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“ Together we can all help shape the type of place we want Wandsworth to be ”



Message to Wandsworth residents from the leader of the council Ravi Govindia

Welcome to the first issue of Brightside since the council elections.

I am honoured to have been re-elected as the leader of Wandsworth Council for another four years. I also congratulate all those who have been elected to the council to serve our borough.

The hard work to deliver the promises of quality services, jobs and homes begins now.

Wandsworth is a very special London borough and the place I am proud to call home. During the next four years of our administration we want to make Wandsworth the absolute best place to live and work.

For me the key to a successful well run council is not just providing high quality services while maintaining low council tax, but harnessing the goodwill and support of local groups, businesses and residents in our work as we strive to improve the borough.

We all want the same thing - the best for Wandsworth.

A place that's safe, clean and easy to get around. Somewhere with great schools, libraries and parks. A place of diversity where people from all backgrounds get on, that is affordable to live in and where people attain their goals and make the most of what is around them.

And I want this council to get everybody pulling together for the good of the borough.

We may not always agree - that's simply human nature; sometimes there will be tough decisions that have to be made and that will not be to everyone's liking. But I promise you this - everything we do will be well thought out, carefully considered and, above all, done with only the best interests of Wandsworth residents.

We have great ambition for Wandsworth and together we can all help shape the type of place we want it to be. In four year's time I want to be able to look back with pride at a job well done.

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New cabinet starts work

Cllr Govindia has announced his new cabinet, which means individual members of the council's leading political group taking responsibility for fulfilling the different areas of council policy and service delivery. He has also outlined the six different pledges the council is committed to delivering on over the next four years.

Build more affordable homes to rent or buy



Kim Caddy has been given responsibility for the borough's housing portfolio, ensuring that tenants and leaseholders living on council estates or in council-owned housing blocks continue to receive excellent housing services. The council has also pledged to build a thousand new council homes on council land and support local house-builders and housing associations to build thousands of new homes on under-used land.

Improve our streets, parks and neighbourhoods



Steffi Sutters will be cabinet member for community services and open spaces including recycling, waste collection, street cleaning and looking after the borough's parks and commons. Deputy leader **Jonathan Cook** will continue to oversee policies on transport improvements, roads, pavements and parking. They will deliver promises to create an infrastructure for electric cars, improve air quality, reduce plastic waste, keep traffic speeds down and maintain a weekly refuse collection service. A Healthy Streets Champion will be appointed to keep an eye on issues such as street clutter, road maintenance, road safety and the creation of pocket parks.





Provide the best public libraries in London



Steffi Sutters will work to protect and modernise the borough's library network to create a library service of the future. Three new libraries are being built in Wandsworth town centre, Northcote Road and Battersea Park Road, and local libraries in Roehampton and York Road, Battersea will be rebuilt.

Delivering outstanding schools for our children



Sarah McDermott retains cabinet responsibility for all services relating to children and young people. The council is spending more than £15million on expanding school places and will help primaries offer outstanding nursery education. A fund will be set up to help schools

improve their outdoor play equipment. **Rory O'Broin**, cabinet member for economic development, skills and employment will support apprenticeships and other local training and employment opportunities, especially for young people, as well as leading on the council's support for local business.

Offer greater support to older people



Paul Ellis will lead the council's work in supporting elderly and vulnerable residents to ensure they receive high quality social care. His position also involves close partnership working with NHS providers and with neighbouring boroughs to ensure residents are able to access high quality community healthcare services. An Older People's Champion will oversee a campaign to tackle loneliness.

Continue to charge the lowest possible council tax



Guy Senior, cabinet member for finance and corporate resources, is responsible for all aspects of town hall financial management, including setting all departmental budgets and ensuring taxpayers get the best possible value for their money.



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Southfields is blooming beautiful



Front Garden Friendly, Green the Grid is a community planting project in the Southfields Grid aimed at making it London's first Front Garden Friendly Neighbourhood.

This project is run by residents for residents and supported by the Southfields Grid Residents Association. Visit frontgardenfriendly.uk for information about how to take part in the first Community Planting Day on June 9, or just turn up outside McCluskey's from 10am for a plant and pot swap. Free plants are available for planting in front gardens and under trees.

The day will end with residents admiring each others' gardens and sharing a cuppa.

Grid residents and founder members of the campaign. Left to right: Chris, Sarah, Jane, Nina, Trevor, Janice, Tania



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- OPEN MORNINGS -
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Tuesday 9th October 8.45am

- OPEN EVENING -
Wednesday 26th September 6.00pm

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as Political Awareness Officer to steer the campaign. One of his first jobs was to live tweet from the recent local election count, and he will be working on the campaign with Parliament Education - the education branch of the UK Parliament.

"I know lots of young people aren't really interested in politics – especially local politics – but I want them to know it's crucial that they make their voice heard if they want to have any say in decisions that affect them," said Sam.

The Youth Council will also continue its ongoing campaign to improve mental health provision for young people – including working with local health services and the network of mental health champions based in schools, will be helping young people be better prepared for adulthood when they leave school, and will again be working with the police to raise awareness about youth crime and support services.

Follow them on twitter and Instagram @WBCYouthCouncil

Youth voice heard

The Wandsworth Youth Council has announced its campaigns for the coming year – including a major push to get young people more involved in politics.

The Youth Council is a group of teenagers who meet regularly and plan campaigns and events to help young people get their voices heard.

This year one of its key campaigns is Political Awareness, to raise awareness amongst the borough's young people on how local and national politics work so they're better prepared when they vote for the first time. Sam Phillips was elected

Cladding pledge welcomed

News that the Government has pledged around £400m to remove defective cladding from high-rise blocks has been welcomed by the council.

Wandsworth has 99 council blocks of 10 storeys or more, more than any borough in London and the third highest in the country. Following the Grenfell fire it moved quickly to identify and set aside £30 million of council resources to pay for vital safety measures such as replacing cladding and installing sprinklers.

During this time council leader Ravi Govindia, together with council officers, has been in regular contact with ministers and civil servants, strongly making the case that councils should get additional funding to assist with these urgent works.

Wandsworth's cabinet member for housing Councillor Kim Caddy, said: "This is excellent news and I am delighted that the Government has agreed to meet these costs. This is particularly important for Wandsworth, as we have two tower blocks - Sudbury House and Castlemaine - where essential cladding removal works are already well under way."



Wandsworth has also pledged to retro-fit tower blocks with sprinkler systems. Modern accredited sprinkler systems are only activated by heat from a fire and operate on an individual room-by-room basis.

Tenants can ask to see a show flat that has been fitted out with the system, or you can view a video on the council's YouTube Channel – WandsworthBC



Marinella Senatore

Get ready for Art Night

London's largest free contemporary arts festival Art Night comes south of the river to Nine Elms, Battersea and Vauxhall for the first time on July 7 with a programme of new commissions, one-off artist projects and premieres by 12 internationally-renowned artists in iconic and off-the-beaten track venues.

The festival will link the South Bank to Battersea Power Station via Vauxhall, Nine Elms and Battersea, including events at venues such as New Covent Garden Market and Embassy Gardens. A dedicated MBNA Thames Clippers boat will run a bespoke route until 4am. Families will also be able to enjoy the commissions during the day on July 8 from 11am to 6pm.

Art Night partners with a leading cultural institution and an independent curator each year. This year the festival will be curated by Ralph Rugoff, Director of the Hayward Gallery, to celebrate the renowned institution's reopening and to coincide with the Gallery's 50th Anniversary in July 2018.

The festival will feature new commissions hosted in Battersea and Nine Elms by artists including Jeremy Deller's second collaboration with the Melodians Steel Orchestra, Tamara Henderson with a 'Floral Ensemble' musical performance at New Covent Garden Market, a virtual reality project by Miao Ying in Embassy Gardens and a public procession and performance by Marinella Senatore for thousands of people to take part in along the Art Night trail. Lara Favaretto will also present her installation on the trail – a red and blue gypsy caravan suspended from a crane.



Lara Favaretto



Tamara Henderson

Visit artnight.london/ for full details and follow @ARTNIGHTLDN for updates.



Welcome to new mayor

Charities helping older and disabled people will benefit this year from the fundraising efforts of new mayor Piers McCausland.

Cllr McCausland is a councillor for Fairfield ward. Born in Northern Ireland, he has lived in the borough since 1980 and together with his wife Elizabeth brought his family up here. He was first elected to the council in 1998 and previously served as mayor in 2010. The charities he has chosen to support during his mayoral year are Share Community, which provides training and support for disabled people, Wandsworth Community Transport helping older people make friends and get out and about, and Leonard Cheshire, which runs the Randall Close Day Centre supporting disabled people.

The new Mayor with the Deputy Mayor and West Putney councillor Jane Cooper

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www.wandsworth.gov.uk/airquality

Plans for Bellevue

People living and working in Bellevue Road have until June 15 to comment on proposed improvements.

Local people are being asked if they support a wide-ranging package of measures for this busy parade of shops, bars and restaurants including high quality York stone pavements, new street trees, more cycle parking, better street lighting, additional pedestrian safety measures, improved anti-theft security for motorcycles and the removal of redundant street furniture. If approved, these improvements would apply to the stretch of Bellevue Road between Trinity Road and St James's Drive.

The ideas now being consulted on have been drawn up after a community engagement project when residents, shoppers, visitors and businesses were quizzed on the improvements they would like to see.

<https://haveyoursay.citizenspace.com/wandsworthecs/bellevue-road-18>.



Take a Tooting tour

Take an historical tour along the Tooting Bec Trail with the help of a map and podcast.

The tour from Balham to Tooting Bec Station features the biggest block of flats in Europe, a protected pub and the only sewing machine museum in the world. You can also find out about the history of the area, with information on buildings lost in the war, including a tram station, a cinema and roller skating rink. The podcast features local resident comedian Arthur Smith and local people living and working in the area tell their story of the area through their experiences.

Fiona Williams, seen here with her friend Gilly, said: "What a brilliant initiative the Tooting Bec Trail is. I have lived in the area over 30 years and it was such an eye opener. I learnt a huge amount and noticed things properly for the first time! Both entertaining and informative - anyone who lives or works nearby should download it and enjoy."

The tour is the brainchild of local community group The Neighbourhood Network SW12 and SW17. Find out more at neighbourhoodnetworksw17.org

New life for Mount Nod

The Huguenot burial ground at the top of East Hill, also known as Mount Nod, is set to be given a new lease of life as part of £250,000 council conservation scheme. Home to a number of listed tombs and graves, it could soon be reopened to the public as a small "pocket" park. It commemorates the Huguenot refugees fleeing religious persecution in France who helped establish 17th and 18th Century Wandsworth as a centre of fashion and clothes making.

Volunteer for Citizens Advice Wandsworth

Citizens Advice Wandsworth are seeking volunteer telephone assessors based at Battersea Library up to two days a week. Telephone assessors are the initial point of contact for members of the public contacting the service by phone. Full training is given. Register your interest at cawandsworth.org or volunteering@cawandsworth.org

Sharing homes

A new scheme will tackle loneliness while providing more affordable housing. Homeshare matches up elderly householders looking for companionship and support with people looking for somewhere affordable to live. The council is working with Homeshare UK to provide the scheme. Find out more at homeshareuk.org

Health pop-up shop

A health pop-up shop will offer free health advice to Roehampton residents seven days a week from June 14-28. Talk to nurses and health professionals, have mini healthchecks and get advice on diabetes and smoking. The shop at 41 Danebury Avenue is run by the Wandsworth Clinical Commissioning Group with support from Wandsworth Council. It opens daily 10am-4.30pm except Wednesdays when it opens noon-7.30pm



Young Chefs cook up a storm

Wandsworth Young Chef of the Year finalists have helped raise over £2,000 for charity by helping to organise and prepare the food for this year's Mayor of Wandsworth Gala Charity Dinner.

The money will be shared between the Wandsworth Community Safety Trust, St. John Ambulance and the Rotary Club.

This year's Wandsworth Young Chef of the Year competition was won by Rose Picicco who attends Southfields Academy. The contest is run by the Mayor of Wandsworth and the council's lifelong learning team with support from Compass, South Thames College, Baxter Storey and Billingsgate Seafood Training School. It nurtures young talent, teaches young people how to cook good healthy food to a budget, provides a chance to learn from the experts and helps young people get a foothold in the catering industry.

Discounts for loyal shoppers

A new loyalty card rewards loyal Wandsworth Town shoppers with exclusive discounts and offers from shops, bars, gyms, restaurants, and businesses across the town centre.

Once they have registered, card holders will

be kept up-to-date of all the latest offers and discounts available through newsletters, social media and emails as well as on the Wandsworth Town Business Improvement District (BID) website.

Businesses signed up so far include Meat Up, Chit Chaat Chai, The Crane, Boots Opticians, Thomas Cook, Belton & Slade and others.

"The town genuinely has much to offer," Caryl Davies, BID Manager said. "We want people to come into Wandsworth Town at lunchtimes and in the evenings and at weekends and support businesses locally by spending their money here."

Sign up for a card at the new BID website. Businesses can also get information on taking part in the scheme, and on other support and events for Wandsworth Town businesses.

wandsworth.town



Wandsworth Local Fund

Over £7,200,000 has been spent on local schemes in Wandsworth since 2015.

Tell us what you would like to see the Wandsworth Local Fund spent on in your area.

Where does the funding come from?

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a tax collected by Wandsworth Borough Council and paid by developers. The CIL allows the council to support and fund new social and physical infrastructure that the council and local communities want.

In Wandsworth, a portion of the total tax collected in an area is spent on local priorities; this is the Wandsworth Local Fund.

12

projects funded for improvements to play area.

44

projects have received funding since 2015.

24

projects funded for improvements to roads, pavements and street lighting.

To take part

- 1 Visit the consultation at the following address;
<https://haveyoursay.citizenspace.com/wandsworthced/wlf-18>
- 2 Choose your top three priorities to tell us what you would like to see Wandsworth Local Fund spent on.
- 3 Download the report to see what has been achieved with this fund so far.



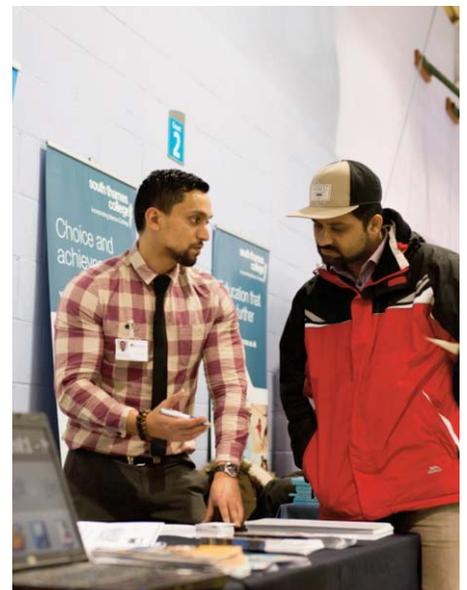
Fund reaps millions for neighbourhood schemes

Money raised from developers in the past three years has seen more than £7m spent on improving neighbourhoods, including money for safer communities, employment schemes, better pavements and improved playgrounds.

A new guide highlights some of the projects funded by the Wandsworth Local Fund and helps people understand how they can nominate community schemes they think should get funding.

The Wandsworth Local Fund is a charge the council puts on some developments to pay for the community infrastructure needed to support growth in the borough – based on priorities identified by local people.

Pick up the guide at your local library or find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/WLF



Schemes completed or currently being carried out include:

- Christmas lights in the town centres
- New LED street lights
- A major road and pavement resurfacing programme
- Repainting and pigeon-proofing Earlsfield Station railway bridge
- Refurbishing Putney Vale Cemetery
- Public realm improvements to Putney High Street, Southfields, Bedford Hill and Bellevue Road
- The Quest project providing intensive support to get young people into work
- Improvements to several playgrounds including Upper Tooting Park, Swaby Park, Godley Gardens, Swaby Gardens and Leaders Gardens and playgrounds in King George's Park and Battersea Park



Dockless bike hire is here

Wandsworth is working with dockless bikeshare company ofo to run a pilot project in the borough.

People can register with an app to locate and hire a bike without having to access it via a fixed docking station. Ofo users are incentivised to use recommended parking areas and agree to park considerately when they sign up to the app. Ofo have marshalls on the streets to address any issues that may arise and all bikes have contact details so that anyone can report a concern. The scheme will support the objectives of the council's Cycling Strategy and other council plans which aim for cycling to make up seven per cent of all trips by 2026.

Cabinet member for transport Cllr Jonathan Cook said: "We feel there is a place in the borough for a dockless bike hire scheme, but it must be the right one. We're confident that we've found the right partner in ofo."

Joseph Seal-Driver, ofo's UK General Manager, said: "We're excited about bringing our bikes to Wandsworth. These bikes will give residents a new clean, affordable and practical option to travel around the borough. We'll be working closely with the council in the coming months to ensure the service integrates seamlessly with existing transport infrastructure and is accessible to all parts of the borough."

Find out more at ofo.com

“ These bikes will give residents a new clean, affordable and practical option to travel around the borough. ”

Joseph Seal-Driver
ofo's UK General Manager



Take a riverside stroll

A new landscaped riverside garden has been built in Battersea Park - the latest stage of an ongoing series of improvements in the park worth £840,000.

The Promontory brings a previously overlooked and unused area of the park back to life using a generous donation of £30,000 from local amenity group The Friends of Battersea Park, combined with £70,000 from the council.

Now Enable Leisure and Culture, which takes care of the park on behalf of Wandsworth Council, has been shortlisted for a prestigious Horticulture Week Custodian Award, due to be announced this month.

The Promontory is a piece of embankment that juts out 12 metres into the Thames. Historical records suggest it has always been fenced off from the main part of the park since its construction in the mid -1850s and has been closed to the public for many decades.

The next project in the park will be the restoration of the Cascade Fountain which has over time deteriorated and can no longer be used.



Free trips out

Enjoy a free day out this summer with Wandsworth Community Transport (WCT). WCT runs free trips for pensioners, including trips to the coast, on behalf of the council but you'll need to register by the end of June.

The charity has also launched its Combatting Loneliness Campaign. As well as trips and support with shopping, it is starting a new choir and pub lunches to help people make friends. Call 020 8675 3812 for details.

Arts Feast

Hundreds of people enjoyed theatre, dance, comedy, music and all kinds of other arts at this year's Wandsworth Arts Fringe in more than 55 venues across the borough. Highlights included community events Hazelfest and the Big Art Picnic, the Fragility Takeover programme in Putney and performances in a specially-built Big Top in Battersea (pictured on our cover). The Fringe is organised by Enable Leisure and Culture on behalf of the council. Be the first to find out about next year's Arts Fringe by following @WAFfringe on twitter.

Dog mess crackdown

Dog owners are being reminded they should clear up their pet's mess, or face a possible fine. The council's animal welfare officers are cracking down on people leaving 'poo bags' lying around the borough's streets, reminding owners that bags left under trees and lampposts will not necessarily degrade or be cleared up and often split open. To find out more, or if you have information that could help lead to a conviction, email animalwelfare@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk or call 020 8871 7606.

election results

Your new look council

Your Councillors by Ward

The result of the May 3 local election has seen the Conservative Party retain control of Wandsworth Council. The new make-up of the council is: Conservative 33, Labour 26 and Independent 1. Voter turn-out across the borough was 43.62 per cent, significantly up on four years ago.

Balham



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Cabinet Member
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Health



Lucy Mowatt
Conservative



Clare Salier
Conservative

Fairfield



**Piers
McCausland**
Conservative
Mayor



Rory O'Broin
Conservative
Cabinet member
for economic
development,
skills and
employment



Will Sweet
Conservative

Nightingale



Richard Field
Conservative



Ian Hart
Conservative



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Conservative
Cabinet Member
Education and
Children's
Services

Bedford



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the Opposition
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Crivelli**
Conservative



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Leader of the
council

Latchmere



Tony Belton
Labour



Simon Hogg
Labour
Leader of the
Opposition



Kate Stock
Labour

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Cash for community schemes

The next deadline to apply to the Wandsworth Grant Fund is August 20. It's open to Wandsworth-based voluntary and community organisations, residents' associations or groups of neighbours with an idea for a project to benefit their community.

So far this year dozens of schemes have received funding, including arts and sport events, outreach, mentoring and workshops for young people, support for care leavers and people with mental health needs and food growing projects.

Grants are available between £500 – 10,000 for projects across a range of themes:

- Children and Young People
- Arts and Culture
- Citizenship and Civic Engagement
- Environment and Attractive Neighbourhoods
- Raising Aspirations and Potential
- Health and Well Being

Find out more and apply at wandsworth.gov.uk/wgf

Investing in the
Brighter Borough



A charity that uses surplus food donated by traders at New Covent Garden Market and local branches of Tesco is to expand following an award from the Wandsworth Grant Fund.

Waste Not Want Food food-sharing project started in 2016 to tackle food waste and help the people of Battersea get access to fresh, healthy food.

Volunteers make a monthly trip to the market and have become friendly with many of the traders and market workers. They also receive surplus groceries, bread and cakes from local Tesco stores and Gail's Bakery. The food is nearing its sell-by date, but is perfectly good to eat.

Food is distributed from a community fridge every Wednesday from The Venue Community Hall on the Doddington and Rollo Estate. Anyone is welcome to pick up as much as they need for a small donation to help cover transport costs. The money from the Wandsworth Grant Fund means food will also handed out from Providence House on Falcon Road.

Contact thevenuesw11@gmail.com to find out more.



Bright futures for Street Elite graduates

21 young women from Chestnut Grove Academy in Wandsworth have graduated from an innovative youth intervention programme, which uses the power of sport to build aspiration and self-belief.

The graduates, all local residents aged between 14 and 15, have taken part in a three month Street Elite Academy programme run by qualified sports coaches and mentors from the Change Foundation, with support from the Berkeley Foundation.

Wandsworth Council's youth service works with local schools and parents to identify promising young people who could benefit most from this intensive programme, focusing on those at risk of falling out of education or in need of fresh inspiration to get back on track.

Wandsworth Street Elite graduate, Erin, said: "I feel much more confident about myself. At the beginning of the course we were asked to write a letter to ourselves that we would then read at the end. I feel that I have addressed all of the concerns I had and am really pleased with my personal development and progress."



A separate Street Elite intervention programme for young men and women aged 18-25 living on the edge of gangs and crime has been operating in the borough since 2013. This initiative has helped dozens of young people turn their lives around, with around 79 per cent of those who complete the course moving into education, training or work.



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Source: Public Health Annual Report 2016 - Diabetes in Wandsworth

Every week 15 people in Wandsworth are told they have diabetes



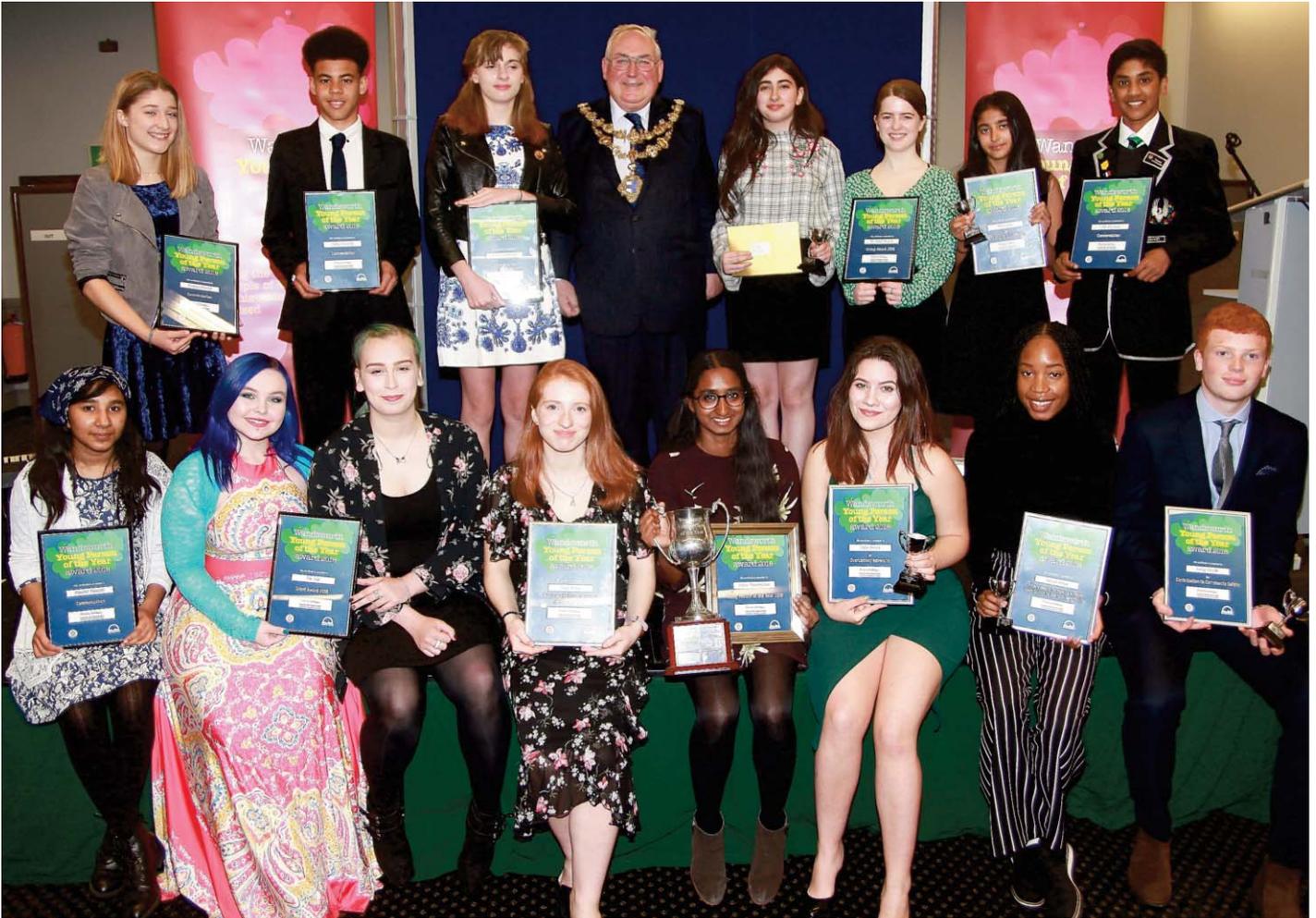
15,000 residents are living with the condition...



...and another 25,000 are on the verge of getting it.



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Teenagers step up

Sixteen-year-old Harini Thiruchelvam has won this year's Wandsworth Young Person of the Year Award – set up to highlight the positive contribution of the borough's teenagers to their community.

Harini volunteers at animal charities and at a library on a reading support programme and is a mentor to younger students at Graveney School. She hopes to become a vet.

She said: "I feel that we all, myself included, have many things to learn from some of the incredible young people recognised. I believe that this award truly represents the amazing contributions and actions made by young people which are sometimes overlooked."

Other winners included 12-year-old Rhea Kara, who has raised £50,000 for the charity Reverse Rett by selling her own paintings, Sofia Perera, recognised for her work with the Wandsworth Youth Council raising awareness of mental health issues, Sinead Brown who is the only school-age pupil to be admitted to the Office for Students panel, which represents students' interests in higher education and Finley Wright who helped establish the Combined Cadet Force at Ernest Bevin School and went on a trip to Zambia to help coach local young people in rugby.

Two groups were recognised – the Band Project at Ark Putney and The Gap Youth Club, which provides a safe social space for LGBTQ youngsters.

The event is organised by the Young Person of the Year Trustees in conjunction with Wandsworth Youth Service and is funded by the Rotary Club and Wandsworth Community Safety Trust.



Renting a shared house?

The rules are changing for licensing shared houses and flats and if you live in one, or are the landlord of one, you need to be aware.

The change to the law is designed to make sure that 'houses in multiple occupation' (HMOs) are of a good standard and are safe to live in. An HMO is a house or flat shared by people who are not all of the same family.

Previously an HMO licence was only required if the house is three or more storeys high. Now the government has said that from October 1 all HMOs shared by five or more people must have a licence. The rules are slightly different if the house is divided into self-contained flats, if a flat is in a purpose built block or if the landlord lives there.

Before granting an HMO licence, the council will send an Environmental Health Officer to check that the required standards (including fire safety measures) are in place.

Any landlord who rents out a licensable HMO after October 1 without a licence could face a large fine and a ban from renting property.

For full details visit wandsworth.gov.uk/hmo

The law is changing
If you rent a room, your landlord may need a licence!

From October 1 2018 most houses in multiple occupation (HMOs) rented to five or more unrelated people must have a council **HMO licence.**

Landlords - find out how to avoid a fine!

wandsworth.gov.uk/hmo

Guard against measles risk

Wandsworth families are being asked to ensure their immunisations are up-to-date, following an increase in measles cases across Wandsworth.

Measles is potentially a very serious illness and is highly infectious. People most at risk are those that haven't had measles before and have not had two doses of the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine. Babies, people with weakened immune systems and pregnant women are all at risk.

Symptoms include:

- cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, sneezing, and a cough
- sore, red eyes that may be sensitive to light
- a high temperature (fever), which may reach around 40 degrees C (104F)

A few days later, a red-brown blotchy rash will appear. This usually starts on the head or upper neck, before spreading outwards to the rest of the body.

Houda Al Sharifi, Wandsworth Director of Public Health, said:

"Please check that you and your children are fully immunised and have had both doses of the MMR vaccine. It's never too late to get the vaccine as it can be given at any age for free. If you missed out, just get in touch with your local GP"



Get your **FREE**
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from your GP.

You must be aged 40-74, have not been previously diagnosed with diabetes, kidney disease, heart disease or stroke and have not had an NHS Health Check in the last five years.

For more information call the council's public health team on **(020) 8871 5026**, or visit www.wandsworth.gov.uk/healthchecks

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Helping you prevent
diabetes
heart disease
kidney disease
stroke & dementia



The Phoenix is rising

The Battersea Arts Centre Grand Hall reopens this summer, three years after it was destroyed by fire.

Thanks to support from the local community, the council and others, the building has been extensively refurbished and is back better than ever.

To celebrate, it has announced its Phoenix Season of shows and events from September, including theatre, beatboxing, talks, debates, screenings, a Christmas Day opening, and special events such as a mass renewal of vows from couples who got married here.

The first show will be Gecko's Missing (pictured) - the show that was running when the fire broke out. More than 2,000 tickets will be available for £1 targeted at people with low income through Battersea Arts Centre's Local Roots programme.

Artistic Director David Jubb said: "We are so grateful to everyone who has offered their time, advice and support over the last three years. We are launching and spreading a series of ideas in the Phoenix Season which are about the creativity of everyone in our community." Find out more at bac.org.uk





Sadie and Adolph

Remembering jazz queen Sadie

Tooting was home to a jazz pioneer largely forgotten now, but who was a huge star in her day. Now Sadie Crawford is being remembered with a blue plaque at her childhood home in Fountain Road.

Local community history project summerstown182 has raised money for the plaque through guided history walks, and are inviting Sadie's great-nephew Stephen Willis to the plaque unveiling on June 16.

Sadie is believed to be the first British female musician to play with visiting American jazz musicians such as Louis Armstrong, Sidney Bechet and Louis Mitchell.

Born Louisa Marshall in 1885, she worked in domestic service before going on the stage as a dancer in her mid-teens. Her

break came when she was spotted by American quartet The Darktown Entertainers, who invited her to work with them. She later worked with first husband, saxophonist Adolph Crawford.

Sadie entertained the troops during the First World War with her all-girl orchestra and after the war she was well-placed to make the most of the jazz craze and performed all over the world. Her stage career ended when she married her second husband and settled down in Washington DC in 1930.

Everyone is welcome to the plaque unveiling. Find out more at summerstown182.wordpress.com, email rgbsimmons182@gmail.com or follow [@summerstown182](https://twitter.com/summerstown182) on twitter.



Stephen Willis, seen here with other members of the family, gave a talk about his great aunt at Tooting Library as part of Wandsworth Heritage Festival. He will also be performing at the unveiling event in Fountain Road, possibly transcribing one of her 1923 recordings for clarinet



Sadie's Fountain Road home



This photo of the Gwen Rogers Musical Dolls is believed to feature Sadie playing sax, second from the right.



Battersea Park Funfair 1960s

Delve into the past

Explore the history of Wandsworth at the ninth annual Wandsworth Heritage Festival which runs until June 10. This year the festival celebrates Wandsworth open spaces and features talks, walks, workshops, and exhibitions.

Highlights include a scything taster session, guided walks discovering the history of Putney Lower Common and the wildlife of Tooting Common, talks on Battersea Park and the

Tooting Bec Lido, a guided walk on the significant women of Lavender Hill and much more.

The festival is organised by charitable social enterprise GLL, which runs library and heritage services on behalf of Wandsworth Council. Copies of the programme are available from local libraries and other public buildings in Wandsworth or at better.org.uk/news/wandsworth-heritage-festival-2018

Open your house to art

Wandsworth-based artists and makers are invited to take part in Wandsworth Artists' Open House 2018, with a special focus this year on young artists.

Open your home or studio to the public and share your talent with the local community. Part of Wandsworth Council's arts and culture programme, this October event is the perfect opportunity to discover a network of fellow artists in your area and to showcase and sell your work to the public.

If you're keen to take part but don't have a venue, organisers can help match you with a suitable space to show your work. If you are a venue or home owner happy to host another artist, please get in touch.

This year for the first time the Royal College of Arts is



teaming up with Wandsworth Artists' Open House to offer bursaries to young artists and makers aged 16 to 25, including mentoring by one of their specialists.

Find out more and register at wandsworthart.com. Keep up to date on Twitter [@wandsworth_arts](https://twitter.com/wandsworth_arts), Instagram [@WandsworthArts](https://www.instagram.com/WandsworthArts) and Facebook [@WandsworthArtsTeam](https://www.facebook.com/WandsworthArtsTeam).

what's on?

EVENTS FOR JUNE
TO AUGUST 2018



Saturday, June 9, noon-6pm

Live at the Bandstand

Live at the Bandstand is a FREE live music concert held in beautiful Battersea Park on Saturday 9 June, 12 - 6pm. Join us for an afternoon of toe-tapping tunes from London's best big brass and Latin Afrobeat bands. We have delicious street food, well stocked bars, FREE children's workshops and face painting... so bring your friends, family, children and the dog!

Live at the Bandstand is managed and delivered by Enable Leisure and Culture on behalf of Wandsworth Council.

How to be listed

Send details (including access for people with disabilities) by Friday July 27 to: whatson@enablelc.org. We cannot guarantee that your entry will be inserted.

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**Wednesday June 6,
7.45 for 8pm**

Heritage Festival: talk by Dave Dawson about Wimbledon Park

The last, at risk, remaining part of this 18th century landscaped park, its history and ecology.

This will take place at the NatureScope on Wandsworth Common. Refreshments available first at Skylarks cafe next door. Wheelchair accessible, some 100 yards from the road.

Free, just turn up.

Saturday June 9

Carers Week event

The Family Information Service will be running a stall giving out information on support available to families with disabled children.

Southside Shopping Centre, Wandsworth
wandsworth.gov.uk/localoffer

Saturday June 9, 11am – 3pm

Holy Trinity Church Open Day

Open to the community, Holy Trinity is a hub for the Upper Tooting Community. Come and find out more about what's on offer, such as a tour of our tower, hot food and soft drinks and lots of events for adults and children.

Upper-Tooting, SW17 7RH

June 9-10

Garden Squares Weekend

View gardens normally closed to the public including Nightingale Square, The Roehampton Club and The Royal Hospital for Neuro-Disability
opensquares.org

June 10

Ritherdon Road Street Party

Stalls, food, live music, children's entertainers and more.

Ritherdon Road, Balham
[facebook.com/RitherdonRoad](https://www.facebook.com/RitherdonRoad)

Ends June 11

Balham Literary Festival

A dazzling lineup of authors celebrating summer in the city, including talks from Melissa Hemlsey,

Tim Winton, Elif Shafak,

Holly Bourne, Tessa Hadley, Hanan al-Shaykh, Antti Tuomainen and Michael Ondaatje. Balham Bowls Club and other venues across Balham.
Balhamliteraryfestival.co.uk

**Tuesday June 12
7.30pm**

The Common Story

Tooting History Group members have been researching the history of Tooting Common as part of a three year Heritage Lottery-funded project.

Until June 16, 8pm

Goldfish Bowl

The Paper Birds with Caleb Femi
A thrilling mix of spoken word, theatre, music and illustration based on the life and works of Caleb Femi – young people's poet laureate for London.

£10 advance, £12.50 on the door
bac.org.uk/goldfish

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Come and hear about some of the fascinating people who've helped to create the Common we know and love today. Tooting History Group United Reformed Church, Rookstone Road, SW17 9NQ. **Members free, visitors £2.** Ground floor, disabled access. www.tootinghistory.org.uk

Thursday June 14, 6pm Wandsworth Mobility Forum

The Mobility Forum provides an opportunity for

older and disabled people to comment on transport in Wandsworth.

If you want to go, email SForrest-Brown @wandsworth.gov.uk or call (020) 8871 6293

Saturday June 16, from 3pm

Roehampton Garden Society Summer Show

Amateur gardeners show their vegetables, fruits, flowers and cookery. Plus produce stall, tombola, teas and home-made cakes. St Margaret's

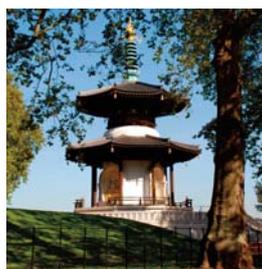
Church Hall, Putney Park Lane, SW15 5HU Exhibits cleared at 4.30pm followed by auction of produce.

Wheelchair accessible, limited parking.

June 16, 1pm-3pm

Allfarthing School Summer Fair

Rides and inflatables, bar, barbecue and stalls Allfarthing School, St Ann's Crescent



Saturday June 16 London Peace Pagoda Anniversary

Join us for the Anniversary of the London Peace Pagoda. Battersea Park SW11



Ends July 8

We are having a little flirt

Adam Christensen, Monica Espinosa, Anneke Kampman and Erica Scourti. This group exhibition offering perspectives on the uncertainty of attraction and desire. Through playful interaction, the exhibition examines the theatre of small everyday exchanges whilst also considering the shifting politics of human interaction in a digital age. Alongside the exhibition, the Inhouse Project, Spin the Bottle invites visitors to explore the themes of the exhibition through hands-on activities, creating stories, scenes, songs and images using the bottle's instructions as a starting point. Pump House Gallery, Battersea Park, SW11 pumphousegallery.org.uk

Saturday June 16, noon-7.30pm

Furzedown's Big day Out

Furzedown's Big Day Out is a free family fun day organised by the Furzedown Community Network, including a large outdoor stage for live performances, donkey rides, inflatables, dance and sport. Enable Leisure and Sport will be organising the leisure activities at the event which include football tasters with Furzedown United FC, Bec Korfball Club will be allowing us to try Korfball, All Star Tennis will be showcasing tennis tasters and Enable Leisure & Sport will have lots of freebies and outdoor fitness classes for you all to try. Furzedown Recreation Ground

Sunday June 17 10.30am - 5pm

TEDxClapham

This Father's day, TEDxClapham will be bringing some of the greatest local minds together to share their ideas worth spreading under the theme 'Grow'.

Venue: The Clapham Grand Theatre

Tickets from £30

www.alexmerry.lpages.co/tedxclapham/

June 18, 6.30pm-8pm

Advice session for EU nationals

Find out about how you can prepare for Brexit, including answers to questions of citizenship and 'settled status'. Open Door Community Centre, Keevil Drive, Beaumont Road, Southfields. <https://euadvice.eventbrite.co.uk>

June 18-22

Festival of Learning

Free taster sessions around the borough of some of the courses on offer from the council's Lifelong Learning Team. Book your place now. wandsworthlifelonglearning.co.uk or call 020 8871 8055

June 21

Fostering Information Event

Come to the town hall for an informal chat to find out if fostering is for you 020 8871 6666



Friday 27, Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 July

Foodstock LDN

FOODSTOCK LDN is the food festival with something for everyone. Join us on Friday 27 July after work, 5-10pm, for an evening of live electro-swing music, craft beer, and some of the best street food London has to offer. Or bring your friends, the kids, and the dog on Saturday 28 July, 12-7pm and Sunday 29 July, 12-6pm for an afternoon of FREE activities for the children and browsing the tasty treats in the Farmers' Market. Pop along to check out our FREE workshops and learn all about the latest in food trends, meals for fussy eaters, and see some very talented chefs at work.

Tickets start at £3 for adults and £2 for children (plus booking fee) and are available at www.foodstock.london from 6 July. Come along and see for yourself.

Foodstock LDN is managed and delivered by Enable L&C.

Wandsworth High Street,
SW18
wandsworth.gov.uk/
fostering

**Friday 22 to Sunday 24
June, 12pm-8pm**

Drakes Funfair
Children's Funfair
The Boules Area,
Battersea Park



Sunday June 24

**Battersea Park Dog
Show**

Battersea Park (near the boules area) 12.30pm.
Class entries 10.30am -
12noon **£1.50 per class**
Battersea Park Dog Show
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June 26, 6.30pm

Musical Memories

Song, poetry and violin
celebrating 1918 and the
renewal of hope, feature
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alumni.

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wine and canapes.** In aid
of Shelter Box and the
Battersea Crime
Prevention Panel Summer
Scheme 07850 142753
events@batterseaparkro-
taryclub.org.uk

**Sunday July 15,
11am-6pm**

**Northcote Road
Summer Fete**

Community event includ-
ing live music, dance and
entertainment, stalls, food
and drink and children's
entertainment. There will
also be a big screen show-
ing the Wimbledon Men's
Finals.
northcoteroad.london



Capital City Minstrels Choir
Friday 15 June

Friday June 15, 7.30pm

From India, With Love

Featuring the Capital City Minstrels Choir from Delhi
The repertoire will include music by Indian composers or choral music that has been inspired by classical Hindustani and Carnatic traditions, some popular Bollywood tunes rearranged for choirs, traditional Indian folk, and western musicians who have been influenced by Indian instruments and music. Conducted by Lindsay Ross Boyd, CCM has performed over 300 concerts in India and in Europe over 24 years. **£20**
www.tara-arts.com



Friday June 29, 11am

Baby Broadway Summer

Baby Broadway brings the sound of the West End to your doorstep. The whole family can enjoy well-known songs from hit shows and films such as Mary Poppins, Oklahoma, The Jungle Book, Grease, Frozen and many more in an interactive family concert performed by West End singers.

Open to all ages from new-borns to school age to grandparents, **tickets are £12.50 per adult (including booking fee) and children go FREE (up to 3 children per adult)**. Concert lasts approximately 45 minutes, doors open 15 minutes before start time.
www.tara-arts.com



Tuesday July 3

Brighter Living

The free Brighter Living event on July 3 is open to people with care and support needs and other Wandsworth over-55s.

The day-long event will have 30 stalls to browse and the chance to try and activities including fitness, movement and art classes, plus advice on keeping safe and well. Find out more at
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/brighterliving



Starts June 7

BAC

Come and enjoy comedy, theatre, music and poetry in Battersea Arts Centre's open-air courtyard.
The season will start on Tuesday June 7 with the Sleeping Trees Comedy Garden.
Find out more at www.bac.org.uk



The Luna Cinema

Tooting Common

Wednesday June 27:

Romeo + Juliet (1996, 12A, 115m)

Thursday 28 June: Shaun of the Dead (2004, 15, 97m)
Wandsworth Park

Wednesday July 25:

Moulin Rouge! (2001, 12A, 127m)

Thursday 26 July: The Shape of Water (2017, 15, 123m)
Book your tickets now! www.thelunacinema.com/



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Search planning applications

wandsworth.gov.uk/planningregister

Report a street problem

wandsworth.gov.uk/streets

Apply for a school place

eadmissions.org.uk

Book an MOT

wandsworth.gov.uk/MOT

Report noise and nuisances

wandsworth.gov.uk/noise

Apply or renew a parking permit

wandsworth.gov.uk/parkingpermits

Report graffiti for removal

wandsworth.gov.uk/graffiti

Report an abandoned vehicle

wandsworth.gov.uk/abandonedvehicles

Tell us if you are moving in or out of Wandsworth

wandsworth.gov.uk/MIMO

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My Account

Create an account and you will only have to sign in once to access the main council services.

wandsworth.gov.uk/myaccount

Report It app



Wandsworth Report It makes it easier for anyone to report problems like flytipping, graffiti and other environmental issues. Search for the Wandsworth Report It app on the Apple, Android or Windows app store.

Other contacts at the council

Adult Social Services

(020) 8871 7707

Births, Deaths, Marriages and Voting Hotline

(020) 8871 6120

Early Years and Childcare Hotline including Family Information Service and After School and Holiday Play Centre bookings

(020) 8871 7899

Environmental Services including noise, pest control, private housing and licensing

(020) 8871 6127

Finance Hotline including benefits, council tax, rents and business rates

(020) 8871 8081

Housing Hotline including housing management and repairs, service charges, home

ownership, homelessness and housing advice

(020) 8871 6161

Parking and Streets Hotline including concessionary travel, blue badges, MOTs, highways and skip licensing and bay suspensions

(020) 8871 8871

Planning and Building Control hotline including Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), land searches and street naming and numbering

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Schools and Admissions

(020) 8871 7316

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