

Bedford

Winter 2018



Ravi Govindia Council Leader

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can still submit your questions to the council via the website
www.wandsworth.gov.uk/letstalk.

Contact your local councillor:

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Balham Seventh Day Adventist Church

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**Tuesday, January 23
from 7.30pm**

**The council wants to know what you think
about life in Bedford ward.**

Whether it's services like recycling, street cleaning, parking, education and housing where the council has a direct responsibility - or other areas like policing, public transport and the NHS - we want to make sure that we understand your priorities for your community.

The meeting will be chaired by council leader Ravi Govindia. Your three ward councillors Dr Rosena Allin-Khan, Fleur Anderson and Antonia Dunn will all be present along with leader of the opposition, Simon Hogg and senior managers from the main council services.



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Your ward councillor report

Tooting Bec Lodge The unsightly hoardings around this listed building on Tooting Bec Road should soon be gone. Following renewed pressure from the planning enforcement team the owner has promised to complete repairs before the end of the year, restoring this architectural gem to public view. Credit goes to the Custodians of Tooting Bec Lodge for leading community efforts to safeguard the building.

Balham Bridge petition Following complaints about pigeon droppings, Network Rail is being pressed to repair the broken netting under Balham railway bridge. The company is responsible for tackling this problem and we will continue to keep up the pressure until they do.

Air pollution and 20mph Air pollution and road safety is a local concern, especially along Balham High Road and Bedford Hill, and in some busy side streets too. To enforce the borough's new 20mph speed limit, councillors have joined traffic police in speed watch sessions with all speeding drivers being sent warning letters. Further events will be happening in January and February.

Tooting Common There are plenty of changes happening on Tooting Common at the moment. These include the cutting down and replanting of Chestnut Avenue, renovation of the café and tennis courts and plans for new football pitches

and changing rooms at the Triangle. Please come to the meeting and tell us what you think and any other ideas to make our common even better.

Local developments Your local councillors regularly raise planning concerns and we were pleased that a redevelopment scheme near Ravenstone School was recently rejected. Next up is the 'Balham Boulevard' which proposes changes to the High Road near Balham station. Come to the meeting to find out more.

Crime and anti-social behaviour We work closely with the local police team and raise your concerns about crime and also the slow response from the Met's 101 number. Recently it was announced that Tooting police station is to close as a base for safer neighbourhoods teams, along with Lavender Hill once a replacement is found. Your ward councillors will continue to call for at least one 24 hour police station in the borough to remain open to the public and for the Met to make community policing their main priority.

Street cleaning A regular source of complaint is street cleaning and we raise several issues a week with the council, which does normally respond quickly to reports of flytips and graffiti. Is there anything that could be done better or differently? Come to the meeting and tell us.

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