



2023-24 Mayoral Theme Progress Update: 1 September 2024

As we enter the final two months of this mayoralty, the focus is on firmly delivering the objectives of the *Connect To Prosper* initiatives. By the end of the year, we are confident we will be able to say that we are more interconnected, these connections have fostered global solutions, and the City is recognised as a world-leading hub of knowledge and innovation. Whether through participating in our Coffee Colloquies, attending a Knowledge Mile Lecture or joining upcoming events, now is the time to **CONNECT TO PROSPER** be part of our *Connect To Prosper* initiative.

Connect To Prosper in Action

"The Lord Mayor's leadership has been instrumental to promote connections and create a platform to make water and sanitation a reality for all." Ramón Bravo González, Court Assistant, and Carrie Park, Associate of the Worshipful Company of Water Conservators, 29 August.

Key: ● On track ● In progress ● Behind schedule

Travel

- Netherlands 07 – 10 July
- Sheffield 25 – 26 July
- Paris Olympics 26 – 28 July
- Edinburgh 02 – 04 Aug






Forthcoming

- Bermuda, Canada & Iceland (Sep)
- Vietnam & Laos (Sep)
- Finland, Latvia & Estonia (Oct)
- Germany (Oct)




Planet

-  **Space Protection**
Continued engagement with stakeholders, including a meeting with European Space Research and Technology Centre during visit to the Netherlands.
-  **VeraCity WebApp**
The project team are looking into the longevity of the project. Collaborating with City University to form a development group to maintain and develop the app.

People

-  **Knowledge Miles Lectures**
Further 34 scheduled, 70 delivered. 77,000+ views.
-  **Coffee Colloquies**
Further 8 scheduled, 16 delivered. 1000+ attendees.
-  **Ethical AI Initiative**
The Coffee House Consensus launched at ICGN Conference. Livestreamed fireside discussion with Faculty AI. Ethical AI course opened up to IFoA and ACCA members. 6,000+ candidates registered for courses from 60 countries and 440 organisations.
-  **University Partnerships**
Visit to Birkbeck University and involvement in the City St Georges Future Professionals Summer Schools Programme.
-  **Galenos Mental Health**
GALENOS welcomes new Chair and Vice Chair of the Global Lived Experience Advisory Board.

Productivity

-  **Constructing Science**
Roundtable on Fast Track Cities and Tackling HIV, CBRE Breakfast.
-  **Smart Economy Network**
Core group has produced a final draft for the Smart Economy Network.
-  **Tech & Investment**
Tech Futures Roundtable, The Hague.

Livery Engagement

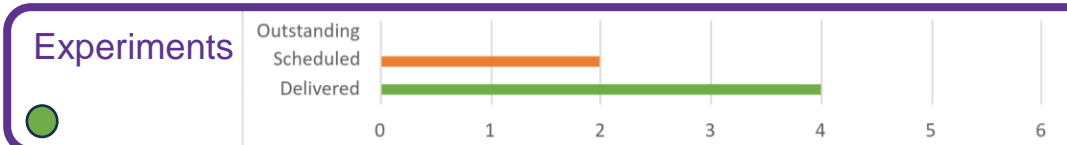
- Livery LinkedIn Community: 1,883 members.
- 9 international 'Livery-Coffee-Connect-Teas'.
- Bavarian Ball raised £50,000 for the Lord Mayor's Appeal.

Media

- Lord Mayor's Pollinating London experiment series featured in articles by BBC, Evening Standard and Timeout.
- 215+ broadcast, digital and print engagements.

Other

- 383+ speeches to 70,000+ people.
- For more information, [visit the City of London Corporation website here.](#)



Pollinator Count and the City Pollinator Panel both took place 01 July. Progress has been made on The Monument Experiment with sensors installed in the flame room.