

Jerry Hall backs London's Arcadia

Local resident Jerry Hall, whose London home has one of the most spectacular viewpoints from Richmond Hill, has joined volunteers to find out more about the area's planned restoration programme.

The £3.3m London's Arcadia project, which will run over three years as part of the Thames Landscape Strategy, is divided into two parts: a pastoral element, designed by Kim Wilkie Associates and an urban aspect, masterplanned by CUH2A.

Jerry Hall gave her support to the work to restore the view from Richmond Hill, which is almost complete. Here, Kim Wilkie Associates has drawn up plans for removing unsightly boundary fences, remodelling earth, planting trees, creating accessible new paths, repairing walls and replacing seats.

The Richmond-based practice is also restoring the towpaths in front of Petersham Meadow, replanting the avenues around Ham House and redesigning a local park between Twickenham and Teddington.

Complementing Kim Wilkie Associates' pastoral strategy is CUH2A, where Anthony Brookfield and Zosia Mellor are rejuvenating Twickenham Embankment, the Marble Hill towpath, St Margaret's and Isleworth promenade, Richmond promenade and Richmond riverfront.

"The works we are doing throughout the different locations vary," said joint project leader at CUH2A Anthony Brookfield. "In some areas we are improving the hard landscape; in others we are improving the vegetation and the lighting or improving access down to the River Thames."



Kim Wilkie, Cllr Tony Arbour, Jerry Hall and TLS coordinator Jason Debney