration project.

Contact: fundraising@wpcc.org.uk for further details.





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