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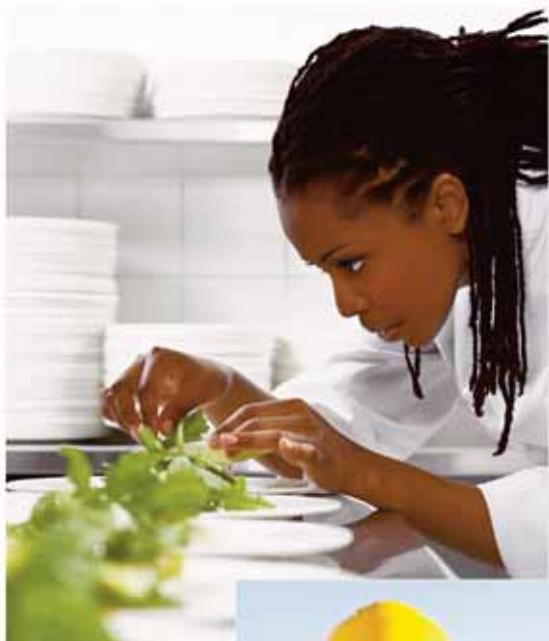


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# Anti litter squad targets flytippers

An undercover squad of litter busters is targeting flytipping hotspots across the borough.

Since the beginning of May the squad has issued almost 300 fines for littering offences.

Their work schedules are staggered so that they can work outside of normal working hours at times of the day and night when professional flytippers are at their most active.

They target businesses who dump

commercial waste, landlords dumping unwanted items on a street corner when they change tenancies and cowboys who drive around looking in people's front gardens for large items of furniture, mattresses or builder's waste, offer to take it away and then simply dump it a few streets away.

They also speak to residents who don't use lidded dustbins to store their bin-bags but instead leave them out unprotected so far ahead of their collection day that cats and foxes rip them open.

The council spends around £4m a year ensuring the borough's streets are kept clean and removing flytips.

The council's environment spokesman Cllr Jonathan Cook said: "We are determined to do all we can to keep the borough's streets as clean and tidy as possible."

To report a flytip online visit  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/flytipping](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/flytipping)  
or email

[wasteservices@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:wasteservices@wandsworth.gov.uk)

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# Estate agent board ban

**Estate agents boards are set to become a thing of the past in four parts of Wandsworth after the council successfully lobbied for new legal powers that will be used to prevent their spread.**

Under the new powers estate agents will need to apply for - and be granted - consent before they are allowed to put up their advertising signs in Putney, Balham and Clapham Junction town centres - plus streets in and around Lavender Hill.

The council's environment spokesman Cllr Jonathan Cook said: "This announcement will be welcomed by many people who see these signs as nothing other than a blot on the landscape. This is especially true for residents who live in blocks of flats that are often targeted by estate agents. The only people who want to put these eyesore signs up are the agents because they are a cheap and simple advertising tool. No-one apart from them will mourn their disappearance from these four parts of our borough."

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# Fringe serves up arts feast

This year's Wandsworth Arts Fringe featured 16 days of theatre, music, dance, circus, street events and more in venues across the borough including dozens of pubs, theatres, parks, community spaces and cafes. In all there were 110 events and more than 300 performers took part.

Highlights included two days of outdoor arts in Heathbrook Park - a small green space tucked just behind Wandsworth Road station. The park hosted a medieval puppet show based on outdoor theatre company The Fabularium, a guided tour of the trees by street performer Barnaby Gibbons, and a giant squid spectacle from Puppets with GUTS.

Over 900 Roehampton residents combined the real science of paleontology with a hands on dinosaur encounter like no other when Tiny the dinosaur came to Alton Estate (pictured on the cover).

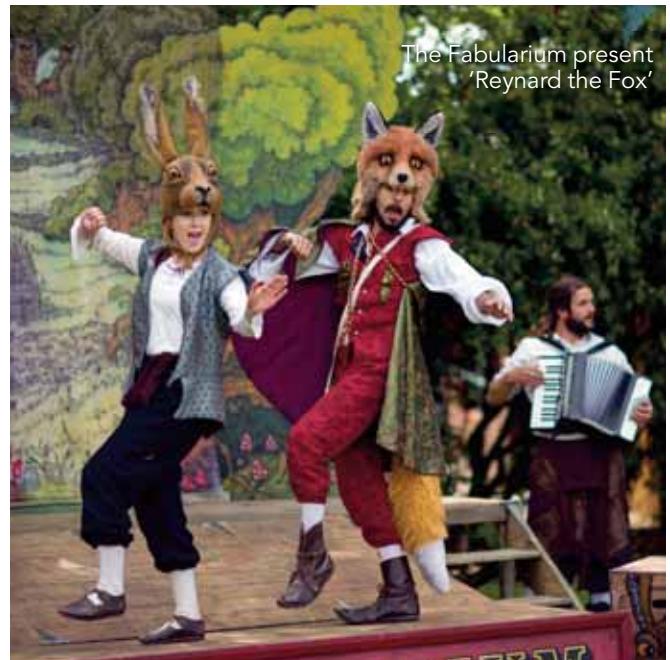
Once inside Fantasy High Street's 'What If?' machine parked outside St Mary's Church in Putney, the visitor was transported to a personalised future to celebrate a lifetime of achievements using creative storytelling and interactive performance.

One of the most popular installations was the DACHA, a summer house that immersed audiences in Russian culture. This interactive installation from Dash Arts was funded by Arts Council England.

The council's culture spokesman Jonathan Cook said: "Sincere thanks go out to the artists, venues, sponsors and other partners who have pitched in to make this a great year for the cultural life of the borough."

The Wandsworth Arts Fringe was organised by Enable Leisure and Culture on behalf of Wandsworth Council with the support of many partners and organisations. If you're interested in taking part in next year's fringe, visit

[wandsworthfringe.com](http://wandsworthfringe.com).





# Nature reserve for Wandle Delta

A habitat for aquatic life is being created at the point in Wandsworth where the Wandle and Thames rivers meet.

Work is due to begin later this summer to remove a tidal weir in the mouth of the Wandle along with layers of sediment that have built up in the delta over the past quarter of a century.

Improving water flows and removing sludge and silt to expose the gravel river bed will help restore a wildlife habitat that has the potential to become a spawning area and nursery for young fish.

The project is being carried out by the council and funded by Thames Water as part of its work to improve water quality, restore lost wildlife habitats and offset the impact of its Thames Tideway Tunnel.



The weir was first built in 1990 as part of a development scheme to provide a marina for boats and pleasure craft at the mouth of the river – but which never proceeded.

The six month project is scheduled to begin in September and is backed by The Environment Agency, the Marine Management Organisation and the Port of London Authority.



## Get jabs up to date

People are being urged to make sure they and their children have received two doses of the MMR vaccine following a measles outbreak in London.

The council projected spots on Wandsworth Town Hall to get the message across that the more people get the jab, the safer everyone is. Wandsworth's schedule of which vaccinations your child needs, and when, is available on the website at [wandsworth.gov.uk/immunisation](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/immunisation). If you are unsure, speak to your GP.

## Get involved in the Wandle

Wandle Fortnight is in September, and local groups are invited to help celebrate the rich cultural, environmental and historical legacy of the Wandle Valley.

If you can give a talk, organise a walk, run a workshop or event or think of some other way to get involved, [07500 087049](tel:07500087049) or [LivingWandle@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:LivingWandle@wandsworth.gov.uk)

## Get ready for referendum

The EU Referendum is on June 23. If you have any questions about voting, or to find your polling station, visit [wandsworth.gov.uk/vote](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/vote).

Follow @wandbc on twitter for the result tweeted live on the night.

## Take to the water

Wandsworth Sea Cadets based at Putney Embankment are recruiting new members, especially young people in years 5-7. [\(020\) 8789 2643](tel:(020)87892643).



RideLondon going through Putney last year

Picture courtesy of helenfickling.com

# Get ready for a summer of cycling

There are plenty of opportunities to watch some top-class cycling this summer, and enjoy some cycling yourself.

The Prudential RideLondon cycling event is on Sunday July 31, and will pass through Putney on its circular route between central London and Surrey.

Motorists are warned that traffic disruption is likely. Find out more at

[tfl.gov.uk/RideLondon](http://tfl.gov.uk/RideLondon).

Meanwhile SkyRide will again be organising dozens of guided rides throughout the South East, including several in Wandsworth.

These will include challenging rides over several miles, shorter rides including routes around Battersea Park, and guided rides using Santander Cycles. Find out more at [goskyride.com](http://goskyride.com).

If your bike needs a bit of tender loving care, the council, police and URGE cycles are getting together to provide cycle surgeries and free bike marking sessions at events throughout the summer:

- June 18 - Furzedown Big Day Out, Furzedown Rec, 12noon - 7pm
- July 9 - Get Active Wandsworth Festival at King George's Park, Wandsworth, 12noon - 5pm
- September 10 - Putney Farmer's Market at St Mary's Church Square, 10am - 3pm

Find out more about support for cyclists in Wandsworth at

[wandsworth.gov.uk/cycling](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/cycling)



## History winners

The winner of the 2016 Heritage Award for Schools was St Boniface RC Primary School, which used the Granada Building in Tooting to investigate how entertainment has changed in the local area since the 1930s.

The mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Richard Field, presented the winners with certificates and medals, plus a first prize of £1000. Runners-up were Earlsfield Primary School and third place was All Saints School, Putney. The awards were sponsored by the council's library contractor Greenwich Leisure Ltd.

# Awards for borough's best designs

**A new sixth form block at a secondary school in Tooting and a series of public works of art in Balham High Road have both been named as the winners of this year's Wandsworth Design Awards.**

The awards recognise and reward new buildings, restoration projects and landscaping and public spaces which make a positive contribution to the local environment and set a good example to others. The accessibility and sustainability of buildings and spaces are also judged.

This year 34 projects were nominated, and the following two awards made:

- Graveney School's new sixth form block –an imaginative and contemporary design (see more on award-winning school designs on page 20-21).
- Artworks in Balham High Road (pictured), including the colourful frieze attached to the wall under the railway bridge.

The panel also agreed that the following eight projects be commended:

Extensions at Abbott House, Nightingale Lane, Balham, 18 Malbrook Road, Putney and 65 Medfield Street, Roehampton.

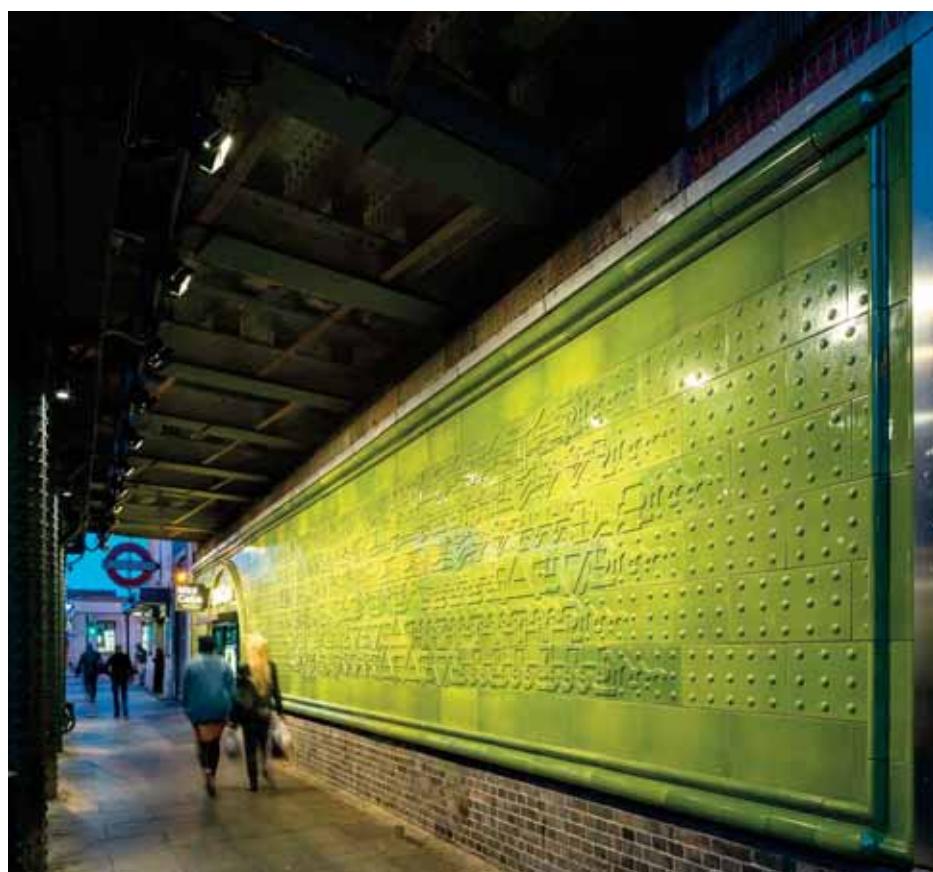
Restoration work at St Paul's Church, Battersea, 143 Lower Richmond Road, Putney and Tooting Triangle, Tooting Bec Common.

Banham HQ, Thornsett Road, Earlsfield was commended for its contemporary approach and significant improvement to the design of business development.

37 Manville Road, Tooting was commended for the landscape planting brightening up a front garden in this residential street.

To find out more

[bsellers@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:bsellers@wandsworth.gov.uk)





A model of the restored grand hall

# Go-ahead for Grand Hall

**The council has granted planning permission for the reconstruction and refurbishment of the Grand Hall at Battersea Arts Centre following last year's fire.**

The fire largely destroyed upper parts of the listed Grand Hall, with considerable damage to the rest of it. However the stained glass dome in the neighbouring Octagonal Hall was saved, as was the municipal building next door that houses the Battersea Arts Centre.

Proposals for the rebuild were drawn up with input from groups including Heritage Lottery Fund, Battersea Arts Centre's Board, Wandsworth Conservation Team and Historic England as well as local residents, artists and supporters

The council has given permission for a rebuild designed by Stirling Prize winning architects, Haworth Tompkins. The exterior of the building will be rebuilt to match the original with improvements inside such as better acoustics and lighting. The Lower Hall, which had been refurbished before the fire, will be returned to its pre-fire condition and become a Creative Hub to help nurture fledgling local creative businesses.

Last year the Wandsworth Museum merged with the Battersea Arts Centre and recently the new BAC Moving Museum was announced, including workshops and a tour of objects from the collection to local schools, libraries and other venues.

Wandsworth Council owns the building, which it leases to the Battersea Arts Centre under a 20-year rent-free agreement.

Find out what's on this summer at [bac.org.uk](http://bac.org.uk)

**Planning applications committee chairman Sarah McDermott said:**

**“**This is great news for Battersea Arts Centre and for everyone in our community who loves and cherishes this Battersea landmark. I am delighted that we have been able to approve these plans so quickly and that these important works to repair, restore and improve this wonderful building can now get underway.**”**

# Saving money and protecting services

As local authority funding has been reduced in recent years the council has been working hard to make savings while protecting front line services like weekly bin collections, libraries and the borough's award winning parks.

Council leader Ravi Govindia explains more:

 "All over the country every town hall has had to reduce spending to help bring the national debt under control and Wandsworth is no exception. We started by making big structural changes like reducing the number of town hall departments, merging back office systems and cutting our senior staff wage bill.

"We also made better use of technology, bringing more services online like parking permits, council tax accounts and fly-tip reporting. This helps to cut costs while making it easier to access key services. We then moved more staff into the town hall, helping reduce the accommodation bill and allowing us to sell buildings we no longer need.

"Another change was to transfer the management of our leisure, parks and cultural services to a new charitable social enterprise created and run by our staff. Called Enable, this new organisation is providing the same excellent services as before but at a lower cost. A second staff-led social enterprise,

called One Trust, has been set up and now manages our adult learning disability day service.

"We have also transferred the management of our libraries to social enterprise GLL which saves £665,000 every year. With reduced back office costs we have kept every library branch open while councils with an in-house service have simply closed them.

"As well as making savings, we have secured new sources of income like advertising on our website, hosting the Formula E championships and securing a £13m New Home Bonus for our successful home building efforts. Every penny we raise helps to protect the front line and ensures council tax bills stay as low as possible. Our tax rate is the second lowest in the country because we know how important that is to hard working families.

"Looking ahead, our budgets will continue to shrink and we will need to find new savings. That's why we are creating a staff sharing arrangement with Richmond Council which will see a single workforce providing services across the two boroughs. Both councils will

remain independent bodies with their own distinct ethos and policies, but through sharing resources and buying power we can save £10m a year each.

"And there are many things local residents can do to help us safeguard services. You can use our online accounts, sign up for direct debits, take care to recycle the correct items and report issues like fly tips and potholes using our website. Small changes like this can make a great difference."



To sign up for online council services visit  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/your\\_accounts](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/your_accounts)

## boosting income

+ £3.5m annual income

New investments and advertising

+ £13m

Disused offices sold

+ £13m

New Homes Bonus

+ £2.8m

Hosting Formula E in Battersea Park

## back office savings



-£10m future annual saving

Sharing staff with Richmond Council

-£665,000 annual saving

Transferring library services to GLL

-£4m annual saving

Reducing departments and senior staff

-£867,000 annual saving

Transferring services to staff mutual



# Contactless payment boosts river bus service

**Commuters who use river buses between Putney, Wandsworth, Battersea and central London can now pay for their journeys using a contactless bank card in exactly the same way they would use an Oyster card.**

Passengers using this new payment method are charged the same pay-as-you-go fare as those using Oyster cards. They simply need to touch in on the card reader with their contactless payment card or mobile device when boarding - and then touch out again at the end of their journey, or when changing boats.

Weekday services between Putney and Blackfriars are run by MBNA Thames Clippers and are proving increasingly

popular with commuters.

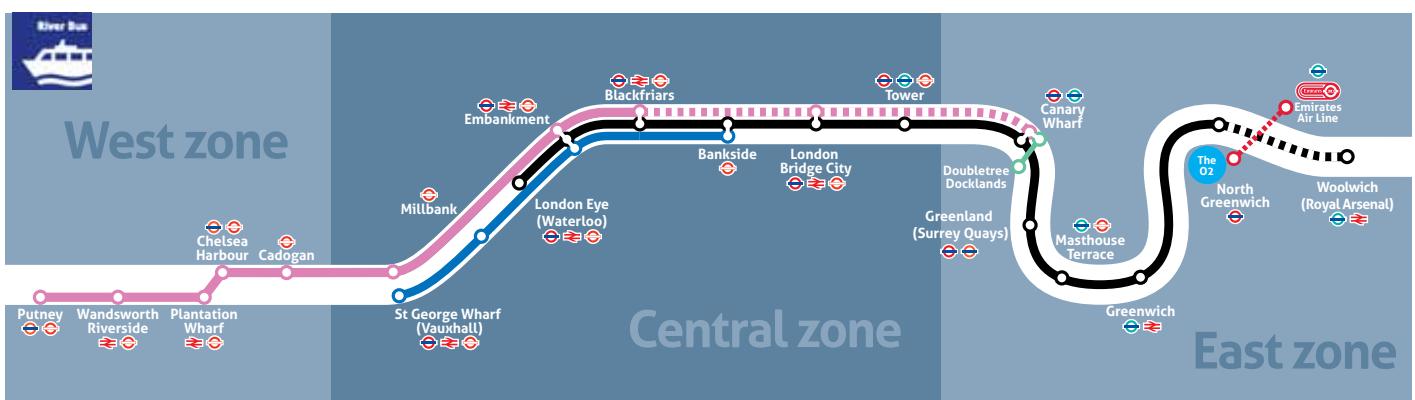
Boats can carry up to 150 passengers and offer a great alternative to buses, trains or tubes, complete with free wi-fi and an on-board coffee shop.

A new £2.8m passenger pier recently opened at Plantation Wharf offering more residents in Battersea access to the service.

Supporting Thames river bus services is central to Wandsworth Council's work to improve the range and quality of local transport options.

For more information about London's river bus services including fares, routes and timetables visit

[thamesclippers.com](http://thamesclippers.com)



# Nine Elms needs you!

**Nine Elms is the fastest growing part of London and the regeneration programme is creating scores of new jobs, apprenticeships and training opportunities.**

Many of these roles are reserved exclusively for local residents and the council's Work Match recruitment team can help Wandsworth residents apply.

As the area's new business district takes shape there will be new opportunities in retail, professional services, administration, estate management, hospitality and catering, security, ground maintenance and many other growing sectors.

Make sure you take full advantage and contact Work Match to register your interest.

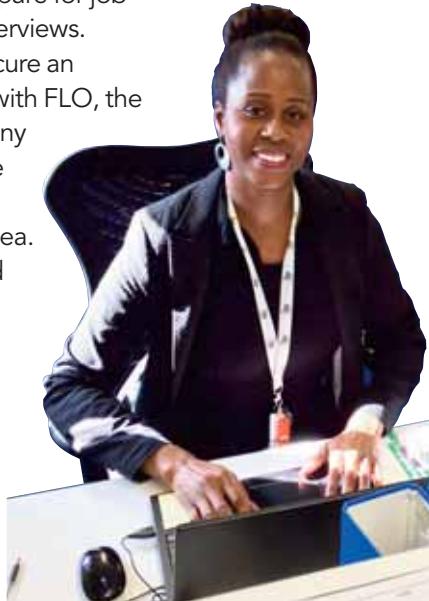
**[wandsworthworkmatch.org](http://wandsworthworkmatch.org)**

**[wandsworthworkmatch  
@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:wandsworthworkmatch@wandsworth.gov.uk)**

**[\(020\) 8871 5191](tel:(020)88715191)**

Cheri from Clapham Junction got in touch with the Work Match team after being made redundant last year. She was offered weekly one-to-one career support and coaching sessions to help prepare for job applications and interviews.

Cheri went on to secure an administration role with FLO, the joint venture company which is building the Northern Line Extension to Battersea. She said: "I received support throughout the whole process, from application to interview. I would definitely recommend Work Match and I felt they gave me a real advantage."



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## Formula E

Formula E will be returning to Battersea Park over the first weekend in July for this year's electric car racing championship finale.

The tournament is a showcase for zero-emission motoring and the London 'ePrix' is expected to attract around 60,000 visitors over the two days. The organisers are giving 2,000 free tickets to local schools, voluntary groups, charities and residents' associations. Under sixteens go for free if accompanied by an adult.

Hosting the races will raise £2.8m for local services.

Find out more at [wandsworth.gov.uk/formulae](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/formulae) or [www.fiaformulae.com](http://www.fiaformulae.com)





**Nine Elms**  
On the South Bank



How the new Nine Elms is expected to look

# A new part of the South Bank

**Nine Elms is on course to be a new centre for arts and culture and a commercial hub supporting 25,000 new jobs. Here is Brightside's guide to what this rapidly changing area will have to offer:**

- ▶ **Battersea Power Station:** the iconic building is being restored and will open to the public at the heart of a whole new town centre.
- ▶ **Art and soul:** new cultural attractions are bringing this part of the South Bank to life, including galleries, music venues and performance spaces.
- ▶ **Nine to five:** across Nine Elms more than three million square feet of new office space is being built, enough to support thousands of new jobs.
- ▶ **Park life:** the new Nine Elms Park will be a green corridor running through the area.
- ▶ **Shoppers' delight:** there will be two new town centres and enough new shops, pubs and restaurants to fill Westfield Stratford.
- ▶ **New links:** two new Tube stations, a new riverbus pier, improved bus routes and a new cycling network will connect Nine Elms to the rest of London.
- ▶ **River revival:** a new and improved stretch of Thames Riverside Walk will run from Battersea Park to Vauxhall.
- ▶ **Housing ladder:** around 4,000 new affordable homes are being built, with local residents being offered top priority.
- ▶ **Schools and more:** new and upgraded primary schools are being built as well as new NHS health facilities and community centres.
- ▶ **Embassy Quarter:** the new US and Dutch embassies are being built here, making Nine Elms a new diplomatic quarter.
- ▶ **In the market:** New Covent Garden Market is being rebuilt and will include a new centre for London's food industry.

Find out more at [www.ninelmslondon.com](http://www.ninelmslondon.com)



How the bigger, better St Mary's Primary School is expected to look after work is complete.



Waitrose staff celebrate the opening of the new supermarket on Nine Elms Lane



US Ambassador Matthew Barzun meets pupils from St George's Primary School in Nine Elms



An artist's impression of the new Nine Elms Park



The Mayor with (left) Mayoress Sue and (right) the deputy mayor

## Wandsworth welcomes new mayor

**Ill and disadvantaged children will benefit this year from the fundraising efforts of new mayor Richard Field.**

The Nightingale ward councillor is chairman of the Junior Citizen Scheme, a Wandsworth Young Person of the Year judge, a former mentor to the Prince's Trust and founder of the Wandsworth Heritage Awards for Schools

The charities he has chosen to support this year are:

**Shooting Star children's hospice.** There are currently 41 children from Wandsworth families using the

Shooting Star Chase service and the number of overnight stays at the hospice is 267.

**CCHF All About Kids.** This charity provides disadvantaged children with trips to the countryside and seaside and respite breaks.

The new deputy mayor is Latchmere councillor Wendy Speck, a former headteacher.

Follow the Mayor of Wandsworth on twitter at @WandsworthMayor. Find out about how to invite the mayor to an event at [wandsworth.gov.uk/mayor](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/mayor).



## Help your heart thrive

Thrive is offering free gardening programmes in Battersea Park to help improve people's health.

The 12-week Healthy Heart programmes are aimed at people at risk from cardiovascular disease – for example people with high blood pressure. During the course you will be able to get some extra exercise through gardening and will learn about healthy eating and how to reduce the risk of ill-health.

The next course starts in August. To find out more contact Ellen Swygart on [\(020\) 7720 2212](tel:(020)77202212) or email [ellen.swygart@thrive.org.uk](mailto:ellen.swygart@thrive.org.uk)

## Kick start your business

**Wandsworth starts ups and established businesses that want to grow can take advantage of a new business support programme.**

Your Business Your Growth includes one-to-one business advice, networking events, funding information and workshops and seminars.

It includes specialist help for the food and hospitality and digital enterprise sectors, plus guidance on how to grab a share of the new opportunities opening up in Nine Elms. The programme is offered by Wandsworth Council in

association with the Wandsworth Chamber of Commerce and business support specialists Branduin.

Upcoming events include a HR workshop on June 23 and start up advice clinics on July 6.

The programme is delivered in association with business support specialists Branduin and Wandsworth Chamber of Commerce.

Find out more at [wandsworth.gov.uk/yourbusinessyourgrowth](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/yourbusinessyourgrowth).



Photo: Robbiesphotographics.com

## Ritherdon rocks

More than a thousand people went along to the Ritherdon Road street party last month, including the mayor Cllr Richard Field. There were more than 55 stalls, entertainment, music and street food on offer. The next big event in Balham will be the Balham Food Festival in September. Keep up to date on twitter at [@balhamfoodfest](#) or search for it on Facebook

# Launching round three of the Wandsworth Grant Fund

## The third round of the Wandsworth Grant Fund is now open.

The fund replaced Wandsworth's Big Society Fund, various arts grants, the Youth Service Community Grant, the Children and Young People's Plan Small Grant and the Wandsworth ECO Fund.

People can now apply to just one council team, rather than across several council departments, so cutting down on red tape.

In its first year 72 awards were made totalling £367,822, including a total of £20,000 for the Wandsworth Arts Fringe held last month.

The deadline to apply for round three funding is July 19.

Applications are invited under one or more of the following themes:

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

Ward councillor acknowledgment of each application is required and specialist council officers evaluate each application. Applicants will find out in October if they have been recommended for a grant award.

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[wgf@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:wgf@wandsworth.gov.uk)

Get Wandsworth Grant Fund updates on twitter - @grantswandbc

There will be a series of Meet the Funder and Bidding workshops in June and July. To find out more and to book please go to [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wgf](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wgf).

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# Be there for a young person in Wandsworth - become a foster carer

**Foster carers are needed now more than ever, and the council's fostering team is keen to hear from local people who want to find out if foster caring is for them.**

Carers can be married or single, gay or straight, a homeowner or renting, and from any cultural background. All you

need is a spare bedroom and a willingness to provide a home for a child in need. The council is constantly in need of new recruits to replace those who are retiring from fostering and to help look after the growing number of children in need of care. Single foster carers, or at least one member of a couple, must be

aged between 25 and 60 and be in good health.

You don't have to decide straight away – chat to the team and find out more about what's involved.

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fostering)  
and fill in the contact form  
Call the team on [020 8871 6666](tel:02088716666).

Pearl and Claude Howard have fostered well over a hundred young people in the past 41 years and are the council's longest serving foster carers.

They have remained close to many of their foster children and the first child they fostered, who is now 42, still goes round to see them.

In one of her last jobs as mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Nicola Nardelli, presented them with a certificate to thank them for their hard work.

Pearl said she was delighted to have her efforts recognised. "It's really nice to get recognition for what we've done because we've had some challenging children and we've always hung in there. There's always a need for foster carers so we encourage other people to do what we've done."

Pearl and Claude fostered Xiao Lin Le when she was 14. Pearl said "I got a call asking if I would foster a refugee child. I said 'of course'. When she turned up she was sobbing her heart out on my doorstep."



The pair were unable to speak a word of each other's language, so for a while could only communicate via an interpreter on the end of a phone. Now, though, they are very close. Xiao Lin Le

said: "they are the best – they are my family in this country and I love them so much."



“ It's the most rewarding job I've ever done ”

Gemma, Wandsworth Foster Carer

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'The Streets' performing in Tooting last summer

# Tooting takes art to the streets

There's a packed summer of arts and events coming up in Tooting.

On July 3 watch out for the **Tour de Tooting** organised by Transition Town Tooting.

The Grand Parade of Wheels features handmade, decorated or re-invented buggies, trolleys, scooters, wheelchairs, rickshaws and more. The Parade finishes at Fishponds Fields for a collective 'Sharing Picnic'. There will also be wheel decorating and bike workshops on June 26, July 1 and July 2.

[transitiontowntooting.co.uk](http://transitiontowntooting.co.uk)



Tootsie Rollers



**The streets** is returning on July 23 and July 24, as part of the two-year project to bring live music and performance to six London high streets, including Tooting.

Highlights include a summer street party on Cowick Road on Sunday 24 July, opening with a performance by retro girl band Tootsie Rollers. Visitors to Tooting High Street on Saturday will also enjoy performances from Tooting's very own choir, The Great Gustos, as well as the London Vocal Project, the Spinettes, Silk Street and Blossom Street.

The London Gay Men's Chorus will headline on Sunday, after sets from local beatboxing stars Malachi and Maverick and World Heartbeat Academy Gospel Choir. Local businesses will provide food and other stalls and local artists will host creative family activities.

In Wandsworth The Streets is managed by the Arts Team at Enable Leisure & Culture in partnership with Wandsworth Council's Economic Development Office. For more information about the full programme see [thewstreets.london](http://thewstreets.london)

Meanwhile, visitors to Tooting Market can enjoy a spectacular display of **street art** (pictured below). Artists were invited to show off their work at the market, with striking images decorating public spaces. Future project are planned.



## Comment on enforcement code

Businesses, landlords and other local groups and residents are invited to take an online survey to help shape how the council's enforcement policy on environmental services matters.

This includes food hygiene and standards, health and safety, licensing, trading standards, private sector housing, pest control and more. The deadline for having your say is June 26. Read the previous code and the proposed updated code and take an online survey at

[wandsorth.gov.uk/consultation/environmental-services](http://wandsorth.gov.uk/consultation/environmental-services)

## Virtual Reality for learning disabled

People with learning disabilities could get a taste of the virtual world. One Trust, which runs the council's Adult Learning Disability Day Service wants to explore using virtual reality for people with profound and multiple learning disabilities. This will build on existing sensory story telling sessions, which partner tailored stories with props and sensory stimuli.

To contribute towards the cost of the new equipment, visit

<https://campaign.justgiving.com/charity/one-trust/virtualrealitytech>

## Plus sized WAND Card

The WAND Card scheme, which helps families with disabled children, has been expanded with the launch of the new WAND+ card for young people up to the age of 24. The upper age limit of the standard card is 19.

WAND cards help disabled children and young people get concessions and extra support at venues around the borough. Find out more at

[wandsorth.gov.uk/localoffer](http://wandsorth.gov.uk/localoffer)



# Prize designs at stunning schools

Borough schools have been under the spotlight recently, with rebuilds and extensions gathering praise and winning awards.

ARK Putney Academy has been extensively remodelled after the council appointed architecture firm Hawkins Brown to make the building fit for the 21st century. Work started in 2013 and the stunning new design led to the firm being shortlisted for a 2016 BD Architect of the Year award.

Burntwood

ARK Academy





Penwortham

Burntwood School has won a string of awards for its remodelled buildings including most recently the Stirling Prize.

Graveney recently picked up a Wandsworth Design Award for its imaginative and contemporary new sixth form block. Read about other design award winners on page 9.

**Penwortham School** in Tooting has opened a new building to house its Year 6 pupils as it expands to create space for an additional form of entry.

The building, designed by Sally Fletcher from the council's Design Service, was shortlisted for a Local Authority Building Control Regional Awards.

The council spent a total of around £84.5m on the work at Burntwood, Ark and Penwortham.

Find out about applying for a Wandsworth school at  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions)

Graveney



# Blooming lovely!

The outgoing mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Nicola Nardelli, spent time during the last days of her mayoralty visiting some of the borough's community gardens.

At Tooting Community Garden she met children from Gatton School who have been working with Transition Town Tooting for the past three years on an outdoor learning programme. This included creating a vertical garden made by year 6 pupils. The mayor also unveiled a mural made by the children and artist Kirsteen Ritchie.

The Wendelsworth Community Garden in Wandsworth was set up in 2011 by residents of the Wendelsworth Estate and the council. The mayor admired the garden and chatted to some gardeners before planting a fruit



Rollo West community garden

tree in the new fruit garden.

She also paid a visit to Battersea to see the Rollo West Community Garden and the Doddington & Rollo Community Roof Garden. The Rollo West garden is in its early stages, and the mayor met residents involved in designing it. The Doddington Roof

Garden is well established and runs regular community events, including a Wednesday morning gardening group. Transition Town Tooting runs free gardening workshops.  
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# Kickstarting careers through apprenticeships

There's plenty of help to get Wandsworth's young people into work through an apprenticeship.

The council's Lifelong Learning and Work Match teams, and South Thames College, all help local youngsters find a suitable place.

Apprenticeships are work-based training programmes. You get a salary, and the chance to learn vital skills and get a qualification.

You can get help deciding which apprenticeship is right for you and support to find a position.

Areas of work include

- business administration,
- customer service,
- child care
- construction
- painting and decorating
- health and social care

If you want to find out more, or if you are an employer interested in taking on an apprentice, visit

[wandsworth.gov.uk/jobzone](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/jobzone)



**Shaawaar Madhani** is an apprentice at the borough's Youth Offending Team after getting help from Life Long Learning. Shaawaar said:

"This has been really good - I now know I can work in a real office environment and apply the things I learnt at college. I will stand a much greater chance of securing a job as not only is my CV enhanced but I have gained really useful work experience."

**Aaliyah Geddes** is on an 18-month apprenticeship at Old York Road hairdressers Style Lounge. She's seen here with Kimberley Murphy from South Thames College, who helped arrange it. Aaliyah said:

"I feel I have learnt more things quicker than at I did at college - and it really helps with your confidence facing real clients in the salon"





# Get off that gadget

Parents have been urged to keep off distracting gadgets and become more aware of everyday dangers lurking in the home.

The theme of Child Safety Week earlier this month was Turn Off Technology, warning that being constantly distracted can prevent parents and carers from paying proper attention to what children are getting up to.

"We would also urge parents to beware of some of the most common causes of accidents in the home. Many people don't realise just how dangerous hair straighteners, e-cigarette refills or button batteries can be." said Wandsworth Director of Public Health Houda Al-Sharifi.

Mummy was on the phone and she didn't know that we were on the road with a car coming so that is why grown ups need to put down the phone. Else we will get squashed and never seen again.

Ruby, aged 5.

## Key advice about common hazards includes

- It can take only 20 seconds for a toddler to die from strangulation if they get tangled in a blind cord. Keep children's bedroom furniture away from blind cords and chains.
- Hair straighteners can get as hot as your iron. Keep straighteners out of reach
- Button batteries if swallowed can burn through a child's throat and lead to serious internal bleeding. Store spare batteries somewhere safe.
- Young babies can suffocate on nappy sacks. Store them safely away and never under the cot mattress.
- Liquitabs are harmful if swallowed but children often confuse them with sweets. Keep them out of sight and reach
- E-cigarette refills can contain high levels of nicotine which is highly toxic to young children. Keep them well out of reach.

The council's website has a section on accident prevention containing handy information and links. Visit [wandsworth.gov.uk/accidentprevention](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/accidentprevention).

# Protect yourself against shingles



Many older people are at risk of developing shingles, but many do not know what it is, or realise there is a simple way to avoid it.

## What is shingles?

Shingles is an infection of a nerve and the skin around it. It is caused by the varicella-zoster virus, which also causes chickenpox.

## What are the symptoms?

It usually affects a specific area on one side of the body. You get a painful rash that progresses into blisters which are itchy. It is these blisters that contain particles of the virus. An episode can last up to four weeks.

## What causes it and who is affected?

After having chickenpox, the virus remains inactive in your nervous system. Usually your immune system keeps it under control, but later on in life the virus can reactivate and cause shingles.

Although it is not completely clear why the shingles virus is reactivated, most cases are probably caused by lowered immunity as a result of being older, stressed, taking medication that weakens your immune system or having conditions that affect your immune system.

Nine out of 10 people in the UK have had chickenpox and are at risk of developing shingles. It is estimated that one in every four people will have at least

one episode of shingles in their lifetime

You can't give or catch shingles from somebody who is infected with it, however you can get chickenpox from them if you have not had it before.

## What should you do if you think you have shingles?

See your GP as soon as possible. Early treatment may help reduce the severity of symptoms and also the risk of developing complications. One in five people subsequently develop severe nerve pain in the affected area.

## What should you do if you have been exposed to somebody with shingles/chickenpox?

If you are pregnant or have a weakened immune system and have not had chickenpox before, contact your GP.

## What is the treatment?

There is no cure but treatment is available to help manage symptoms such as painkillers and covering the rash with clothing or (non stick) dressing to reduce the risk of other people becoming infected with chickenpox.

## Can shingles be prevented?

A vaccine is now routinely offered on the NHS as a single injection to people who are 70. There's also a catch-up programme for those aged 71, 72, 78 and 79.

Find out more at

[nhs.uk/conditions/Shingles](http://nhs.uk/conditions/Shingles)

Beryl, 79, got shingles last year, and is still suffering from pain.

I noticed a rash which looked a bit like scales, but it didn't hurt at all at first. But after a couple of weeks it was awful – I can't describe how painful it was. I couldn't even lie on my back it hurt so much.

I'd never heard of shingles, and didn't know about the vaccine, but if I'd known then what I know now I would have had myself innoculated. I wouldn't want to go through this again.

# Healthchecks and haircuts at Battersea barbershop

Battersea barber Franklin Taylor has been given a Mayor of Wandsworth's badge for his work improving the health of the people in his local community.

Mr Taylor from Bliss Barbers in Lavender Hill has run a pilot project with the council's public health team to provide health checks as well as haircuts.

A nurse is on hand in the shop to chat to men about their health, carry out checks such as blood pressure levels, and refer people on to their GP or council healthy lifestyle services such as weight management or the Stop Smoking Service when appropriate.

The council and the Wandsworth Clinical Commissioning Group are exploring how best to continue and expand the project in the coming year.

"Customers have responded really well and it's added real value to my business," said Mr Taylor.

"We guys don't really care for ourselves, so while men are sitting in the barber's chair this is a good chance to chat to them about how they feel on the inside, as well as what they look like on the outside."

Find out more about how to keep an eye on your health and access local services at [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/oneyou](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/oneyou).



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EVENTS FOR JUNE  
TO AUGUST 2016



## How to be listed

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Children's events outlined in yellow

Saturday July 9 12-5pm

### Get Active Wandsworth Festival

Come and enjoy the 7th annual Get Active Wandsworth Festival. The park will be packed full of great free activities for people of all ages to get involved in. Plenty for the kids to do - bouncy castles, fair ground rides, face painting, taster sessions with sports coaches and more. Yoga and tai chi classes will be on show for those adults who fancy relieving a bit of stress, and competitive adults can embrace their inner child and race the kids to the top of the giant climbing wall. Free NHS health checks are also available. Over 10,000 people are expected to attend this great event – put it in your diary! Come along, enjoy and most importantly get active.  
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June 17-19 10am-5pm

### St Paul's in the Community Flower Festival

Come and explore this beautiful church and enjoy the displays. Music by local schools and musicians, and refreshments will be served, including light lunches and home-made cakes. Festival includes 18 June – lecture-recital by Kevin Jones, St Paul's Director of Music; all welcome. Services on the Sunday will be at 10am and 6.30pm – all welcome. **Entrance £2.50 (adults); free for accompanied children**

under 16.

St Paul's Church, Augustus Road/Inner Park Road, SW19. website: [www.stpaulswimble-donpark.org.uk](http://www.stpaulswimble-donpark.org.uk)  
Access: event is on ground floor (no steps); disabled toilet.

Saturday June 18 12.30-1.30pm

### Speak Out! Film Prep workshop

LGBTQ+ workshops for organisations and schools. Interactive workshop exploring group views and ideas on how to make schools, colleges and work places LGBTQ+

inclusive and free from homophobia, biphobia and transphobia.  
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Road on the day.  
Penwortham Primary School Sw16. Search Facebook for more details or email [penworthampta@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:penworthampta@yahoo.co.uk)

**Ends Sunday June 19 11am-5pm**

### Secret Postcard Exhibition - Shhhh....

We asked the community to get creative, inviting everyone over the age of 3 to get involved, by producing a unique piece of art on a blank postcard. This exhibition is the result of our creative community, showcasing original post-

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card sized artworks by local professional artists, amateurs and those who just dared to be creative! It's a fantastic chance to get your hands on original postcard sized works of art for a tiny price. Sprout Arts, Moyser/Ribblesdale Road SW17 sproutcommunities@gmail.com www.facebook.com/sproutarts @sproutarts

**Monday June 20**  
**9.30am**

**Pymme Brook walk**

Walk between Barnet, Southgate and the New River. Approx. 7 miles. Led by Caroline Pook. Assemble 9.30am outside M & S Simply Food within Clapham Junction Station. Wandsworth Society. See events and details at [www.wandsworthsociety.org](http://www.wandsworthsociety.org)

ety.org.uk

**Friday June 24 8pm**

**Concert: The Food of Love**

Words and music in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, including songs by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Charles Wood. **Admission £15 on the door,** St Mary Magdalene Church, 217 Trinity Road SW17.

**Saturday June 25 12-6pm**

**Battersea firestation open day**

Come and celebrate 150 years of London Fire Brigade. Lots of fun for all ages - and don't miss the training tower being turned into a huge puppet show at 2pm. Battersea Fire Station, 11

Este Road SW11.  
[www.london-fire.gov.uk](http://www.london-fire.gov.uk)

**Saturday June 25**

**11am-3pm**

**Dover House Estate Table Top Sale**

The residents of the Estate will be holding their popular Table Top Sale by selling their unwanted possessions: clothes, toys, games, furniture, books, CDs, DVDs, crafts, plants, and much more, both pre-loved and new, in a fun-packed and festive event. **Free.**

Dover House Estate, The Pleasance (off Dover House Road) SW15. Email [dhera.london+community@gmail.com](mailto:dhera.london+community@gmail.com)

**Saturday June 25**

**Falcon Road Heritage Festival**

A festival of community engagement with entertainment, food, Fire Station open day, live music, market stalls, Christchurch School open day, sporting activities, art, historic local memorabilia and more.

Falcon Road SW11. Find us on Facebook

**25 June**

**Wandsworth Symphony Orchestra**

St Mary's Church, Putney SW15 [www.wandsworthsymphony.org/#concerts/cm8z](http://www.wandsworthsymphony.org/#concerts/cm8z)

**Sunday June 26**

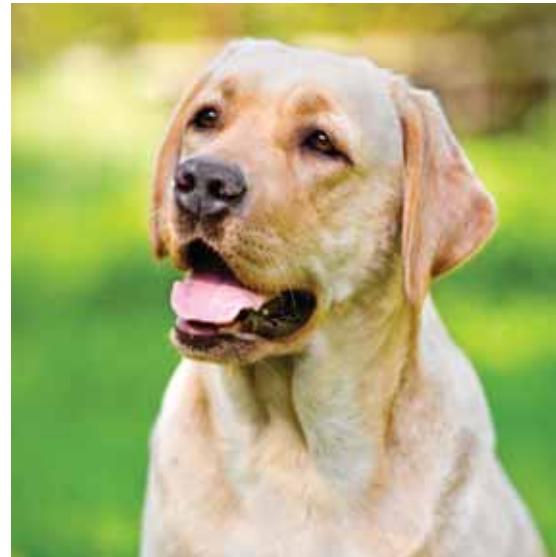
**11am-1pm**

**Mindful cycling ride**

Enjoy cycling as if it's your first time riding a bike! Our cycling leader Jawad will guide you where you can take in your surroundings, learn to ride the streets of London and natural areas. The cycle starts on road and heads onto the Wandle Meadow Nature Park pathways.

**Tickets are £10 inc ride out cake and hot drink at the café**

Please call pedal back café 8127 5420 to book. [twitter.com/mindful\\_cycling](http://twitter.com/mindful_cycling) Meet outside unit



**Sunday June 19 entries from 10.30am, judging at 12.30pm**

**Dog show**

Enter your pooch into a class – a choice of pedigree and novelty classes. **Fee to enter a class is £1.50 per dog, per class.** The winner and five runners up in each class will receive rosettes. Bring the whole family and join in the fun. **Free entry.**

Battersea Park (near Boules area) SW11 4NJ. Call 8871 7124.

66-68, Pedal Back Café, Tooting Broadway Market, at 11am

SW15. [www.brownpapertickets.com/events/255230](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/events/255230) or 07813 966 776



**Sunday July 3 2pm**

**Tour de Tooting**

The Tour de Tooting builds on the conventional format of a cycle ride with an extra spin. Join us for this grand parade of wheels: handmade, colourful, decorated, re-invented, buggies, trolleys, scooters, wheelchairs, rickshaws, penny farthings, tandems, bicycles and wheelbarrows. The Parade finishes at Fishponds Fields for a 'Sharing Picnic'. Fransican Road SW17 <http://transitiontowntooting.blogspot.co.uk/>

**Saturday July 2**

**7.30pm**

**Opera double bill**

Gilbert & Sullivan's Trial by Jury and Puccini's Suor Angelica. **Tickets £10 adult, £5 children, £20 to include picnic supper and glass of bubbly.**

Porcupine Productions at St Mary's Church Putney

**Wednesday July 6 10am-1pm**

**Get Set Go!**

Free event for young people aged 14-25 with special needs, their parents/carers and other



**Football at Burntwood**

A new football club for boys and girls aged 4 – 11. All levels welcome. Come along to learn new skills, play matches and have fun. £25 per day or £15 per half day. Deals for siblings and friends booked together. Run by FA Licensed coaches in a safe, secure location.

Burntwood School, Burntwood Lane SW17.

Email [info@footballatburntwood.co.uk](mailto:info@footballatburntwood.co.uk)

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service providers/professionals, to find out the next steps are into education, employment or training. South Thames College, Wandsworth High Street SW18. More information email [get-setgo@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:get-setgo@wandsworth.gov.uk) Space is limited, book at; [www.eventbrite.com/e/get-set-go-tickets-25202654819](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/get-set-go-tickets-25202654819)

#### **Thursday July 7 7pm**

##### **Music for a summer evening**

Vivaldi – Gloria with the Thames String Quartet and music by Gershwin, Chilcott, Whitacre and The Beatles. **Tickets £8, concessions £4.**

More details at [www.swsongbirds.co.uk](http://www.swsongbirds.co.uk)

#### **Sunday July 10 7.30am-1pm**

##### **Car boot sale**

**Cars £10, large vans £15.**

Friends of Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, hospital car park, SW15. [www.qmhfRIENDScar-boot.co.uk](http://www.qmhfRIENDScar-boot.co.uk)

#### **July 11-26**

##### **Summer School of Art**

Short courses in botanic illustration, etching, abstract painting, pottery and screenprinting. Mix of adult and young people classes.

Putney School of Art & Design, Oxford Road SW15. Full details including course dates and times at [www.webenrol.com/psad](http://www.webenrol.com/psad)

#### **Monday July 11 7pm for 8pm (Summer Party)**

##### **Talk: Duty and Desire - the Story of Dido and Aeneas in Art and Music**

Lecturer: Dr Lois Oliver. Brought together by the destruction of Troy, the Trojan hero Aeneas, and Dido, Queen of Carthage, enjoy a whirlwind passion but their happiness is doomed. Explore this story of passion and desolation through a range of paintings and musical extracts.

Tickets at the door £10 (members free) SWLDFAS at Dryburgh Hall, Putney Leisure Centre, Upper Richmond Road, SW15 **wheelchair** <http://swldfas.org.uk/>

#### **Tuesday July 12 7pm**

##### **Earlsfield Townswomen's Guild**

Friendly meetings with talks on various subjects. New members welcome Earlsfield Library, Magdalen Road SW18. Call the Secretary 8870 0753.

#### **Saturday July 16 11am**

##### **Summer fun day and craft fair**

BBQ, bouncy castle, soft drinks, cakes and many handmade craft stalls. St Margaret's Church, Putney Park Lane SW15. Contact Dawn 07931 478619.

#### **Saturday July 16 12-6pm**

##### **Live at the bandstand**

Theme – rockabilly and rock and roll - 5 – 6 bands, 15 food stalls, 1 bar (Bedford Pub), 5 – 10 arts and craft stalls, vintage stalls, children's area. Battersea Park Bandstand SW11 4NJ. More details call 020 8871 7534.

#### **Sunday July 17 8.30am**

##### **Free guided bird walk on Wandsworth Common**

Discover more about the 100+ species of bird that visit and use our commons, with bird recorder Peter White. Walks last 4 hours but you can leave any time. Wear suitable shoes and clothing. Do bring binoculars if you have them. Please don't bring young children or dogs. Meet by Wandsworth Common train station ticket office, St James' Drive SW17. Call 8871 7530.

#### **Ends July 18 10.30am – 6pm daily or by appointment 6-8pm Mon-Thur**

##### **Treasures Untold exhibition**

A series of paintings at as part of their exhibition of artworks inspired by still life. These include my Best of British range, featuring 3 new additions: a vintage toy telephone box, London Black Cab and Police Box (Tardis). Also Dinky Racer series, inspired by Dinky racing cars from the 50s. Will's Art Warehouse, 180 Lower Richmond Road, Putney Common SW15. [www.wills-art.com/artist/susie+nathanson](http://www.wills-art.com/artist/susie+nathanson)

#### **Applications close July 19**

##### **Wandsworth Grants Fund**

The third round is now open for applications. A maximum of £5,000 can be applied for arts projects under its Arts and Culture priority. More details [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wgf](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wgf)

#### **Wednesday July 20 2.30pm for**

##### **Talk: Hive Honey Shop**

20 min talk then time in the shop. Limited to 15 people. Wandsworth Society The Hive Honey Shop 93 Northcote Road SW11 Priority given to Wandsworth Society members. To book or be put on waiting list contact: Catherine Headley 8946 9441 or [catherineheadley136@gmail.com](mailto:catherineheadley136@gmail.com)

#### **Saturday July 23 & Sunday July 24**

##### **The Streets in Tooting**

Saturday: choir clock - vocal performances by professional and amateur singing groups happening on the hour every hour, at a variety of venues in Tooting. The audience will travel from performance location to location, listening to different groups and discovering their local area as part of a trail, using voice as a vehicle for exploration. Eleven performances from 10am with the last one at 8pm. Call 8871 7530.

## **Summer events at Battersea Park Zoo**

#### **Tues 26 July**

##### **Rabbit Day**

Children will get the chance to listen to a story, draw/colour a rabbit picture, make a set of rabbit ears and meet a real rabbit! Story and meet a rabbit @ 11.45 & 2.15. Come have a carrot picnic at 2pm and join in sleeping bunnies! Rabbit crafts between 11-12.30pm & 1.30-3.30pm **Cost £1**



Drop in sessions: 11am-12.30pm & 1.30pm-3.30pm.



#### **Tues 9 August**

##### **Snake Day**

- Snake Story Time @ 11.45am & 2.15pm
- Meet a real snake @ 12.00pm & 2.45pm
- Make a snake puppet **Cost £1**
- Drop in sessions: 11am-12.30pm & 1.30pm-3.30pm.

#### **Tues 2 August**

##### **Bug Day**

- Meet some creepy crawlies.
- Listen to a Bug Story @ 11.45am & 2.15pm
- Make an Ugly Bug puppet **Cost £1**

Usual entrance fees apply for these events. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Children's Zoo, Battersea Park SW11. [www.batterseaparkzoo.co.uk](http://www.batterseaparkzoo.co.uk)

#### **July 30 1- 5pm**

##### **Table Top Sale**

**Take a table for £10** and make money from your unwanted or excess items or come along and pick up a bargain.

Penfold Centre, 1 Neville Gill Close, London SW18. Phone 07538 713409.

#### **July 30-31**

##### **Foodstock**

New for 2016 – food, drink and music event.

Celebrating local produce and brewers. Local brewer Sambrooks will be attending offering over 20 beers, all named after local points of interest in Wandsworth. Children's area. **Advance tickets £2 adult, child under 16 £1, on the door £4 adult, child £2 (fees apply)** Battersea Park SW11. More details including tickets <http://enablelc.org/foodstock> or call 020 8871 7534.

#### **Sunday July 24 8.30am - 12.30pm**

##### **Free guided bird walk on Tooting Common**

Discover more about the 100+ species of bird that visit and use our commons, with bird recorder Peter White. Walks last 4 hours but you can leave any time. Wear suitable shoes and clothing. Do bring binoculars if you have them. Please don't bring young children or dogs. Meet at 8.30am by staff yard, Dr Johnson Avenue (opposite Hillbury Road, Tooting Common SW17. Call 8871 7530.

# Doing it online

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## Apply for a parking permit/parking

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## Search planning applications

[wandsworth.gov.uk/planningregister](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/planningregister)

## Check your refuse collection day

[wandsworth.gov.uk/collectionday](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/collectionday)

## Request a housing repair

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## Check local roadworks

[wandsworth.gov.uk/roadworks](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/roadworks)

## Report a pothole

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## Pay your rent

[wandsworth.gov.uk/rents](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/rents)

## Talk to us online



weekly e-newsletter  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/24seven](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/24seven)



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## Other contacts at the council

### Adult Care Information Service

(020) 8871 7707

[accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk)  
[wandsworth.gov.uk/acis](http://wandsworth.gov.uk/acis)

### Benefits Service

(020) 8871 8080

[benefits@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:benefits@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Carers information and support Wandsworth

#### Carers Centre

(020) 8877 1200

[info@wandsworthcarers.org.uk](mailto:info@wandsworthcarers.org.uk)  
[childrenswandsworth.org.uk](http://childrenswandsworth.org.uk)

### Children's Social Work Service

(020) 8871 6622

[cssduty@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:cssduty@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Community Care Services

(020) 8871 7707

[accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:accessteam@wandsworth.gov.uk)  
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### Council Tax

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[counciltax@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:counciltax@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Education

(020) 8871 8013

[edadmin@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:edadmin@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Electoral Services

(020) 8871 6023

[electoral@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:electoral@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Environmental Services

(020) 8871 6127

[esd@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:esd@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Family Information Service - including Nurseries

(020) 8871 7899

[fis@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:fis@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Food Hygiene

(020) 8871 6139

[esd@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:esd@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Fraud Hotline

0800 783 2263 (freephone)

[fraudhotline@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:fraudhotline@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Graffiti Removal

(020) 8871 7049

[graffiti@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:graffiti@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Home Ownership

(020) 8871 6016

[housesales@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:housesales@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Housing Advice

(020) 8871 6840

[housingadvice@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:housingadvice@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Housing Repairs and Tenancy

#### Call your area team or management organisation

[hms@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:hms@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Leisure Centres & sports facilities

(020) 8871 8154

[sportsservices@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:sportsservices@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Libraries

[wandsworth.libraries@gll.org](mailto:wandsworth.libraries@gll.org)

### Neighbourhood Watch

(020) 8871 7696

[watchlinkmanager@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:watchlinkmanager@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Noise Complaints

#### - council properties

(020) 8871 7490

[hms@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:hms@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Private properties

(020) 8871 7869

[esd@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:esd@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Parking

(020) 8871 8871

[parking@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:parking@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Parks

(020) 8871 7530

[parks@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:parks@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Rent collection Service

(020) 8871 8987

[rents@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:rents@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Rubbish, Recycling and Litter

(020) 8871 8558

### Births, Deaths, Weddings and Civil Partnerships

(020) 8871 6120

[registeroffice@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:registeroffice@wandsworth.gov.uk)

### Youth Clubs

(020) 8871 7553

[youthservice@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:youthservice@wandsworth.gov.uk)

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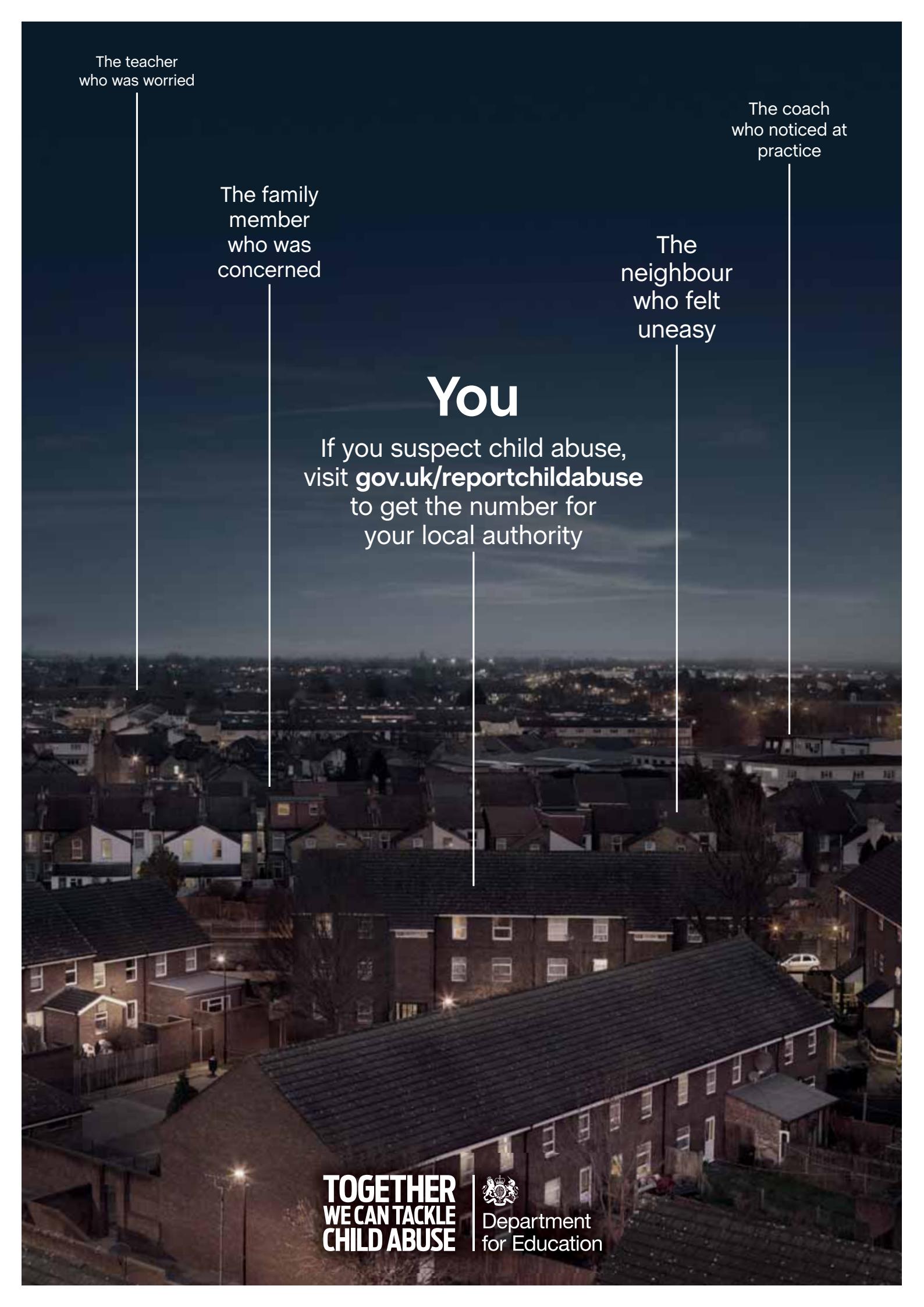
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The teacher  
who was worried

The family  
member  
who was  
concerned

The coach  
who noticed at  
practice

The  
neighbour  
who felt  
uneasy

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