



THE VOICE OF STREATHAM SW16 & SW2 TODAY

Streatham Festival will run this year from **July 2 to 11**, with events across the area organised by volunteers at the Festival Association with support from many local organisations including the Friends of Streatham Common, Streatham Library and local businesses. The events include:



# It's Festival Time again!

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| 2 | <b>Carnival Night at Trini's Restaurant</b> The High Parade, Streatham High Rd.   | 4  | <b>Caribbean Jazz night</b> at Trini's Restaurant, The High Parade.   |
| 3 | <b>Immanuel Church 150th anniversary celebrations</b> with Streatham Society Exhibition (daytime)<br><b>Garden Fete at St. Margaret's Church</b> , Streatham Hill<br><b>Film Night at St. Margaret's Church</b> , Streatham Hill, with lighting by Creatosphere (responsible for last year's spectacle at St. Leonard's)<br><b>Streatham Choral Society</b> at St. Leonard's Church, Tooting Bec Gardens. | 6  | <b>Yellow Bowl Visual Arts Exhibition Launch</b><br><b>Jazz Night at Hogshead Pub</b> (near Streatham Hill station)                           |
|   |   | 7  | <b>Seniors Film Show at Odeon</b><br><b>Quiz Night at Hogshead</b>  |
|   |   | 8  | <b>Comedy Night at the Horse and Groom pub</b> (near Streatham Hill stn)  |
|   |   | 9  | <b>Cabaret at St. Leonard's Church</b><br><b>Crime Evening at Streatham Library</b>   |
|   |   | 10 | <b>Music Day</b> on Streatham Common  |
|   |   | 11 | <b>Merry Wives of Windsor</b> , in the Grass Theatre, the Rookery, Streatham Common. (afternoon)<br><b>World Jewish Music Event</b> (evening) |

Efforts are also being made to light up the Pumping Station in Conyers Road, in partnership with Thames Water, and to illuminate the library, which is supporting the Festival in many ways, not only running their own events (such as the Murder Mystery evening) but also selling tickets on the Festival's behalf.

There will be workshops leading up to the Festival and during the festival period itself. Working with Whippersnappers (based at Brockwell

Lido) and others, an extensive outreach programme has been undertaken with local schools, mental health groups, pensioners and many more. What they develop will be part of the Festival Music Day.

For further information and to offer your support please contact the Town Centre Office on 020 7926 5905 or email [meljen@easynet.co.uk](mailto:meljen@easynet.co.uk)

## £100K well spent

Streatham Green's facelift is nearly complete – paid for out of the £100,000 earmarked by the Council for environmental improvements in the Streatham area. See page 4 for details.

Other improvements completed include lighting in Adare Walk, fencing repair and renewal at Palace Road Nature Gardens and Unigate Wood, and pavement repair in Leigham Court Road.

# Streatham Green facelift

In place of the solitary lamp column that provided the only lighting on the Green, there will be fourteen lamp columns plus additional uplighters to many of the trees and LED lighting in the new retaining wall in Mitcham Lane. The footway of Mitcham Lane by the Green will also shortly be improved in line with the standards being applied to Streatham High Road.

Sight lines have been improved by the removal of the air raid shelters so that there is a more open feel. Unfortunately at the time of writing, works were still "in progress" but we are confident that by early July, the Green will be re-opened to the public as a much more friendly place.

Streatham Green improvements are coming on apace – with new trees (10 more than before), more useable space and dramatically improved lighting.



## Business briefing

**Streatham's Business Advice and Support Clinic provides free advice and information on any matter related to setting up a business, developing a business or tackling problems. It runs every Thursday morning at the Town Centre Office, 85-87 Streatham High Road, SW16. Call the office on 020 7926 5905 for an appointment.**

The Town Centre office also organises a range of courses for business, including basic food hygiene, customer care and personal safety for retailers. For information on future courses please contact the Business and Economic Regeneration Officer on 020 7926 5900.

Thanks to Nando's for a generous donation to the Streatham Chamber of Commerce towards Christmas illuminations for Streatham High Road and Streatham Hill. Nando's has recently won planning permission for the Old Pharmacy premises on the corner of the High Parade opposite Blockbuster.

Streatham as creative and cultural hub? A group of local artists is currently waiting to hear whether a bid for £15,000 to look into developing artists' studios and a gallery/café bar has been successful. The bid is backed by the Chamber of Commerce and the London College of Printing.

## St Leonard's - on sea

Elderly residents in St Leonard's ward were treated to a visit to their south coast namesake St Leonard's on Sea, near Hastings.



The trip was organised by the St Leonard's street wardens, and included a guided tour of St. Matthew's Parish Church in Hastings, lunch in St Leonards-on-Sea and an afternoon on the seafront.

Star of the show was Winnie, who celebrated her 81st birthday on the coach. "I have never had such a good birthday outing in all my years," she said.



Contact the wardens on 020 7926 9000, email: [streetcarecallcentre@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:streetcarecallcentre@lambeth.gov.uk)

## in brief

More than 70 people got together at Chilli Chutney restaurant for a major South Asian consultation exercise as part of the development of the **Streatham Community Plan**. The discussion covered health, community safety and business, and findings were fed back as the overall Lambeth Community Strategy was being finalised.

A new **Youth Bus** will soon be seen on the streets and estates of Streatham – taking services to young people where there is comparatively little youth provision. The double-decker will have computers, decks, DJ workshops, multimedia taster sessions run by trained and experienced workers and even a "chill out" zone.

**Funding of £250,000** over two years has been approved for a "Heart of South London" City Growth Strategy, covering most of Streatham. The cash will support local businesses in promoting regeneration through focusing on the competitive economic advantages rather than the social disadvantages of inner city areas.

## Local heroes

**Congratulations to Albert Steiert, who won a local award in the Mayor of Lambeth's Civic Awards 2004 for his work with Streatham Vale Property owners Association and the Catholic Church. Also honoured were fundraiser extraordinaire Alan Carlson and Provost John Devane, of St Francis Xavier College, who won boroughwide awards.**



And well done Charlotte Atkins from Streatham, who won the Modern Apprenticeship Young Learner of the Year prize at a prestigious ceremony organised by the London Central Learning and Skills Council.

## Streatham Somali Open Day

June 19 2004, 11am to 8.30pm  
English Martyrs Church  
3 Mitcham Lane SW16 6NN

With support from Lambeth Council and the local community, London Somali Development Partnership is holding a Somali Cultural and Community Cohesion event.

The day will include discussion on the Streatham Community Plan and the Streatham Community Safety Plan - and give local people an opportunity to find out more about Somali culture, including food, music and theatre, with performances by local Somali musicians and actors.

If you would like to attend please contact Amarjit Chanion at the Streatham Town Centre Office, 85-87 Streatham High Road, SW16 1PH. Tel: 020 7926 5903. Email: achanion@lambeth.gov.uk

## Streatham Area Committee making decisions locally

This committee is made up of the twelve local councillors representing Streatham Hill, St. Leonard's, Streatham Wells and Streatham South wards.

It meets eight times a year.

The next meeting of the Streatham Area Committee is scheduled for July 28 2004, 7pm, venue to be confirmed.

For more information please contact the Town Centre Office on 020 7926 5905 or email: llevane@lambeth.gov.uk

The first half hour of every meeting is for local deputations or individuals to raise any topic that is of interest or concern to them about Streatham. This is your chance to see democracy in action and have your say. See you there!

## Focus on...the Streatham Town Centre team

Ever wondered what happened behind the shop front of the Streatham Town Centre office at 85-87 Streatham High Road? Town Centre manager Leah Levane explains.

It's a long list, from working with consultants and contractors to keep the Streatham High Road and Streatham Green improvements on track, to managing £100,000 spending on environmental improvements, from pavement repairs to graffiti removal and spring bulbs!

This year a similar amount of cash is available, so let us know where you think the money can best be spent. That's another part of our role - making sure that local people know what the council is doing in the area, and have their say.

Our community safety officer has worked with elderly people, different communities and young people, organising information days, the successful "Love Streatham" days with the street wardens, and the new young people's forum.

The forum held its first meeting this month, bringing local young people together to discuss crime problems and find solutions (more information from Susan Doran on 020 7926 5901).

A new focus for us is implementing the decisions of the Streatham Area Committee, the committee of local councillors which is bringing decision-making down to a local level, deciding on facelift priorities for the local environment

and making sure that Streatham's voice is heard in the Town Hall.

We also put a lot of work into helping local businesses, from individual advice sessions to promoting Streatham as a business destination.

And then there's helping to organise the Streatham Festival, work on health issues, the Streatham Hub development, plans for a Streatham Market, supporting the Friends of Streatham Vale Park, initiatives to boost local creative and cultural industries...

Our core team is the Town Centre Manager, the Information Officer and the Business and Economic Regeneration Officer, plus a community safety officer, youth and play leader, temporary community development officer and part-time adult education co-ordinator.

We try to keep the office open for "drop-ins" in the mornings, and our meeting room is available to community and other organisations at cost or less. As well as meetings of the Streatham Partnership Board, Crime Working Group, Streatham Business Forum and so on, we host get-togethers of all kinds and even blood pressure testing sessions for the Rotary Club!

To find out more please give us a call on 020 7926 5905.

## Contacting your local councillors

### Streatham Hill

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- **June Fewtrell** (Lib Dem)  
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*Surgeries: Third Thursday of the month, 6pm, Streatham Community Rangers Office, 260 Amesbury Avenue, SW2; every Saturday, 11am-12.30pm, Streatham Tate Library, Streatham High Road, SW16.*

### St Leonard's

- **Clive Bennett** (Lib Dem)  
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- **Roger Giess** (Lib Dem)  
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### Streatham South

- **John Kazantzis** (Lab)  
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- **David Malley** (Lab)  
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- **Tim Sargeant** (Lab)  
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*Surgeries: First Saturday of the month (with Keith Hill MP), 10-11am, Streatham Pool, Streatham High Road, SW16; second Friday, 7-8pm, Holy Redeemer Church, corner Streatham Vale and Churchmore Rd, SW16; third Saturday, 7pm, Shree Swaminaryan Centre, corner Colmer Rd and Ellison Rd; last Saturday, 10.30-11.30am, Immanuel and St. Andrew's Church Hall, 452 Streatham High Road.*

### Streatham Wells

- **Sheila Clarke** (Lib Dem)  
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- **Julian Heather** (Lib Dem)  
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*Surgery: Every Saturday, 11am-12.30pm, Streatham Tate Library, Streatham High Road, SW16.*



# Where does all the recycling go?

**Lambeth's new improved recycling service is now operating across the borough. You can recycle all your cardboard and plastic bottles, along with all your paper, glass bottles and jars, cans, tins and empty aerosols, using the orange sacks and/or green box.**

Rubbish for recycling is not sorted at the kerbside but goes into special recycling trucks. And if you've ever wondered what happens next, here's the answer:

The rubbish is taken to a recycling centre in Kent, where it's put into a huge rotating drum – a bit like a giant washing machine! Smaller, heavier items fall through the gaps, leaving mostly paper and card in the drum.

Everything then moves along a conveyor belt to a three-stream production line: one for paper, one for removing paper and card from other waste, and the third for separating cans, glass and plastic bottles.

Mechanical separators sort the waste even more using rollers and a shaking process to separate the materials by size, weight and shape. Magnets and magnetic fields pick out steel and aluminium cans. And there's some sorting by hand.

The sorted rubbish is made into a range of useful products. Glass is turned into sand, and paper and card into tissue paper, newsprint and other stationery and packaging.

Plastic bottles are made into a variety of products, from underground piping to fleece jackets! Cans and aerosols become new steel or aluminium products of all types.

**For more information on recycling in Lambeth call 020 7926 9000, email [recycling@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:recycling@lambeth.gov.uk) or visit [www.lambeth.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/recycling)**



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