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# Apple takes a bite

## The world's most valuable company is coming to the Brighter Borough.

Tech giant Apple, currently based in Regent Street, will open a new state of the art 'campus' at Battersea Power Station, Nine Elms, in 2021.

The company has snapped up half a million square feet of new office space within the riverside development site, which will make it one of Wandsworth's single biggest employers.

The move will shift a key part of London's fast growing tech industry to the South Bank and sets a trend other businesses are expected to follow.

Wandsworth Council leader Ravi

Govindia said: "This is great news for Wandsworth. The arrival of such a globally important company shows that Nine Elms is on course to be a high-profile new business district and a new engine room for London's economy.

"When the US Embassy announced it was moving to Nine Elms it became a magnet for new investment. Apple's arrival will do the same and has shifted people's perceptions about this area's exciting future as a commercial hub.

Local residents are ideally placed to benefit from the revival of Nine Elms and we will continue to help our existing communities take full advantage of this exciting regeneration."

Battersea Power Station is one of the biggest development projects in Nine Elms and in London. The 42 acre site will deliver around 3,500 new homes including 581 affordable properties that will be offered to Wandsworth residents at well below market rates. The privately funded scheme is also contributing £211m towards the cost of the Northern Line extension, which will provide Battersea's first two Tube stations in 2020.

To find out about job opportunities at Battersea Power Station visit [baseskillsacademy.co.uk](http://baseskillsacademy.co.uk)

Find out more about Nine Elms on page 11.

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# Legal challenge looms as Government backs Heathrow expansion

The Government's recent decision to support Heathrow expansion is "wrong on every level, legally undeliverable and will end in failure after years of wasted effort", according to the leader of Wandsworth Council Ravi Govindia.

Transport Secretary Chris Grayling backed a third runway last October despite the west London airport already being by far the worst noise polluter in Europe and responsible for illegal pollution levels. Expansion is expected to create new flight paths across parts of the borough which have never experienced aircraft noise before.

Wandsworth is now working with Hillingdon, Richmond, Windsor and Maidenhead councils and Greenpeace UK to develop a legal strategy and has jointly appointed a specialist legal practice to challenge the scheme in the courts.

Cllr Govindia said: "This is deeply distressing news for the communities around this airport but this fight is far from over. Ultimately it will be for the courts to decide if this project goes ahead and the law is on our side.

"The airport boasts illegal levels of air pollution, woefully



inadequate transport capacity and has Europe's worst noise footprint, and that's with just two runways. Expansion will make all of these severely damaging issues worse. It's wrong on every level, legally undeliverable and will end in failure after years of wasted effort.

"It looks like we're heading back to the courts just as we did in 2010 after the Brown Government backed Heathrow's third runway. We overturned that decision in the High Court and nothing has changed to make expanding this airport any less damaging."

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# Glass raised to pub protection

Earlier this year Wandsworth made national headlines through announcing plans to protect 120 local pubs from redevelopment.

The council published an Article 4 Direction which aims to stop pub owners from knocking them down or changing them into another use without planning permission. Wandsworth is the first council to remove permitted development rights on such a wide scale and many other planning authorities have now been in touch to see how the process works. Organisations like the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) and the Music Venues Trust have also backed the council's move.

Wandsworth developed its pub protection policy after several highly valued and thriving local pubs were either lost or came under threat of closure. In most cases they were perfectly healthy businesses but came under pressure from major supermarket chains looking to convert them into shops.

The Article 4 Direction is set to come into force in August next year. For more information visit

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/article4](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/article4)

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# Stiffer fines for flytippers

The council is about to strike litter louts and flytippers with a double whammy - a beefed up enforcement team and much heavier on-the-spot-fines.

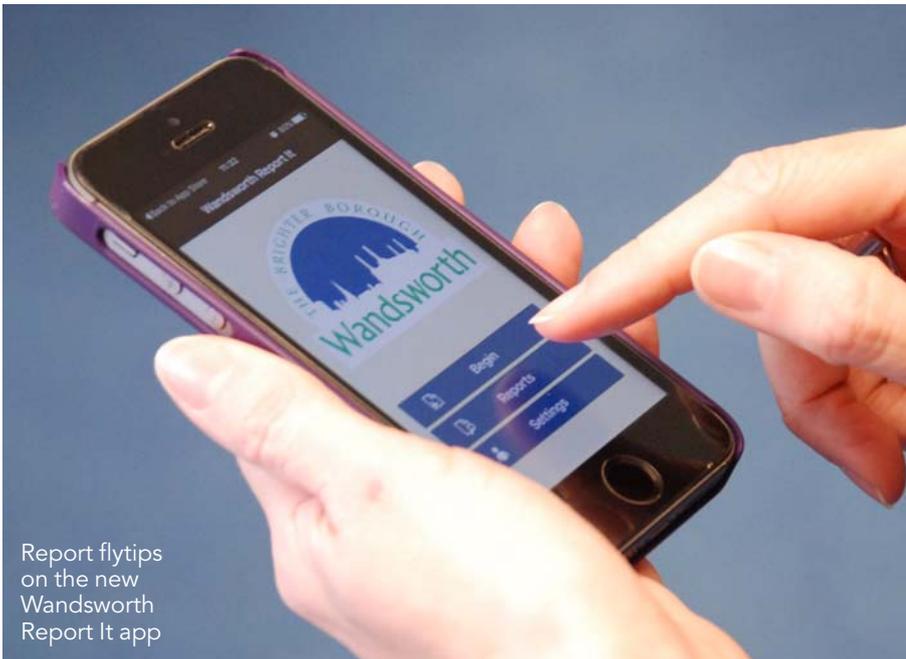
A new squad of litter inspectors will be joining the borough's existing team which has been hitting flytippers hard this year. Since January more than 1,100 individuals and businesses have been fined for dumping waste on Wandsworth's streets.

These extra personnel will wear uniforms and body cameras and target hotspots across the borough seven days a week. They will not be required to hand out a pre-determined number of fines nor will they be operating under any kind of bonus system.

They will however be dishing out much stiffer financial penalties with fines increasing from £80 to £400 to reflect the council's zero-tolerance approach to flytipping and to also help recover some of the clear-up costs borne by the public purse.

## How to report flytippers

- Report flytips online: [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/flytipping](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/flytipping)
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- Give us information to help prosecute offenders: [flytipwitness@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:flytipwitness@wandsworth.gov.uk)



Report flytips on the new Wandsworth Report It app

# Tennis plan serves an ace

Some of the borough's tennis courts are being upgraded and refurbished.

All Win Tennis, which manages the council's courts, is refurbishing the playing surfaces at Tooting Common, Leader's Gardens in Putney, King George's Park, Wandsworth Park, Furzedown Rec and Wandsworth Common.

All Win offer drop-in sessions, cardio tennis, mini-tennis camps and adult courses at the six venues they manage. To book sessions visit [www.allstartennis.co.uk](http://www.allstartennis.co.uk)

# Town centre business BID

Local businesses in Putney and Wandsworth Town centres are currently voting on whether to form new Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) which would raise money to enhance the local business environment and boost trade.

If voted through, each BID would be funded and led by the businesses within each defined area.

Priorities would include making the town centres more attractive to shoppers, raising awareness of what they have to offer, making them safer and cleaner and giving small businesses a stronger voice locally.

Businesses have worked together to develop detailed business plans for the BID areas and firms with a 2010 rateable value of at least £10,000 have been asked to vote on whether or not to put them into action. The legally-binding postal ballot closes on December 1 and the result will be announced the following day.

The size of each contribution is determined by the property's rateable value, so small businesses pay less and some are exempt.

Find out more at [www.wandsworthbid.co.uk](http://www.wandsworthbid.co.uk) [www.putneybid.co.uk](http://www.putneybid.co.uk)



# Battersea goes Gigafast

People living on several Battersea council estates can sign up for a 'Gigafast' broadband service, thought to offer the fastest connection speeds found anywhere in London.

Community Fibre Ltd has been working with Wandsworth Council to install the network across the Savona, Patmore, Carey Gardens, Doddington, Rollo and Surrey Lane estates.

The service has clocked download speeds of over 1,000 megabits per second (Mbit/s) – around 47 times faster than the UK average.

North Battersea, recently chosen by Apple as the home of its new London headquarters, is the first part of Wandsworth to benefit from the ultra-fast broadband connection. Longer term the council's partnership with Community Fibre Ltd aims to offer over 20,000 homes access to the Gigafast network over the next few years.

The next estates to benefit from the service are set to be Battersea Fields and Ethelburga where cabling work has already started.

To sign up or find out more visit [www.communityfibre.co.uk](http://www.communityfibre.co.uk)



## Students travel virtual world

Children at West Hill primary school became world travellers for the day as part of the Google Expeditions Pioneer Programme.

The new technology can be used by teachers to take their classes on virtual field trips, adding an immersive element to their lessons and making distant places real before their students' eyes.

West Hill are looking for a community partner to allow them to carry on offering the experience to students. If you can help email [info@westhill.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:info@westhill.wandsworth.sch.uk)

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# New Wandle wildlife haven

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The council is removing layers of contaminated sediment and removing a tidal weir to improve water flows in this stretch of the Wandle close to where it joins the Thames. This will help restore a wildlife habitat measuring roughly a hectare in size that has the potential to become a spawning area and nursery for young fish.

The Thames Water-funded project is scheduled to be completed by the end of March.

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# Finding homes for refugees

The council wants to hear from residents, businesses or other organisations who could rent one or more self-contained properties to Syrian refugees at an affordable rate.

The town hall will provide a range of help and support to refugee families, including a dedicated case worker to help them settle into the local community, access benefits, employment and local services like schools and doctors.

To qualify for the scheme homes need to have at least two bedrooms and be available on an assured shorthold tenancy for a minimum of 24 months. This is to ensure families have the stability and space they need.

Individuals or organisations providing refugee housing on this basis would benefit from long term, secure and well supported tenants.

If you can help, call the housing team on ☎ (020) 8871 5307.

Visit 🌐 [wandsworth.gov.uk/refugees](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/refugees)



# Regeneration celebration

The Regenerate-RISE over 65's lunch club is celebrating after a fun day raised more than £7,000 for a new minibus.

Kerie Woolcott, whose grandmother Hilda Bogg attends the club, organised the day alongside her aunt Jennie Huggins. It took place at the Putney Town Bowls Club and included a sponsored walk, raffle, disco, cake sale and a performance from the All Star Majorettes. Local businesses donated prizes for an auction and raffle.

Regenerate RISE (Reaching the Isolated Elderly) works to prevent elderly people in Putney and Roehampton living isolated and lonely lives.

Visit 🌐 [regenerate-rise.co.uk](http://regenerate-rise.co.uk)



## Saving wonky veg

A new social enterprise has opened in Balham which aims to fight food waste by rescuing misshapen and surplus fruit and vegetables.

Tasty Misfits buys produce from local growers that has been rejected by supermarkets, and sells them directly to customers' homes in weekly deliveries priced at a lower level than similar veg box schemes.

Visit 🌐 [tastymisfits.com](http://tastymisfits.com)

## Shopping help

Shopmobility, which helps older and disabled people do their shopping, is looking for volunteers. You would need to spare around two hours a week to help someone get around Sainsbury's in Garratt lane. Find out more at an open day on December 8. To book a slot, or for more information, call ☎ (020) 8875 9585.



## Blooming Bard

Churches Together in Balham and Upper Tooting celebrated the legacy of the Bard with a Shakespeare in Bloom flower festival in September. It attracted more than 400 visitors including the Mayor of Wandsworth Cllr Richard Field, seen here with the organisers.

Churches Together in Balham and Upper Tooting is an umbrella organisation helping churches to work together to serve the community. Visit

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**Nine Elms**  
On the South Bank



How the new Nine Elms is set to look



How the new riverside path will look



Capture the Sun

# Galleries, performance venues, festivals, sculptures and a riverside park... welcome to the new Nine Elms

**Regular Brightside readers will know about the thousands of new affordable homes and jobs coming to Nine Elms. What is less well known about is the exciting network of cultural attractions this stretch of the South Bank will soon have to offer.**

The plans for this rapidly changing district include new art galleries and studios, a network of sculptures and outdoor artworks, a 2,000 seat performance venue and new community spaces which will be focal points for creative events.

There are also proposals for a new cinema, a 'Village Hall' community venue, a film production studio, a fashion hub, a bandstand and unique children's play areas designed by world leading architects.

The redevelopment of New Covent Garden Market will create a new hub for London's food industry, called the

'Food Exchange', and the revived Battersea Power Station will be open to the public for the first time in its history.

The area's cultural revival has been carefully planned, with each development required to prepare a cultural strategy as part of its planning application. This means the council can coordinate an ambitious mix of cultural, arts and community uses right across the area.

The first new pub, arts studio, supermarkets, restaurant, bar and shops have already opened in Nine Elms and hundreds of people have now moved

into the first wave of new homes.

To find out more about the area's revival and what it has to offer visit

[www.nineelmslondon.com](http://www.nineelmslondon.com)

Simon Fujiwara, Modern Marriage sculpture at Embassy Gardens





# Gala night for foster carers

Olympian Tessa Sanderson, herself a former foster carer, was the guest of honour at this year's Wandsworth Foster Carers Reception, hosted by the council to recognise the hard work of the borough's longest-serving, most committed carers.

Awards were handed out to more than 30 people, including Patricia and Weston Clarke, who have been foster carers for the past 20 years. As well as welcoming children into her home on long-term placements, Pat Clarke is an advocate on behalf of children and young people and is a member of the Wandsworth Foster Carers' Association, providing support and advice for other foster carers.

New foster carers are always needed – especially for children over 10 and for siblings so that brothers and sisters can stay together.

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## Top learner

Shaawaar Medhani, 22, has been named Learner of the Year in the 2016 Wandsworth Lifelong Learning Awards. The awards recognise the borough's highest achieving adult learners. Find out about adult learning courses in Wandsworth at

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/adulteducation](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/adulteducation)



## 4DX film

London's first ever 4DX cinema is coming to Wandsworth on December 9. Cineworld Wandsworth is opening the cinema in its Southside complex in time for the new Star Wars film. 4DX includes high-tech moving seats and special effects such as wind, fog, lightning, bubbles, water, and scents, all synchronised with the action on screen. Cineworld Wandsworth is also currently installing a wall-to-wall, ceiling high Superscreen, which will be opening to the public some time before Christmas

# Searching for top young chef

The council is again scouring the borough's schools for top cooking talent with the launch of the fourth annual Wandsworth Young Chef of the Year competition.

The inter-school competition run by the Mayor of Wandsworth and the council's Lifelong Learning Team nurtures talent, teaches young people how to cook good healthy food to a budget, provides a chance to learn from the experts and helps local students get a foothold in the catering industry.

Support is being provided by the South Thames College catering school and major catering company Compass.

Schools are currently holding 'cook-offs' to choose their finalists, who will compete next spring in the grand final. Along the way they will be mentored and taught crucial skills.



Students getting tips at the Young Chef launch at South Thames College

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# Making home ownership affordable

**Around 800 new shared ownership homes will be built across Wandsworth over the next three years and the council is making sure local residents and workers get priority for every one.**

A dedicated town hall team ensures new shared ownership homes are offered to people with a genuine local connection before anyone else can apply. Last year this meant that 96 per cent were snapped up by buyers from the Brighter Borough or those who already worked here.

The council also ensures that shared ownership homes are offered to households on incomes below the Mayor of London's £90,000 cap. Unlike some authorities, Wandsworth sets a range of maximum household income levels, between £46,000 and £90,000, to ensure lower earners can also get on the property ladder.

Buying on a shared ownership basis is much more affordable than the open market and there are hundreds more of these lower cost homes now being planned and built across Wandsworth.

## How does shared ownership work?

- if a home costs £400,000, you could buy a 25 per cent share for £100,000, you could use a 10 per cent deposit (£10,000) and a 90 per cent mortgage (£90,000)
- you would also need to pay the legal fees and moving costs (around £8,000).
- you then pay a monthly rent and service charge to a housing association, and a monthly mortgage repayments (around £1,200 in total for this example).
- Over time you could pay off your mortgage, increasing the share you own.

To see if you're eligible visit [wandsworth.gov.uk/homeownership](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/homeownership) or email [housesales@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:housesales@wandsworth.gov.uk)

To find out about new housing developments subscribe to the council's e-newsletter at [wandsworth.gov.uk/enews](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/enews)

## More shared ownership homes on the way

Fifty new homes for shared ownership are being built at the Battersea Reach development on Juniper Drive (pictured below). To register your interest contact Wandle Housing Association on [0300 2000 116](tel:03002000116) or email [sales@wandle.com](mailto:sales@wandle.com)

Thirty six new shared ownership flats at the Arcadia development are expected to be ready around the end of the year. Full details on opposite page.



# Wimbledon serves up community funding



Wandsworth charities and community groups are invited to apply for funding from The Wimbledon Foundation, the charity of The All England Lawn Tennis Club.

During 2016 the foundation has awarded grants worth £195,000 to more than 35 groups for projects helping Wandsworth residents. This includes Age UK Wandsworth's Out and About service for older people at risk of isolation, Home-Start Wandsworth's home-visiting scheme for families in need of support, Share Community's healthy living programme for adults with learning disabilities, and St George's Hospital dance and movement class for patients with progressive Parkinson's disease.

In addition the foundation's Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative (pictured) visited 30 primary schools



across the borough during the year, introducing more than 7,000 children to tennis.

To find out more visit [wimbledon.com/foundation](http://wimbledon.com/foundation) or follow @WimbledonFDN on twitter.

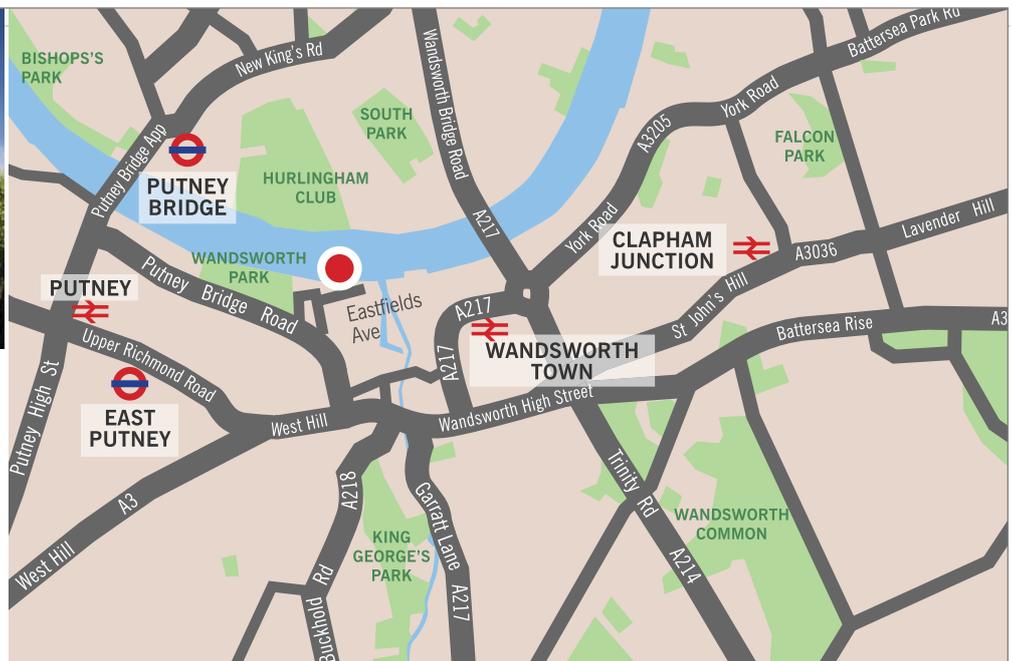


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# Sharing staff to protect services

**Wandsworth and Richmond Councils have now launched a unique staff sharing arrangement which is on course to deliver savings of around £10m for each authority every year.**

Both councils have retained their unique identities and values, while eliminating duplication in how many services are managed and run across the two boroughs. The councils' combined buying power could also lead to better deals from suppliers.

The move has been supported by the Government and by saving money on this scale local councillors are able to protect the frontline services residents rely on and can keep council tax low.

For the latest news sign up to Brightside Online at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/enews](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/enews)



## Blooming lovely

**Floreat School in Earlsfield now has an eco-friendly flower garden on its grounds, planted with help from the local community.**

The theme of the flower garden is "everyone is welcome". It is designed to be an outdoor classroom, play area and space for relaxation, imagination and friendship.

This is the first stage of a wider community garden project. Phase two will be an allotment to grow food. Find out how to get involved at [www.floreatwandsworth.org.uk/Community-Garden](http://www.floreatwandsworth.org.uk/Community-Garden)



## New WI for Tooting

A new Women's Institute has been set up in Tooting, with its sights firmly set on younger women as potential members.

Co-founder Kat Humphries said:

"The WI's reputation is steadily changing, and people are recognising that the old stereotypes just aren't true. There are lots of urban branches springing up, with a very young membership of women who want to meet new people and learn all sorts of skills."

The WI is open to all women aged 18 or over. Follow the group on Twitter at [@TootingWI](https://twitter.com/TootingWI)

## Nominate top youngster

Do you know an outstanding young person? Why not nominate them for a Wandsworth Young Person of the Year Award?

The awards recognise youngsters under the age of 19 who deserve recognition for their achievement, courage, generous attitude or ability to overcome difficult personal circumstances. Find out more at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wypy2017](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wypy2017)

## Calling history detectives

Schools are invited to enter the third annual Wandsworth/GLL Heritage Awards for Schools. The competition is open to all borough schools at Key Stage 1,2 and 3 and aims to get local children interested in the history and heritage of Wandsworth. Find out more at

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolsheritageawards](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schoolsheritageawards).



## Curtain raised on new-look Tara Theatre

The transformation of Earlsfield's Tara Theatre is now complete, offering Wandsworth's culture lovers a new state-of-the-art performance venue.

Home to the UK's oldest multicultural theatre company, Tara Arts, the Garratt Lane venue now boasts a 100-seat auditorium, a sound-proofed rehearsal studio and workshop space, rooftop offices, an outdoor patio garden and a new bar.

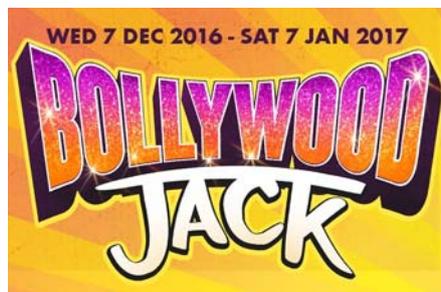
The Edwardian building has been extended and modernised throughout, and incorporates traditional Indian handcrafted features as well as solar panels and green roofs.

The development was approved by Wandsworth Council in 2012 and has

been funded through Arts Council England and other donors.

As Brightside went to print there were still some tickets left for the theatre's Christmas production, Bollywood Jack. Expect an "East-West culture-clash of glittering costumes, a side-splitting dame and songs that will have you dancing in the aisles!"

Find out more at [www.tara-arts.com](http://www.tara-arts.com)



“ For decades Tara has been a positive voice for the Asian community and a powerful outlet for their creative talents. The building is fantastic and will be a new creative hub for Wandsworth and South London. ”

Ravi Govindia, Leader of Wandsworth Council

“ Wandsworth Council has been active in supporting the group from its early days when Tara rehearsed and performed in a community hall. Their enthusiasm, determination and sheer hard work is to be congratulated. ”

Councillor Richard Field  
Wandsworth Mayor

## Be part of something amazing in 2017

Wandsworth Arts Fringe (WAF) returns next year and now is the time to express your interest in getting involved in this annual arts extravaganza.

The arts team is calling on all artists as well as venues to take part in next May's borough-wide festival.

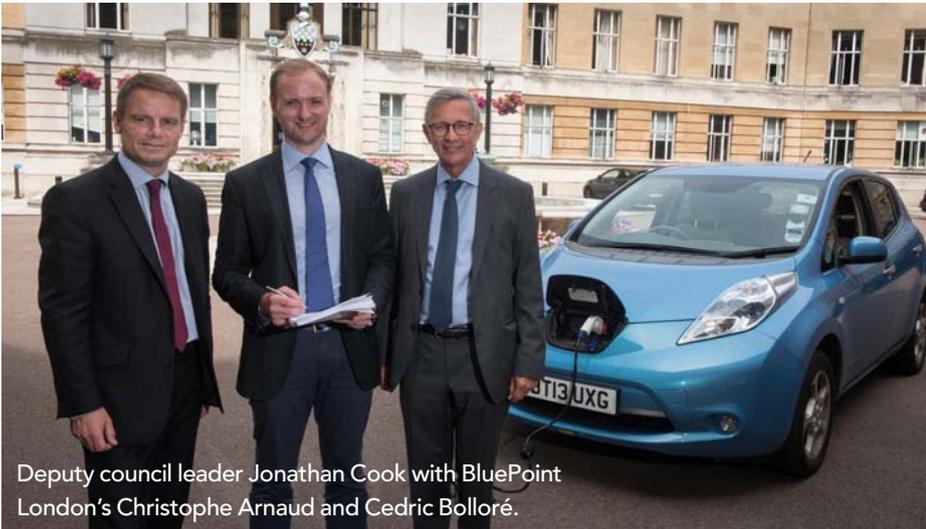
Part of Wandsworth Council's arts and culture programme, WAF celebrates all art forms, from street performances to

family workshops, exhibitions, music and dance and everything in between. Unusual venues include high street businesses, pubs, places of worship, sports halls and even station platforms.

Meet potential collaborators, get feedback on your plans, and find out about resources at the next networking event on January 18 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm at The Alma Pub, Old York Road, Wandsworth.



For more information, and to express your interest as an artist or venue, visit [www.wandsworthfringe.com](http://www.wandsworthfringe.com).



Deputy council leader Jonathan Cook with BluePoint London's Christophe Arnaud and Cedric Bolloré.



# Over 100 new charging points to boost electric motoring

**The council has approved plans to install up to 125 new electric vehicle charging points across Wandsworth to help fuel the growth in clean and green motoring.**

Currently there are only a handful of public charging points in the borough, which is limiting the number of people switching over to zero emission electric cars or hybrid models.

The new charging points would be spread right across Wandsworth and would be part of the Source London network, operated by BluePoint, so residents who sign up can also refuel their vehicles at hundreds more locations around the city.

The expansion plan comes amid increasing demand from residents to embrace electric vehicles. Currently there are 414 registered electric vehicle users within the borough, up from 97 registered in 2013. Source London has also recorded a major increase in membership requests in 2016 as demand continues to rise.

The initial roll out would see 20 to 25 'charging stations' created across the borough, each of which would include two to five charging points. Highly visible locations have been proposed to help raise awareness and encourage a higher take up. Many would be in areas with no parking restrictions or in place of single yellow lines to minimise the parking impacts.

The initial installation programme is expected to take around six months and would be funded by Source London's parent company Blue Point, with zero cost to the taxpayer.

As well as supporting growth in the fledgling electric car market the council is also encouraging cycling, walking and the use of car clubs, all of which help to reduce driving rates and improve air quality.

Wandsworth now has the fastest growing cycling rate in the entire country and the biggest car club membership in London. The charging point expansion plan aims to put the borough at the top of the charts for electric motoring as well.

Find out more:

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/driveelectric](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/driveelectric)

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/airquality](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/airquality)

[sourcelondon.net](http://www.sourcelondon.net)



## Volunteers take the lead on vehicle idling

A team of local volunteers is out and about chatting to local drivers about the benefits of switching off engines while vehicles are standing still.

Wandsworth's Air Quality Champions have also hosted an event in Southside Shopping Centre featuring a giant pollution themed snakes and ladders board which proved a big hit with local shoppers.

If you are interested in volunteering visit [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/air-quality-champions](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/air-quality-champions)



# Have your say on Quietway cycle routes

**Wandsworth residents are being asked for their views on the latest plans for new 'Quietway' cycle routes.**

Quietways are being developed across the capital by Transport for London to encourage inexperienced and less confident riders to make more journeys by bike by utilising quieter and less congested back streets and parks.

In Wandsworth two routes are proposed – running from Clapham Common to Wimbledon (Quietway 4) and Waterloo to Norbury (Quietway 5). These latest proposals have been drawn up following earlier rounds of public consultation and have been designed to reflect the views of

local people.

Wandsworth's transport spokesman Jonathan Cook said: "We support the concept of Quietways and want to play our part in encouraging more people to take up sustainable modes of transport. However it's vitally important to ensure these routes are as well designed as possible and do not have an adverse impact on other road users, pedestrians and visitors to our commons and open spaces."

To find out more about the proposals, view maps of the re-designed routes and register your views visit [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/quietways](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/quietways). The consultation closes on December 12.

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## Queenstown vote result

**The Labour Party has retained its seat in the Queenstown ward by-election.**

Aydin Emre Osborne Dikerdem received 1,551 votes and has been elected to serve as a member of Wandsworth Council. The by-election was held following the death of Queenstown councillor Sally-Ann Ephson.

Conservative party candidate Rhodri Morgan came second with 987 votes. The turnout was 23.75 per cent.

See full results at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/vote](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/vote)

## Night Tube comes to the Northern line

The Northern line joined the night tube network on November 18. The service, which stops in the borough at Balham, Tooting Bec and Tooting Broadway, now runs all night on Fridays and Saturdays. The council is now pushing for night services on the Wimbledon branch of the District Line.

## Rail strike misery continues

Councillors have restated their call for the Government to intervene in the long-running dispute between the RMT Union and Southern Railway after more strike dates were announced. The town hall is demanding urgent action to end the crisis and compensation for the thousands of local ticket holders who have suffered months of travel disruption.

## Getting around

The next Mobility Forum will be on December 1 and is an opportunity for elderly and disabled people to tell of their experiences with transport in Wandsworth, and to meet transport providers and operators. If you want to go call [\(020\) 8871 6293](tel:02088716293) or email [jslaughter@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:jslaughter@wandsworth.gov.uk)

## Free respite for carers

If you are an unpaid carer for an adult who lives in Wandsworth you may be able to access free respite from Carers Partnership Wandsworth. For more information and to see if you are eligible, call [\(020\) 8877 1200](tel:02088771200) [support@wandsworthcarers.org.uk](mailto:support@wandsworthcarers.org.uk)



# Sing a song



Enjoy singing?

**Why not join a community choir?**

Local Vocals for people aged over 55 is for people, many with health issues, who want to get out of the house and sing with others. People with dementia can take part, as they can often remember the lyrics to old songs.

Sessions are led in several groups by a qualified choir tutor and after eight weeks groups get together to sing at an event dubbed The BIG Sing – watch a video of it by following the links on [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/shelteredhousing](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/shelteredhousing) activities. A pilot project will now be evaluated and possibly expanded. To find out more email [ecurley@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:ecurley@wandsworth.gov.uk)

Meanwhile in Battersea local people are invited to get involved in a choir made up of construction workers and staff from the Battersea Power Station Development Company and Battersea residents.

The choir meets and sings together on Thursday evenings at the Rose Centre, Ascalon Street, led by Sam Evans, the renowned choir leader who also leads Thomas's Choral Society in Battersea. To find out more email [choir@bpsdc.co.uk](mailto:choir@bpsdc.co.uk).



# Advice on tap

**It's become even easier to get advice over the phone from Citizens Advice Wandsworth with the launch of a new advice phone line.**

Get help with benefits, work worries, debt, legal issues and more. Citizens Advice Wandsworth also runs a range of special free advice services including help for people affected by cancer and the Disability and Social Care Advice Service for local disabled people.

How to get help:

- Talk to an advisor from 10am-4pm, Monday to Friday on [0300 330 1169](tel:03003301169)
- Drop in services are available at Battersea Library in Lavender Hill, and at 166 Roehampton Lane. A service by appointment is also available at Tooting Library. [www.cawandsworth.org](http://www.cawandsworth.org)
- Specialist advice on new pension options is available at the Battersea and Tooting centres, or access it directly on [020 3559 7400](tel:02035597400)
- Find out how to become a volunteer for Citizens Advice Wandsworth at [www.cawandsworth.org](http://www.cawandsworth.org), or email [volunteering@cawandsworthc.org](mailto:volunteering@cawandsworthc.org)

## Get a business MOT

### Is your start-up or small businesses working as well as it could?

As part of its package of support for borough businesses, the council is offering the chance to get a business healthcheck.

We offer:

- One-to-one business advice with an experienced advisor
- Workshops and seminars including business planning, raising finance, human resources, management and social media

### • Networking opportunities.

The council's business spokesman Cllr Kim Caddy explains:

"Before businesses start adding all the bells and whistles, we need to make sure they've taken care of the nuts and bolts. That's why Networking Wandsworth forms the foundation of our business support package.

"Get your business plan in order, sort out your financing and marketing and get your company performing as well as it possibly can. Then if you are a

food or a tech company we can help take your business to the next level through our specialist support."

The Your Business Your Growth programme offers free business support to all businesses, with specialist help available for the food and digital sectors.

Register your interest at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/yourbusinessyourgrowth](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/yourbusinessyourgrowth)

Contact project manager Linda Griffiths for a chat on [\(020\) 8871 6227](tel:02088716227) or email [lgriffiths2@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:lgriffiths2@wandsworth.gov.uk)

## Dawn's story

### Dawn Burton has asked for help to enable her catering company to grow.

The Battersea-based company caters at events, pop-ups, supper clubs and street food markets, producing traditional, authentic Caribbean food. She runs the company with husband Alex, with help from their teenage children.

Dawn is doing well, but wants to expand her business into a restaurant, and has turned to Networking Wandsworth for help with cash flow, finance and social media and with getting a better presence on the web. She told Brightside:

"We have a local audience in Battersea and within the Wandsworth borough and tend to attract adventurous diners, who like to explore different dishes from the Caribbean/Jamaica.

"I would say my biggest challenge so far has been with finance and cash flow



Carriburton at this summer's Foodstock event in Battersea Park

and with keeping on top of the accounting. The best advice I could give to any new business is to research, research, research. Find out about all areas of your business industry and take advice from working professionals and potential customers.

"We have benefitted greatly from attending Wandsworth Chamber of Commerce events, Wandsworth Enterprise Week and participating in The Wandsworth Business Awards

a few years back where we were short-listed as finalists. All these have created opportunities to network, gain advice, meet local professionals, and to promote our business. The platform has been raised even higher with the focus on food businesses in the borough with Wandsworth Foodies. Already I have received invaluable advice regarding my future business growth.



# Think twice about that next drink

### Watch out for hidden calories in your favourite tippie.

Residents are being reminded that, as well as potentially harming their health, downing booze can have an effect on their waistline. An extra glass of wine or bottle of cider could have the same amount of calories as a sugary treat.

For example, three average-sized bottles of cider have the same amount of calories as three sugared doughnuts and three average glasses of wine clock up at 684 calories – the same as three ice-creams.

Look out for posters around the borough, or join the debate on social media at #ruWandsWorthit.

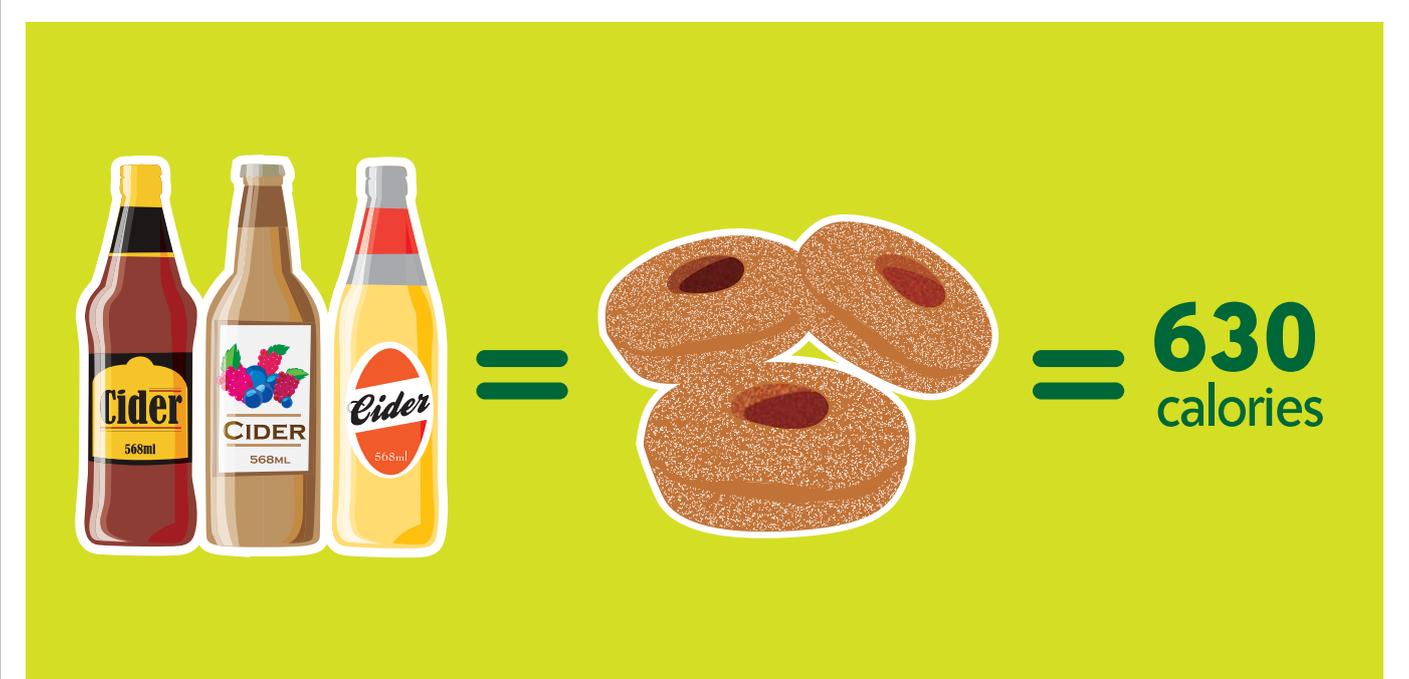
## Road safety pledge

November 21-27 is Road Safety Week, organised by the charity Brake. The borough’s childhood accident prevention partnership is urging local parents to sign Brake’s pledge, promising to take simple steps such as watching their speed, using their seatbelts and not taking mobile calls or texts while at the wheel. For full details visit

[roadsafetyweek.org.uk](http://roadsafetyweek.org.uk)

## Citizen support

The Junior Citizen scheme is searching for sponsors. The scheme, now in its 27th year, helps teach all year 5 Wandsworth schoolchildren how to cope with dangerous situations in everyday life by making them act out different scenarios including keeping safe in the kitchen, making a 999 call and how to escape a fire. They are also taught how to be a good citizen, such as helping elderly neighbours. If you can help, contact Andrew Jolly on [ajolly@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:ajolly@wandsworth.gov.uk).



**3 average bottles or pints of cider adds up to 630 calories – the same as 3 average sugared doughnuts\*.**

This is more than half of the recommended safer drinking limit of 14 units per week for adults.

\*Based on calculations from DrinkAware.



Follow this QR code for more information about alcohol and local support services.

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Join the debate online  
**#ruWandsWorthit**



# Sonny's superhero fights flu

Sonny Angus, who goes to Holy Ghost Catholic Primary School, has won the council's Be A Flu Fighter poster competition.

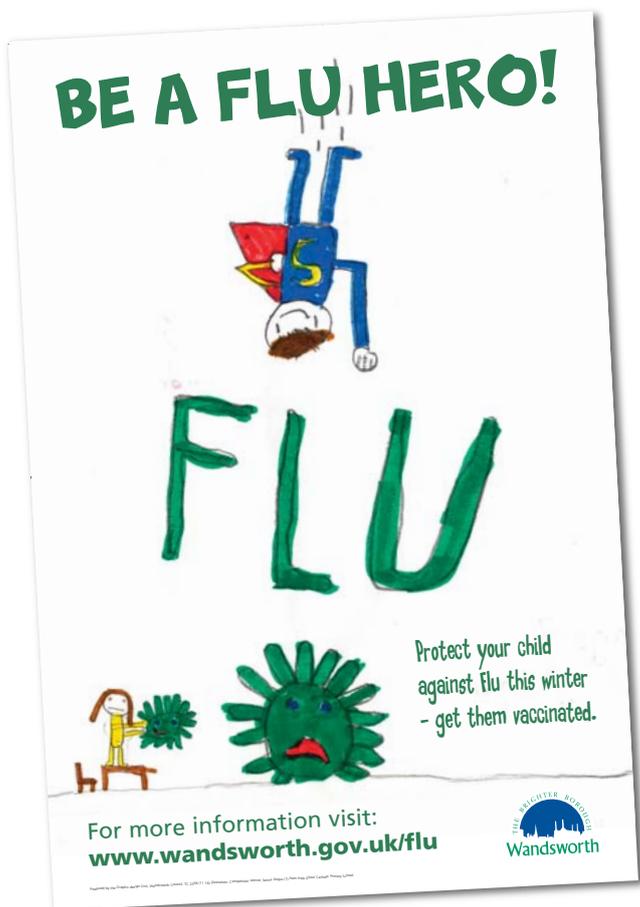
Sonny's impressive artwork will now be made into a poster that will be put up around the borough to encourage people to get their child vaccinated against flu.

This year for the first time Wandsworth schoolchildren in year 3 will now be given the flu vaccine to help protect them against the potentially harmful disease. The borough's community immunisation team has started the vaccination programme in borough schools for all children in years 1, 2 and 3. Children aged between 2-4 years can get their flu vaccine at their GP practice.

Find out more about the flu vaccine at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/flu](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/flu)



Sonny with the Mayor of Wandsworth Cllr Richard Field



The community immunisation team are running a series of catch-up clinics, for year 1, 2 and 3 children who were absent when the jabs were given at school, or who did not return a consent form but would like the vaccination.

No appointment is necessary, but there may be a wait. Please do not attend if you are booked in for a school session.

Contact the team on [020 8812 6090](tel:02088126090)

**November 30, December 7 and December 14**  
**3pm-6.30pm**

St John's Therapy Centre,  
162 St John's Hill,  
London SW11 1SW.

Please use entrance A and go to the first floor reception.



## Get yourself checked

**December 1 is World Aids Day, and Wandsworth residents are being urged to check their HIV status.**

You can have the virus and not realise it, which is why regular testing is important. The earlier you find out, the more quickly you can receive confidential support, care and treatment.

### How to get the test

Visit [www.swish.co.uk](http://www.swish.co.uk) for details of clinics in the borough that can give you a free, fast and confidential HIV test with results in 15 minutes.

You can also order a self-testing kit through the post. Take the simple test, send it off and receive your results over the phone from a confidential clinical service. Order your kits at [www.swish.co.uk](http://www.swish.co.uk)



# Tooting in the picture

The My Tooting photo competition attracted more than 60 entries.

All the pictures have been made into a book, which can be ordered for £10 from

[info@neighbourhood](mailto:info@neighbourhood)

[networksw17.org.uk](http://networksw17.org.uk)

The competition was run by Neighbourhood Network, a group of local residents working to build a stronger community. It runs activities to help people learn new skills and meet their neighbours. Visit

[neighbourhoodnetworksw17.org.uk](http://neighbourhoodnetworksw17.org.uk)

or call [07581 716916](tel:07581716916)

# Get set for lower speeds

From Spring 2017 the council will install a **20mph speed limit** across all residential streets in the borough.

Red Routes, A-Roads and B-Roads will not be affected.

The main aims are to reduce the number and severity of road accidents.

For up to date transport news join our mailing list at [wandsworth.gov.uk/enews](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/enews)



What residents said

**64%** of residents said a **20mph limit** should not apply on main roads

**59%** of residents support a **20mph limit** of residential streets



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# what's on?

EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2016  
TO MARCH 2017



## How to be listed

Send details (including access for people with disabilities) by 24 February to: [whatson@enablelc.org](mailto:whatson@enablelc.org)

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Children's events outlined in yellow

**Ends December 11 (opening hours 11am-5pm)**

## **Exhibition: Each fighting its own little battle in happy ignorance**

Group exhibition based on Graham Greene's novel "It's a Battlefield". Free entry. Pump House Gallery Battersea Park SW11. Call 8871 7572. [www.pumphousegallery.org.uk](http://www.pumphousegallery.org.uk)

## **Friday - Sunday 25 - 27 November**

### **Nativity Festival**

25th, 7.30pm - lecture recital featuring the UK premier of Mariana.  
26th, 10.30am-4pm and  
27th, 11.30am-4pm - exhibition of over 25 nativity figures/sets including St Paul's very own crib used each year during the Christmas period, plus children's church trail, charity cards for sale, refreshments. Advent carols on the 27th at 6pm. Celebrating 120 years of St Paul's Church. St Paul's Church Augustus Rd/Inner Park Rd, SW19. [www.stpaulswimbledonpark.org.uk](http://www.stpaulswimbledonpark.org.uk)

## **Saturday November 26, 11am - 2pm**

### **Christmas Bazaar**

Face painting, hunt the turkey, arts and crafts and mulled wine. Children can meet Father Christmas, receive a small gift and post their letter in Santa's postbox, and will get a reply. **Free admission.** Parish of Christmas Bazaar, St. Mary's Church Putney Bridge SW15. Contact [katie@katiebishop.co.uk](mailto:katie@katiebishop.co.uk) 07974 360 472

## **Wednesday November 30 1.45pm**

### **Healthwatch Assembly**

Topic: The future of our health services: access what you need in the community. Tooting United Reform Church SW17. Contact

@HWWands or [www.healthwatch-wandsworth.co.uk/content/events](http://www.healthwatch-wandsworth.co.uk/content/events)

## **Saturday December 3 11am-4pm**

### **Green and ethical Christmas fayre**

Selling beautiful gift items that have been sourced ethically or are environmentally friendly. **Entry £2 adults, children free.** Holy Trinity Clapham SW4. [www.greenethicalchristmas.com](http://www.greenethicalchristmas.com)

## **Saturday December 3 11.30am - 2.30pm**

### **St Barnabas Christmas Fayre**

Come and join us for festive fun for all the family. Be wowed by the live entertainment, visit Santa's

grotto, shop for Christmas gifts, eat some delicious food and much more.

**Entry fee: £2 per adult, £1 pensioners / concessions, free for children.**

St Barnabas Church, 146 Lavenham Road, SW18 [stbarnabas-southfields.org.uk](http://stbarnabas-southfields.org.uk) **wheelchair**

## **Saturday December 3 10am to 1pm**

### **Community Christmas Market**

Help us to support local charities and good causes, and get a very warm welcome from local people selling a wide variety of Christmas delights. There will also be a chance to meet Father Christmas. St Andrews

# what's on?

EVENTS FOR 25 NOVEMBER 2016  
TO 21 MARCH 2017

Church, Garratt Lane  
SW18.

## Saturday December 3 and January 28, 2pm

### Walking in a Wandle Wonderland

Summerstown182 guided walk. A delightful pre-Christmas amble through the industrial heartland of the Summerstown182; featuring The Corruganza Girls, Wimbledon Stadium, The Lost Streets of Earlsfield, Coppermill Lane and Mrs Buckler's Gunpowder Factory - all on the banks of the majestic River Wandle. **Free.** St Mary's Church, Wimbledon Road, SW17. Contact [rgbsimmons182@gmail.com](mailto:rgbsimmons182@gmail.com)

## Monday December 5 8pm

### Travels with my Violin

Renowned international

violinists, Alina Ibragimova, talks to her recording producer Andrew Keener about her career, working in the recording studio and performing both as soloist and chamber musician. A society of music lovers who meet to hear some of the world's most celebrated musicians talk about their lives and work. **Annual subscription £30, visitor £7, members and under 18s free.**

Putney Music at Dryburgh Hall, Putney Leisure Centre, SW15. [www.putneymusic.org.uk](http://www.putneymusic.org.uk)  
**Wheelchair**

## Wednesday December 7 9.30am-12pm

### Neighbourhood Network

Fortnightly drop-in sessions run by a group of local residents wanting to

build a stronger, more cohesive community. Activities include music session for under 5s, crafts, and offer refreshments and chat until midday. Southside Scouts Centre, Balham High Road SW12.

## Friday December 9 3.30-5.30pm

### Christmas Fair

Lots of fun stalls, Santa and a great raffle. Allfarthing Primary School, SW18.

## Friday December 9 6.30pm

### Candlelit evening of Christmas Music

Traditional carols and well-known favourites. Tickets on the door: **£5 adults, £2.50 children.** **Concert proceeds to Just Shelter.**

St Andrew's Church, Garratt Lane SW18. [www.swsongbirds.co.uk](http://www.swsongbirds.co.uk)

## Saturday December 10 4-6.30pm

### Christmas Tree Festival

The church will be adorned with more than 30 large decorated trees. Plus live music with Fenton House School choir and Beatrix Potter School choir, mulled wine, cakes, home produce and flower stalls. Father Christmas will be on hand.



'Klenzeana, The Architecture of Leo von Klenze' Oil on canvas. 140x240cm. 2016.

## Ends December 16 open: weekdays 10am – 6pm; Sat 10am – 3pm

### Exhibition: Carl Laubin: a sentimental journey

Displaying Laubin's architectural paintings, including the exhibition's main work 'Klenzeana'.

Plus One Gallery, B & C Trafalgar House, Juniper Drive, York Road SW18. Call 7730 7656, email [info@plusonegallery.com](mailto:info@plusonegallery.com) [www.plusonegallery.com/find-us](http://www.plusonegallery.com/find-us)

## Events at East Hill United Reformed Church

Sunday December 11 4pm - the Merton concert Band. Refreshments, retiring collection.

Monday December 12 10am - The Night Santa Saved Christmas. Pantomime. **Admission £5.** East Hill United Reformed Church, SW18  
**wheelchair**

## Recruiting now in the borough

St John Ambulance is looking to recruit new first aid volunteers to help cover public events across the borough and London. It could be at a local fete, football match or a major sporting event or central London celebration. No one should suffer from the lack of trained aiders and we will provide you with the skills you need to be the difference between a life lost and a life saved. We have opportunities for adults aged 18+ and for cadets aged 11-17. No experience is necessary. In Wandsworth we have three units, Putney, Southfields and Battersea. More info [www.sja.org.uk](http://www.sja.org.uk)

Raising money for Wandsworth Community Chaplaincy Trust. **Entry £1, adult, children free.** In addition, join us on 18 December for our popular carol service.

St Mary Magdalene Church, Wandsworth Common SW18.

## Saturday December 10 at 7pm

### J.S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio

With conductor Christopher Braime, performing with full orchestra and professional soloists.

**Tickets £16 (concessions £13) includes refreshments and programme.**

Contact Shirley on 07968209245 or buy at the door. Putney Choral Society at St Paul's Church, Augustus Road Southfields SW18. [www.putneychoralsoc.org.uk](http://www.putneychoralsoc.org.uk)

## Saturday December 10 7.30pm

### Music for Christmas

Seasonal pieces including Michael Haydn and Marcel Dupre. **Tickets £10, free admission for under 15s.**

St Anne's Church, St Ann's Hill SW18. Tickets: [boxoffice@swlcs.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@swlcs.org.uk) or 07914 807055.

## Sunday December 11 vendors from 7.30am, buyers from 8am

**Charity car boot sale**  
**£5 blankets, £10 cars, £15 large vans. £1 parking for buyers.** Friends of Queen Mary's Hospital, Queen Mary's Hospital Roehampton SW15. Hospital Car Park SW15 5PN. [www.qmhfriendedcarboot.co.uk](http://www.qmhfriendedcarboot.co.uk) or Facebook.

## Sunday December 11 12-4pm

### Workshop: create your own crime scene

Artists Ivan Thorley and Caroline Bowman from Puppets with Guts invite you to archive a story about people behaving badly. Use objects and puppets to create your own crime scenes. As characters are moved, manipulated and rearrange over the course of the project, join us as we investigate who decides what is right and wrong. Pump House Gallery, Battersea Park SW11. [pumphouse-gallery.org.uk](http://pumphouse-gallery.org.uk)

## Saturday December 17 7-9pm

### An evening of seasonal songs

Join Putney's community choir as they perform fes-

tive favourites accompanied by refreshments and a raffle, all in aid of Regenerate-RISE. Musical Director Carl Speck. Free entry. The Dover House Singers, St Mary's Church, Putney High Street SW15. Contact Yulia yulia.ushakova@gmail.com or 07890 034346

**wheelchair**

### Saturday 24 December 3pm

#### Christmas at Holy Trinity

3pm - Carols around the crib; 11pm Christmas Eve Communion  
Holy Trinity Church  
Beaumont Road SW19.  
Email office@wandsworth-parish.co.uk

### Nominations close January 8

#### Active Wandsworth Awards

Awards evening on February 10. Recognising the achievement and commitment of the many people involved in sport and physical activity in Wandsworth. Visit enablelc.org/awa2016 for a nomination form

### Term starts January 4

#### Spring term art classes

Enrol now! Putney School of Art and Design Oxford Road SW15. Call 8788 9145.  
www.enable.org/psad

### Monday January 16 8pm

#### Rhodes to the Piano

The pianist James Rhodes' story is one of the most remarkable among today's performers. A tra-

umatic and damaging childhood overcome by obsession with music and enormous determination has been followed by a renowned and successful career both as soloist and communicator. In a conversation with Andrew Keener, expect some passionate reflections on music and trenchant views on the music industry.

**Annual subscription £30, visitor £7, members and under 18s free.**

Putney Music at Dryburgh Hall, Putney Leisure Centre, SW15. www.putneymusic.org.uk

**Wheelchair**

### Thursday January 19 7pm

#### Talk: The Cook sisters

With journalist Louise Carpenter on the wonderful Ida and Louise Cook - opera loving, civil servants who lived in Balham, who, funded by Ida, became a Mills and Boon best seller, followed their stars and rescued Jewish refugees from Germany.

**Admission £5.**

St Mary's Church, Battersea Church Road SW11. www.batterseasociety.org.uk

### Friday January 27 8pm

#### Talk: 7th Nick Fuentes Memorial Lecture

An archaeological talk.

**Membership £12, student membership (under 18) is £3.**

Wandsworth Historical Society, Friends Meeting House, 59 Wandsworth High Street, SW18. Non members welcome.  
www.wandsworthhistory.org.uk



### Saturday January 28 9am - 4pm

#### SLSC UK Cold Water Swimming Championships

Be bold in the cold in the original and best cold water swimming event. Swim in individual or relay races or join the mass jump in for Crisis at 9am..

Tooting Bec Lido, Tooting Bec Road SW17. www.slsc.org.uk/cwsc

### 5 February 2017

#### Mini Marathon Trials

Your chance to be part of Team Wandsworth and run the last 5km of the London Marathon route. Visit enablelc.org/mini-marathon for an entry form

### February 7 10am-12.30pm

#### Can-do Carers coffee morning

For parents with a disabled child and/or caring for an adult with special needs. Get inspiration to help sustain your role and move forward in 2017.

Share tips and ideas over a cuppa and some cake.

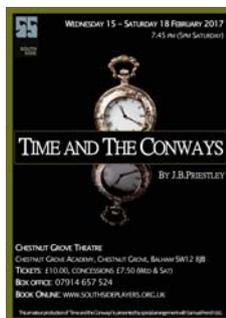
Family Information Service/Disabled Children's Register at York Gardens Library, SW11.  
www.wandsworth.gov/fis

### Wednesday 15 to Saturday 18 February, 7.45pm Wed-Fri, 5pm Sat

#### Time and the Conways

The year is 1919 and Kay Conway celebrates her 21st birthday. With World War One over, she and her family anticipate their futures. All have high expectations of what they will become. Nineteen years later, they are reunited in the family home in very different cir-

cumstances. **Tickets £10, concessions £7.50, (Wednesday and Saturday).** Chestnut Grove Academy Theatre, Chestnut Grove SW12. Box office: 07914 657524 or online at www.southsideplayers.org.uk



### February 17 & 18 7.30pm and matinee 2.30pm Saturday

#### Hadaway Harry

Harry "Hadaway" Clasper, who was from Tyneside, was the Sir Steve Redgrave of his day having led seven teams to win the Championship of the World on the Thames at Putney. **Tickets cost £16** - call 01914 247788. London Rowing Club, Putney SW15. www.hadawayharry.co.uk

### February 17-18 11am and 1.30pm

**Much ado about puffin**  
Funny tale told with pup-

etry and music.

**Tickets £10 adults, £8 children and concs. For children aged 4+.**

BAC Lavender Hill SW11. www.bac.org.uk  
Call 7223 2223.

### Friday February 24 8pm

#### Talk: Henry Maudslay

Speaker David Waller tells how Lambeth-based Henry Maudslay turned London into the silicon valley of the 19th century. Wandsworth Historical Society, Friends Meeting House, 59 Wandsworth High Street, SW18. Non members welcome.  
www.wandsworthhistory.org.uk

### Wednesday March 15 11am

#### New Clapham Common Decorative and Fine Arts Society

An interesting lecture programme is planned for 2017 and new members from SW London are welcomed. Clapham Common DFAS is part of the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies. For joining information, contact 7430 0730 or membership@nadfas.org.uk.

### New classes starts week commencing 16 January

#### Beat It!

Healthy lifestyle & weight management programme for young people between 5-18 years. Programmes are run in Battersea, Tooting, Roehampton. Email amacnaughton@wandsworth.gov.uk or call 8871 8377

### Free Music lessons for local children

SWS School of Music in partnership with the Ernest Cook Foundation is offering 25 local children the chance to learn a musical instrument for free for 12 weeks. For full details, email info@swsmusic.co.uk

# what's on?

## Celebrate Christmas in your town centre



### Get into the festive spirit and kick start your Christmas shopping at these events

#### **Wandsworth Town**

**Saturday 26 November 11am-5.00pm**

Free craft activities and workshops include Sammy the Southsidesaurus, a roaming Father Christmas (from 1pm) and seasonal entertainment on Old York Road, SW18 1TQ and Southside, Garratt Lane.

**2.30pm - Christmas story time and annual Christmas themed quiz** at Wandsworth Library, Garratt Lane.

[www.better.org.uk/newsitems/enter-the-wandsworth-libraries-christmas-quiz](http://www.better.org.uk/newsitems/enter-the-wandsworth-libraries-christmas-quiz)

**3.45pm - Annual Lantern Parade** from West Hill School to Southside.

**4.30pm - Christmas light switch** on outside All Saints Church. This will be followed by a Carol Service, with performances from the National Opera studio, along with mince pies, mulled wine and soft drinks at the church.

Wandsworth Radio will be broadcasting outside Southside all day with a live stage featuring a variety of acts and Christmas market stalls.

#### **Battersea**

**Friday 28 November, 6pm, Sunday 27 November**

Christmas lights switch-on with music from local schools and Santa's Grotto at Hamptons. On Sunday there will be a Christmas market plus children's activities and street food.

Northcote Road, corner of Bennerly Road  
[welovenorthcoteroad.com](http://welovenorthcoteroad.com)

**Tuesday 6 December, 6.30pm**

Community carol singing and light switch on ceremony plus entertainment from the cast of theatre 503's panto and the Mardi Bass Quintet.

Battersea Square  
[batterseasquare.org.uk](http://batterseasquare.org.uk)





**Earlsfield**  
**Thursday 1 December, 3pm-8pm**

Stalls from local businesses, Santa's grotto and entertainment throughout the early afternoon into early evening followed by the lights switch on. Supported by Hamptons.  
 St Andrew's Church, SW18

**Putney**  
**Friday 2 December, 12noon to 8pm, Saturday 3 December, 10am to 5pm, Sunday December 4 11am-4pm**

The Christmas light switch on will be at 6pm on Friday by British Adventure Runner Jamie Ramsey. School choirs, and dance groups will be performing from 4pm. On Saturday there will be a farmers' market. On Friday and Saturday there will be a pop-up ice rink – book tickets on [iceputney.eventbrite.co.uk](http://iceputney.eventbrite.co.uk). On Sunday there is a Christmas art market.  
 St Mary's Church Square, High Street, Putney SW15 1SN

**Balham**  
**Sunday 4 December, 1pm – 4.30pm**

Music and entertainment from 1pm, public carol singing from 4.10pm, light switch on at 4.30pm. Sam the Donkey will be back for the dress up photo booth. Bedford Hill Place (by Sainsbury's car park) and stalls in Hildreth St. SW12 9EY  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/balham](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/balham) or [balham.com](http://balham.com)

**Southfields**  
**Tuesday 6 December 6, 4.30pm-5pm**

Mulled wine and mince pies served by local businesses, and Christmas carols led by Riversdale, Sheringdale and St Michael's primary schools will be followed by the switching on of the lights at 5pm. Supported by the All England Tennis Club.  
 Replingham Road, SW18 5LJ



**Tooting**  
**Wednesday 7 December 4pm-6pm**

Featuring carols sung by the choir of Sellincourt Primary School and a prize giving of the winners of the Christmas card competition. The winner will switch on the Christmas tree lights with the Deputy Mayor of Wandsworth at 4.55pm. This will be followed by mince pies, mulled wine and soft drinks in the parish hall of St.Nicholas Church.  
 Mitcham Road at the corner of Church Lane (outside St.Nicholas Church)

**Wednesday 14 December 4pm-6pm**

Featuring carols sung by the Furzedown School choir. Christmas lights will be switched on by the Mayor of Wandsworth at 4.55pm. This will be followed by mince pies, mulled wine and soft drinks in the parish hall of St. Alban's Church on Pretoria Road, SW16 6RR.  
 Mitcham Lane and Thrale Road (outside Park Food & Wine).

**Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 December**

Antic London, the organisers of Tootopia, bring you Tootsmas, A wide range of gifts, crafts, cards, decorations, cakes, drinks and other items to buy for the Christmas season.  
 Tootsmas Festival at the Graveney & Meadow, 40 Mitcham Road.  
[Tootopia.co.uk](http://Tootopia.co.uk)

**Roehampton**  
**Saturday December 10, 4.30pm-6.30pm**

Winterfest will feature carol singing and a lantern parade to the library green, where there will dance performances and a light show.  
 Library Green, Danebury Avenue



## Doing it online

Using our website helps keep your council tax bills low

### Report a waste problem

wandsworth.gov.uk/waste

### Request a housing repair

wandsworth.gov.uk/housingonline

### Search planning applications

wandsworth.gov.uk/planningregister

### Report a street problem

wandsworth.gov.uk/streetproblem

### 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/parking/permits

### 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

### Enquire about your housing options

wandsworth.gov.uk/housingoptions

## Pay it online

It's now easier to pay online at [wandsworth.gov.uk/payments](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/payments)

### Pay your council tax

wandsworth.gov.uk/paycounciltax

### Pay a parking fine

wandsworth.gov.uk/parking/payment

### Pay your rent

wandsworth.gov.uk/rents

### Pay for a marriage or civil partnership ceremony

wandsworth.gov.uk/ceremonypayment

### Pay your business rates

wandsworth.gov.uk/paybusinessrates

### Pay a waste or littering penalty

wandsworth.gov.uk/waste-enforcement

## Talk to us online

### weekly e-newsletter

[wandsworth.gov.uk/enews](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/enews)



[facebook.com/wandsworth.council](https://facebook.com/wandsworth.council)



[twitter.com/wandbc](https://twitter.com/wandbc)

## My Account

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

[wandsworth.gov.uk/myaccount](https://www.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

### Benefits Service

(020) 8871 8080

### Births, Deaths, Marriages and Voting Hotline

(020) 8871 6120

### Council Tax

(020) 8871 8081

### Early Years and Childcare

(020) 8871 6348

### Environmental Services Hotline

- including noise, pest control, private housing and licensing  
(020) 8871 6127

### Family Information Service

(020) 8871 7899

### Housing Management and Repairs

Call your area team or management organisation

### Parking and Streets Hotline - including concessionary travel and highway licensing

(020) 8871 8871

### Planning and Building Control

(020) 8871 7620

### Rent Collection Service

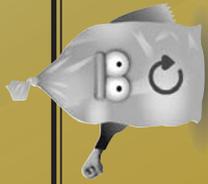
(020) 8871 8987

### Rubbish, Recycling and Litter

(020) 8871 8558

### Schools and Admissions

(020) 8871 7316



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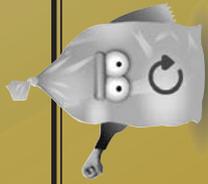
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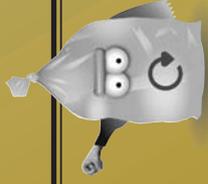
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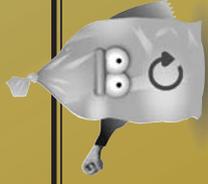
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# YOUR CHANCE TO WIN

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# Golden Ticket Recycling Prize Draw



To enter the **£500 Golden Ticket** prize draw, just cut out a Golden Ticket from the back of this page, fill it in and pop it in your clear sack or orange-lidded recycling bank along with the clean and dry items listed opposite.

You can submit a Golden Ticket each time you fill a clear sack or use your recycling bank. But remember, only tickets found with the correct recycling items at the recycling plant will be entered into a draw.

The winner will also be invited to nominate a local community group\* to receive a £2,500 cash prize.

If you run out of Golden Tickets you can collect more from your local library or leisure centre, the council's Customer Centre at the Town Hall, or from Housing and Community Services reception in Putney Bridge Road. Or visit [www.wrwa.gov.uk/goldenticket](http://www.wrwa.gov.uk/goldenticket) to print your own.

The first draw takes place on **16 December 2016**  
with a second draw on **24 March 2017**.

**Good Luck!**



\*Community groups must meet the competition criteria and register in advance, making a commitment to encourage recycling.



For more details visit  
[www.wrwa.gov.uk/goldenticket](http://www.wrwa.gov.uk/goldenticket)

