

# Brixton NET

## Connecting Communities

### May 2007 Monthly Bulletin

#### Meetings

**Brixton Area Committee**  
**Wednesday 9 May, 7:00pm**

Karibu Education Centre, 7 Gresham Road, London SW9 7BH

With presentations on Transition Town Brixton, Lambeth's Regeneration Delivery Plan and future Lambeth projects including Brixton Central Square latest update.

Contact Kathryn Thomas, Democratic Services at Lambeth Council for more information on 020 7926 2490 or [kthomas1@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:kthomas1@lambeth.gov.uk)

**Brixton Business Forum - Annual General Meeting**  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 6:30 pm**

Brixton Library, Brixton Oval, London SW2 1JQ

Keynote speaker Derrick Anderson, Lambeth Council Chief Executive describing how Lambeth is open for business. The Forum will discuss their terms of reference and will also elect a new Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

Contact the Brixton Town Centre office for further information on 020 7926 1097 or by email at [brixton@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:brixton@lambeth.gov.uk)

Brixton Area Forum – Town Centre Forum  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2007 7.00 p.m.  
Brixton Library, Brixton Oval, London SW2 1JQ

Come and discover the latest designs for Brixton Central Square and hear officers describe the planning process that is about to get underway for this historic development in the heart of Brixton. Note: Exhibition on Brixton Central Square plans runs from 14<sup>th</sup> May to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2007 inclusive.

**Clapham Community Project**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
Monday 21 May 2007, 7:30pm  
St Anne's Hall, Venn Street, SW4

Refreshments will be available.  
For further info:  
Tel. 020 7720 8731

## **Lambeth Business in Partnership - Safer Lambeth**

30th May 2007, 8:30am - 11:30am  
Lambeth Town Hall, Assembly Rooms

Informing the business community about the initiatives designed to help combat crimes affecting businesses and also to enhance the business and general environment by building safe public spaces. The agenda includes the Safer Socialising Awards presentations. Speakers will include Lambeth Chief Executive, Derrick Anderson and the Metropolitan Police's Lambeth Borough Commander, Martin Bridger.

## **News & Events**

### **The Tram is Back!**

**May 19<sup>th</sup> 2007 from 10 – 4 p.m.**

Tate Gardens, Brixton Oval (outside Brixton Library)

FREE event. A fun filled event for all the family with face painting, dancing and music! A model tram will also be on site, and you'll have the opportunity to comment on where you think the new tram route should run. Remember that the Brixton Central Square exhibition will also be on in the Brixton Library at the same time, so you can find out about two major Brixton projects in one go.

For further information contact the Brixton Town Centre office on 020 7926 1097 or email [Brixton@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:Brixton@lambeth.gov.uk)

### ***Brixton Splash - Do You Want to be a Brixton VIP?***

5<sup>th</sup> August 2007 in the Heart of Brixton Town

Brixton Splash is a unique community-led event that will provide a day of music, pleasure and entertainment for all. The event showcases the vibrancy, energy and creativity of Brixton's people.

We are looking for local people who are willing to act as stewards and ambassadors on the day. FREE TRAINING will be provided leading to a formal qualification in event stewarding.

You must be:

- Aged 18 or over
- Fit enough to work on your feet for up to 6 hours in the open
- Of good character and able to present a positive impression of Brixton's people to our visitors

Interested? Please contact:

Employment Café  
64 Railton Road, SE24 0FL  
Tel. 0207 733 8878  
Email: [info@employment-cafe.co.uk](mailto:info@employment-cafe.co.uk)  
Web: [www.employment-cafe.co.uk](http://www.employment-cafe.co.uk)

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## **Age Concern Lambeth - *Your Rights Campaign***

Age Concern Lambeth's Your Rights Campaign, pledging to help more local residents than ever before claim the benefits they are entitled to, began last month and continues throughout the year. The campaign will focus on the following benefits. All local older people are urged to pop in for a benefits check at one of our surgeries located across the borough. The campaign will look at the following benefits:

April–May, Council Tax Benefit & Housing Benefit

June–July, Carer's Benefit

August–September, Attendance Allowance & Disability Living Allowance

October–November, Pension Credit

December–January, Help with heating costs

February–March, Help with health costs

For more information contact:

Blossom Kiffin, Information & Advice Manager  
Age Concern Lambeth  
336 Brixton Road, London, SW9 7AA  
Tel - 020 7733 0528  
Email - [b.kiffin@aclambeth.org.uk](mailto:b.kiffin@aclambeth.org.uk)

## **Multi-faith Women's Art Sessions**

Tuesday 8 May, 12:30pm – 4pm

Lambeth Women's Project, 166 Stockwell Road, SW9

Launching a monthly session meeting on alternate afternoon and evenings, come along and meet other women in a women only space and enjoy a range of activities from painting and sewing, to bread-making and many more.

Vegetarian and Halal food and refreshments available  
Crèche provided for children over 31 months.

For more info contact:

Huma Munshi, Muslim Communities Engagement Officer  
Tel: 07983560032  
Email: [hmunshi@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:hmunshi@lambeth.gov.uk)

Hannah Barker, Clapham & Stockwell Faith Forum  
Tel: 07958 353652  
Email: [info@csff.co.uk](mailto:info@csff.co.uk)

## **Southbank & Brixton Climate Change Walks**

What might climate change look like in London and what can we do about it? Walk with us through urban environment of the Southbank or the blossoming green landscape of Brixton. Let us show you examples of people tackling climate change in London today. This is free event.

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Southbank Walks Tower Bridge ~ Waterloo  
Wed 9th May 12.30pm & Tue 15th May 6pm approx 2hrs  
Meet in Most café, under south side Tower Bridge

Brixton Walks Brixton ~ Brockwell Park  
Fri 11th May 6pm & Sun 3rd June 2pm approx 3hrs  
Meet outside Ritzy Cinema, Coldharbour Lane

For information & booking please contact Christine Binnie  
on 020 7820 3166 or [christineb@sustainable-energy.org.uk](mailto:christineb@sustainable-energy.org.uk)

### ***Energy Beyond Oil* – A presentation by Paul Mobbs**

Lambeth Town Hall, Room 8.  
Thursday 17 May, 7:30pm, entry by donation

Paul Mobbs, author of *Energy Beyond Oil*, considers the changing UK economy and how it might adapt to depleting oil resources.

### **Malcolm's Echo: The Legacy of Malcolm**

Saturday 19 May, 6:45pm, The Ritzy

Darkling Productions a Brixton based start-up production company have independently produced its debut feature documentary called *Malcolm's Echo: The Legacy of Malcolm*. The film premiered in America in February on the 42nd anniversary of the assassination of Malcolm X.

Following critical acclaim stateside, *Malcolm's Echo* now sees its UK première, here at Brixton's Ritzy Cinema, Brixton on 19 May, Malcolm X's birthday.

The screening will be followed by a Question and Answer session with the director, Dami Akinnusi, and a free after-party upstairs in the Ritzy Cafe with World Music DJs.

For further info contact:  
Darkling Productions  
Email - [dami@darkling.tv](mailto:dami@darkling.tv)

### **Brixton Shed Theatre Company**

Young people interested in Drama, Music and Dance - would you like to meet other young people and get involved in performing and creating your own theatre shows?

Brixton Shed was established as a Chickenshed outreach project in September 2004. We are an Inclusive Theatre Company which means that our focus is on enabling young people who may not usually be part of a theatre group, for reasons perhaps such as disability, or for social or financial reasons.

If this interests you, sessions are on a Monday night during term time in Brixton. Children's Theatre (ages 7-11) runs from 5.30-6.45pm and Youth Theatre (ages 12-16) runs from 7.30-8.45pm. The cost is £10 for the term.

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To enquire or reserve a place, contact Brixton Shed at:  
Email: [brixtonshed@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:brixtonshed@hotmail.co.uk), or Tel. Tel: 07758 642233

Brixton St Vincent's Community Centre  
Talma Road  
London  
SW2 1AS

## Community Safety & Safer Neighbourhoods

Neil Thurlow is the new Community Safety Partnership Co-ordinator (CSPC) for the Brixton subcommand, where he'll work with the new Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) team, community engagement officers and partners, tackling crime and disorder in the Brixton area.

He'll also be working closely with the Metropolitan Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT) - the new way the Met are policing your streets. Teams comprise of a Sergeant, 2 Police Constables and 3 Police Community Support Officers operate within their own ward.

SNT's are tasked by a resident's panel that reflects the diversity of the ward being served. Panels meet 4-6 times a year and give the opportunity for both the police and community to feed back on how crime is being tackled and what new issues are being faced.

If you are interested in joining a panel or have information which you think the police should be aware of you can contact the SNT via phone or email. Their mobile phone numbers are charged at landline rates.

SNT contact details are:

Brixton Hill Ward – [BrixtonHill.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:BrixtonHill.snt@met.police.uk) – 07881 510 272  
Coldharbour Ward – [Coldharbour.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:Coldharbour.snt@met.police.uk) – 07843 065 917  
Ferndale Ward – [Ferndale.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:Ferndale.snt@met.police.uk) – 07766 990 785  
Herne Hill Ward – [HerneHill.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:HerneHill.snt@met.police.uk) – 07881 511 386  
Tulse Hill Ward – [TulseHill.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:TulseHill.snt@met.police.uk) – 07920 233 838

Information is also available on [www.metpolice.uk](http://www.metpolice.uk)  
Click on the Safer Neighbourhoods section and then select Lambeth.

If you would like to contact Neil about any Community Safety issues you can do so at the email or mobile number below. Please note that my mobile is charged at the regular rates.

Neil Thurlow  
Community Safety Partnership Co-ordinator for Brixton subcommand  
Email - [nthurlow@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:nthurlow@lambeth.gov.uk)  
Tel - 07947 484 766

## Health in Lambeth

### **Happiness & Wellbeing in Tulse Hill - Open Space Event**

**Weds 9 May, 10am - 3pm**

Community Flat, Pulser House, Tulse Hill, SW2

*How can we build the happiness and wellbeing of everyone in Tulse Hill?*

Come along and you can answer that question for yourselves. We will help you decide what should be done to improve the lives of everyone in Tulse Hill.

There'll be activities and entertainment to keep you inspired, and we'll provide the lunch! Everyone is welcome.

For more information contact:

nicholas.henry@slam.nhs.uk or caroline.morris@slam.nhs.uk or call 020 3228 6568

## Education & Training

### **GLE One London Business Advice Service South Central**

GLE One London provides a wide range of business support to people thinking of starting their own business and to those looking to grow their business. They also offer a number of free courses for Lambeth residents ranging from ½ day seminars to 3 day classes and workshops running regularly throughout the year. Courses include:

- **Introduction to starting your own business**
- **Business start up courses**
- **Marketing for growth**
- **Book-keeping made simple**
- **Music as a Business**
- **Starting a social enterprise**

For further information call the Brixton Office on tel. 020 7274 9119

One London Business Advice Service South Central

53 Brixton Station Road

London SW9 8PQ

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