

Brightside

July 2026

The magazine of Wandsworth Council

The council's financial crisis

- 40% government cut to our funding
- £137 million budget gap
- How we'll protect critical services

A message from the new Leader of the Council



It's an honour to have been given the opportunity to serve Wandsworth residents as your new Council Leader.

Being honest and upfront is important to me. Wandsworth Council faces very serious financial challenges. This is as a result of central government cuts of 40% to our core funding and a £137m budget gap inherited from the previous council administration - the largest in the council's history.

Clear leadership and financial responsibility are going to be very important to the borough's future. We face having to make some very difficult decisions.

This will require clear leadership and a bold, creative approach to modernising the essential council services residents rely on.

The new administration is committed to protecting the core neighbourhood services we all value, including weekly bin collections, frequent street cleaning and the swift removal of fly-tips and graffiti. We have also promised to fund more dedicated police officers patrolling Wandsworth's streets.

One of our first jobs will be to find out exactly what your money is being spent on, and where we can

make savings. I've initiated an immediate and urgent spending review across the council and a pause to most new recruitment. The results of the spending review will be announced on 22 July.

We'll also be taking a detailed look at how we can operate in a more open, transparent and effective way so that you can see what we are doing, why, and what it will cost council tax payers.

The new administration will set out our plans in detail later this month and will immediately start delivering them. We'll provide an update in the next Brightside on how we are doing.

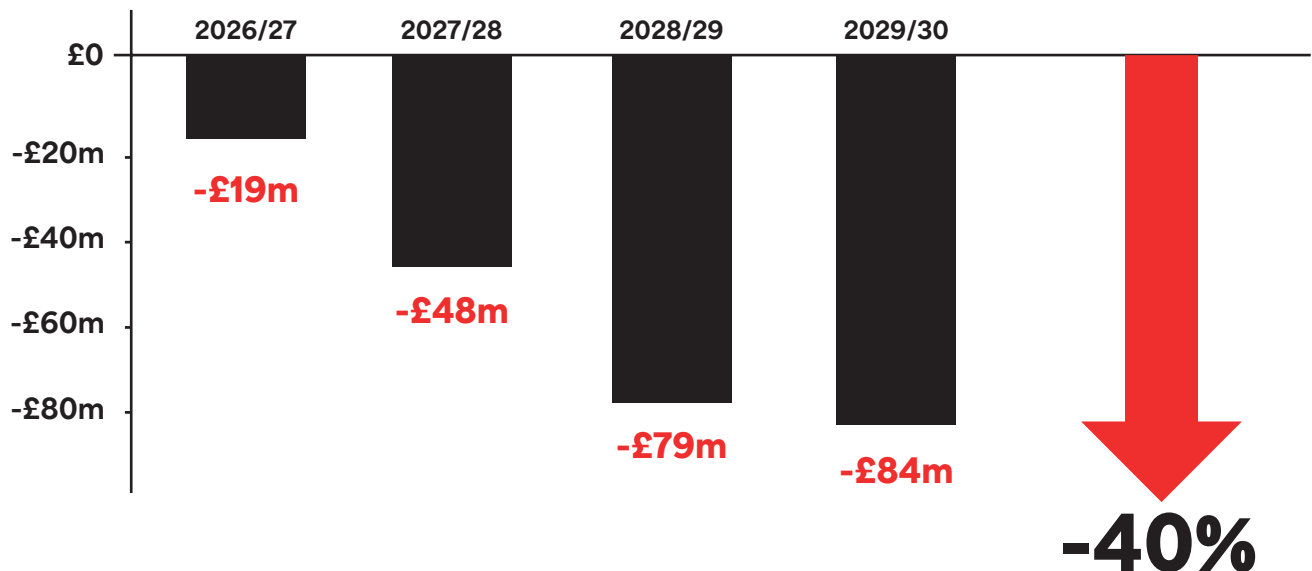
Thank you again for taking the time to make your votes count. You have put your confidence in us.

We won't let you down.



Cllr Aled Richards-Jones
Leader of the Council

The Financial Crisis



Source: Wandsworth Council Budget, February 2026

Government funding cuts

Wandsworth has been hit hard by national government cuts to its funding. Alongside Council Tax, we rely on this funding to deliver essential local services.

In December the government confirmed we'll receive £84 million a year less cash by 2030 and be given no extra funding to cover inflation or increasing demand for statutory services.

The grant loss has already started, with Wandsworth receiving £19 million less in 2026/27 than it did the year before. This loss is set to rise significantly each year.

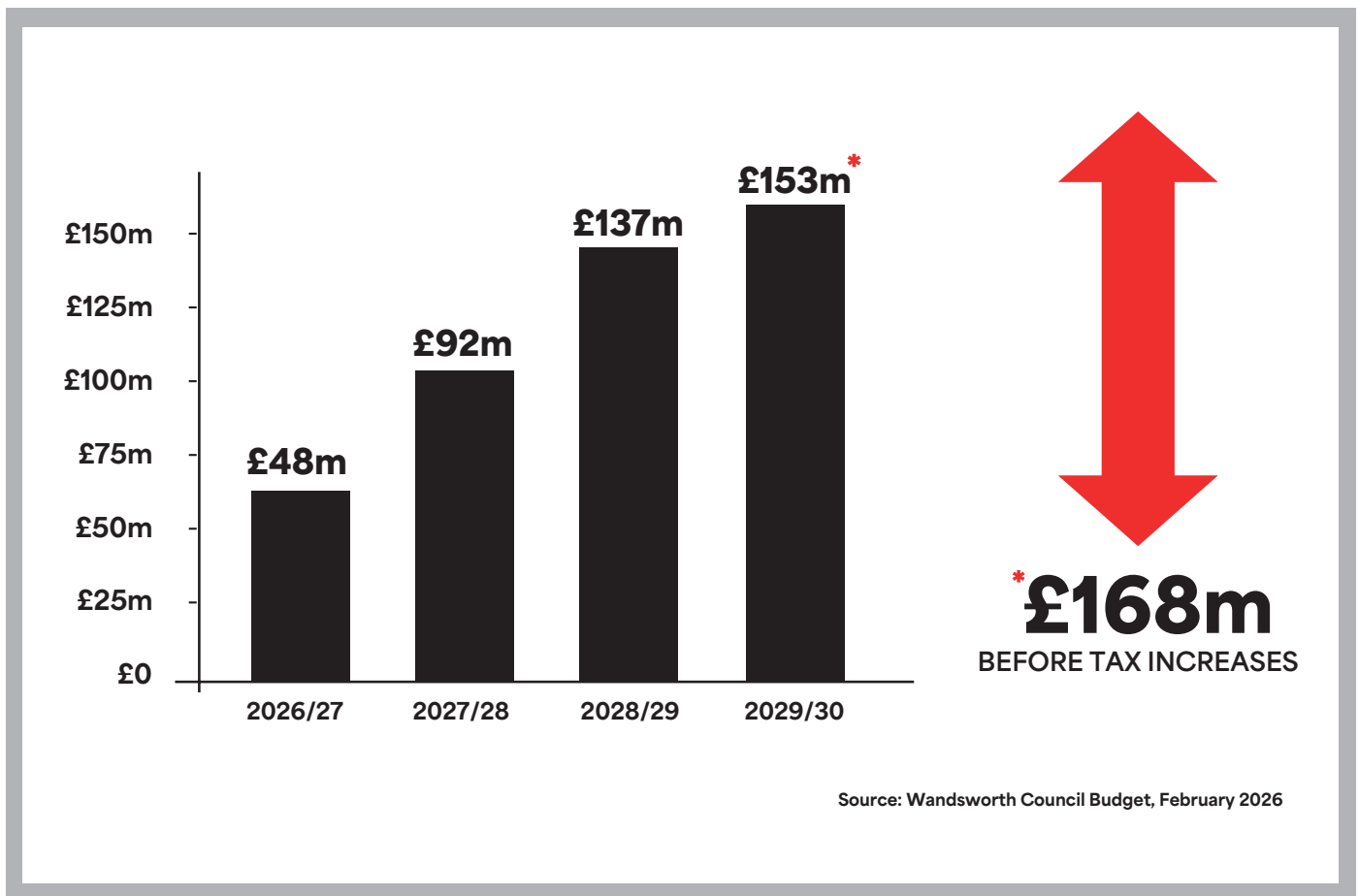
"If we do nothing, Wandsworth's share of Council Tax would have to increase by 230%. Our Spending Review will reduce that gap.

We'll still have a big challenge in front of us to address the financial crisis we've inherited, but we will be honest with you about the tough decisions ahead."



Cllr Peter Graham, Cabinet Member for Finance

The Financial Crisis

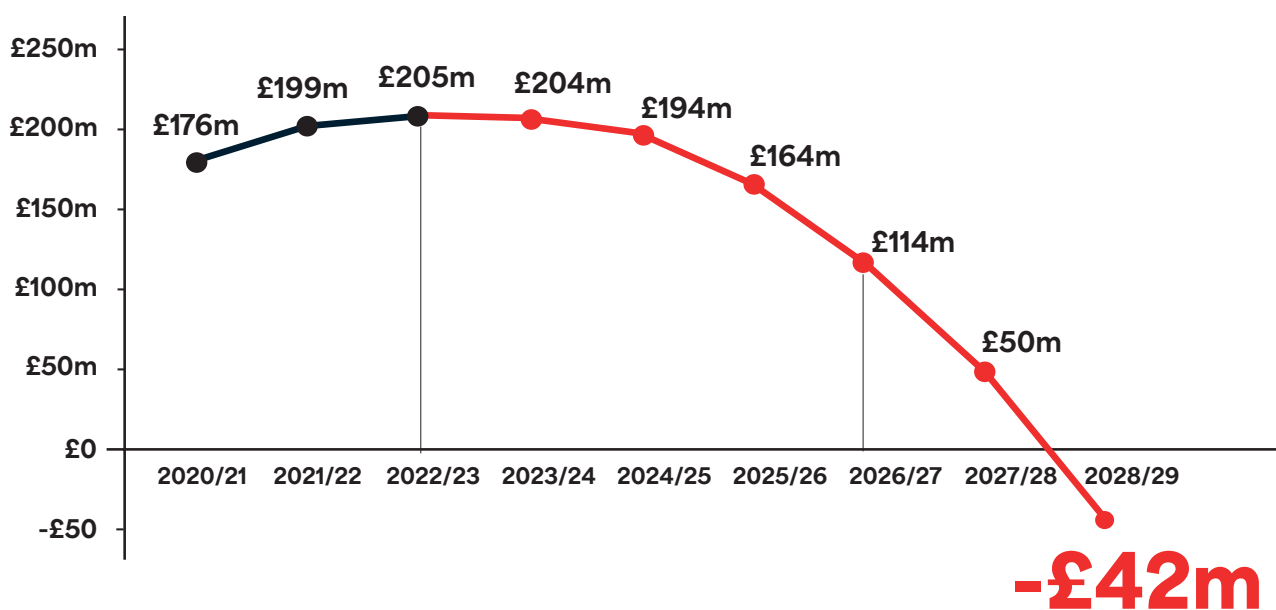


Budget gap

In March the council set budgets which require the use of £48 million of reserves to balance the current year's budget.

If no action is taken the budget gap would increase to £137 million in 2028/29 and continue to rise each year beyond that.

This is the largest forecast deficit in Wandsworth's history.



Source: Wandsworth Council Budget, February 2026

Reserves

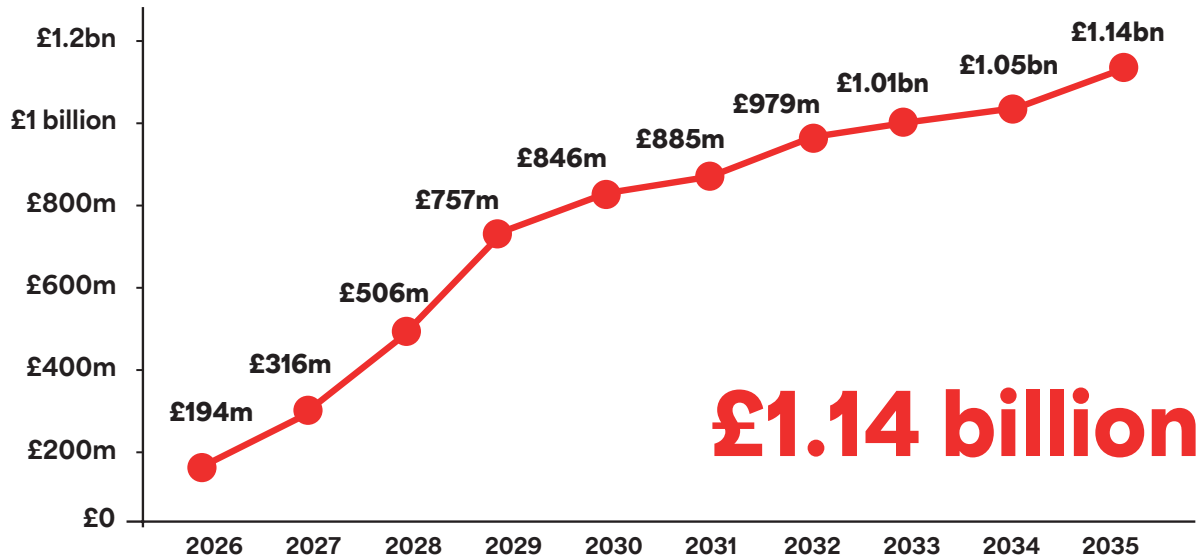
Built up over a number of years, the council has a long tradition of maintaining strong reserve balances which have provided financial security and flexibility to support the services we deliver.

They act as a financial safety net, helping the council manage emergencies, absorb budget pressures and support investment in services.

But reserves are now being used to fund day to day spending at a significant - and increasing - rate, with £50 million needed in 2026/27 alone.

This is unsustainable and, if no action is taken, the council is projected to have no reserves left by 2028 as they would have been used in full to close the budget gap each year.

The Financial Crisis



Source: Wandsworth Council Budget, February 2026

Debt levels

Borrowing is used to fund longer term investment in the council's assets and infrastructure.

In addition to the budget gap, current projections show the council's borrowing increasing to £1.14 billion by 2035.

The new administration believes this level of debt plus the interest charged on it is too high, putting too big a financial burden on the council and, ultimately, future generations of taxpayers.

What next

This is the largest forecast deficit in Wandsworth's history caused by a 40% cut in government funding and no extra funding to cover additional demands on statutory services or inflation.

In recognition of this, the government has given Wandsworth the power to increase Council Tax by whatever is needed to balance the budget. If we choose to do nothing this would need to be 230% by 2030.

The new administration is therefore taking urgent action to address the significant budget gap and reduce the debt burden through a comprehensive

spending review. All spending and borrowing plans are being reviewed in detail to find savings and efficiencies whilst protecting the core neighbourhood services that residents rely on and value.

Initial findings of the spending review will be presented to the first council meeting to be held under the new administration.

This meeting will be held in the Council Chamber at Wandsworth Town Hall on Wednesday 22 July at 7:30pm. The meeting is open to the public and will be broadcast on the council's website. More details can be found here [wandsworth.gov.uk/financialcrisis](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/financialcrisis)





Cutting crime and putting more police on Wandsworth's streets

The new administration will be cracking down on crime and anti-social behaviour with a response that's visible, consistent and effective.

The council is under enormous financial pressure, so will work closely with the police and neighbourhood partners to tackle neighbourhood crime, nuisance and repeat offending, while at the same time strengthening the council's wider enforcement response, including the effective use of our extensive CCTV network.

And a priority will be negotiating a deal with the Metropolitan Police which will see more officers patrolling our streets.

We'll make sure these officers are dedicated to Wandsworth only and can't be sent to other boroughs while they are on duty.

Cabinet Member for Enforcement Caroline de la Soujeole said:

"We'll help residents and businesses feel safer, supported and proud of their neighbourhoods."



Getting the basics right

“As Cabinet Member for Environment, I’m looking forward to making sure you get first-rate services so that we live in a clean, green borough that we can all be proud of. We’ll:

- Guarantee to maintain weekly bin collections and fix any problems so your waste and recycling is picked up properly and on time
- Make sure town centre streets get regular thorough cleaning
- Use tougher, intelligence-led approaches to tackling fly tipping and graffiti, handing out fines to deter others
- Ensure the highest standards when it comes to maintaining our parks and commons”



Cllr Ethan Brooks, Cabinet Member for Environment

Turning scraps into success

More food waste than ever before is now being recycled across Wandsworth, with more than 7,000 tonnes to date, the equivalent of around 580 London buses.

Food waste collected in Wandsworth is processed into energy to power homes and support agriculture, so if you can't avoid wasting food, make sure you recycle it to help protect the environment.

More Wandsworth households than ever are taking part and food waste recycling is now available to all council managed buildings and properties with ground level access, but there's still work to do.

We are continuing to roll out free food waste recycling to privately managed flats and mansion blocks across the borough, and we're asking managing agents, landlords and residents to help us expand the service.

If you live in or manage a privately run block that doesn't currently have food waste collections, we want to hear from you.

Scan to find out more



istock.com/serikid



Delivering more homes for local people

A new focus on housing will see better property management for council tenants and leaseholders, and more houses being built to meet the borough's needs.

The council will accelerate the delivery of new homes as part of its crucial work to regenerate our borough and create the homes local people need.

On the borough's housing estates, the priority will be to restore service levels for tenants and leaseholders, including cracking down on graffiti and anti-social behaviour so that estates feel clean and safe. Damp and mould in people's homes will be dealt with as soon as possible. Housing associations will also be held to account where standards have slipped.

Cllr Matthew Corner, Cabinet Member for Housing, said:

"Everyone deserves a decent and safe place to live. We'll work with housebuilders to get more homes built and we'll make sure we hold housing associations to account for falling standards.

"We believe low-level anti-social behaviour like graffiti drags neighbourhoods down, so we'll crack down hard. Serious anti-social behaviour will lead to eviction. We want to know what you think of housing in this borough. We promise we will listen and take action."





Keeping Wandsworth moving

This summer Wandsworth Council will be handing out more penalties to drivers of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) who ignore signs that restrict them using residential streets.

In a new crackdown on lorries using weight-restricted roads, the council is focusing on areas where residents have raised concerns and there is evidence of non-compliance, including streets in Southfields, Putney, Earlsfield, Battersea and Tooting.

Councillor Hamilton, Cabinet Member for Transport, said: **“Weight restriction road signs are there for a purpose - to protect residents and road surfaces from vehicles that are too big and heavy for them.**

“Residents are rightly concerned about HGVs damaging parked cars and putting pressure on smaller roads which leads to damage and potholes.

“So we’re stepping up our CCTV monitoring and issuing fines to more drivers who break the rules and put people and roads at risk.”

The council issued 28 penalty fines in May 2026 and drivers are warned that this number will increase as the council accelerates monitoring and enforcement action.

Residents can contact the council if they are concerned about the impact of larger lorries or heavy vehicles using local streets.

Email **DTSParking@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk**



Albert Bridge update

Kensington & Chelsea Council have started works on Albert Bridge - Wandsworth residents living nearby or passing the area may see and hear construction works.

They are planning to reopen the bridge to vehicle traffic in 2027 - read the latest repair news on Kensington & Chelsea's website rbkc.gov.uk/albertbridge

Hammersmith Bridge update

Hammersmith Bridge seems likely to remain closed to traffic for years to come, with an announcement from Hammersmith and Fulham Council that the reopening will be phased and available funding will be spent on the immediate aim of keeping the bridge open to pedestrians, cyclists and river traffic.

Wandsworth Council's Cabinet Member for Transport Cllr Dan Hamilton said: **"Instead of moving us closer to reopening, it locks in years more of congestion across south-west London.**

"We urge Hammersmith & Fulham to work with the Government to get traffic moving across the bridge again. Wandsworth will continue to champion its full reopening to vehicles."



Albert Bridge

Wandsworth Town Station

Network Rail is continuing improvement works over the summer at Wandsworth Town Station, where lifts are being installed to all four platforms and a second entrance will be opened at Odyssey Way, making the station fully step-free by summer 2027.

The station will remain open throughout construction, although there are some changes to train services and platforms so passengers are reminded to leave plenty of time for their journeys and connections.



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Whether you have a little time or a lot, you can make life-changing impact on a child.

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Children from across Wandsworth schools have celebrated the successful completion of the 12-week Ready, Set, Run programme at King George's Park.

Delivered in partnership with Active Kids & Minds and Places Leisure, the school-based programme gave children across the borough the opportunity to take part in regular running and physical activity sessions designed to improve fitness, wellbeing and confidence.

Outstanding services for children

Wandsworth Council has achieved Ofsted's highest possible rating for children's services, with the borough judged "outstanding" in every area.

Inspectors found that leadership across children's services is highly effective and Wandsworth children get consistently high-quality support and brighter futures. They said children receive the right help at the right time, preventing needs from escalating and that there is a clear focus on listening to children and families.

Cabinet Member for Children George Crivelli said: "This judgement reflects the dedication, skill and compassion of our staff and partners, who work tirelessly to support children and families across Wandsworth.



"I'm incredibly proud that Ofsted has recognised the strength of our practice and the difference our teams make every day.

"We are committed to building on these strong foundations and ensuring every child and family continues to receive the high-quality support, care and opportunity they deserve."



Northcote Road summer scheme returns

Northcote Road is again closed to traffic during summer weekends to enable al fresco dining and boost local businesses.

The scheme was originally introduced during the pandemic to help get restaurants and bars back on their feet.

Now it's being brought back because it's popular with residents and to continue to support local hospitality businesses, who can put tables and chairs on the public highway.

The road will be closed to traffic throughout July and August.

July 11-12	August 8-9
July 18-19	August 15-16
July 25-26	August 23-24
August 1-2	August 29-30





Cabinet Member for Opportunity Tom Pridham said: “Northcote Road is the vibrant heart of the community - a welcoming, family-friendly hub of independent businesses and a place where people come together to relax, connect, and spend time together.

“We are delighted to bring back the weekend pedestrianisation over the summer, supporting local businesses while once again transforming Clapham Junction town centre into a destination for both residents and visitors.”





New Mayors start work

The new Mayor of Wandsworth has chosen to support charities helping young people, families and people with mental health issues during her Mayoral year.

Cllr Emmeline Owens will raise money for: **Wandsworth Home Start**, which provides support for parents

Sound Minds, a charity that offers art and creative activities to support people with mental health issues

Battersea Crime Prevention Panel which works with young people to stop them getting involved in crime

Cllr Owens said: **"I am passionate about celebrating the quiet services that sustain communities across Wandsworth, especially support for children and young people. These charities all do wonderful work in our borough and I'm proud to have the opportunity to support them."**

Find out more at wandsworth.gov.uk/mayor

Young people in Wandsworth have elected Abigail Akindeko as Youth Mayor for 2026/27.

16-year-old Abigail: said **"I've seen first-hand the culture, diversity and community that make Wandsworth so special. Young people across the borough have important ideas, experiences and ambitions, and I want to help make sure they are reflected in the decisions that affect their future."**

Councillor George Crivelli, Cabinet Member for Children, praised the commitment and ambition shown by the borough's young leaders:

"We look forward to working closely with them to ensure young people's voices continue to shape decisions across the borough."

Find out about the work of the Wandsworth Youth Council on Instagram at **@wbcyouthcouncil**





Wandsworth Civic Awards

The Wandsworth Civic Awards are back for 2026

The awards shine a light on the people who make Wandsworth a better place.

From quiet acts of kindness to extraordinary achievements, the Wandsworth Civic Awards recognise individuals who have made a real and lasting difference in their communities.



This year's awards will once again honour outstanding members of our community across six categories:

- Community Champion
- Environmental Hero
- Bravery Award
- Charity Champion
- Cultural Champion
- Young Person of the Year

Mayor of Wandsworth Cllr Emmeline Owens said:

"These awards are about celebrating the people who embody the very best of our borough. Time and again, residents step up to support others, strengthen communities and create positive change."

"The Civic Awards give us the opportunity to say thank you and highlight the incredible impact individuals can have."

Nominations close on 27 July 2026, with winners due to be honoured at a special ceremony in November.

Find out more and nominate at civicawards.wandsworth.gov.uk



Your new look council

Your Councillors by Ward

Balham



Lynsey Hedges
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Health



Jonathan Iliff
Conservative



Jo Rigby
Labour

Battersea Park



Victoria Asante
Labour



Tony Belton
Labour



Claire Davies
Conservative

East Putney



George Crivelli
Conservative



Jasmin Glynne
Labour



Ravi Govindia
Conservative

Falconbrook



Simon Hogg
Labour
Leader of the
Opposition



Kate Stock
Labour

Furzedown



Leonie Cooper
Labour



Samantha Lewis
Labour



Judi Gasser
Labour

Lavender



Daniel Hamilton
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Transport



Tom Pridham
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Opportunity

Nine Elms



Matthew Corner
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Housing



Will Sweet
Conservative

Northcote



James Craig
Conservative



Aled Richards-Jones
Conservative
Leader of the
Council

Roehampton



Graeme Henderson
Labour



Matthew Tiller
Labour



Jenny Yates
Labour

Shaftesbury & Queenstown



Sara Apps
Labour



Aydin Dikerdem
Labour



Stephen Worrall
Labour

South Balham



Toby Hopkins
Labour



Elizabeth Simos
Labour

Southfields



Guy Humphries,
Conservative



Emmeline Owens
Conservative
The Mayor

St Mary's



Caroline de La Soujeole
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Enforcement



Charlie Fisher
Conservative



Zarah Wiles
Conservative

Thamesfield



Ethan Brooks
Conservative
Cabinet
Member for
Environment



Robert Morritt
Conservative



Salvatore Murtas
Conservative

Tooting Bec



Sheila Boswell
Labour



Annamarie Critchard
Labour



Paul White
Labour

Tooting Broadway



Kemi Akinola,
Labour
Deputy
Leader of the
Opposition



Sean Lawless
Labour



Rex Osborn
Labour

Trinity



Kirsten Botting
Conservative
The Deputy
Mayor



Lizzy Dobres
Labour
Deputy
Leader of the
Opposition

Wandle



Chris Baron
Conservative



Denise Paul
Labour

Wandsworth Common



Mrs Angela Graham
Conservative



Peter Graham
Conservative
Deputy
Leader of
the Council
and Cabinet
Member for
Finance



Tom Mytton
Conservative

Wandsworth Town



Michelle Cook
Labour



Sarah Davies
Labour



Noel Dube
Conservative

West Hill



Daniel Ghossain
Conservative



Malcolm Grimston
Independent



Angela Ireland
Labour

West Putney



Shakeel Ahmad
Conservative



Nick Austin
Conservative



Mrs Melanie Hampton
Conservative

Find out more about your local
councillors and how to contact them
at [wandsworth.gov.uk/councillors](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/councillors)



Protecting nature

Our new five-year plan will protect nature and help local people enjoy it.

The Biodiversity Action Plan is already having an impact. Heavy horses are used to manage grasslands across our green spaces in a traditional way. The horses gently disturb the ground, and volunteers sow native wildflower seed mixes to establish meadows that provide food and habitat for a wide range of wildlife.

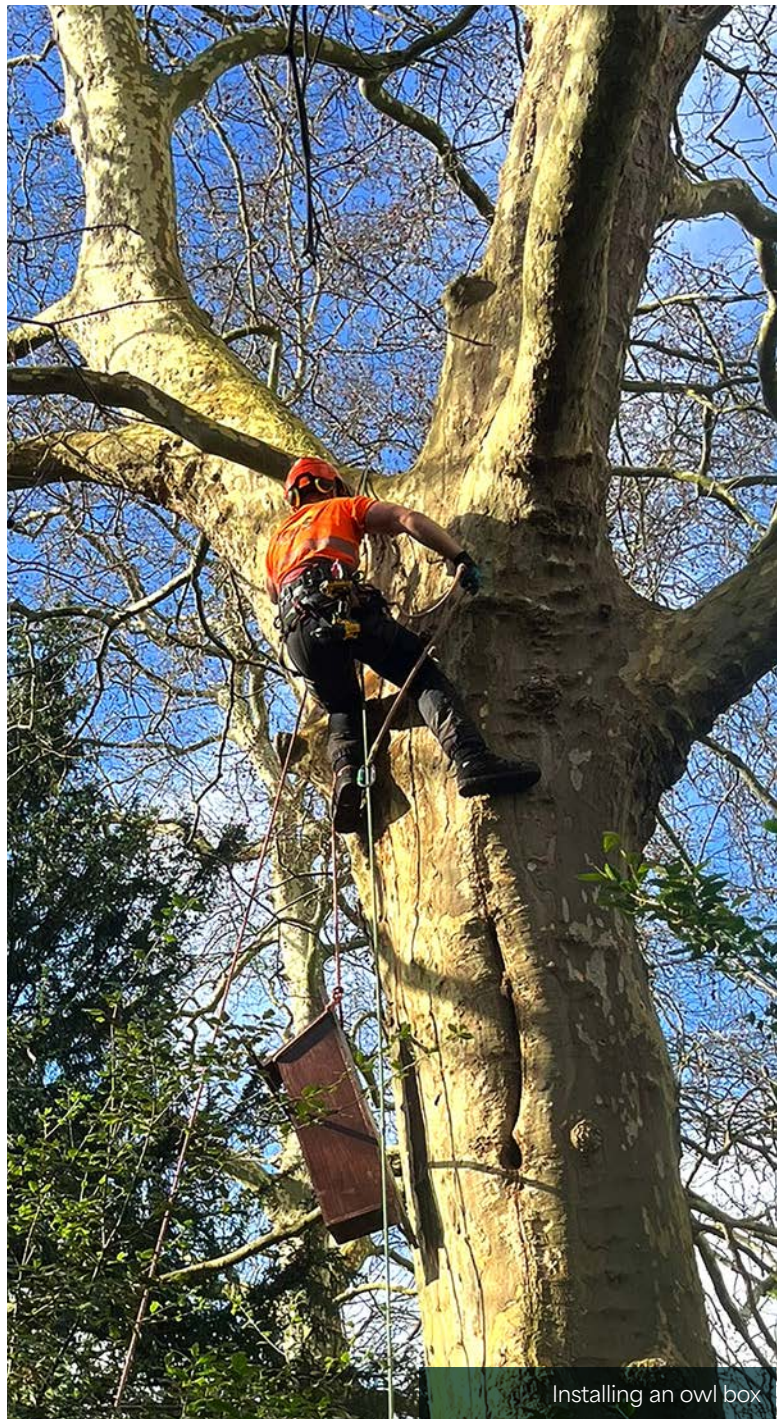
Overgrown reeds in ponds on our commons took away an important habitat, so we sensitively removed and cut in key patches without disturbing any nesting birds.

We're also using the planning process to deliver features such as bat boxes, bee bricks, swift boxes and stag beetle loggeries.

Our partnership with the University of Roehampton has seen bat species surveys involving staff and students and we're working with the Wandle and Beverley Brook catchment partnerships to explore how we can improve our rivers.

How you can get involved

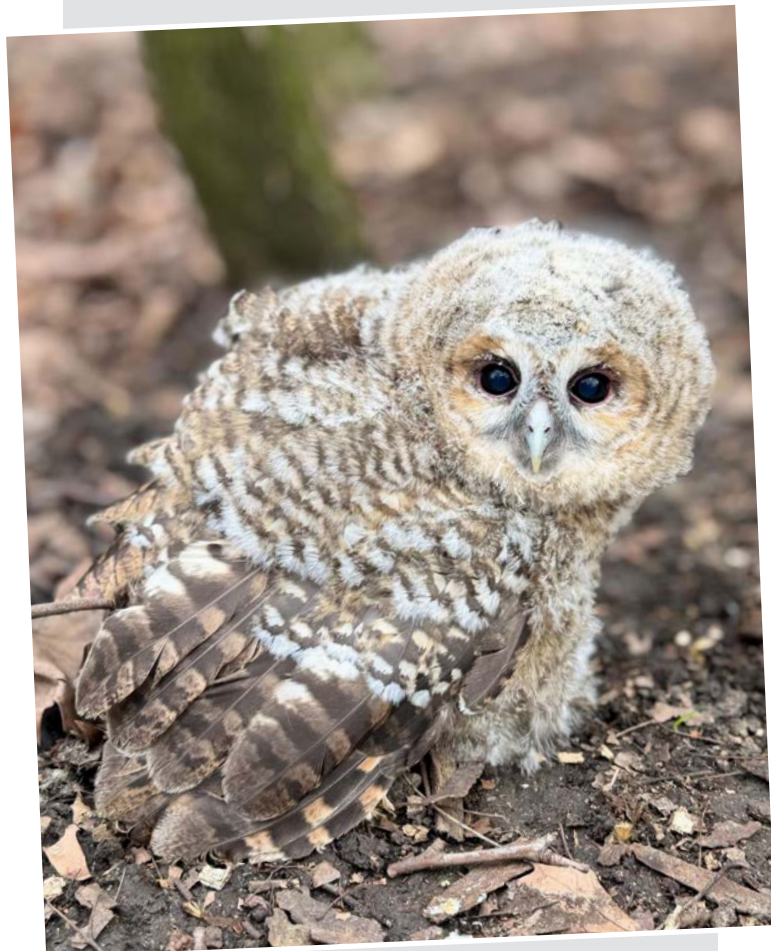
We'll be providing lots more opportunities for volunteering and citizen science, and will offer a chance to develop your skills. Keep an eye on our website and in Brightside for updates. [wandsworth.gov.uk/biodiversity](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/biodiversity)



Installing an owl box



Shire horses help manage wildflower meadows.



Tawny owls have been spotted breeding in Battersea Park, with three chicks hatched earlier this year.

Feeding on rodents, frogs and small birds, the tawny owls are benefitting from the 200 acres of varied habitats at Battersea Park, which include a local nature reserve, a large lake, and grassland areas.

The owls in Battersea Park are some of the only recorded tawny owls in central London, with nature observation app iNaturalist also sharing sightings in Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens.

Wandsworth's ecology team has been supporting the birds by installing owl boxes. Owen Dodgson, Wandsworth Council's ecology policy and planning manager, explains:

"Tawny owls are territorial species so it's important we spread boxes out across Battersea Park's woodlands, given its size.

"Offspring remain dependant on their parents for food for up to three months, before finding their own territory in the park or further greenspaces."

Visit the council's You Tube channel to see a video of the owls.



TYPE 2 DIABETES KNOW YOUR RISK

Finding your risk of Type 2 diabetes only takes a few minutes. It could be the most important thing you do today...

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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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Use what you can, recycle the rest.
It's weekly, it's easy and thousands
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Join in and keep food out of the rubbish bin.

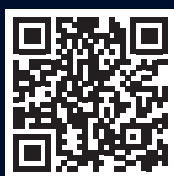
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HEALTH CHECK at a local pharmacy

Aged 40-74? A quick and free NHS Health Check can help reduce your risk of common, serious illnesses like stroke, dementia and diabetes.



NHS Health Checks are now available at MORE pharmacies across the borough, in addition to GP surgeries. Find out if you're eligible and where you can get an NHS Health Check in your area.

**NHS
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heart disease
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stroke & dementia





CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF FREE TENNIS COACHING IN WANDSWORTH SCHOOLS

The Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative visits around 30 state primary schools in Wandsworth each year helping children discover tennis and the benefits sport brings. Since 2001, the WJTI has introduced nearly 300,000 children to the game.

Find out more at: foundation.wimbledon.com

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Telecare changes

Telephone lines across the UK are being upgraded to digital lines, which means if you or someone you know has a telecare line, they are being upgraded too.

Telecare means sensors are fitted in your home that will be triggered and alert someone when you get into trouble, such as having a fall or seizure, or if gas, heat or smoke is detected.

Wandsworth Council and your telecommunications provider will reach out to arrange a convenient time to visit to upgrade your telecare alarm and telephone line. The council installer and the telecommunications engineer may visit you on different days.

The alarm upgrades will be going on until the end of December 2026 - we will send a letter with more information to help you know what to expect and when. Until then, please keep using and testing your pendant at least once a month as normal. If you have any problems or questions email DigitalSwitchover@wandsworth.gov.uk.

Home-Start Wandsworth is looking for more volunteers.

You would work 2-4 hours a week alongside families to help parents regain confidence, connect with other support services, and engage with the wider community to reduce isolation.

All Home-Start volunteers receive full training and ongoing support from a dedicated staff team. Find out more at homestartwandsworth.org.uk/volunteer



Community Angels Wandsworth is a community led team that has been fundraising for local causes for two years. Their most recent mission was donating 12 fridges to the Ruth Miles ward at St George's Hospital. This ward treats patients with Aplastic Anemia, who are required to isolate and stay in hospital for a short time.

The fridges meant patients could have access to fresh snacks and drinks and didn't have the extra worry of having to keep purchasing items throughout their treatment. Find out more about their work and how to get involved by searching Community Angels Wandsworth on Facebook.



WHAT'S ON?

Roehampton Community Weeks

3-16 August

Free family fun including library events, arts and crafts, yoga, wellness, open days at the Roehampton Community Shed, a talent contest, a football tournament, a community fun day, a children's fun day, a community picnic and much more.

For details email info@ourroehampton.org

Battersea Society Summer Party

July 16

Held in the grounds of St Mary's Church, this annual party is a chance to enjoy food, wine, music and good company. Tickets are £15, which includes the first drink and canapes.

batterseasociety.org.uk

Jazz in the Gardens

July 17

Julian Joseph's 60th Birthday Concert

World Heart Beat, Embassy Gardens

worldheartbeat.org

Disco Dance Club

July 18-December 19

Monthly dance club for over-40s.

Devas Club, Battersea

Discodanceclub.co.uk

Wax Pendant Carving Workshop

July 20

Explore the art of wax carving. Materials and tools are provided

[Sprout Community Arts, Tooting](#)

[Search Wax Pendant Carving Workshop on Eventbrite](#)



The Art of Mini Golf

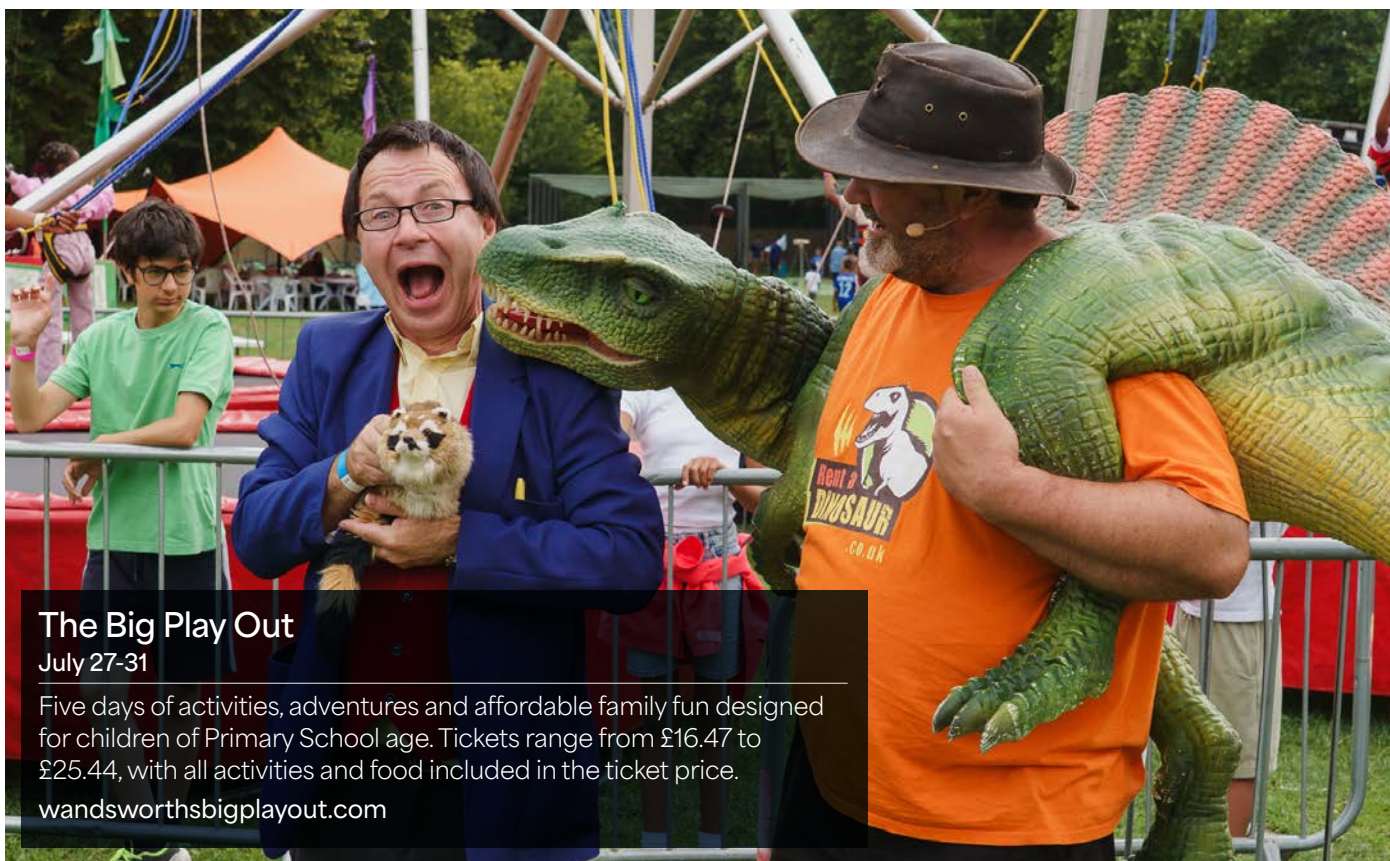
Until July 26

Play your way through nine adventurous mini golf holes, each designed by a leading woman artist, exploring the game's subversive history.

Battersea Arts Centre

BAC.org.uk





The Big Play Out

July 27-31

Five days of activities, adventures and affordable family fun designed for children of Primary School age. Tickets range from £16.47 to £25.44, with all activities and food included in the ticket price.

wandsworthbigplayout.com

Treasure Island

July 30-August 16

A new theatrical adaption of the classic novel. Suitable for children aged 4-13.

Arches Lane Theatre, Battersea Power Station
archeslanetheatre.com

Free Messy Play and Crafting

July 31, 3.30pm

Suitable for children up to age 6, and SEND children up to 8. Booking is essential.

Focus Hall, Minstead Gardens, Roehampton
Email Omcintosh@hotmail.co.uk

Childminder Briefing Sessions

August 12, 10am to noon

Find out if being a childminder is for you in this free, no-strings session. Not need to book – just turn up.

Call (020) 8871 6223/5337 for more information

Autism Group Community Café

Second Sunday of every month, 1pm-3pm

Everyone is welcome, including adults, children, families and carers. Chat to others, get advice or just relax. Just drop in.

Tooting Grove Community Clubhouse,
Effort Street, SW17 0AR

Art Summer School

Courses for young people, adults and families including drawing, painting, photography, printmaking and pottery. Putney School of Art and Design | Psad.org.uk



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Battersea Park in Concert - August 28-31

A bank holiday weekend of outdoor concerts including Pop Symphonic, Movies and Musicals, Ronnie Scott's Jazz Orchestra and Sounds of South Africa.

batterseaparkinconcert.com



Tooting Bec Lido

The UK's largest freshwater pool is open every day until September 30.

Find out more at placesleisure.org/centres/tooting-bee-lido

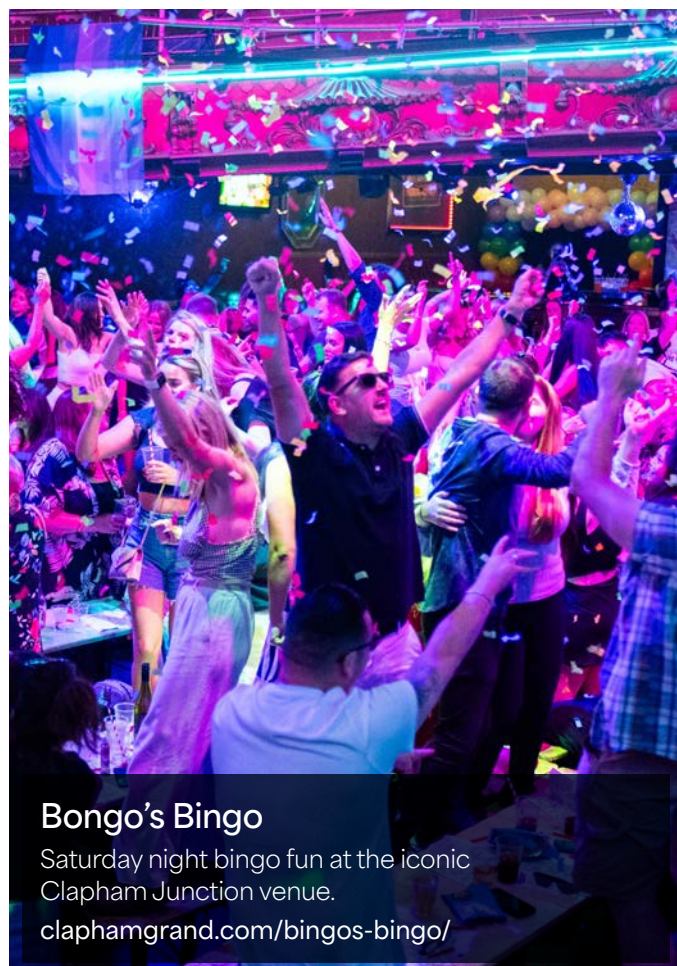


EMOM Roehampton (Electronic Music Open Mic)

Part of a growing underground movement of electronic music open mic events, the Alton group provides a welcoming space for musicians to share their work in a live setting.

The focus is on ambient, experimental, and more relaxed, immersive styles of electronic music. New artists who wish to take part are always welcome.

Alton Arts Hub, Alton Estate.
[youtube.com/@voicesofemom](https://www.youtube.com/@voicesofemom)



Bongo's Bingo

Saturday night bingo fun at the iconic Clapham Junction venue.

claphamgrand.com/bingos-bingo/



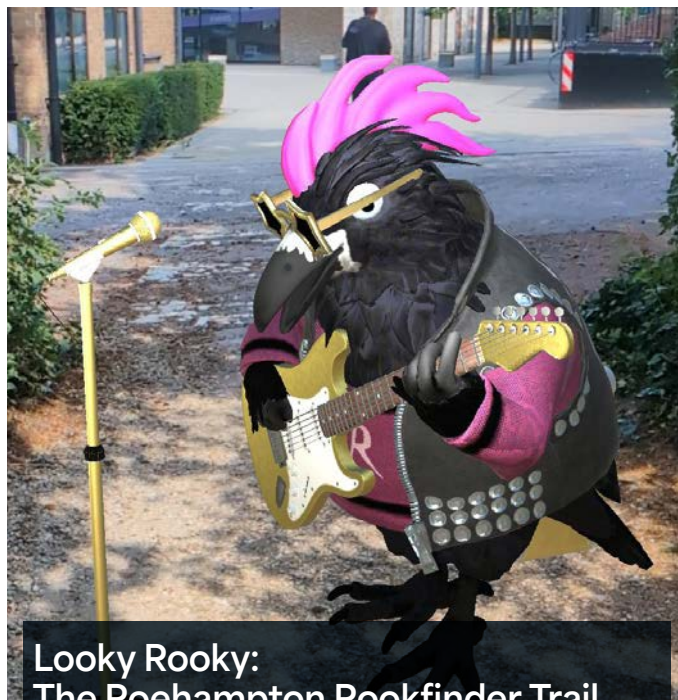
A Taste of Planet Tooting

Various dates

Take a unique walking tour through one of London's most culturally rich neighbourhoods and visit local food businesses and community spaces.

Tasters, snacks and drinks will be provided along the way.

Search Planet Tooting on Eventbrite



Looky Rooky: The Roehampton Rookfinder Trail

An augmented reality walking trail for families and young people to get out, exercise and learn about the Roehampton area.

There are five trails to complete and all you need is a smartphone with internet.

Download the letsARgo app on Android or iPhone.

For more information visit wandsworth.gov.uk/roehampton-walking-trails

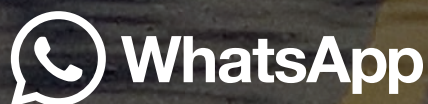
BATTERSEA COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 2026

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DATE: SAT 5TH SEPT | **LOCATION:** SHILLINGTON PARK | **TIME:** 12-6PM



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Wandsworth cut by 40%



The Financial Crisis

