

FAITH in Lambeth

Lambeth Faith Groups Newsletter

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST EDITION OF FAITH IN LAMBETH IN 2007.

Lambeth Council and the Steering Group would like to extend special thanks to everyone who contributed to this edition of the faith newsletter. This is the first edition of the year 2007 and the team would like to *wish you all the best* through out the year. We hope you enjoy reading it.

The next edition will be in June. If you would like to contribute to the newsletter please send your articles in by Friday 11 May 2007.

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For any additional information on the articles featured in this newsletter or if you would like to highlight any projects you are involved with, contact **Dinah-Mary Allotey on 020 7926 2664 or email dmallotey@lambeth.gov.uk**
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Together We Can Build Strong, Prosperous Communities, Councillor Lorna Campbell

This is the first newsletter of the year and I would like to say a big thank you to all our faith partners for your continuous support to the Council and myself as a new councillor. I look forward to more partnership work with the faith groups in Lambeth to help shape the agenda for Community Cohesion and the Communities First programme. Yes, we face many challenges as recent tragic events in the borough have indicated and yet, I am very confident that faith groups are well placed to assist public sector providers to tackle some of these issues that threaten our communities. I was particularly heartened to see the churches come together during the Peace March from Peckham to Brixton in a display of solidarity and unity. We will continue to strive towards building strong and prosperous communities.
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Workshops at Faith in Lambeth event, November 2006




Lambeth



Together We Can, *Cllr Lorna Campbell, Deputy Cabinet Member for Inclusion, continued from pg1*

I remain committed to doing as much as I can to enable capacity building of faith groups so that Lambeth can be proud of having a robust and empowered faith community that participates in the decision making process and help shape the communities agenda in Lambeth. We will be continuing our discussions on the draft Faith Communities report at the next Faith in Lambeth meeting so if you have any suggestions please do not hesitate to get back to me on the way forward for the Faith Communities in Lambeth. This year I am planning a series of visits to faith groups in the borough. If you would like me to visit your organisation, please do not hesitate to call 07877 420 206 or email lcampbell@lambeth.gov.uk.

Youth Matters

A Young Person's Perspective about the Eid Celebrations in Lambeth, Aniesha Moore

Festivals bring people together, and often help communities to celebrate and commemorate an event. Historic events of thousands of years or even a few years, are celebrated because they give meaning to our lives by helping us to understand a legacy handed down to us, to give us examples of how good will finally overcome evil, remind us of the struggle which we have to constantly undertake to achieve the best of humanity, to affirm our lives and for new direction and so on.

Such an historic event was celebrated at the Town Hall in the London Borough of Lambeth on Sunday 21 January 2007, as a result of a meeting of minds from the Muslim community in Lambeth, the Chief Executive, a team of Lambeth Council staff and other community agencies. This celebration known as Eid-ul-Adha, is a Muslim festival which commemorates the sacrifice of Prophet Ibraheem (Abraham).

The event was well attended by people from different faith groups and all ages were represented. It was heart lifting to see the many happy children who were present at the celebration. The fact that there was a fully utilised crèche allowed women and children to participate fully in the activities of the day.



Community groups provided information and advice on several issues that concerned the community.

The programme for the day included recitation of the Holy Quran by two young women who recited the chapter called the Good Tidings. The audience also received a warm welcome from the Chief Executive of Lambeth who also spoke of his vision and new direction for Lambeth, a direction which he said must be one where the Council and the community worked together as partners. Other members of the community also spoke of the need to continue to struggle to be God-conscious people and to follow in the footsteps of exemplary Prophets.

All of the entertainment was provided by young people, the martial arts display was dazzling, the Pearls of Islam, who provided nasheeds, poetry and drumming set the place vibrating with good vibes and new consciousness. The performance entitled 'Moses', set in contemporary style, as well

as being innovative was also entertaining and educative.

Judging from the day's activities, ambience, catering and more importantly feedback from the celebrants, it was an enjoyable day. Some community members even said it was much more than they had expected and looked forward to celebrating with Lambeth Council in the future.

Child Protection Training in Places of Worship

Last October Lambeth Council held its first child protection training for faith groups and has since been followed by a second session in February 2007. The event was a success with twenty delegates turning up for training. More importantly was the fact that we had representatives from three different faiths: Buddhist, Christians and Muslims.

Trainer, Gracelyn Fielding commented that delegates seemed to be very passionate about their work. This resulted in very interesting and useful group discussions. Future training dates are **Wednesday 13th June and 17th October**. All training sessions will be held at 392 Brixton Road, SW2 7AW. There are people already registered on the waiting list for the next round so book early to avoid disappointment. We continue to encourage children and youth workers from all faiths to attend this free training course. If you would like more information about the training or would like to register to attend the next session please contact Dinah-Mary Allotey on 0207 926 2664, 07951 921 220. Alternatively you can email dmallotey@lambeth.gov.uk.

Descendants of All Worlds

This exiting new project will be running in Lambeth until October 2007. The project's main aim is to **use stories to change attitudes towards other cultures, nationalities, religions, and backgrounds and challenging commonly held perceptions, stereotypes, prejudice and intolerance**. The stories will be told through the documentary photography from Heartstone's documentary and exhibition programme '*Descendants of All Worlds*'.

The project aims to have its foundations in the community and as such I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to be part of it.

1. **Exhibit the 'Descendants of All Worlds' posters** in your organisation, community centre, place of worship in order to enable service users to see the material and allow communities to identify with the issues raised. This will also enable you to incorporate them into your organisation's activities and identity and enable you to use the stories to reflect your own issues, lives and experiences as well as being brought into contact with the wider world through the '**DOAW**' images. Exhibiting the posters will also help highlight the project in the borough.
2. Lambeth would like to produce a local poster range based on the '*Descendants of All Worlds*' images. Please contact me if your organisation/service users would like to 'tell their story' so that I can liaise with the photographer).
3. Workshops with your community group, youth groups, schools, organisation. These would use the Heartstone stories as the initial stimulus to generate discussions or debates leading to project work i.e. artwork, photography, poetry, and other written contributions, to reflect the expression of local feelings on issues of identity etc which will be brought out as a natural part of the process of discussion on these issues.

The benefit of using the Heartstone stories is that they raise similar issues but from a wider context, providing a 'safe' envelope from which it is possible to look at the local context without highlighting any one community. The workshops will be facilitated by a Heartstone presenter. I would like to hear from you if you would like to **extend an invitation to Heartstone to 'tell your story' by having photos taken for the photo documentary**.

For more information please contact me. Yvonne Okiyo, Lambeth Anti Race and Faith-Hate Crime Coordinator, Tel: 0207 326 2689. Email: yvonne@lcpt.org.uk

Lambeth and the Abolition

Bicentenary of the Act to Abolish the Slave Trade 1807-2007

March 2007 marks the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade in Britain. Throughout the year Lambeth Council will be running a series

of events to mark the Bicentenary and look at the role Lambeth played in both the slave trade and the campaign towards its eventual abolition.

On 25 March 1807, the Act was passed to abolish slave trade and some of Lambeth's famous residents played their part in the 18-year campaign to ban it. William Wilberforce, who lived in Clapham, led the parliamentary campaign against the slave trade, while the borough was also the home of the Clapham Sect, an influential group of social reformers. But not all Lambeth residents were against the slave trade, and plantations in the Caribbean funded large suburban villas in South London.

Lambeth's vision for the 2007 bicentenary is to remember our past in the slave trade, use the lessons we have learnt in the present and leave a lasting legacy for the future.

"It is incredibly important to Lambeth to mark the 200 year anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade in Britain. The borough's history includes abolitionists, slaves and slave owners, and we must never forget the suffering of so many thousands and the fight to abolish the trade in human beings." **Councillor Lib Peck, Cabinet Member for Environment & Culture**

"It is important that we remember the victims of human trafficking through these events, and also to raise awareness of the fact that slavery still exists and highlight the importance of continuing to fight it." **Councillor Lorna Campbell, Deputy Cabinet Member for Inclusion**

For more information on the abolition programme in the borough of Lambeth please email abolition@lambeth.gov.uk, call 020 7926 0750 or visit the website www.lambeth.gov.uk/abolition.

Feedback from Faith Events

SACRE - Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education Sarah Thorley, RE Consultant

On December 1st, three heads of Religious Education departments from Lambeth secondary schools were welcomed at Friday Prayers in Stockwell Green Mosque! This was part of an inset day run by Lambeth SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education) to make the best use of the new inter faith unit in the RE syllabus. It is very valuable for teachers to have

this time out to meet with each other and share best practice and information about good resources and also to be present at an act of worship. It was the first experience inside a mosque for two of the three and we were the only women amongst well over a hundred men! We sat at the back to listen to the Friday sermon and observe the formal midday prayers. The open welcome and friendliness at Stockwell Green Mosque is very much appreciated. Later this month, an ordained trainee for Christian ministry will be visiting there.

Clapham and Stockwell Faith Forum

Around 60 friends of the Forum met together at Heathbrook Hall, SW8, for a fantastic evening on November 30th. It was great to see so many people from different faiths, cultures and backgrounds talking, eating, dancing and sharing ideas together. The evening kicked off with the recitation of Rumi poetry. This was followed by short talks from Cllr Lorna Campbell, who chairs the Lambeth Faith Steering Group; John Roberts of the Metropolitan Police Authority; Rev. David Isherwood of Holy Trinity, Clapham; and Alan Gadd of the South London Interfaith group.

2007 also looks to be an exciting year for the Forum. Muslim and Christian communities came together in the first week of February for a unique and inspiring series of talks in Clapham. The Shi'a Muslim leader, Maulana Kamzi, spoke at the Clapham Methodist Church each evening from Sunday 4th to Wednesday 7th February. As well as speaking at a mosque in Clapham, Kamzi was keen to share his reflections at this very special time with people of other faiths. The theme of the event was "The sufferings of Imam Hussain and Jesus". Accompanied by Christian leaders from around Clapham, Kamzi explored themes such as the love of God, according to the New Testament. As Muslims hold Jesus to be a prophet of Islam it was fascinating to hear talks on the Christian scriptures from an Islamic perspective.

Future projects include an initiative with BeatBullying, a scheme that helps young people explore the issues of faith hate crime and bullying, and a series of introductory workshops to learn about different religions

To get involved, please contact Hannah Barker at info@csff.co.uk or 07958 353 652

Faith in Lambeth Civic Event

In November 2006, Lambeth Council and the faith community came together for an evening of social networking and sharing information. For the first time, faith groups were asked to run workshops about their community projects and share good practice about how they went about seeking funding, tackled obstacles and delivered projects effectively. There were about seven break-out sessions on diverse community initiatives ranging from children's projects and regeneration projects to inter faith groups in South London. The evening was opened by the Mayor of Lambeth, Councillor Liz Atkinson, followed by three speakers: Hyacinth Parsons, Government Office for London, Derrick Anderson, CE of Lambeth Council and Nero Ughwujabo, Director, Croydon BME Forum.

Clapham & Stockwell faith forum workshop



The evening ended with closing remarks from Councillor Lorna Campbell, Deputy Cabinet Member for Inclusion, who is responsible for faith groups.

Multi Faith South London Sarah Thorley, South London Inter Faith Group

At the gathering in the Assembly Hall on Nov 16th, to 'better understand the role of faith groups within the community', I was asked to run a workshop on the research that I am doing for the South London Inter Faith Group with funding from the Community Development Capacity Building Fund. I have one day a week for one year to gain 'an improved understanding of south London's multi faith situation'! Quite a challenge but one that is proving extremely interesting. Participants at the meeting chose one of six workshops on different projects running in and around Lambeth. At my table was an interesting mix of people including a pastor from the Celestial Church of Christ and two young men from the Brixton Mosque in Gresham Road, who I hope to meet again.



I showed them a map of the twelve boroughs south of the river which my exploration covers. I reported: that I had been in contact with the key 'faith outreach' person in each borough to discover what initiatives are being taken and how they relate to existing inter faith organisations in their locality (if any); that I had attended meetings of most of the 15 or so inter faith organisations (of which four are based in Lambeth). I shall be producing a final report in May. It's a very live issue and we had some good in-depth discussion at our table. Overall, the meeting was well attended and there was a vibrant and friendly atmosphere with much networking going on! It feels as if many of the leaders of faith communities do know each other in Lambeth. (And none of the other boroughs have such a good newsletter as ours!)

See Sarah's appeal on the next page.

APPEAL: I am looking for examples of where two or more different faith groups are engaging together. There is so much bad news reported in the media related to inter faith relations, but actually lots of good things are happening quietly at the 'grassroots'. So I am compiling a collection of good news stories to be published in a book. Please phone 020 8674 5447 or contact me through Dinah-Mary. Sarah Thorley



Church Peace March, Pastor Marcia Jones Cornerstone Life Ministries

"I was really moved by the news on the radio and television to hear that more of our young men had been taken away from their families and loved ones through gun crime. I really felt this with a passion and wanted to know how I could help or be involved in some way. I was really glad to receive the email flyer from Premier Radio and I circulated to friends and family near and far.

I arrived in Windrush Square at 7.25pm and literally 100s of people were gathered, surrounded by the police and media. It was such a fantastic atmosphere of unity and I can honestly say the Holy Spirit was certainly there. People were still arriving and taking part and I was humbled to be a part of this historical event of Christians, community and the police in the same place wanting to achieve something in common.

Rev Les Issac, Bishop John Francis and others gave very empowering and motivational addresses to the crowds about us not being complacent; going to where people are (clubs, pubs, etc); mentoring our young people; getting involved and praying for this movement.

I personally do not see this as a 'knee-jerk' reaction, but I truly believe that God did something that day. I recognise that not every single person will be moved in the same way, but we will all play a part whether up front or behind the scenes praying that God will intervene and that we can take back our communities with a resounding 'we've had enough of the killings.'

What I have done since.

I reported back to my local fellowship; I have contacted RUCAH's office and heard from another local minister, as follow-up events were announced. I have also heard from the North Lambeth Committee, as they are having meetings with youth, community leaders and the Police.

I strongly believe that we HAVE to work together to achieve this as without a vision, more lives will perish. Let us stand strong and with each other's support we can achieve this and clean up our communities."

Lambeth Council celebrates Eid ul-Adha with the Muslim community

Lambeth Council hosted a spectacular event to celebrate Eid Ul-Adha with the Muslim community on Sunday 21st January at the Town Hall.

Doors were opened at noon and at the last count over 350 people attended the proceedings. This was a ground-breaking event and the first of its kind supported by the Council and its partners including the Metropolitan Police Service and Lambeth First. What was particularly special was the number of women and young people who came to enjoy the activities, food and networking. The event was open to all community members and sought to raise awareness about the Muslim faith and promote greater understanding between different communities. The highly diverse programme was developed by members of the Muslim





community and included the local Imam and Dr Daud Abdullah who spoke about the significance of Eid for attendees. The afternoon was first and foremost about celebrating young people.

There were also a number of service providers in attendance promoting the services available including Metropolitan Police Services, Lambeth Adult Education, the GAIN project, Western Riverside and many more. All agreed that this was an effective way to engage with the community.

Councillor Lorna Campbell, deputy cabinet member for Inclusion said; "It is great to learn that so many people, particularly women, enjoyed this celebration. I hope that this event will be the start of further engagement with the Muslim community".



Huma Munshi, Muslim Communities Engagement Officer

The Active Communities Team at Lambeth has a new addition, Huma Munshi, the Muslim Communities Engagement Officer for Lambeth. She will be working across Lambeth with residents, mosques and other community organisations to engage with the many different groups that make up Lambeth's diverse Muslim community.

Huma has been working with partners from the Muslim community at the Muslim Leader's Forum to develop the Muslim Community Action Plan entitled, 'Together – As One'. This is the culmination of twelve months engagement with the Muslim community and addresses priorities set out by the representatives and seeks to work holistically, with key agencies and the community, to address issues of concern. This covers issues around employment and enterprise, health and well being and building the capacity of the community to engage with partners. Projects have already been undertaken in partnership with Brixton Mosque to put on a photography exhibition and provide IT classes for the sisters group that attend.

There has also been significant work to build the capacity of the women and ensure they are informing the agenda. Huma has been working in partnership with Clapham and Stockwell Faith Forum and Lambeth Women's Project to develop a multi faith women's art group. These activities will take place at Lambeth Women's Project and will include painting, sewing, reading clubs and writing workshops. The activities are open to women of all faiths and will be launched on March 13th. This will also be an opportunity to get information on welfare advice, training opportunities and will go a long way in developing confidence and increasing inter-faith engagement.

Plans are underway to facilitate an event for women to come together in the summer and build up a support system. There will be discussions around Islam and feminism, and how to challenge misconceptions that people may hold about the role of women. Workshops – led by community representatives - will be convened to discuss a diverse range of topics including family life, parental support, employment and training and health and well-being. For further information and should you want to get involved in the Muslim Leader’s Forum, women’s activities or help develop any of the events please contact Huma Munshi, the Muslim Communities Engagement Officer, on 07983 560 032 or hmunshi@lambeth.gov.uk.



Huma on the left, with Saadatu, a community member from Muslim Sisters at the Eid event

Holocaust Memorial Day 2007, Cllr Mark Bennett, Cabinet Member for Community Safety

The Dignity of Difference was the theme chosen by the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust this year for the annual Holocaust Memorial Day Service. The theme was about remembering that many groups were victimised under Hitler’s evil regime simply because they were different.

Jews, Roma and Sinti (Gypsies,) Russian prisoners of war, black Germans, trade unionists, Jehovah’s Witnesses, political opponents, disabled people, homosexuals and lesbians all suffered because what made them different was perceived as a weakness to Hitler’s ideal society. The chosen theme also reflects a desire for us to continue strengthening our communities by promoting harmony within the Lambeth community, including religious and racial harmony.



Keynote speaker Clive Lawton (middle), with the Mayor of Lambeth Councillor Liz Atkinson and Reverend Malachie Munyaneza.

I found the programme spiritually uplifting. The creative use of music, readings and reflection I am sure inspired all those who attended to reflect on the atrocities of the past and also our role in making sure they are not repeated.

I was deeply honoured to take part and thank all those who organised and participated in the event. By continuing to remember all those who suffered we show that we have the compassion to listen, reflect and learn from each other. Qualities we must endeavour to foster, grow and maintain.

Youth Council manager Kylie Turuwhenua, with Nichole, one of the young people who participated in the evening’s proceedings.

Singing of the Psalms by South London Synagogue



Notice Board

*** Congratulations ***

Congratulations to the following Lambeth faith groups who successfully applied for the Home Office Capacity Funds: Clapham & Stockwell Faith Forum, St John's Church Waterloo, Aayatiin Foundation for Relief & Development, amongst other community groups

Clapham and Stockwell Faith Forum

CSFF'S Women's Arts Group project was launched on Tuesday 13 March, in partnership with the Lambeth Women's Project. The launch was very well attended with a very diverse number of women attending including Muslim mothers and other women across Lambeth. The food was enjoyed by all as was the wonderful bead-making activity. There were lively discussions around families, Muslim weddings and travel. This will be the start of further women's only activities and increasing interfaith dialogue between women of different ages and cultures. This informal group will meet on the second Tuesday of each month, on alternating afternoons (12.30-3pm) and evenings (4.30-7pm) at the Lambeth Women's project, **166a Stockwell Road**. Refreshments, crèche facilities and a space to chat and relax will all be provided! **Booking in advance is essential.**

To get involved or for any other information please contact Hannah Barker at info@csff.co.uk or on 07958 353 652. You can also visit our website at www.csff.co.uk.

Charity Single Clapham Common, Sunday 15 July

Anti-slavery International won the first non-music MOBO award in October and are very happy to work with Holy Trinity Church on this project which will target a younger generation through music. We are delighted that Sarah Francis (www.sarahfrancis.com) has agreed to sing and the music is currently being composed. The plan is to launch in front of 80,000 people at the RISE festival on Clapham Common, Sunday 15 July. For more information please contact Holy Trinity Church Clapham on 020 7627 0941.

Dates for your Diary

Introduction to Buddhism

with Geshe Tashi Tsering – London's resident Tibetan Lama

Saturday 31 March & Sunday 1 April, 2 – 6pm
whole weekend £30 waged/£20 unwaged; per day
£20 waged/£12 unwaged
• all levels •

The message of the Buddha is a universal one, as relevant today as it was 2,500 years ago when he taught. As part of our aim to promote interfaith dialogue, we would like to offer 10 free tickets to the first 10 people who contact us by email. Please send emails to kerry@jamyang.co.uk.

Stop Press Multi Faith London

The launch of the South London Multi Faith report will be launched on **Saturday 19 May at St John's Church Waterloo, from 11am – 4pm** (lunch will be provided). For more information please contact Alan Gadd on 0208 678 8977.

Sing for Freedom Holy Trinity Church Clapham

7pm on Friday 29 June

Stuart Barr, conductor and a judge for BBC Choir of the Year, is organising a musical celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Slave Trade. Composers Tim Sutton and Eugene Skeef will be working with children from local schools and two adult choirs, to create a work that fuses African styles and Western styles. The evening will be presented by BBC broadcaster Paul Gambaccini.

For more information please contact Leona Mani at the Parish office on 020 7627 0941 or email project2007@holytrinityclapham.org. You can also visit the website for regular updates www.holytrinityclapham.org.

Holy Days and Festivals (Nov 2006 – Feb 2007)

March 2007

Friday	2	Bahá'í Fast (Bahá'í) Adult fast
Saturday	3	Sangha Day (Buddhism) Holi (Hinduism)
Sunday	4	Purim (Judaism)
Wednesday	21	Naw-Ruz (Bahá'í) end of 19-day fast
Tuesday	27	Rama Navami (Hinduism)

April 2007

Sunday	1	Palm Sunday (Christianity)
Monday	2	
Tuesday	3	Pesach (Judaism) Passover begins
Thursday	5	Maundy Thursday (Christianity)
Friday	6	Good Friday (Christianity)
Sunday	8	Easter (Christianity)
Wednesday	11	Mawlid an Nabi (Birth of Prophet) (Islam)
Saturday	14	Vaisakhi Baisakhi (Sikhism)
Sunday	15	Yom Ha Shoah (Judaism) Holocaust Remembrance Day
Saturday	21	First Day of Ridvan (Bahá'í)

May 2007

Wednesday	2	Last Day of Ridvan (Bahá'í) Buddha Day (Buddhism)
Thursday	17	Ascension Day (Christianity)
Wednesday	23	Declaration of the Báb (Bahá'í) Shavuot (Judaism) Feast of Weeks
Sunday	27	Pentecost (Christianity)
Tuesday	29	Ascension of Bahá'u'llah (Bahá'í)

June 2007

Saturday	2	Shavuot (Judaism)
Thursday	7	Corpus Christi (Catholic)
Saturday	16	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan (Sikhism)
Saturday	30	Dharma Day (Buddhism)

Funding and Freebies

Awards for All: Maximum grant is **£10,000**. Grants are available to fund projects that enable people to take part in art, sport, heritage and community activities that promote education and the environment in local communities. The fund aims to extend access and participation, increase skill and capacity and improve the quality of life.

Call 0845 600 20 40 for more information or visit the website at www.awardsforall.org.uk.

Big Lottery Community Buildings Fund: **Minimum £50,00, Maximum £250,000** The programme will give communities the chance to improve their quality of life by funding buildings that are economically, socially and environmentally sustainable. The programme will pay for creating and improving facilities that offer a wide range of services and activities to a broad range of local people.

The programme wants to fund buildings that will promote community interaction and self-help. It is hoped that these buildings will continue to serve communities in years to come while minimising their negative effects on the environment. Community Buildings is mainly a capital-funding programme to cover the cost of building your project, not running it once constructed. A separate category for church-based faith organisations has been created but all faith organisations are eligible to apply.

There will be a two-stage application process. At stage one consideration will be given to the need and outcomes for your project and how you will run your building. Deadline for stage one applications is **5 pm on 30th April 2007**. Only successful projects will proceed to stage two.

Big Lottery Reaching Communities Fund: This programme provides funding to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. Communities are at the heart of Reaching Communities. The aim is to fund projects that respond to needs identified by communities, and actively involve them. This programme seeks to fund projects that help those most in need including those people or groups who are hard to reach. They will give support to those projects they think best meet their communities' needs. The three-year programme will make up to £100 million available in 2006-07, with future budgets being set annually. There will be a two-stage application process. At stage one the fund will

consider the need and outcomes for your project and how you will run your building. The final deadline for stage one applications is **5 pm on 30th April 2007**. Only projects successful at stage one will be invited to apply to stage two. For more information please call 08454 10 20 30 or visit www.biglotteryfund.org.uk.

Sky Youth Action Fund: Thames Community Foundation is working with BSkyB to support the work of voluntary groups in the areas local to their offices. Applications will be considered if they meet the following criteria:

The purpose of the project is to help young people aged 11-21 by:

- Developing their creativity
- Enhancing their communication skills
- Improving their funding
- Preparing them for the world of work.

The organisation must be charitable, voluntary or community based in specific London boroughs including Lambeth. For further information and an online application form, please visit the website www.sky.com/yaf or call Judy Asher on 020 8943 5525, email judyasher@btconnect.com. This is a rolling fund where the panel meets every two months, check the website for panel dates.

Sutton Trust: The main objective of the Sutton Trust is to support innovative projects that provide educational opportunities for young people from non-privileged backgrounds. Your innovative start-up project should have the scope to benefit large numbers in the future. The Sutton Trust will fund projects across the UK, in any area where there is need, including rural and inner city areas. The Sutton Trust tends to fund projects in a formal education setting, working primarily with organisations such as schools, universities, community groups, charities and research bodies. We do not fund individuals. Our work with the secondary school age group is focused on gifted and talented students. **There is no deadline for applications as Trustees meet regularly throughout the year.** For more information please visit www.suttontrust.com.

The Local Network Fund for Children and Young People provides small grants and capacity building support for small voluntary organisations working with children and young people. Most grants will range between minimum **£250** and maximum **£7,000**, for one year's funding only. Two-year funding may be awarded to projects in exceptional circumstances. The maximum two-year grant is £6,000 each year for two years. The objective of the Fund is to enable communities to develop projects and activities for

children and young people with limited opportunities or access to services that many young people take for granted. Awarded funds must be spent **by February 2008**.

Administrators ensure that outreach and support are available to support applicants. Decisions on allocating funding are made by assessment panels comprising people with knowledge of issues faced by children in the communities.

Applications are invited under the themes outlined in *Every Child Matters*:

- **Being healthy**
- **Staying safe**
- **Enjoying and achieving**
- **Making a positive contribution**
- **Achieving economic well-being**

The closing date for the next round is Friday 11th May. Subsequent round deadlines:

Friday 6 July
Friday September

For more information contact the Capital Community Foundation's local office for Lambeth at 0207 582 5117. You can also visit the Education website at www.everychildmatters.gov.uk.

Community Champion Funds supports the work of local people who can encourage others to get more involved in renewing their neighbourhoods. The fund is designed to increase the skills levels of individuals to enable them to act as inspirational figures, community entrepreneurs, and community mentors/leaders, in order to increase community involvement in regeneration and learning activity. The Fund also encourages older (50+) volunteers to get involved in helping their communities. The main type of funded activity is very small-scale but it is activity that makes a real difference.

For more information please call Sue Halstead on 020 7217 3711, sue.halstead@gol.gsi.gov.uk or visit the website www.go-london.gov.uk.

If you would like a summary of this information in community languages, or in other formats such as large print, Braille, or on disk, please contact Lambeth Regeneration and Housing Services on 020 7926 5555.

Spanish

Si desea esta información en otro idioma, rogamos nos llame al 0207 926 5555

Portuguese

Se desejar esta informação noutro idioma é favor telefonar para 0207 926 5555

French

Si vous souhaitez ces informations dans une autre langue veuillez nous contacter au

0207 926 5555

Bengali

এই তথ্য অন্য কোনো ভাষায় আপনার প্রয়োজন হলে অনুগ্রহ করে ফোন করুন

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Faith in Lambeth Civic Event November 2006, CE of Lambeth Council Derrick Anderson and the Mayor of Lambeth Cllr Liz Atkinson with representatives from the faith community in Lambeth.



Holocaust Memorial Day, *The Dignity of Difference*, 25 January 2007. Rabbi Philip Ginsbury, a member of the Holocaust Memorial Planning Group and the She'Koyokh Klezmer Ensemble, who played wonderful music during the event. Continued inside

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