

Norwood eye



New lease of life for Old Library

The Old Library Centre in Norwood has officially opened its doors.

The Old Library has been transformed into an exciting new community venue.

The building is Grade II listed but closed as a library in 1968 and had been disused since the 1990s. The transformation has been achieved through a partnership between Lambeth Council and West Norwood Community Development Trust.

Said West Norwood Community Development volunteer coordinator Ronald Holder: "It is wonderful to see the refurbishment. The involvement of volunteers has been vital to get this far and the community has given the project energy."

Councillor Andrew Bottrall, Lambeth's executive member for education, said: "We now have a sparkling venue to help local organisations deliver services to West Norwood."

The new venue provides spaces for meetings, activities, conferences, exhibitions and celebration events, plus cafe with internet access and creche.

There is a dedicated youth space as well, and regular youth activities are being arranged.

For further information please call
Lambeth EBP on 020 7926 9840.

Shop fronts get a facelift

Nine local businesses in Norwood have been awarded grants towards Shop Front Improvements.

One new business awarded a grant this year is London Makeovers, established by two young local entrepreneurs, Clive Broughton and Marlon Headley.

London Makeovers offers free advice, estimates for kitchens, bathrooms, wardrobes, flooring and other house maintenance requirements. The showroom is at 94 Knights Hill, SE27 0JL, and the store's grand opening will take place in June.

For further information on London Makeovers please call 020 8670 1222.

Get on board for Norwood Park Summer Fun Day

Plans are now being made for the Norwood Park Fun Day. The popular summer event is scheduled to take place on 21 August 2004.

The fun day will feature stalls of various kinds, music and a range of different activities for children. If you would like to participate in the organisation and planning of this event, please contact Christine Dixon, Norwood Community Development Officer, on 020 7926 7997 or email her at cdixon@lambeth.gov.uk

Mum, I'm bored!

With the summer coming the reality is striking home that in Norwood there are still very few places where children and young people can enjoy themselves in safety with their friends. Where can they meet, socialise and participate in the physical, social and creative activities so essential to development?



There are some things being planned. The newly refurbished centre in Knights Hill will soon be providing activities for teenagers. Look out for the programme in the next issue. Local churches have also got together as part of the Soul in the City initiative and will be doing work to improve the facilities in Knights Hill Park from 26 July to 6 August.

Around the Norwood area a range of community and voluntary organisations and youth and play workers will be providing many activities from football to singing, arts and crafts to outings. There will be a detailed programme in the next issue.

There is still a great deal to do to make Norwood a good place for all children and young people. If you would like to help you can be put in touch with community organisations through the Town Centre Office. Contact Christine on 020 7926 7997.

Well done Provost John Devane, chair of governors at St Francis Xavier College, who won a boroughwide award in the Mayor of Lambeth's Civic Awards 2004.

New community safety officer for Norwood in place

Norwood now has its own community safety officer, Nabil Mezoughi, who started work in April.

Nabil has lived in the borough for more than 20 years and has worked for Lambeth for more than ten years (four of them in Norwood).

The latest crime figures show that, unlike some other areas of Lambeth, Norwood has a comparatively small problem with street crime

and drugs. But the totals are high both for burglary and for motor vehicle crime

As Norwood's community safety officer Nabil will be leading work on awareness-raising campaigns, co-ordination of Neighbourhood Watch, youth provision and diversionary activities, warden schemes, radio link scheme and CCTV – all as part of the Norwood Community Safety Strategy.

Other key areas are improvements to street lighting around train stations and other crime "hot spots", and tackling anti-social behaviour - including targeted work on identified estates including Hainthorpe, Portobello, Woodvale, Linton Grove, Holderness and Dunbar Dunhelm.

Nabil can be contacted through the Norwood Town Centre Office on 020 7926 2750 and on e-mail: nmezoughi@lambeth.gov.uk



City Car Club comes to Norwood

The first 'car station' in Lambeth is based on Romola Road near Tulse Hill Station – giving residents the chance to get behind the wheel and contribute to a better environment.

The London City Car Club is working with seven London Boroughs including Lambeth to launch a network of cars across the capital.

As members only pay for the time they use the cars, joining the car club offers a cost-effective, hassle-free alternative to owning a car. The majority of Car Club cars are "dual fuel" so they will also be exempt from the Congestion Charge.

For more information, please contact Peter Agudogo, Lambeth Travel Plan Co-ordinator, on 020 7926 2827, email pagudogo@lambeth.gov.uk Or contact the City Car Club direct on 0845 300333, www.citycarclubs.co.uk



FEAST

Rosendale Allotments are the site of an unusual year-long project run by the London International Festival of Theatre, and supported by Lambeth Council, the Heritage Lottery Fund, Foundation for Sport and the Arts and the Body Shop Foundation.

The project will create an alternative, fantastical celebratory school dinner planned and grown by young people from Rosendale Primary School, working together with Rosendale Allotment Association, a gardener, a chef, parents, teachers and a team of artists and expert advisors.

As the pictures show, the first stages of the project are beginning to see the light of day! For more information contact LIFT on 020 7490 3964 or email info@liffest.org.uk



Norwood Forum

The Norwood forum is local people's voice within the Town Centre decision-making structure. It meets once every three months and is organised by the Norwood Town Centre Management Team and elected Forum officers.

The next Norwood Forum Meeting is on **Thursday 22 July 2004, 7pm to 9pm**, at Nettlefold Upper Hall, 1 Norwood High Street, SE27 9JX.

For more information about the Norwood Forum, or to register on the Forum database to receive information about future Forum meetings please contact Hanna Fesshazion, Area Information Officer at the Town Centre Management Team on 020 7926 7996 /hfesshazion@lambeth.gov.uk, or visit the Forum's official website: www.norwood.towntalk.co.uk

About the Norwood Town Centre Team

The Norwood Town Centre Management team was fully established in 2000, along with the Norwood Forum. The team aims to promote regeneration, represent the community, monitor and influence council activity.

The Town Centre Management Team contact details are:

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Nabil Mezoughi, Community Safety Officer

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Celebrating Crystal Palace

Thursday 17 June 2004, 7.30pm

Dulwich Society Historical Walk

The Dulwich Society Local History Group present "The People's Park" - A Historical Walk led by Dr Jan Piggott in Crystal Palace Park to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Opening of the Crystal Palace.

Meet at the Penge Gate

(beside the Information Office) at 7.30pm.

Further information:

www.dulwichsociety.org.uk

Have your say at the Norwood Area Committee

The Norwood Area Committee is chaired by Councillor Russell A'Court, vice-chair Councillor Robert McConnell. Meetings are open to the public, and part of the meeting is for local people to put questions or present petitions on anything of concern in the area. It's your chance to see democracy in action. See you there!

The next Norwood Area Committee meeting is on **Thursday 24 June 2004, 7pm to 9pm** at Nettlefold Upper Hall, 1 Norwood High Street, SE27 9JX.

For full details of forthcoming meetings including venues please call the Norwood Town Centre Office on 020 7926 7996, hfesshazion@lambeth.gov.uk or call/email the committee officer Richard Buck on 020 7926 2185 email: rbuck@lambeth.gov.uk

If you can't attend but would like to comment on any item, please contact the Norwood Town Centre Manager: Khadiru Mahdi, via email at kmahdi@lambeth.gov.uk or on 020 7926 8096.

Contacting your local councillors

Gipsy Hill

● **Russell A'Court** (Con)

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● **Gareth Compton** (Con)

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● **Janet Grigg** (Con)

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Surgeries: Every Saturday, 10.30am-12noon, Dulwich and West Norwood Conservative Association, 495 Norwood Road, SE27; first Saturday of the month, 9.30-10.30am, Emmanuel Church/Hall, Clive Road, SE21; third Saturday of the month 9.30-10.30am, Upper Norwood Neighbourhood Housing Office, Lunham Road SE19.

Knight's Hill

● **Jeremy Baker** (Lib Dem)

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● **Geraldine Evans** (Lib Dem)

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● **Robert McConnell** (Lib Dem)

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Surgeries: Every Thursday 5.30-6.30pm, Nettlefold Hall, 1-5 Norwood High Street; every Saturday (coverage by Streatham Lib Dem Cllr colleagues), 11am-12.30pm, Streatham Tate Library, 63 Streatham High Road, SW16.

Thurlow Park

● **Irene Kimm** (Con)

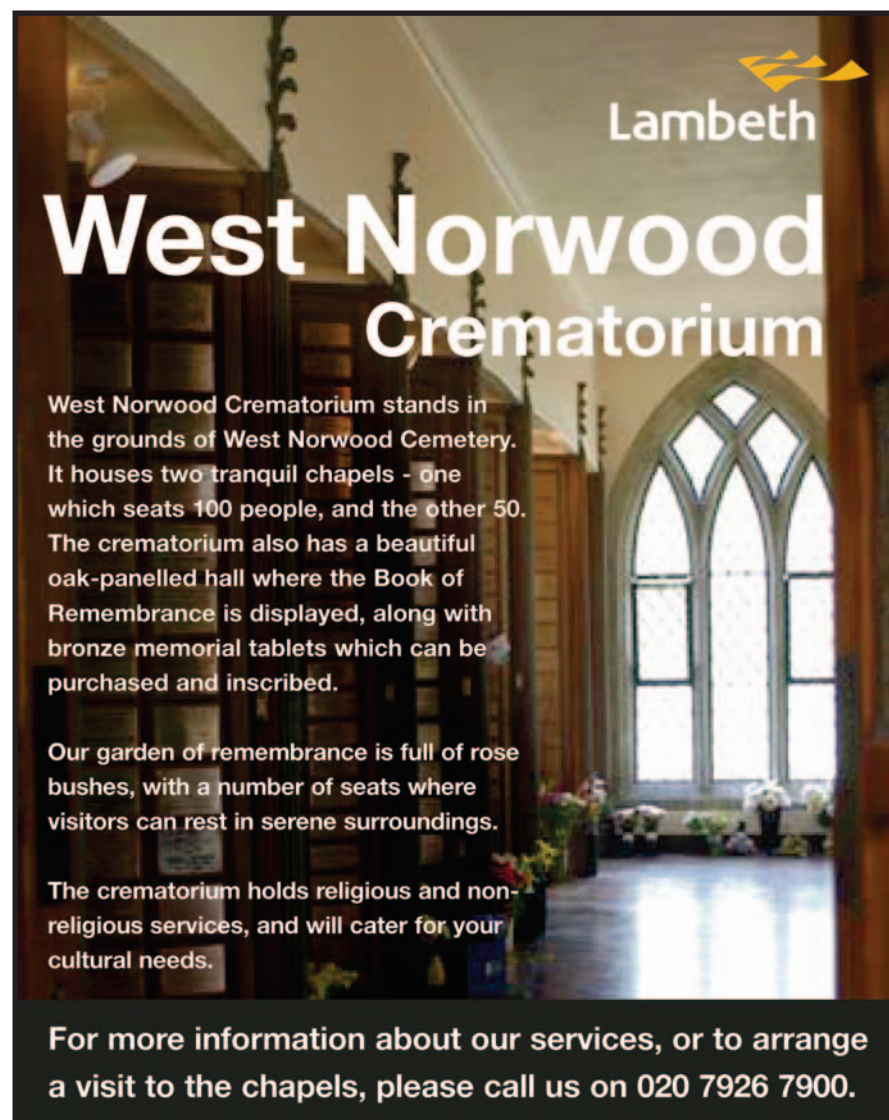
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● **John Whelan** (Con)

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Surgeries: Every Saturday, 10.30am-12.00 noon, Dulwich and West Norwood Conservative Association, 495 Norwood Road, SE27 (020 8670 0677); last Friday of every month, 4.30-5pm, Rosendale Road Peabody Estate Office meeting room (SE24 end of Rosendale Road).



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West Norwood Crematorium

West Norwood Crematorium stands in the grounds of West Norwood Cemetery. It houses two tranquil chapels - one which seats 100 people, and the other 50. The crematorium also has a beautiful oak-panelled hall where the Book of Remembrance is displayed, along with bronze memorial tablets which can be purchased and inscribed.

Our garden of remembrance is full of rose bushes, with a number of seats where visitors can rest in serene surroundings.

The crematorium holds religious and non-religious services, and will cater for your cultural needs.

For more information about our services, or to arrange a visit to the chapels, please call us on 020 7926 7900.



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 or visit www.lambeth.gov.uk/recycling



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