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Free wi-fi for Wandsworth

A free Wandsworth Council-branded wi-fi service will cover much of the borough by 2014 and help people access online services.

Wandsworth has signed a contract with the company Arqiva to provide the service. Registered users will get 30 minutes' free wi-fi a day.

The council will get half a million pounds from Arqiva at the beginning of the contract for the use of the council's lampposts to install the network, and will get a share of any income generated.

The council site, www.wandsworth.gov.uk, plus www.gov.uk and www.visitlondon.com will be free to use for any length of time without the need to register. Enabling free 24/7 access to the council website will make it easier for residents to access council tax services online. This is more convenient and cuts costs, so helping to keep council tax low and protect frontline services.

Online services include parking permits, paying penalty charge notices, managing council tax and housing accounts, library services and booking MOTs and holiday and afterschool playschemes. It is also expected that the new universal benefits system will largely have to be managed online by claimants.

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Major action on roads to fix potholes

Every street in the borough will be inspected in the coming months as the council embarks on a major pothole and pavement repair project.

Wandsworth has increased the road repair budget to £6.4m this year. This has led to the creation of six special pothole and pavement action crews, who will be working to repair potholes and pavements, ward by ward, over the months ahead.

"We are prioritising any critical problems for immediate repair, and at the same time, working our way across every street in the borough," said transport spokesman, Councillor Russell King.

Wandsworth is responsible for 1,500 roads stretching over 360km with 746km of pavements, many of which were constructed more than 100 years ago.

The country has seen some of the worst winters over the past four years causing huge damage by weakening the road surface and creating many more potholes.

The six repair crews will be checking and fixing problems in every street across the borough in a rolling programme over the coming months. They will be working in six wards at a time. Three teams will be repairing potholes and three repairing pavements. This doesn't mean other urgent repairs elsewhere will be ignored. A rapid response team will be dealing with those.

"We know where the problems are and all significant potholes and broken pavements will be fixed," added Cllr King. "Minor defects may not merit urgent attention, and these will continue to be monitored."

In addition, many roads will be completely resurfaced and some roads will have their pavements completely re-laid. Leaflets are being sent to homes across the borough to let people know when the repair crews will be working in their neighbourhoods.



What causes potholes?

A harsh winter has caused an unusually high number of potholes to appear in roads throughout the country. In Wandsworth we have heard the message from residents that you want urgent action to sort out the problem.

There are two main causes of potholes:

Severe weather - we have seen some of the worst winters over the past four years. These cause huge damage by weakening the road surface and creating many more potholes.

Age - many of our roads were constructed some 75-125 years ago and were not designed to withstand the constant heavy traffic of today.

Trees - most people want to keep street trees, but as they grow older the roots push up the paving causing dangerous trip hazards.

For more information and to report problems go to www.wandsworth.gov.uk/potholes

Use bins to help slash bills

The council has launched an anti-litter campaign after figures show the annual bill for picking up around 7,000 tonnes of it is nearly £4m.

A new fleet of energy-efficient vehicles will clean up litter from the streets and enforcement action has been stepped up against individual litter bugs, with recent crack-downs outside Tooting Broadway and Clapham Junction stations resulting in 31 on-the-spot fines. There have also been several prosecutions of shops and businesses that try to save money by unlawfully dumping their waste on the highway.

And residents are being urged to help out by using the borough's many litter bins. Environment spokesman Cllr Jonathan Cook said: "We will of course go on picking up all the litter that's deposited on our streets because we take great pride in the borough's appearance, but we also want to get across the huge cost of this task."

Businesses can find full details about their legal responsibilities at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/waste.

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Historic pond brought back to life

The BBC's Countryfile programme has paid a visit to a restoration and conservation project on a Southfields estate.

The programme-makers were filming at Edgcombe Hall to see the outcome of a council-run project to bring a historic pond on the estate back to life and re-introduce wildlife and wild flowers to the area.

The pond restoration project was made possible thanks to a £55,000 grant from the National Heritage Fund – along with a further £2,000 from Kew Gardens for wild flower planting and conservation.

The restoration started back in 2009, and included repair work to the ponds and water cascades, plus an oral history

project to gather local people's memories of the manor house that used to stand on the site of the estate. The ponds are of historical importance because they were designed by celebrated Victorian and Edwardian landscape gardeners, James Pulham and Son.

The council, Groundwork London and the Edgcombe Hall Residents' Association will be holding a celebration event on June 29. Visit www.groundwork.org.uk/london.



NEW-LOOK

Battersea park playground reopens

The playground at Battersea Park has re-opened with phase one of the refurbishment now complete.

Children's services spokesman Cllr Kathy Tracey said: "We hope to complete phase two, which involves the installation of some more play equipment and some landscaping in time for the start of the school summer holidays, although this is largely dependent on the weather.

"When it is all finished I am sure that it will prove very popular with children and their families."

As well as installing new play equipment at the playground, the council is also pursuing ambitious plans to introduce more exciting attractions for young people.

Discussions are continuing which could see the introduction of climbing walls and an aerial walkway or "tree walk" facility at the playground.

And the council is looking to provide additional attractions inside the playground's vacant play building, including dance and drama classes, singing and music tuition, clown and circus trick workshops and other activities.

As part of the wider revamp of play facilities in Wandsworth, the Kimber Road playground will be transformed this summer into a skatepark and BMX bike track.

Share a garden for a growing friendship



Are you over 60 and struggling to look after your garden? Or perhaps you dream of more garden space where you can grow flowers, fruit and vegetables?

Garden Partners matches older garden owners living in the London Borough of Wandsworth with fully vetted volunteers who would like to tend a garden regularly. The 'garden partners' form a team to plan the garden together and share any fruit or vegetables grown.

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Cut price homes for locals

A unique homeownership scheme could see working households in Nine Elms, east Battersea offered the chance to buy new family sized homes as low as the cost price.

Under the council's proposals a 3-bed home costing £400,000 on the open market could be offered to working households for just £210,000. This would be achieved through providing the buyers with a repayable interest-free equity loan which could be up to half the property's full value.

The scheme which is currently being marketed to developers would be applied to 35 new homes which would be built across two sites on the Patmore Estate in Nine Elms, Battersea. One is a former garage block on Parvin Street, the other is a former education centre on Thessaly Road.

Low and middle income households living on the Patmore and nearby Savona Estate would be offered first refusal to ensure people living in this part of Battersea have the chance to buy a family home in their local area.

To qualify for new affordable housing in Wandsworth residents need to register with the council's home ownership team. Find out how at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/homeownership.



Hildreth Street Market

**Brighter borough
'best place to live'**

Balham has been named one of the top five places to live in London.

It joins Richmond, Chiswick, Dulwich and Muswell Hill in the Sunday Times guide, which takes into account transport links, schools, house prices, low crime rates and lifestyle factors such as a sense of community, culture and attractive surroundings.

Meanwhile the guide highlighted the SW11 area as the best place for families to live, praising local schools, restaurants, green spaces and shopping in Northcote Road.

The council's Building a Stronger Wandsworth campaign is working to make the borough even better, including better schools, transport, housing and opportunities for jobs and training. Ofsted has judged 93 per cent of schools good or outstanding, regeneration is gathering pace at Nine Elms and major new transport links are planned (see pages 10-11).



Bamboo bikes

Local women Liza Ditlef-Nielson and Julie Lawrence have set off on an 18-month cycle ride to Australia on bikes they made themselves out of bamboo to raise money for brain tumour research and Water Aid.

Visit <http://bamboodyyssey.com>

Radio Wandsworth

Are you interested in volunteering to help run a new community radio station? Wandsworth Radio is looking for presenters, producers, journalists, engineers and more. Email wandsworthradio@london.com.

Getting mobile

Wandsworth Shopmobility has been given six state-of-the-art mobility scooters and a wheelchair from the Olympic Legacy Project. They were used for disabled visitors to the games and have now been passed to voluntary organisations across the Capital.

Shopmobility provides scooters and wheelchairs, and volunteers to push them, to disabled shoppers. It also runs a minibus service to Wandsworth town centre. Call (020) 8675 3812.

Open day

Are you a council tenant affected by the Spare Room subsidy? Get more information and advice at a council open day on June 10 in Battersea Fields ROL Office, Walden House, Dagnall Street from 10am to 3pm

Get Active

Highlights of this year's Get Active Festival include Get Active Day on July 13 in King George's Park. Try zumba, football and Korfbal and get advice on healthy eating.

On July 20-21 it's the festival's open weekend, packed with family activities. More at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/active.

Parkinson's support

The South West London's Younger Parkinson's Network provides information, friendship and support to young people with the condition, their families and carers. New members are always welcome. Call Sarah on 07973 345898 or email swyoungerpdnetwork@gmail.com.



No charge for Coronation parties

Local people are being urged to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Queen's Coronation by holding a street party – and the council's cutting costs and red tape to help them.

Street parties organised for June 1 and 2 are free of charge, and there's still time to take advantage of a second free weekend on July 13 and 14. The former marks the actual anniversary of the Queen's Coronation in 1953 while the second date coincides with the official celebrations.

Councillors have agreed to waive the normal £50 fee for arranging a road closure, while all the other information that's required can be submitted online via a simple internet questionnaire.

Council leader Ravi Govindia said: "If last year's Diamond Jubilee celebrations are anything to go by, Wandsworth residents will demonstrate their community spirit by arranging many street parties. We're expecting everything from small gatherings of a few neighbours to much bigger events."

▶ Visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/streetparties.

Fund is wheely great

The George Shearing Youth Centre was one of the groups to benefit from the Youth Opportunity Fund (YOF) last year.

The fund is a £100,000 pot given to young people to fund community projects or activities, or to spruce up premises used by youth groups. Dozens of different groups and organisations benefited last year.

The club for youngsters with disabilities was given £5,000 to improve members' health and fitness and compete against other disabled schools and clubs sports teams, including wheelchair users. Find out more at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/youth.



Deaf Day

The council's Deaf Drop-in service took part in this year's Day Day event at City Lit, opened by former Wandsworth Mayor Cllr Adrien Knowles. The event attracts thousands of visitors from around the UK. Visit Wandsworth Deaf on Facebook for pictures.

The drop-in service is available weekly. Find out more by emailing accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk, or call (020) 8871 7707 or (020) 88711 8485 (minicom).

Recycle your clothes

A new recycling service will pick up your unwanted clothes and give them to charity.

The free service, provided by the charity TR Aid, will cover the whole borough by the end of June. To book a collection call (020) 8733 2580, email recycling@traid.org.uk or visit www.traid.org.uk/collections.

Private fostering

Do you look after a child full-time who is not an immediate relative – for example because their parents are abroad?

This is called Private Fostering, and by law you need to be registered.

Call (020) 8871 6622 or visit www.safeguardingchildreninwandsworth.org.uk.

Sublet crackdown

The council recovered 44 rental properties last year from people who had sublet their council property to strangers for cash, or who had 'passed on' their home to friends or relatives without permission. In one case the property had been let out via the website Gumtree.

Anyone with information about bogus tenancies in Wandsworth should call (020) 8871 6556 or email hms@wandsworth.gov.uk.

3am opening rejected

Councillors have rejected proposals that would have seen the Clapham Junction branch of McDonalds stay open until 3am at weekends because of the potential for noise and disturbance to neighbours.

Pregnancy fall

New figures show a big reduction in the number of teenage pregnancies in recent years. Between 1998 and 2011 the rate fell from 71 cases per thousand to 29 – more than 58 per cent.

The decrease has been attributed to good partnership working between schools, health services and other organisation, intensive outreach work and support services such as sexual health clinics.

In the swim

A swimathon at Balham Leisure Centre has raised hundreds of pounds for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

The picture shows one of the swimmers taking part, Laura Waddington, who swam 200 lengths of the pool in two-and-a-half hours and raised £515.

"Almost everyone I know has a friend or loved one who has been affected by cancer, and I wanted to do my bit to help out," she told Brightside.

►► Find out more at www.swimathon.org.



Picture by Anne-Marie Sanderson.

Power Station Park opens

This summer local people will be able to set foot on the Battersea Power Station site for the first time in 30 years.

A Pop-Up Park within the Power Station grounds will be open to the public during this year's Chelsea Fringe Festival which runs until June 9. Check the park's opening times at www.chelseafringe.com.

Access to the temporary park will be via a new pedestrian walkway underneath Grosvenor Railway Bridge. This means local people will be able to walk along the river from Battersea Park into the power station site.

Additional disability access will be via Gate 2 Kirtling Street SW8 5DN. There is no parking on site.

After the festival the Pop-Up Park will remain open to the public at weekends until September, events and construction schedules allowing.

The regeneration of the power station site will create a whole new town centre including a high street, riverside park and Tube station. The scheme is one of many development projects in the Nine Elms area which are creating thousands of new jobs and affordable homes.

Find out more at www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk or call (020) 7501 0678.

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Full speed ahead for transport upgrades

Progress is being made across a series of major transport projects as the town hall's push to upgrade the local network gathers momentum.

A snapshot of recent progress includes:



Cycling, Walking and Driving



- A £6.4 million street investment programme begins in June with the aim of wiping out potholes and improving pavements across the borough. More on page 4.



- Wandsworth council is now in talks with Transport for London (TfL) over plans to redesign the Wandsworth One Way System. The aim is to make it much safer for cyclists and to reduce traffic levels on Wandsworth High Street.
- Investing in all our town centres. Work includes widening pavements and improving road layouts to reduce traffic jams.



Cycling

Wandsworth's first Barclays Cycle Hire docking stations (or Boris Bikes) are now being installed in parts of Battersea, Wandsworth Town and Putney. The scheme goes live in December. We see this as the first step leading to wider coverage across Wandsworth.



River



Working with TfL we have secured Thames Clipper as the new riverbus operator for the Putney to Blackfriars route. This faster, more frequent service has cut journey times between Putney and Blackfriars to just 37 minutes. The boats also stops at the Wandsworth Riverside Quarter pier.





Bus

New environmentally friendly buses will help to reduce pollution on busy roads like Putney High Street.



Rail

- Wandsworth Council is making the case for a complete overhaul of Clapham Junction. Overcrowding is a severe problem at this incredibly busy transport hub.
- After years of campaigning we expect to see longer, higher capacity trains gradually introduced later this year on services into Waterloo and Victoria.
- Wandsworth Council is building the case for a new direct rail service from Clapham Junction to Heathrow Airport. Journey times could be cut to 30 minutes.
- Wandsworth Council wants stopping services between central London and Gatwick Airport to call at Balham Station. This would create a new connection between the airport and the Northern Line.
- Improvements at Earlsfield, Balham, Wandsworth Town, Clapham Junction and Putney stations are now complete. These projects were part funded by the council.



River

- Wandsworth Council is supporting plans for a new riverbus pier at Plantation Wharf (west Battersea) and another at Battersea Power Station.



Tube

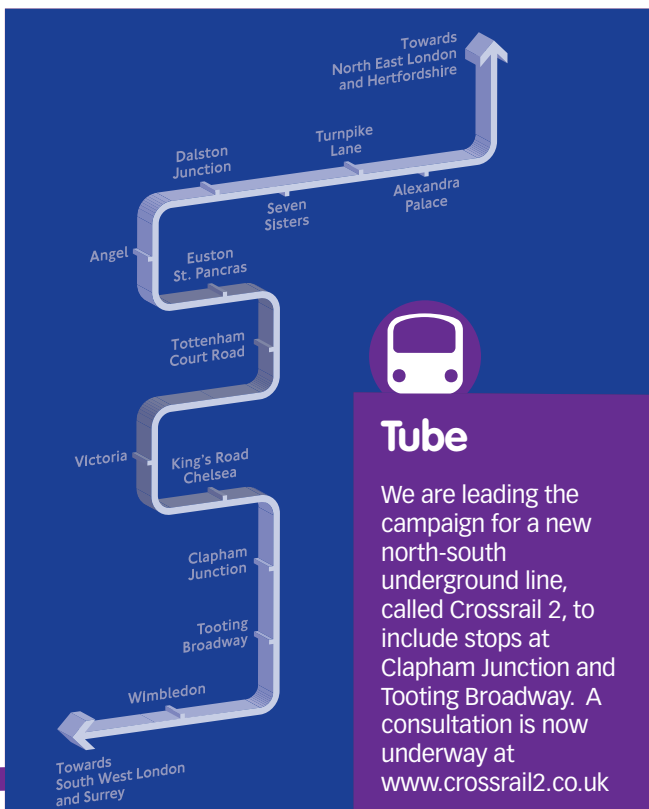
- After years of campaigning by the council we are now closing in on Battersea's first Tube station. An application has now been submitted for the Northern Line extension which could be completed by 2020. Our next priority is to extend the line to Clapham Junction station.



Rail and Walking



- Wandsworth Council is pressing the rail authorities to create a new entrance to Putney Station from Oxford Road and has completed a feasibility study to develop the case.



Tube

We are leading the campaign for a new north-south underground line, called Crossrail 2, to include stops at Clapham Junction and Tooting Broadway. A consultation is now underway at www.crossrail2.co.uk



Cycling

A 'contra flow' cycle lane has been introduced on Childebert Road (a one way street) on a trial basis. The lane means pupils can ride to Ravenscourt Primary School without having to go via busy A-roads.

►► To find out more visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/travelchoices.

Drop in for a coffee at Paddock



Celebrity chef Tana Ramsey has officially opened a brand-new café and shop at Paddock School.

Senior pupils at the Putney school for children with autistic spectrum disorders and complex needs will get work experience in the shop and café, while receiving teaching from specialist school staff. It will be open to the public during the day.

Tana, wife of TV chef Gordon and successful chef in her own right, raised the flag at the official opening – this will be flying whenever the café is open, with a separate entrance in Priory Lane. Actor Sam West from TV's Mr Selfridge, hosted a fund-raising activities.

All the skills associated with working in a shop or café will be taught, including serving, till work and stocktaking. This helps pupils move on from school to find work placements in retail and catering and places on associated college courses.

Younger children at the secondary school will visit the café on a rota basis and learn to behave appropriately, order from specially designed menus, wait for service and pay using their pocket money. The hope is that this will make it easier for their parents to take their children to local cafés and restaurants.

Headteacher Peggy Walpole said:

"We want our shop and café to be at the heart of our school and local community and to be a place people want to come to eat, drink, meet and buy our creative and imaginative merchandise."



Sam West with Peggy Walpole, (l) and Emily Hayward, head of Paddock Secondary School



James Caan with Wandsworth Council leader Ravi Govindia (l) and councillor Alex Raubitschek

Find out more at the following drop-in sessions.

- **June 5 and 6** - Clapham Junction Shop Stop
- **June 14** - Southside Shopping Centre
- **June 25 – 27** - The Exchange Shopping Centre in Putney

Read more or apply online at www.startuploans.co.uk.

Dragon gives business help

Wandsworth is linking up with a TV Dragon to help the borough's young entrepreneurs.

The borough is the first local authority to work with the Start-Up Loans Company, a £117m Government-backed scheme to provide financial backing and mentoring support to people aged 18-30 with a strong business idea.

The Start-Up Loans Company is headed by James Caan from TV's Dragons' Den. "As one of the largest and most enterprising boroughs in London, Wandsworth will be the archetype for other boroughs in England," he told Brightside.

Already more than 3,500 low-cost, unsecured loans averaging £4,500 have been handed out across England to entrepreneurs across all industry sectors, including technology, beauty and professional services.

The aim is to set up 25,000 businesses in England by 2015, with a local target of 20 new businesses in Wandsworth alone this year.

Case study:

29 year old Eric Barratt set up his company Zinc Collective with a £4,500 loan from The Start-Up Loans Company. Selling bespoke arts and crafts created by students and recent graduates, he set up an online store and pop-up shops for people looking for special gifts or personal pieces to collect. He also is benefiting from the guidance of a mentor, who is helping him develop his brand and business. A former Wandsworth resident, Eric states, 'The Borough of Wandsworth gave me inspiration for Zinc Collective when I attended The Wandsworth Artists' Open House events which sees local artists showcase and sell their work in their own environment'.

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New flightpath threat revealed



The entire borough could be subjected to aircraft noise if Heathrow is allowed to develop into a four runway hub, a town hall study has revealed.

Wandsworth has produced a set of indicative flightpath maps which show the parts of London which could be overflowed if new runways were built to the north and south of the current alignment.

A new fourth runway to the south would lead to flights coming in to land over parts of Roehampton, West Putney, West Hill, East Putney, Southfields, Earlsfield, Wandsworth Common, Northcote, Nightingale, Tooting, Balham, Bedford, Graveney and Furzedown wards.

Clapham Common, Tooting Common, Wandsworth Common, King George's Park, Putney Heath and Richmond Park would all be affected.

The west of the borough would be worst hit, as planes would get progressively lower over peoples' homes and gardens as they approach the airport.

People living under the existing flightpaths in Putney and Battersea are kept awake from 4.30am as the first arrivals come

in to land. Councillors fear that the rest of Wandsworth would face the same level of daily disruption if a fourth runway was built in this location.

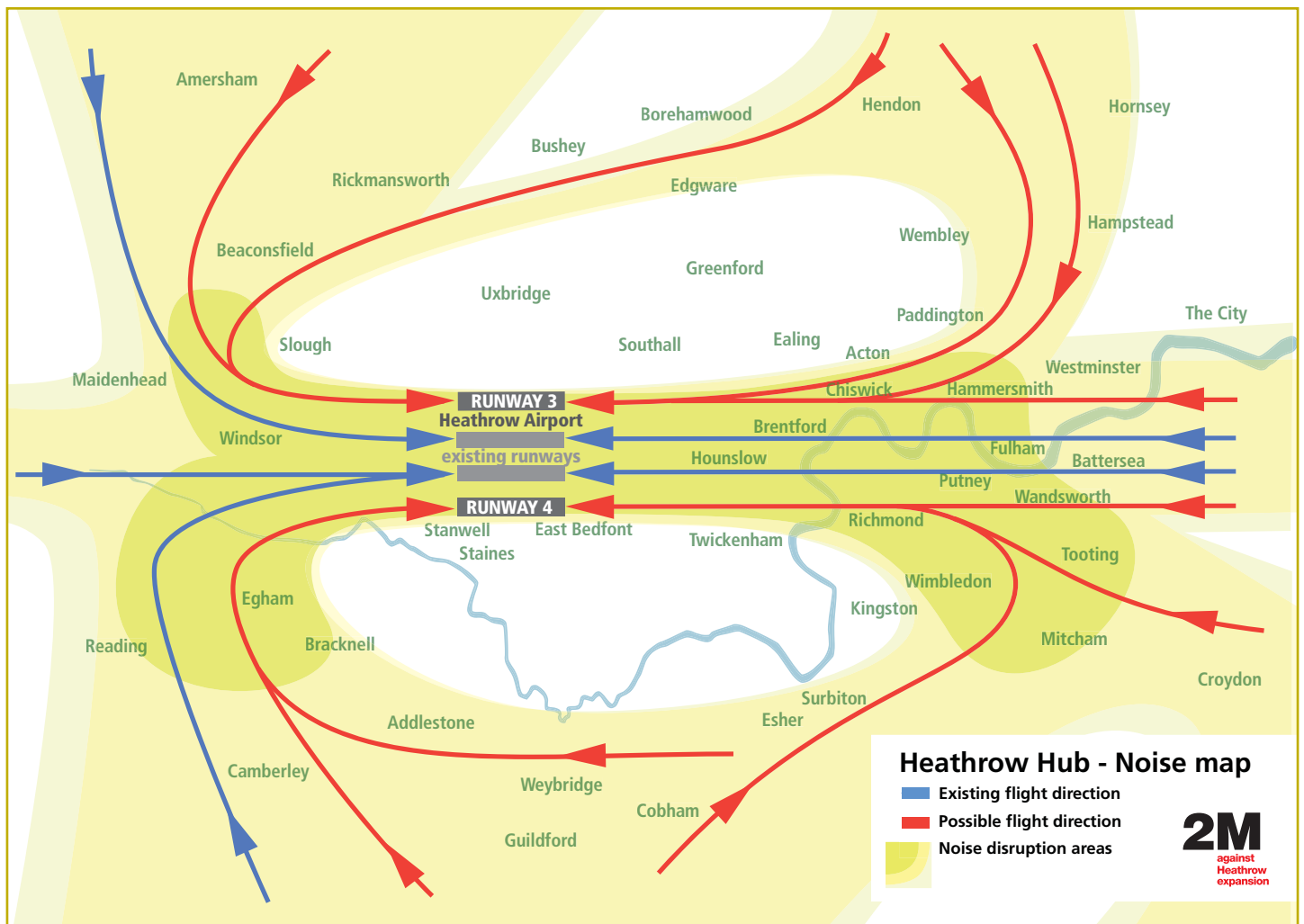
Council leader Ravi Govindia said:

"Almost every part of Wandsworth would be affected by aircraft noise if Heathrow expands to a four runway hub in its current site. People living in the north of our borough already suffer terribly from noise pollution which keeps them awake from 4.30 in the morning. If the airport bosses get their way the rest of Wandsworth will face the same level of daily disruption.

"We beat the previous Government's plans for a third runway in the High Court and we will do everything in our powers to halt Heathrow's latest push for expansion."

Wandsworth has consistently warned that Heathrow will not stop expanding if granted a third landing strip.

Read the council's submission to the Davies Commission on airport capacity at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/davies.





Medal from PM for Arctic convoy hero

A former councillor who served his country with great courage in World War Two has been presented with a newly-created Arctic convoy medal by the Prime Minister.

Gordon Passmore was among 40 veterans presented with an Arctic Star in a ceremony at Downing Street in recognition of his brave wartime service.

The Arctic convoys, branded the “worst journey in the world” by Winston Churchill, took vitally needed war supplies to the Soviet Union from 1941 to 1945. More than 3,000 Royal Navy sailors and merchant seamen died during the perilous voyage to the northern Russian ports of Murmansk and Archangel. Mr Passmore was a gunner in the Fleet Air Arm that provided air cover against the constant threat from German U-boats, aircraft and surface raiders.

His service as an elected Wandsworth councillor began in 1960 when he was voted onto the town hall in a by-election. He then remained in public office for the next 46 years before retiring as a Northcote councillor at the 2006 local elections.



Garden revamp

Members of the Manresa Pensioners’ Club have a brand-new garden.

Thanks to funding from the council and support from other groups, the sheltered housing development’s clubroom garden has new plants and a new wall mural painted by local artist Sarah Ellison.

Health watchdog

Watchdog group Healthwatch Wandsworth has been set up to champion the views of NHS patients and people in receipt of care services.

It will use the feedback it receives from members of the public to campaign for improvements and will signpost people to information to help them make the best choices about their health and care options.

Find out more at www.healthwatchwandsworth.co.uk.

crackdown on blue badge fraud

The council is cracking down on the fraudulent use of disabled parking permits. Anyone with information about blue badge misuse should call Freephone 0800 085 0866 or email parking@wandsworth.gov.uk.

Air alerts

You can listen to a daily summary of air quality in the borough by calling the air quality line on (020) 8871 6433. Find out more about how the council is working to cut pollution levels at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/airquality.

Keeping kids safe

Safeguarding Week from June 10-14 highlights the need for all of us to help keep children safe from harm.

This year there will be an event for faith, voluntary and community groups, and information stalls at various supermarkets around the borough. Visit www.safeguardingchildreninwandsworth.gov.uk.

Get them chipped

This is National Microchip Month. Get your dog chipped for just £10, or free if you’re a Wandsworth council tenant or leaseholder.

Email dogcontrol@wandsworth.gov.uk or call (020) 8871 7606.

Break the cycle

The Breaking the Cycle programme run by the council in partnership with the charity Addaction, offers support for families affected by drug and alcohol issues.

Visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis.

Help into work

South Thames College has celebrated its 250th Prince’s Trust Team programme to help get young people into work.

So far the college has supported 4,000 young people since it started delivering the programme in 1996.

Visit www.south-thames.ac.uk.



Happy birthday BAC

This year Battersea's former Town Hall, the home of Battersea Arts Centre (BAC), is 120 years old.

To celebrate BAC is inviting the public to nominate a list of 120 people who played a memorable part in the building's story. The list will be called The Great Hundred – a phrase which used to mean one hundred and twenty. Names already on the list include John Betjeman, Stewart Lee, John Archer, Emmeline Pankhurst, David Walliams and Matt Lucas.

Wandsworth Council owns the building's freehold and has granted BAC a 125 year lease and a ten year rent free period so that it can focus on delivering cutting edge arts and entertainments at the same time as using all its resources to safeguard and preserve its iconic home for future generations.

Suggest names by using the twitter hashtag #GreatHundred, email TheGreatHundred@bac.org.uk or call (020) 7326 8234.

The picture shows BAC artistic director David Jubb with Dame Vivienne Westwood at the Big Hundred launch event

Thank you

A special town hall 'thank you' event was held for Wandsworth residents who volunteered for London 2012

Find out about volunteering opportunities in the borough at www.volunteeringwandsworth.org.uk or call 0300 365 9950.



In tune

Did you know that Wandsworth has its very own symphony orchestra? The Wandsworth Symphony Orchestra rehearses and performs at St Mary's Church, Putney.

Find out about auditioning, and upcoming concerts, at www.londonswso.org.uk.

Tasty cakes

South Thames College is opening a new Hospitality and Catering Academy, working with top chef Bruno Loubet.

The Academy's commercial restaurants and conference facilities open to the public in October. To enrol or find out more visit www.south-thames.ac.uk/HCA.

Paul's help

The Paul's Cancer Support Centre in Wandsworth helps people affected by cancer, including relatives, friends and carers. It provides education, complementary therapies, home visiting services, a telephone support line and online resources.

Call (020) 9724 3924 or visit www.paulscancersupportcentre.org.uk.

Protect your talent

Urban Voice UK, a not-for-profit organisation which helps develop the potential of local young people, is launching a new scheme to help young entrepreneurs.

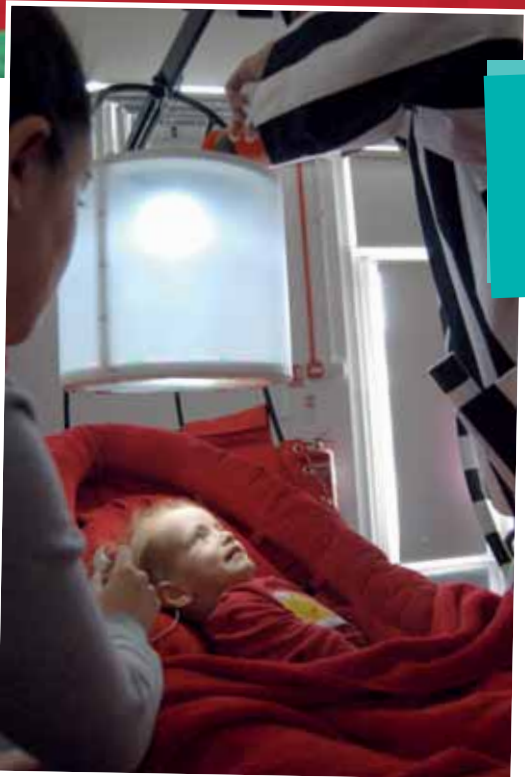
Project Your Talent will provide people age 18-30 with personal development, business consultancy, loans and investment up to £20,000 so they can fast-track their business ideas. Visit <https://urbanvoice.eventbrite.co.uk>.

MY WANDSWORTH

Daniel Riley

Wandsworth is a really good borough to live in. There's always something going on and there's some good sports clubs around too. I'm a big tennis fan and in the summer I often play in Wandsworth Common. The Southside shopping centre has a lot going on and it's always good to come here with friends to either eat or go to the cinema.





The pictures show Eli from Greenmead looking up at a tube lantern during the development of the show, and cast members Ellie Griffiths, Griff Fender and George Panda perform a preview in the school hall.

Creating a fantastic tube ride

Youngsters at some of Wandsworth's special schools have been helping an innovative theatre company develop plays for children with disabilities.

The Oily Cart theatre company based in Earlsfield has been creating work for young people with profound and multiple learning disabilities all over the UK since 1981.

The charity works with Wandsworth schools to develop multi-sensory, interactive productions. Recently the company has been working with Greenmead School in Putney to create a show called Tube.

Tube is about all the things that can be made from, and all the things that come out of, tubes, including perfumes and music, and all the things you can see through them. The set and costumes are made out of tubes, and the cast members adapt their performance to the specific requirements of each individual in the audience.

Artistic Director Tim Webb explains:

"We work hard to tailor our shows to the needs of the audience, and in some cases they may not be able to hear or see, so they have to be multi-sensory.

"We work regularly with Wandsworth's special schools to develop our shows, which then go on tour to schools and theatres around the UK. As well as Greenmead we've worked with Paddock School to create a specific version of Tube for young people on the autistic spectrum."

Gail Weir, Greenmead's headteacher, welcomed Oily Cart's ability to truly engage students and bring more variety to the classroom.

"By carefully observing the body language and facial expressions of the children they're able to tailor-make their shows for a variety of children. During the shows they elicit a variety of responses often not seen in class."

See Tube at the Unicorn Theatre in Tooley Street from June 12-27. (Box office on 020 7645 0560).

►► [Find out more about Oily Cart at www.oilycart.org.uk.](http://www.oilycart.org.uk)

Kicking out unwanted visitors

Infested with mice or bothered by bed bugs?

It's not the most glamorous job in the world, but Jeff Pywell is the people of Wandsworth's last line of defence, against unwanted houseguests.

Jeff is the council's pest control manager, and Brightside travelled around the Borough to see him in action. First it's into a familiar green council van. Wasps, bedbugs, rats and cockroaches are all dealt with by the team, but their bread and butter work is mice.

"Statistically most properties have either had them, got them or is going to get them," Jeff warns. "Keeping your property clean will reduce this risk. They only need three grams of food a day per mouse, so a few crumbs will keep them going."

Jeff has been working in pest control for over 20 years, firstly working for a private company, but now likes the feeling of trust he gets from the public while working for Wandsworth.

"They find they get good service from the council and we don't rip them off – we're not making money, just covering our costs."

The first stop of the afternoon is at the Alton Estate. There's a report of a pigeon infestation, but the resident who reported the problem is out. Jeff checks the exterior, and we're off.

The owner of the Wandsworth Common house has rats and this is the pest control team's second visit. The rats don't seem to be taking the bait left previously, so Jeff arranges to look at the building's plans to try and find out how they're getting in through the drainage system. "A lot of older properties have extensions built over the old outside toilet, which can cause problems, if not properly sealed by the builder. Decking will also hide a multitude of sins."

Next is a visit to a property close by with a cockroach problem. Jeff checks the monitoring traps laid previously. These are clear, and the resident reports that they have not seen any for a couple of weeks. Baits laid previously are then checked especially behind the fridge and freezers, an ideal location for cockroaches.

A couple of visits to premises to check mice and replenish baits show how co-operation from the resident on cleaning is essential. Then it's in the van and back to the office.

►► **Find out more about the pest control service at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/pestcontrol or call 020 8871 6143.**



Mice

"Keeping your property clean will reduce the risk of getting mice."

How to find and control...

Bedbugs: Try and keep the bedroom clean – it makes it easier to spot them. Look out for egg cases and small blackish spots.

Cockroaches: Cockroaches have long whip-like antennae and normally two pairs of wings. Keep kitchens clean and not too hot.

Mice and rats: mice are small with grey-brown fur. Rats are much bigger. Avoid accumulations of rubbish, control compost heaps, don't leave excess food out for birds, ensure dustbin lids are on tightly and seal-up gaps around pipes.



Don't get stung this summer

Wandsworth's Pest Control Team
Email: pestcontrol@wandsworth.gov.uk
Call: (020) 8871 6143

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Your guide to **MEASLES**



What is measles?

Measles is a **highly infectious** illness caused by the measles virus. It's most common in unimmunised **1-4 year olds**, but anyone who has not been immunised could catch measles at any age.

What is measles like?

Symptoms include **irritability, a runny nose, conjunctivitis (red eyes), a hacking cough and an increasing fever** that comes and goes. This is followed by a rash that usually starts on the forehead and spreads downwards over the face, neck and body.

How is measles spread?

Measles is **very contagious** and is easily spread through coughing and sneezing, close personal contact or direct contact with infected nasal or throat secretions. You can catch measles just by being in a room where a person with measles has been.

How serious is measles?

Measles is much more serious than many people think and can cause convulsions, ear infections, bronchitis, pneumonia and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Complications occur in about 1 in 15 children with measles.

How common is measles infection?

Cases have risen in recent years as immunisation rates have fallen. In 2012 there were nearly 2,000 confirmed cases in England, the highest annual total since 1994.

There is currently a measles outbreak in South Wales. Smaller measles outbreaks are also occurring in England in the North East and the North West.

What to do if you think you or your child has measles

Contact your GP surgery to make an appointment. Tell them if your child has a rash so they can isolate him/her from other patients.

What is the treatment for measles?

There is no specific treatment. Anyone with measles should drink lots of clear fluid to replace body water lost through the fever. Paracetamol can be used to reduce the fever.

Aspirin should NOT be given to children as it could cause Reye's Syndrome (a severe neurological disorder) in some children. Children should be closely monitored for complications and the doctor consulted on what symptoms to look for.

How soon should your child be back at school after measles?

Measles is most infectious from 4 days before the appearance of the rash until 4 days afterwards.

The Department of Health recommends that a child should be kept off school for 4 days after the onset of the rash.



When should the MMR be given?

Children should receive two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. In Wandsworth the first dose is given soon after the first birthday and the second at around 18 months.

To prevent further outbreaks of measles nationally, a catch-up MMR vaccination programme has been launched. Un-vaccinated and partially vaccinated 10-16 year olds are being identified in Wandsworth and will receive invitations to receive the vaccine from their GPs.

Is the MMR vaccine safe?

The MMR vaccine is very safe, and it is effective in preventing measles as well as mumps and rubella. Vaccines, like any medicine, can have side effects. Most children who get the MMR vaccine have no side effects. Those that do occur are typically very mild, such as a fever or rash.

Where can I get the MMR?

If you are unsure whether you or your child have had the MMR jab contact your GP. You can also get the MMR jab for **children aged under 19 years** at one of Wandsworth's out-of-hours community immunisation clinics:

- St John's Therapy Centre
every Wednesday between 3pm and 6.40pm
- Balham Health Centre
every Saturday between 11am and 12noon

Call the local Immunisation hotline on **020 8812 6090** or visit **www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis**.
For more information about the MMR, visit **WWW.NHS.uk**.

KLS reaches out

The Katherine Low Settlement (KLS) has been helping to fight poverty and isolation in Battersea since 1924.

Now the charity, under new director Aaron Barbour, is reaching out to the local community. It has launched its Community Wise programme to speak to a thousand local people to discover their aspirations, the barriers to achieving them, and their ideas for solutions. The results will form the basis of the KLS's new three-year strategy.

Katherine Low was an American suffragette who worked with poor communities in south London. The charity aims to foster a strong sense of community, and provides a home for local services and activities helping almost a thousand people a week.

Projects include the the Love to Learn refugee education project, youth work and activities for older people. KLS also hosts 33 charities and community groups, including the Young Carers' project (pictured)

►► Find out more about how to get involved in Community Wise, or other KLS projects, at www.klsettlement.org.uk or email aaron@klsettlement.org.uk.



Wandsworth Carers' Centre is holding an event for Carers Week

PREPARED TO CARE

Thursday 13 June, 10am-3pm
at Wandsworth Civic Suite

The event will combine a range of workshops and activities to both support Carers to Care and to enjoy a break from caring including:

- Back Care
- Flower Arranging
- Meditation
- Capoeira (Brazilian Martial art that combines elements of dance and music)
- blood pressure checks
- lunch and much more.

For more details and to book your place please contact Wandsworth Carers' Centre on **(020) 8877 1200** email info@wandsworthcarers.org.uk visit www.carerswandsworth.org.uk

Wandsworth Carers' Centre is a charity that provides a range of information, advice, support and engagement opportunities for Carers living in Wandsworth or caring for someone who lives in Wandsworth.

Carers provide unpaid support to a relative, partner, child or friend due to illness, disability, frailty, mental health condition or substance misuse.

Join us to celebrate the borough's carers



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Come and meet the leader

You're invited to come and chat to the leader of the council, Ravi Govindia.

He is holding a series of drop-in sessions this summer. Just turn up for a chance to have a one-to-one chat about any local issue.

The leader is keen to find out what local people think about council services, including street cleaning, parking, schools and housing. The council is working to protect front-line services during a time of tough financial pressure, while keeping council tax low.

This is your chance to give your verdict on its performance, and share your thoughts on what else it should be doing.

Upcoming meetings are at the following locations. There's no need to book – just turn up.

- **June 26, 6pm – 7pm**
Asda Clapham Junction
- **July 11, 1pm – 2pm**
Southside Shopping Centre
- **July 16, 2pm-3pm**
Café Joy, 49 Danebury Avenue, Roehampton.



www.wandsworth.gov.uk/listen



GET ACTIVE DAY 2013

KING GEORGE'S PARK SATURDAY 13TH JULY 12 - 5PM

To find fun, free family sport and health activities near you visit
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/active



AD 966 (4/13)



Brand-new park for Wandsworth

The Wandle Valley Regional Park will be established over the next ten years, and will stretch from Croydon and Sutton, through Merton and Wandsworth to the Thames.

It will connect a network of historically-rich green spaces to create a green haven along the river.

The aim is to give people a refuge from urban life, get them closer to nature and enable them to get some fresh air and exercise. It will also help stimulate the economy of the Wandle Valley, bringing new jobs and growth.

The project is being developed by a partnership of local authorities, including Wandsworth, and other groups who have formed the Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust, whose board includes Wandsworth councillors Sarah McDermott and Matthew Maxwell-Scott.



The partners are currently attracting new investment. A successful bid to Transport for London by charity Sustrans has secured £500,000 towards improvements to the Wandle Trail – the 12 mile walking and cycling route that follows the river from Croydon and Carshalton to the Thames.

This year the riverside path between Trewint Street in Earlsfield and Plough Lane will be upgraded and a feasibility study will look at options to create a safe new path that avoids the traffic in Earlsfield.

This month the partners will also hear if they have been successful in securing the £2.5m Living Wandle Landscape Partnership scheme through a grant from Heritage Lottery which will bring new funding for improvements to the river and local green spaces and help make the valley more accessible and welcoming to visitors. Living Wandle will also fund volunteering, educational and community projects.

And Wandsworth and other south London councils are continuing to lobby for the abolition of the levy paid by authorities across London towards the upkeep of the Lee Valley regional park. Despite being some 30 miles away, this year Wandsworth council tax payers have been forced to pay more than £386,000 – money the council believes would be better spent on the new Wandle Valley Park.

▶▶ Find out more at www.wandlevalleypark.co.uk.

Wandle Weekends 2013

June 1-2 and 8-9

Explore the Wandle at this year's Wandle Weekends.

Activities include arts, crafts, history, cycle rides, sports, walks and wildlife events.

Find out more at www.wandlevalleyfestival.org.uk.



Parks update



What's new in the parks?

Wandsworth has 1,600 acres of parks, commons and open spaces – the largest proportion for any inner London authority and almost five times the size of Hyde Park.

A new contractor, Quadron is now looking after the borough's parks. The eight-year contract will save council tax payers £850,000, with a commitment to continue to ensure the parks are amongst the best in the capital. Last year more than 200,000 bulbs, shrubs and perennials were planted.

The council's also signed a new £750,000 annual tree maintenance contract. There are now more than 60,000 trees growing in local parks and another 15,000 in residential streets. More than 820 were planted last year.

▶ Visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/parks.

Better sports facilities in Battersea Park

£75,000 is being spent upgrading the fitness centre at the Millennium Arena. Work will start later this year on installing more equipment and creating more space for free weights and stretching. This follows a major refurbishment of the running track and improved long-jump and pole vault facilities. Visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/millenniumarena.



Outdoor gyms

The council has been consulting users of the gyms in local parks to see what they like about them, and what can be improved. There are four gyms, in York Gardens, Battersea, Heathbrook Park, SW8, Shillington Park, Battersea and Furzedown Recreation Ground, Tooting, and they are completely free to use. They were funded by the Marathon Trust and Western Riverside Environmental Fund, in partnership with the Battersea Crime Prevention Panel and the Furzedown Community Network.

Tennis coaching

The council has teamed up with top class coaches from All Star tennis to offer drop-in sessions, cardio tennis, mini-tennis camps and adult courses at six local tennis centres.

The company will also invest around £500,000 in court facilities and playing surfaces to bring them up to Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) standards. Visit www.allstartennis.co.uk



Guided walks

The London Wildlife Trust is holding a series of free 45-minute guided walks in Wandsworth Park and King George's Park on Fridays at 2pm from May 17 until August 2. The first will be at King George's Park, and then it will be in each park on alternate weeks.

At King George's Park meet at the one o'clock centre, and at Wandsworth Park meet by the café. Call 0783 7576786.



Putting heritage on the app

History fans can explore the borough's heritage on a free smartphone app.

The council's teamed up with the Putney Partnership and Putney app TiCL to create three new interactive trails. You can add and comment on the trails as you go around, and view the points of interest by proximity to where you are at any time – so those nearest are at the top of the list.

The **Putney Animal Safari** guides you to statues and signs celebrating animals in Putney. Answer the questions as you go and TiCL will donate £1 to the Putney RSPCA Animal Hospital.

The **River People's Secret** is a treasure hunt through the history and heritage of Putney sites using clues all around you to unlock the secret.

The **Putney Ale Trail** gives you a chance to discover the history of the pubs in local historian Dorian Gerhold's new booklet, *The Pubs of Putney*. Complete the trail card available in participating pubs and win a prize.

You can also follow existing heritage trails, including the Putney Sculpture Trail, Putney Society Blue Plaques, Wandsworth Green Plaques and the Wandsworth Town and River Walks.

As well as the trails, TiCL enables users in Wandsworth to local traffic news, entertainment and transport info, landmarks and events. Go to www.ticl.me.



Create your own permanent 'Trail' on TiCL App!

If you can think of a good local trail with at least four sites within the borough email it to contact@ticl.me. Suitable Trails will be attributed to you and kept on the TiCL system for everyone to enjoy.

Newton PREP

Seeking Bright Children Offering Help With Fees

If you have a bright child who is top of the class, over 6 years old and who would benefit from an excellent, engaging education, don't let finances stand in the way.



Full and top-up bursaries are available from the Newton Scholarship Fund (NSF).

Newton Prep offers a challenging, exciting education for bright, inquisitive children aged 3-13 in South West London.

Means-tested bursaries of up to 100% are available for September 2014 for pupils entering Year 3 (bursaries for pupils entering Years 4-7 may be available).

For more information please contact the Registrar (020 7720 4091 ext. 207; registrar@newtonprep.co.uk).

Deadline for bursary applications:
Friday 6 September 2013

www.newtonprepschool.co.uk



Rose's Wandsworth memories



Long-term Wandsworth resident Rose Coleman, 92, has sent Brightside her memories of life in the borough long ago.

"I was born in Battersea along Lavender Hill. There were seven altogether in our family – five children and Mum and Dad.

Each Friday Dad would come home with his wages. My sister and I waited for our Friday penny and then we would go to Clapham Junction. There used to be an opening in the wall or fence and inside there was a fairground. With our penny we would make for the horses – it was lovely going round and round. A lot of people wouldn't remember this now, but I do.

"I started work in a factory along Kimber Road in Southfields. When the war came I left there and went to Hunts* in Garratt Lane. I did war work – radio parts for planes tanks and ships – so I was kept busy.

"When the war ended I became an usherette in the Plaza Cinema, Southfields. That's where I met my husband and I had two daughters. One, Linda, gave up work to look after me – how she puts up with me I don't know!"

▶▶ **Find out more about the history of the borough at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/heritage. You can also attend one of our Heritage Festival events – turn to p 26 to find out more, or see the listings section.**

*H Hunt Ltd was founded in 1901 and was a major manufacturer of capacitors. It had a factory at Bendon Valley, Garratt Lane. The company was taken over by Erie Electronics in about 1969.

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Wandsworth Heritage festival

30 May – 16 June

Learn more about the history of the borough in this two-week feast of talks, walks and events.

The Heritage Service at Battersea Library will be running special events on 5, 8 and 10 June, where you can search your family history through their archives collection, with the help of qualified staff.

Other highlights include walking through the streets of SW15 on the Roehampton Heritage Trail, and a chance to go behind bars at Wandsworth Prison's Museum open days on 15 and 16 June – it's popular so book early.

Tooting History Group is calling for old photographs of the area to make an archive, while, at Prices Candle Factory, discover the major archaeological finds revealed underneath.

Download the programme at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/heritage



what's on?

WELCOME TO WHAT'S ON IN WANDSWORTH
YOUR GUIDE TO ART EXHIBITIONS,
THEATRE PERFORMANCES,
CHILDREN'S EVENTS AND
SOCIETY MEETINGS

Children's
events are
shaded
yellow

EVENTS FOR JUNE AND JULY



Tuesday July 2-Saturday July 13 11am-5pm

Exhibition: Double Vision

Latest photographic works of Sophie Martin-Castex and Brian Sharland, both landscape photographers. Sprout Arts, 74 Moyser Road SW16. Call Brian Sharland 07745 136 424. www.sproutarts.com

How to be listed

To be included in the August/September edition send details (including access for people with disabilities) to:

whatson@wandsworth.gov.uk

or by post to:

What's on editor,
Room 231,
Town Hall,
Wandsworth High Street,
SW18 2PU
to arrive by Monday July 1.

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Free entry
Wheelchair access
Hearing loop

Until Saturday June 8

Scratch Festival

A raft of 10 minute work-in-progress ideas performed in front of a supportive audience. Look out for works by Adrian Howells, Made in China and RashDash. Ticket details can be found online. BAC, Lavender Hill SW11. www.bac.org.uk Box office 7223 2223.

Sunday June 2 10am and 1.30pm

The Hidden Plants of Tooting Bec Common

The artist Jacques Nimki will lead a tour, searching for the unusual and hidden plants that inhabit the Common in association with Chelsea Fringe Festival.

Meet at the Café, Tooting Bec Common SW17.

Contact
Bethan@uprojects.com
or 7377 9677.

Sunday June 2 11am

5K Run

Entry just £6.
Barn Elms Sports Centre, Queen Elizabeth Walk, SW13. Call 8876 9873. www.wandsworth.gov.uk/barnelms

Monday June 3 7-10pm

Upcycled Jewellery

Turn junk into treasure, with help from artist Jeni Walker. **Cost £20 includes materials.**

Ben's Canteen, 140 St. John's Hill SW11.
Book online
www.craftypint.co.uk or pay on day.
Wheelchair

Until Saturday June 8 (Tuesdays-Saturdays 7.45pm, Sundays 5pm)

Playing with Grown-ups

A frank and funny exploration of relationships and what it means to be a woman. **Tickets £15, concessions £10.**
Theatre503, 503 Battersea Park Road SW11. Box office 7978 7040. www.theatre503.com



Saturday June 8 12-4pm

Beach party and summer fete

Giant slides, bouncy castle, Anzac BBQ, Asian food stalls, tea tent, famous plant stall, tombola. Viewfield Road, SW18. Email info@stmichaels.wandsworth.sch.uk

Saturday June 8 12-5pm

Community Fun Day

Attractions include rides, clown, henna painting, workshops and more. Profits shared between a specific cause at St George's Hospital and a local charity. Free entry. Broadwater Road SW17
Email augustinebroadwaterbulletin@yahoo.co.uk
Wheelchair

Saturday June 8 7.30pm

Britten Centenary

With conductor John Bate. **Tickets £15 and £12.50, concessions £13.50 and £11.** St Paul's Church Augustus Road SW19. Box office 07522 524081.

Monday June 10 7pm

Model Railway Club

Social club where you can develop models and discuss railways, in an area which had some of the first railways in the world. Café Bar at BAC, Lavender Hill SW11. Call 7223 1141.

Tuesday June 11 6 - 9pm

Friends of Battersea Park Barbecue

Live music, bar, tombola, children's activities, silent auction. Free parking in Chelsea Bridge car park. No dogs. **Advance tickets only- adults: £15 (£20 after June 6), children: £7, under 6s free.** Children's Zoo, Battersea Park SW11. Tickets www.batterseapark.org/bbq or 7622 5199.
Wheelchair

what's on?

JUNE AND JULY

**Wednesday June 12 –
Wednesday July 3,
open 7 days a week.**

Photographic exhibition

Contemporary and traditional fine art images from London-based members of the Royal Photographic Society Maestro Arts, Milliners House, Riverside Quarter, Eastfields Avenue, SW18 www.maestroarts.com

**Thursday June 13 7-
8.30pm (meets every
Thursday)**

Overeaters Anonymous Balham Group

If you are obsessed with food, dieting and/or your weight, OA could be for you. No dues or fees. Balham Spiritualist Church, 211 Balham High Road

SW17. Call Aly 07881 296327. www.oagb.org.uk.

**Thursday June 13 7.45
for 8pm**

How I Built My Garden

Karen Grosch will talk about building her garden in Pitt Crescent which will open on Sunday 16 June for National Garden Society. Wandsworth Society, West Side Church, Melody Road SW18 www.wandsworthsociety.org.uk

wheelchair.

Saturday June 15 3-5pm

Roehampton Garden Society summer show

Home made cakes, teas and displays of prize winning vegetables, fruits and flowers. Produce for sale and auction. Entrance by donation. Easy parking.



Until 1 June 7.45pm, 5pm Saturday

'Allo, 'Allo

Hapless café owner Rene is in war-torn France, and is struggling to hide the many females in his life. Expect intrigue, deception and lots of laughs. **Tickets £10, concessions Wed and Sat £7.50.**

Chestnut Grove School Theatre, Boundaries Road SW12. Box office 07914 657 524 or book online at: www.southsideplayers.org.uk



Tuesdays June 4 – July 16 8-10pm

Glittering Shards Mosaic Workshops

Learn to make your own piece of unique mosaic art. All levels. Cost £135. Mosaic drop-in and bespoke workshops also available. Tooting area. www.glitteringshards.com or call 07960 109860.

St Margaret's Church Hall, Putney Park Lane, SW15. Contact: root@roehamptonallotments.co.uk

wheelchair

**Saturday June 15
11am-1.30pm**

Cake sale

Selling cakes in aid of Trinity Hospice. St Jude's Church, Heslop Road SW12. Call 8675 0180.

**Monday June 17 10-
10.50am**

Music and Movement Class

Gingerbread Music and Movement for children 0-4 years. Raising money for street kids. **First class free, £6 after.** St Anne's Church Hall SW18. Call Fleur 07827 334 265, email fleurprime@gmail.com

Monday June 17 2pm

Towards a Folk Flora

A talk by Roy Vickery on uses and folklore of native British plants.

Wandsworth University of the 3rd Age Earlsfield Library SW18. www.wandsworthu3a.org.uk

wheelchair, loop

**Tuesday June 18, 4.30-
6pm**

Arts Grants workshop

Get advice about council arts grants - the small grants fund (for new initiatives or extending existing projects) or the projects grants fund (for delivering or developing

projects). Tara Arts Studio, 356, Garratt Lane SW18. Call 8871 8711. Email arts@wandsworth.gov.uk www.wandsworth.gov.uk/artsgrants

Thursday June 20

First Aid training

Paediatric courses fulfilling Ofsted criteria. Call Emma Hammett 8675 4036. www.firstaidforlife.org.uk

**Saturday June 22
12-4pm**

School Fete

Walk on water in giant bubbles, football, coconut shy, Vauxhall City Farm petting zoo. International food, BBQ, Pimm's tent. Pocket money stall, candy floss, vintage clothes, chutneys. Jazz band. **Entry £1, free for children and 65+.** Beatrix Potter School, Magdalen Road, SW18.

(Fete entrance on Openview.)

wheelchair

**Sunday June 23
10.30am-4.30pm**

Dog Show

Bring the whole family for a day of fun. Entries from 10.30am, judging at 12.30pm.

Charge to enter a dog into a class is £1.50.

Rosettes for winners. Refreshments

stalls, funfair and dog trade stands. Battersea Park SW11. Call Stephen Biggs 8871 7124.

**Until Saturday June 29.
Open 1-5 Tues-Fri, 11am-
5pm Saturday.**

Hidden Heritage: Mrs Stirling, Old Battersea House and the De Morgan Collection

Exhibition revealing the hidden heritage of Wandsworth and the unique personality of Mrs Sterling, a Battersea resident who displayed her Victorian art collection at Old Battersea House.

**Admission £4,
children free.**

De Morgan Centre, West Hill SW18. Call 8871 1144. www.demorgan.org.uk

Saturday June 29 8pm

The Funny Side of Earlsfield

The best acts from tv, radio and the comedy circuit.

Tickets £10.

Tara Arts studio 356

**Sunday July 14
8.30am-12.30pm**

Summer Bird Walk

Guided walk with commons' bird recorder Peter White. Identify some of the 100+ species of bird that use the common. **Free.**

Meet at the train station ticket office, St James' Drive SW18. More information call the parks office 8871 7530.



Ends September
(open 10am-5pm weekdays, 11am-5pm Saturdays)

Home, My Place in the World

Exhibition of contemporary photography exploring concepts of migration and home via images from the first three years of the annual Accademia Apulia Photography Award. Over 50 striking images will be featured, created by photographers from across Europe.

Admission £4, concessions £3.

Wandsworth Museum, 38 West Hill SW18. www.wandsworthmuseum.co.uk

Garratt Lane SW18. Box office 8333 4457. www.tara-arts.com

Wheelchair

Sunday June 30

Trinity's Magnolia Walk

Support your local hospice with a 10k, 5k or 2k walk.

Registration: adults £10, under 16's £5, under 5's are free.

Wandsworth and Clapham Commons. Register at www.trinityhospice.org.uk/magnoliawalk or call Aisha 7787 1022.



Wednesday July 3 – Saturday July 6 7.45pm

Oleanna

A teacher loses his job, house and family after a student launches a serious complaint against him.

Tickets £9, concessions £5.

New Stagers Theatre Club at Wandsworth Museum, West Hill SW18. Box office 0781 461 1239 or www.newstagers.co.uk

Wednesday July 3 – Saturday July 6 10.30am and 1.30pm

Tube

Interactive show for babies aged 6 months-2 years in which the wonders of the tube take centre stage – tubes with sound, colourful tubes and tubes that smell of the natural world.

Tickets £10, concessions £8.

Tara Arts studio 356 Garratt Lane SW18. Box office 8333 4457. www.tara-arts.com

Wheelchair

Thursday July 4 9am-5pm

Food safety training

CIEH level 2 award in food safety in catering - £65. Wandsworth Town Hall Wandsworth High Street SW18. Advance book only: email foodsafety@wandsworth.gov.uk or 8871 6166.

Saturday July 6 1-4pm

Balham Country Market

Delicious home made cakes, preserves, savouries and crafts. Balham Bowls Club 7 - 9 Ramsden Road SW12.

Saturday July 6 7.30pm

Handel's

"Alexander's Feast"

Contact us for concert ticket prices.

Saturday June 15 2-5pm

London Peace Pagoda celebration

Annual ceremony of Nipponzan Myohoji with various Buddhist traditions. Interfaith prayers for peace. Messages and speeches. Devotional music and dance. Tea and light refreshments. Everyone is welcome to spontaneously offer incense, flowers, candles, etc.

The Peace Pagoda, Battersea Park SW11.

SW London Choral Society, St Anne's Church, St Ann's Hill SW18. Email contact@swlcs.org.uk www.swlcs.org.uk **wheelchair, loop**

Saturday July 6 7.30pm

Festival Chorus - Summer concert

Programme: Italian Baroque: Vivaldi Magnificat, Bononcini Stabat Mater, Scarlatti Dixit Dominus. **Tickets £12 (concessions £8)** on the door or from Northcote Music, 155 Northcote Road, SW11. St Luke's Church, Ramsden Road/Thurleigh Road, SW12. www.festivalchorus.co.uk

Sunday July 7 1pm to dusk

Roller day

Official opening day of the roller slope season. Beginners and professionals, any age, all welcome to experience the giddiness, fun and laughter associated with doing roly-polys and head-over-heels on a magnificent slope. Instructor available.

Meet on the grass slope next to Tooting Bec Road, near the Lido car park SW17. Contact Bethan@upprojects.com or 7377 9677.

Monday July 15 2pm

Jack – a Ripping Yarn

A talk by David Allen of the chilling story of Jack the Ripper. Wandsworth University of the 3rd Age, Earlsfield Library Magdalen Road SW18.

www.wandsworthu3a.org.uk

wheelchair, loop



Until June 16, Wed-Sun 11am-5pm

Inspirational Objects: Nature as Designer

Find the connection between the mad-made and the natural, by looking a little differently at everyday objects.

Pump House Gallery, Battersea Park SW11. www.pumphousegallery.org.uk

Tuesday July 23 11am-12.30pm and 1.30-3.30pm

Parrot day

Make a puppet parrot. Drop-in sessions. **Entry fee £6.50 child, £7.95 adult, £26 family ticket.** Children's Zoo Battersea Park, SW11. Call 7924 5826 www.batterseaparkzoo.co.uk

Friday July 26, 8pm

Excavations at 8-10 Moorgate

Talk by Alison Telfer, Museum of London Archaeology. **Membership £10.** Wandsworth Historical Society, Friends Meeting House, 59 Wandsworth High Street, SW18. Call 8874 6341. www.wandsworthhistory.org.uk

Saturday July 27 10.30am, 12pm, 2pm, 3.30pm

Mouse printmaking workshops

For children 3-5 years (10.30am and 2pm) and 5-10 years (12pm and 3.30pm). **Cost £10 a child plus entry fee £6.50 child, £7.95 adult, £26 family ticket.** Children must be with an adult.

Children's Zoo Battersea Park, SW11. Call 7924 5826 www.batterseaparkzoo.co.uk

Saturday July 27 12-12.30pm and 1.30-2pm

Bollywood Punjeet and Judy-gee Show

Punjeet's old fashioned views on marriage, children and society are challenged by the audience and Judy-gee, his long-suffering wife. Bollywood dancing strongly encouraged. For children aged 5 years and over.

Tickets £8, concessions £6. Tara Arts studio 356 Garratt Lane SW18. Box office 8333 4457. www.tara-arts.com

Wheelchair

Find your inner artist

Fancy painting al fresco by the Thames, sculpting in clay, designing a website, or drawing a life model?

Putney School of Art and Design is running lots of short courses in these and more this summer for adults and young people.

Courses range from one to five days, some tailored for total beginners, some for artists with experience, and others for families and young people.

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Check local roadworks

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/info/569/roads-road-works

Other contacts at the council

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(020) 8871 8080
benefits@wandsworth.gov.uk

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Wandsworth Carers Centre
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cssduty@wandsworth.gov.uk

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accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk

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edadmin@wandsworth.gov.uk

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electoral@wandsworth.gov.uk

Environmental Services

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esd@wandsworth.gov.uk

Family Information Service

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(020) 8871 7899
fis@wandsworth.gov.uk

Food Hygiene

(020) 8871 6139
esd@wandsworth.gov.uk

Fraud Hotline

0800 783 2263 (freephone)
fraudhotline@wandsworth.gov.uk

Graffiti Removal

(020) 8871 7049
graffiti@wandsworth.gov.uk

Health, care and wellbeing

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acis@wandsworth.gov.uk

Home Ownership

(020) 8871 6016
housesales@wandsworth.gov.uk

Housing Advice

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housingadvice@wandsworth.gov.uk

Housing Repairs and Tenancy

Call your area team or
management organisation
hms@wandsworth.gov.uk

Leisure Centres & sports facilities

(020) 8871 8154
sportsservices@wandsworth.gov.uk

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libraries.administration@gll.org

Neighbourhood Watch

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Noise Complaints - council properties

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