

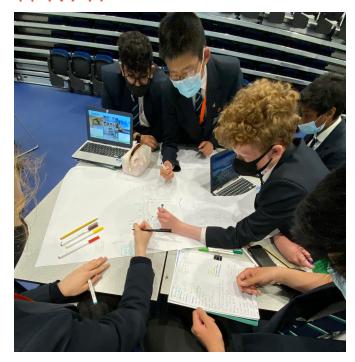


'As a year 10 student, I'd been considering a career in either engineering or architecture and the opportunity to work alongside WR-AP on a live design project in my own community was a perfect chance to experience the profession first hand. I loved the fact that WR-AP allowed us to come up with creative ideas as part of the design competition stage, we felt listened to. Whilst being part on the final client interview was nerve-racking, it gave me an invaluable insight into what the role of an architect involves and how you need to present design ideas in a clear and succinct way to get the ideas across. I also know the rest of my fellow students loved the experience'.

Nathan Chan – Year 11 Student – The Kingston Academy



Site visits and design sessions with feedback from one of the students at TKA









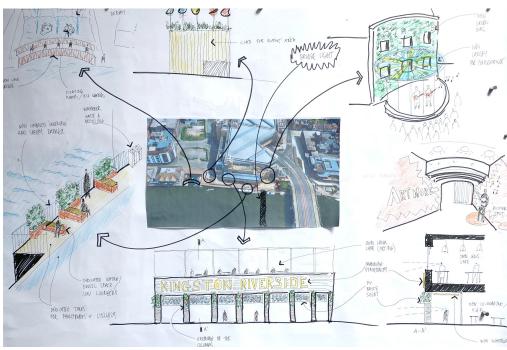














Student design session and final outcomes

#### **WR-AP** wins Kingston riverfront contest

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1/5 WR-AP has won a competition for a £200,000 revamp of the Thames riverfront in Kingston, southwest London

Weston Rengifo Architectural Practice (WR-AP) has won a competition to design a £200,000 revamp of the Thames riverfront in Kingston, south-west London

"WR-AP collaborated with students from nearby Kingston Academy, with an interest in design and architecture, to draw up preliminary concepts for the site as part of its competition submission.

The process started with site visits during which students registered their findings in order to inform the proposals and later went on to include two design charrettes."

"WR-AP director Sean Weston said: "We're delighted to be assisting with the rejuvenation of this prime riverside area. Our submission brought together the ideas of our practice and students from the Kingston Academy to envisage a new public space that is vibrant, welcoming and safe."

Quotes taken from the AJ Article below. https://www.architectsjournal.co.uk/news/wr-ap-wins-kingston-riverfront-contest



"The Kingston Academy we're delighted to partner with the WR-AP on their initiative to get more young people involved in regeneration projects in the communities that they live. The fact that many of the 16 students that took part in the collaboration were from disadvantaged backgrounds is one of the greatest successes of the initiative. The way that WR-AP empowered the young people to come up with creative ideas, present them and communicate them to an adult audience will, I'm sure stand them in good stead for the future. I'm looking forward to seeing the students' ideas come to fruition on site in the coming months"

Sophie Cavanagh – Head Teacher – The Kingston Academy