

KOV Forum Newsletter - Next
Public Agenda, Royal
Vauxhall, Greening Vauxhall
Walk, Crime rates down,
Lambeth Leaseholders survey
& much more

Dear Members & Friends

Please find below our latest news & updates:

Next KOV Forum Public Meeting

Please below the Agenda/Flyer for our forthcoming meeting on
the 23rd February 2016

KOV Forum

Public Meeting

Tuesday, 23rd February 2016



All welcome - free entry

When: 6.15pm - Registration; 6.30pm - start of meeting

Where: Carmelita Centre, 41 Vauxhall Walk, SE11 5JT
(Corner of Vauxhall Walk & Jonathan Street - Wheelchair accessible)

Agenda

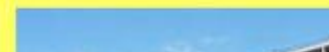
6.30pm Who's Being Left Out?
Workshop identifying gaps in services to support vulnerable people in our area

Everybody's input welcomed



7.45pm Refreshments

8.00pm What the Housing Bill means for Kennington, Oval and Vauxhall.
Presentation from Cllr Jack Hopkins



and a representative from Shelter



For more information or how to join us, please visit
our website www.kovforum.org.uk

If you require crèche, please let us know by 12 noon on 19 February
2016

KOV Forum is supported by:



Lambeth Parks & Open Spaces AGM

The Lambeth Parks and Open Spaces AGM - Date changed to
Tuesday 9th February 2016 at the Durning Library at 6:30pm



Proposal to form a staff/residents' mutual to take over the 10 Lambeth libraries

Residents and library staff are working together to save 10 Lambeth Libraries. Christina Burnett, a local resident leading this campaign says:

“Although numbers of library users have fallen in the last seven years roughly in line with cuts to expenditure, more people still visit libraries annually than attend either football matches or the cinema: libraries are still one of the main cultural activities in which people take part.”

Please

click here vivavauxhall.files.wordpress.com/2016/02/staff-and-community-mutual-report-final-4.doc

(<https://vivavauxhall.files.wordpress.com/2016/02/staff-and-community-mutual-report-final-4.doc>) to download the proposal to form a staff/residents’ mutual to take over the 10 libraries – as York and Suffolk etc have done – so that they can all stay open, run by professionals and supported by their communities, instead of being turned into GLL gyms!

There is also a summary on the Defend the Ten website see link below

defendthe10-lambeth.org.uk/2016/01/19/summary-of-alternative-plan-for-lambeth-libraries (<http://defendthe10-lambeth.org.uk/2016/01/19/summary-of-alternative-plan-for-lambeth-libraries/>)

She asks that you write to the leader of the Council and others to let them know what you think.



A3 Kennington Lane Resurfacing Scheme – Kennington Road – Durham Street

TfL briefing: “We would like to let you know that London Highways Alliance Contract (LoHAC) workers, on behalf of Transport for London (TfL), are planning to carry out resurfacing works on the A3 Kennington Lane. To do this, we need to close sections of the A3 Kennington Lane to ensure the safety of workers and the public whilst the works are being carried out. Why are we doing this work? This work is part of the Road Modernisation Plan, the biggest investment for a generation consisting of hundreds of projects to transform

junctions, bridges, tunnels and pedestrian areas. Working with London's boroughs it will make our roads safer and more reliable. We need to resurface the road here as it has reached the end of its serviceable life.

The new road will provide a smooth and safe surface and also avoid the need for further maintenance in the near future.

Where and when will the work take place? The works are planned to start on Sunday 14 February 2016 and continue for approximately two weeks, depending on the weather

conditions. The map below shows the areas affected. The works will be carried out between 21:00 and 05:00, Sunday to Thursday nights only. What we would like you to know

Diversion routes will be in place via Kennington Road, Kennington Park Road, Kennington Oval and Harleyford Road as well as minor localised diversions. Where road closures

are unnecessary we will put in some lane closures and temporary pedestrian facilities to ensure the safety of those

using the road. We will make every effort to ensure that noisy operations are completed before midnight although vehicle reversing warning beepers will be in use to protect workers

and the public. Access for emergency services will be maintained at all times during the works. Keeping London moving We have worked closely with LoHAC and the London

Borough of Lambeth to reduce the impact of these works on road users, local residents and businesses as far as possible. I hope you will appreciate that a certain level of disruption is inevitable, and I apologise in advance for any inconvenience that may be caused as a result of these essential works.

Should you require further information or an update during the delivery of these works, please contact our Customer Services team on 0343 222 1234 or via the website at tfl.gov.uk/contact (<http://tfl.gov.uk/contact>).



Crime rates in Vauxhall down

Roy Smith, Chief Inspector responsible for local policing for the borough of Lambeth, has praised the work carried out by Vauxhall's business funded Police Officers over the Christmas period. The traditionally busy month of December saw a

reduction of up to 50% for reports of anti-social behaviour and violence against the person offences, with the total number of reported crime dropping by 30%. Vauxhall One, the business improvement district (BID) for Vauxhall, an organisation owned, funded and led by the local business community, has been joint funding two additional fulltime Police Officers for Vauxhall since August 2015. An innovative piece of private/public partnership working, the agreement sees Vauxhall One pay for the cost of one Police Officer with the Met matching that funding for an additional officer.



New Public Safety Advice issued by police

ew advice issued by the police, 'Stay Safe: Firearms and Weapons Attack', gives three key steps to keeping safe: run, hide and tell. The guidance can be applied to many places and situations and has helped people survive similar attacks in other countries. Lambeth has emergency plans in place in the event of a terrorist attack or other major incident. We're also working to stop people being drawn into supporting terrorism or becoming a terrorist in the first place through the Lambeth Prevent Programme. Find out more <http://www.npcc.police.uk/NPCCBusinessAreas/WeaponAttacksStaySafe.aspx>



Creative Sparkworks – Can you help?

Creative Sparks is looking for a basic microwave and a small fridge for their trainees' kitchen and would be very grateful if anyone could provide these.

Creative Sparks is a grassroots community arts charity based in north Lambeth since 2008, recently moved into great new premises at 157 of the famous Lambeth Walk SE11 6EE. Their friendly tutors offer free visual arts workshops in their specialisms of film & medial, mural painting, mosaic and ceramic, printmaking, creative stitchcraft, for people from all walks of life. They work with young unemployed adults giving them skills training with well-paid work placements, they work with the over 55s on their Valuing Older People courses; they welcome vulnerable groups and young offenders to give them a place to live more, laugh more and learn. If you'd like to come along, you're more than welcome – they have a range of programs and workshops you can join! You can also hire the premises for your own exhibition or event.

If you are able to provide either of these items, please contact Sylvia Edwards on 0789

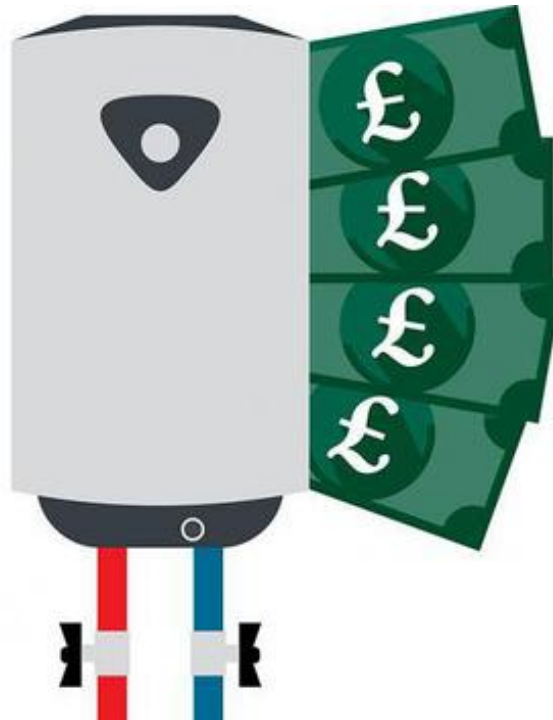
0987586 or sylvia.edwards@creative-sparkworks.org

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Replace your old boiler and get £400 cashback

London Homeowners can get £400 cashback when they replace an old inefficient boiler. For details go to london.gov.uk/boilers (<http://london.gov.uk/boilers>)



Lambeth Leaseholders - Major works costs survey

If you are a Lambeth Leaseholder please complete the short survey by following surveymonkey.co.uk/r/35RMX8K (<http://surveymonkey.co.uk/r/35RMX8K>). If you have any questions please contact the North Lambeth Leaseholders Chair at leaseholdernl@gmail.com (<mailto:leaseholdernl@gmail.com>)



Greening Vauxhall Walk works continue

Please find below the latest update from on the 'Greening Vauxhall Walk' project:

- a. Footway opposite The Black Dog pub revamp - Completed
- b. Carriageway opposite The Black Dog pub to commence soon
- c. Footways from Tinworth Street up to Black Prince Road - Ongoing and progressing well. Currently working opposite the Carmelita Centre
- d. Carriageway from Tinworth Street up to Black Prince Road - to commence Spring 2016

The image below is an artists impression of the section near Walker Books adjacent to Kennedy House.



**Regards,
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