

BalhamSpring 2017



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Balham Baptist Church Hall

21 Ramsden Road, SW12 8QX

Tuesday, April 25 from 7.30pm

The council wants to know what you think about life in Balham 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 a council cabinet member. Your three ward councillors - Paul Ellis, Clare Salier and Caroline Usher - will all be present along with leader of the opposition, Simon Hogg and senior managers from the main council services.

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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Clare Salier csalier@wandsworth.gov.uk

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Your ward councillor report

New 'Report It' keeping streets clean

Everyone hates flytipping and graffiti and the council works round the clock to remove them as quickly as possible. You can help speed up the process by reporting these problems swiftly and easily via the new Wandsworth Report It' app, which can also be used to order recycling sacks, request street cleaning, report broken street lights, overgrown hedges and much more.

You can help solve the refugee crisis

Throughout the world it is estimated 23 million people are affected by wars and famine and the council is keen to do what it can to help. We desperately need landlords willing to rent homes to families for at least two years and people who would like to foster . unaccompanied children. Details of how you can help are on the council website.

Helping people become homeowners More affordable homes are being built in Wandsworth than almost any other borough. Priority is given to local residents, and you don't need to be a high earner. Council tenants can now also buy a share in their home, the first scheme of its kind in the country. The council's home ownership unit will give you all the help and advice you need.

Go Electric There's good news for people thinking of buying an electric car. Soon there will be another 125 charging points across Wandsworth – part of the Source London network which allows members to recharge at many hundreds more locations city-wide. You can get details on www.sourcelondon.net.

Improving road safety Following widespread public consultation, a 20mph speed limit is now being introduced in all quiet residential streets in Wandsworth. We are working with the police and local residents via community speed watch to tackle those ignoring the limit and recently did so in Ramsden Road.

Tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Your local ward councillors work closely with the police to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour. Last month we supported an initiative to prevent moped and motorbike thefts which is a growing problem in the area.

Crossrail 2 for Tooting We are pushing hard for Crossrail 2 to go to Tooting which we believe has the strongest economic and transport case. We have represented local residents opposed to any plan to re-route the line to Balham and will continue to represent their views.

If you have questions about this leaflet or require a large print version please call (020) 8871 7520.

Do you have a disability? If you have and require special arrangements to attend, e.g. a signer or provision of a loop system, please telephone Gareth Jones on (020) 8871 7520 in advance of the meeting.

