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Brockwell Hall is now open again thanks to a transformative £7.7 million investment from Lambeth Council, including £3.9 million funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund and support of the Brockwell Park Community Partners. Be among the first to experience the timeless charm of this historic venue, which is beautifully restored to blend heritage with modern elegance. Whether you're planning a private celebration, a corporate or community event or simply want to explore, Brockwell Hall offers the perfect setting for any occasion. Book your event today and become part of the next chapter in Brockwell Hall's rich history.

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WELCOME

Dear residents,

It's no secret that councils across the country are under huge pressure after 14 years of underfunding and a growing demand crisis. As an inner-city borough, Lambeth feels this acutely. But despite the challenges, we've worked hard to protect vital services you rely on, whether that's cost of living support, help for those leaving care, or funding London's largest number of refuge beds for women and girls facing domestic abuse.

Our priorities are clear: to stand with the most vulnerable, to continue supporting our communities, and to ensure every resident feels proud to



call Lambeth home. And we continue to demand our fair share from the government to ensure that we can protect and invest in the services that residents rely on.

Cllr Claire Holland,
Leader of Lambeth Council



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NEWS

A round up of the biggest news and events in your borough



New 'healthy neighbourhood' for Stockwell Gardens

A trial "healthy neighbourhood" was launched in Stockwell Gardens in September 2025, following two years of consultation with residents and businesses. Covering the area bounded by Landor Road, Clapham Road and Stockwell Road, the scheme will introduce traffic filters on five streets to reduce through-traffic, while maintaining local access.

New planting and seating will improve safety outside St Andrew's Primary School, and a new loading bay will support nearby businesses. Councillor Rezina Chowdhury, Deputy Leader for Sustainable Lambeth and Clean Air, said: "These proposals will help

make our streets safer, cleaner, and more liveable."

Stockwell Gardens was chosen because most motor traffic is cut-through, despite excellent public transport links and most households not owning cars. Other benefits include reduced speeding, cleaner air and more space for cycle parking and EV charging.

The scheme will run under an Experimental Traffic Management Order for 18 months, with the first six months open for objections.

Find out more and share your views at lambeth.gov.uk/healthy-neighbourhoods

Students in Lambeth celebrate GCSE results

Lambeth students celebrated strong GCSE results this summer. At Lilian Baylis Technology School, 20% achieved top grade 9s, more than double last year, while 41% gained grade 8s. At The Norwood School, students celebrated results that will see them progress to sixth form and beyond.

Students shared their excitement. Daisy, from Norwood, said: "I did better than expected in English and science." Jamellah, at Lilian Baylis, said: "I'll stay on for A Levels – I want to be a nurse."

A council spokesperson congratulated pupils and highlighted the improvements as "a testimony to the dedication of students, teachers and carers across Lambeth."

Parents and carers: the deadline for secondary school applications is 31 October. Visit lambeth.gov.uk/school-admissions for guidance and support (Page 21)



Lambeth wins Top 10 place in London Youth Games

Lambeth secured 10th place in the London Youth Games Jubilee Trophy after the Finals Festival at Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in July. Over 10,000 young Londoners took part across 37 sports, with Lambeth fielding teams in 33.

Highlights included silver in female hockey, bronze in BMX and netball, and a gold in boccia. Councillor Donatus Anyanwu praised the young athletes, saying: "They represented Lambeth brilliantly, and I look forward to more success in 2026."

The Games, founded in 1977, remain the UK's largest youth sports event, with many Olympic and Paralympic stars beginning their journeys there. Ahead of the 50th anniversary in 2027, organisers are calling for stories from past participants and seeking



support to raise £5 million to secure the future of the Games.

Young people can discover local clubs, coaching and volunteering

opportunities through Lambeth's sports and leisure services:

lambeth.gov.uk/leisure-and-sport

Council unites with Arsenal great's family to boost sport

Lambeth Council is working with the Kevin Campbell Foundation to expand grassroots football and sport across the borough. The Foundation, created in memory of the Brixton-born Arsenal striker who passed away in 2024, aims to inspire and support young people.

Two Lambeth youth teams recently visited Arsenal's Emirates Stadium to train and hear stories from Campbell's former teammates. Future plans include new football and sporting opportunities across the borough.



Councillor Donatus Anyanwu said: "The power of sport helps young people feel part of their communities, build connections, and boost their health. This partnership will benefit everyone."

Foundation CEO Lorna Campbell

described the partnership as "game-changing" for grassroots football, with ambitions to increase access and improve health and wellbeing for young people.

Go to: <https://kevincampbellfoundation.com/>

Meet the Cabinet

Cllr Mahamed Hashi, Lambeth's Cabinet Member for Safer Communities, describes how the council is working hand in hand with local people, schools, and organisations to make our borough safer for everyone.

Q How would you describe the borough's current strategy for tackling youth crime and violence against women?

There have been significant achievements with decreases in violence affecting young people and increases in reporting and access to support for those experiencing gender-based violence, but there is still much to be done. We have also established the Violence Reduction Unit which recognises opportunities for stronger coordination and engagement with those affected. Our work to prevent and respond to these forms of violence and abuse is outlined in the Safer Lambeth Partnership Strategy 2023–2030.

Q How are you ensuring that community-led voices, especially those of women and young people, are genuinely shaping safety policies?

One of the key priorities in Lambeth's Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Strategy is Community Response and we committed to developing a Gender Based Violence Experts

by Experience (EbE) Panel and a Survivors' Forum. We are using the evaluation to design the next steps and also to introduce this model of engagement by embedding expertise of those with lived experience into our work.

Q What steps is the council taking to prevent violence in public spaces and in domestic settings?

We were one of the first councils to develop a VAWG Strategy in 2011, which commissioned the Gaia Centre, that provides support to people of any age and gender experiencing violence and abuse and refuge provision for those fleeing domestic abuse. In 2024-25 the Gaia Centre received almost 2,000 referrals to support victims and survivors and their children. We designed a network of Safe Havens – premises where women and other vulnerable people can access safety and support when in need at night-time. We recently launched a map that details the Safe Havens, including all of our Libraries and Active Lambeth venues, scan the QR code to view it. We developed a campaign 'It's Not That Deep' steered by young people and aimed to



Cllr Mahamed Hashi

educate and raise awareness about sexual harassment and abuse.

Were there any early intervention or youth outreach programmes that have been particularly effective in Lambeth?

Lambeth is working towards being a UNICEF accredited Child Friendly borough. This process takes between 3-5 years and is a vital piece of work to ensure we are protecting the children and young people. Lambeth has delivered a range of impactful early intervention and youth outreach programmes in recent years including parenting initiatives, counselling for boys, and mentoring for survivors.

Outreach services engaged over 4,500 young people under 25 working with police and local providers to help individuals find the support they need.

Q How is the council working with partners to offer safe alternatives to young people at risk?

Supporting schools and community-based services to raise awareness of, and divert children and young people from, criminal activity, violence, and exploitation is a central pillar of Lambeth's strategy.

Our partnership with Juvenis – a grassroots organisation based in the borough – will ensure continued delivery of this service over the next two academic years. This work provides early intervention rooted in empathy and relevance, equipping pupils, professionals, and families to support young people facing social pressures and inequalities.



Q How are you addressing concerns around lighting, public transport, and street design in high-risk areas of the borough?

Our robbery reduction campaign, **Safe Road, Safe Way Home** is focusing on young people aged 10–18 travelling after school in areas linked to increased rates of personal robbery. It forms part of a wider programme funded by the Mayor of London's Violence Reduction Unit, which includes youth outreach patrols three times a week, mobile CCTV deployments to robbery hotspots, and a dedicated licensing officer working with businesses in Night Time Economy areas.



Nuclear Dawn mural

Q Collaboration is crucial. How does the council ensure coordinated responses to safety issues?

No single agency can address the complexities involved in keeping communities safe. Our work is overseen by the Safer Lambeth Partnership. This is a statutory board that brings together police, probation, health services, the Fire Service and our voluntary sector organisations to ensure we are evidence-based and coordinated in our responses.

Q How would you spend a Saturday with no council meetings?

With my nephews and nieces. I would take them out to one of our awardwinning parks. When the weather is good, somewhere like Brockwell Park is the perfect place for a stroll.

Q Which one of Lambeth's iconic murals is your favourite one?

'Nuclear Dawn', created after the riots of '81. It was supposed to signify the fear people had of 'World War Three', and the fact that they felt that the leaders of the developed world didn't care because they had a nice safe bunker to hide in, which is depicted at the bottom of the mural.

Q What gives you hope?

The many notable residents who have worked tirelessly for years to build a better and more inclusive Lambeth. They are my inspiration and why I continue to work as hard as I do.

Lambeth:

Help us tackle our huge budget challenge

Lambeth Council has to make huge savings from its budget, equal to more than a third of its annual spending, and is asking local people to give their ideas about how to save money at this time of unprecedented challenge.

Over the next four years the council must find £84 million in savings, on top of £99million in savings already agreed. This follows a decade of chronic underfunding of local services, inflation and a big rise in demand for council support, especially when it comes to housing homeless families.

The council has taken urgent action to save money, reducing the number of senior staff, cutting agency workers and generating income. But the funding for the council from the government has fallen since 2010 in real terms by more than 28 per cent, which is the equivalent of £116 million a year less to spend on local services. Last year alone the council spent more than £100million on housing homeless families, £40million more than

had been budgeted and 300 per cent more than six years ago.

More than two-thirds of the council's budget is spent on caring for vulnerable children, adults and older people. Currently Lambeth spends £180million a year looking after vulnerable adults, £90million a year on looking after vulnerable children, £40million on collecting waste and £10million on street cleaning. A further £16million a year is spent on parks and other places.

Cllr Claire Holland, the Leader of Lambeth Council, said: "We have been working hard to make savings, but the scale of the

the frontline services our most vulnerable residents rely on the most. But we want to shape how we do that with the input of local people, getting their views on where we best spend our remaining budget.

"Those views will then be fed into our budget setting process over the rest of this financial year. This isn't a message we want to be sharing with our residents, but because of our financial situation we must work together for the best possible outcome."

All spending is now under review, and residents can have their say on the Lambeth Council budget

"The scale of the financial challenge we now face is unprecedented."

financial challenge we now face is unprecedented. We have to be open and honest with our residents about that.

"We are determined to protect

planning by completing a survey that is open from 22 September for four weeks.

Visit [haveyoursay.lambeth.gov/budget](https://haveyoursay.lambeth.gov.uk/budget) to take part.

Raising Standards:

Lambeth Expands Selective Licensing Scheme

Private renters across Lambeth are set to benefit from the expansion of the borough's "selective licensing" scheme, now covering 23 of its 25 electoral wards. The initiative, endorsed by councillors last autumn, forms part of a wider drive to improve housing conditions, curb anti-social behaviour, and reduce overcrowding in the private rented sector.

The scheme requires landlords to obtain a licence in order to let properties to a single-family household or up to two unrelated sharers. Only Vauxhall and Waterloo & South Bank wards are currently excluded. Landlords who fail to comply face serious penalties, including fines of up to £30,000, or unlimited fines if convicted in court.

Councillor Mahamed Hashi, Cabinet Member for Safer Communities,

welcomed the rollout, stressing its significance for Lambeth's nearly 100,000 private renters. "For too long, renters have been let down by rogue landlords, left in damp, cold and unsafe flats, unsuitable for families and young people," he said. "From September 1st, we're changing that with our New Licensing Scheme – raising housing standards, tackling anti-social behaviour and reducing overcrowding."

The first phase of selective licensing, introduced in September last year, focused on four wards – Knights Hill, Streatham Common & Vale, Streatham Hill East, and

Streatham St Leonards. Following its success, the scheme has now been extended borough-wide.

Lambeth's Borough Plan sets out a vision for the borough to be one of London's safest by 2030, and licensing is a key tool to achieve this. With nearly one-third of Lambeth's 144,985 homes privately rented – and more than 9,400 predicted to contain serious hazards – the scheme aims to protect tenants while holding landlords to account.

More information, including details on how to register properties, is available by scanning the QR code.





Look out for your annual electoral canvass communication for 2025!

As part of the annual electoral canvass, Electoral Services will be contacting all residential properties in Lambeth to ensure that voter details for each property are correct.

Electoral Services have sent a canvass notification letter to all residential properties. The type of letter you receive will tell whether or not you need to respond.

Do I need to respond to the canvass communication I've received?

You must respond to your canvass communication if:

- The communication you receive states that you must respond
- Any information on the form is incorrect (such as your name or nationality)

- Someone is eligible to register to vote at your address whose name is not included on the form you have received
- A named person listed on the form we have sent you no longer resides at the property

How can I respond?

The quickest and easiest way to respond is online at: **householdresponse.lambeth.gov.uk**



You will need to enter the two-part security code that is printed on your form. Anyone in your household can respond.

What happens if I don't respond?

If you fail to respond to a canvass communication you have received

that requires a response, we will need to make a personal visit to your property to confirm voter details. If we are unable to get a response, voter details for your address may not be correct for the Lambeth Council elections in May 2026.

Please help us save time and Council funds by responding as quickly as possible to avoid a household visit.

Why is being registered to vote Important?

- You can only vote at elections if you are registered
- Being registered to vote can help to improve your credit score

For further details visit **lambeth.gov.uk/vote**



Is your **POSTAL** **VOTE** due to expire?

The Elections Act 2022 changed the law covering voting by post at elections. It's no longer possible to have a permanent postal vote arrangement. The maximum period a postal voting arrangement can last is now 3 years. After this, postal votes must be renewed, or they will automatically expire.

All Lambeth postal voters who made their current application before 31 October 2023 must make a new application by 31 January 2026 if they wish to continue voting by post.

How will I know if my postal vote is due to expire?

If your postal vote is due to expire, we will contact you by letter from 29 August 2025.

Information on the household canvass form sent to your address in September 2025 will

tell you if your postal vote is due to expire.

We will also be sending email and text reminders throughout the renewal period.

How can I renew my postal vote?

The quickest and easiest way to renew is to apply for a new postal vote at **gov.uk/apply-postal-vote**



As part of your application, you will be required to upload a photo of your handwritten signature in black ink on plain white paper.

If you cannot provide a signature, or one that always looks the same, you may be able to apply for a postal vote signature waiver. For more information get in touch with the Electoral Services team via our Contact Us page at **lambeth.gov.uk/vote**

If you can't apply online, you can request a paper form by phoning us on 020 7926 2254.

What happens if I don't reapply?

If you haven't reapplied by 31 January 2026 your postal vote will be automatically cancelled. This means you won't have a postal vote in place for the Lambeth Council elections in May 2026.

Please note that if your postal vote is cancelled because you have not reapplied by 31 January 2026, you can still reapply after that date at **gov.uk/apply-postal-vote**

You can apply for a new postal vote up to 5pm, 11 working days before an election.

Find out more at **lambeth.gov.uk/vote**

Find Power and Pride for Black History Month in Lambeth

This year's theme for Black History Month UK is "Standing Firm in Power and Pride".

The 'Power' theme represents influence, leadership, and the power to make positive change. It honours the visionaries who have led political, civil rights, and social movements, and the ones who have broken barriers in business, education, and the arts.

'Pride' reflects Black cultural identity and heritage, and celebrates Black excellence. From art and music to the stories passed down from generation to generations, pride is the heartbeat of Black communities worldwide.

Celebrate Black History in Lambeth

This October, Lambeth Libraries host dozens of events to celebrate Black History Month as part of our ongoing commitment to being a borough of equity and justice.

Come and enjoy free events in 10 Lambeth libraries around the borough. There'll be theatre shows and documentary films, art exhibitions, health and wellbeing events for both over 50s and children, a weekend of shopping with Black Culture Market, and chances to meet and hear



authors discuss their latest books – on history, creating art as a Black artist today, children's stories, reggae music, crime and much, much more.

The schedule for the month includes:

- Brixton Immortals Domino Club host a day-long BHM celebration in Clapham Library with the Black History Month Show, featuring stalls, a cultural exhibition and intergenerational performers showcasing live drumming, spoken word, singers, and cultural dance, and live DJs playing soca, Afrobeat and more.





- Pegasus Opera celebrate legacy and hope in concert.
- Lambeth Archives hosts Vibrant Threads of Nigeria: 65 Years of Artistic Celebration curated by Nigeria Magazine, showcasing Nigerian artists and their blending of tradition with modernity.
- You can get involved in Black History Month via book clubs, making your own Black History 'zine, our spoken word open mic, events for schools, a memories workshop celebrating the Windrush generation and more.
- As October becomes November, Lambeth launches The Black Classic Literature Collection, a curated selection of titles to borrow, all honouring Black literature's rich legacy – from poet Una Marson to CLR James – revolutionary ideas and enduring stories that have long deserved centre stage.

For a guide to what's happening when and where in Lambeth Libraries, and to book your free places for events on Eventbrite,

scan the QR code above or download a copy of the guide.



Find out more about UK-wide events for Black History Month by scanning the QR code below.





Photofusion: Powerhouse of Emerging Talent

At the heart of South London's photography scene, Photofusion nurtures raw talent and uplifts the next generation of visual storytellers. Their Beehive Place studio and galleries in Brixton are available for hire for photo shoots, events, meetings, and exhibitions.

Since being founded in 1991, Photofusion has been challenging mainstream media

stereotypes and supporting underrepresented voices.

With new darkrooms, gallery space, hand-processed film, state-of-the-art printing facilities, and on-site experts, Photofusion is not just a resource centre, but a hub for creativity. Their innovative education programmes have empowered countless young people from Lambeth and beyond to gain confidence, self-expression, and employability through photography.

In 2025, the Brixton-based non-profit's mission is to connect their young photographers with Lambeth organisations needing marketing material, event photography, and branded content. The businesses in turn receive high-quality, competitively priced content and a smooth process, managed locally, by Photofusion. Businesses who have already championed this initiative include Lambeth Council, Lambeth Music Services, and the Met Police.

For more information and business or sponsorship opportunities, contact Jenni Grainger at Jenni@photofusion.org or call 020 7738 5774.

Drop-in sessions to get digitally connected

Being online today isn't a luxury, it's often the only way to book a GP appointment, manage your benefits, do your banking or even shopping. At the new Lambeth Assistive Technology Centre in Brixton, Millennium Community Solutions has been running free drop-in sessions to offer advice on navigating the digital world.

In our sessions, organised with Disability Advice Service

Lambeth (DASL), we sit down over a cuppa and a biscuit to offer practical solutions to people who are disabled, older or just a bit out of the digital loop. Getting help to swipe, scroll or click ensures you don't miss out on essential services and social contact.

It can be things like setting up email, finding a bus timetable or clearing a full email folder without losing anything. Digital 'paperwork' is a common issue –

there's not only the NHS app, but also your GP, health centre and chemist's who want you to log on to make appointments or collect prescriptions. Online security can also be complex, but often it's just a click or two in your phone's settings to ensure your accounts and devices are secure against being hacked or scammed.

Our advice is tailored to what each person needs, right then and there. And often we can help you to take the simplest route. For example, remembering usernames and passwords is a headache for all of us, but a good way to keep track is, ironically, writing them down in a notebook at home.

We can also make new and secondhand phones or laptops available for disabled or elderly beneficiaries with presentation of a letter of proof no more than three months old that you are in receipt of benefits.

We've completed our latest round of sessions at the Centre and we're planning to run more. For details of future dates, please contact Rev Gail Thompson on 07951 087923 or gail@millenniumcommunitysolutions.com.




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Find your local pharmacy on the NHS app. Think pharmacy first.



Find out how your pharmacy can help:





Are you a Lambeth parent of a child in secondary education?

Join us for Lambeth's Parents Open Evening on **Thursday 9 October**, 4pm – 8pm at Lambeth Assembly Hall.

Explore post-16 pathways, career opportunities, and the support available to help your young person take their next steps.

[Sign up here by scanning the QR code](#)



Why did you get your children vaccinated ?

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To protect my
children from the
long-term effects
of diseases.

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Esther from
South London



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Adult and Community Learning Courses starting in Sept 2025

Join our vibrant adult learning community in the heart of Lambeth.

If you are returning to education, want to gain new skills, develop your knowledge or find a pathway to employment, we can support you, even if it has been many years since you last studied.

Below is a list of some of the many courses that are available to start soon. For more information, including similar courses on different times and dates please email adultlearning@lambeth.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



Course	Start Date	End Date	Day	Provider & Location	Phone
Step Up Photography	28 October 2025	12 October 2025	Tue & Wed	Photofusion, Unit 2, 2 Beehive Place, Brixton, SW9 7QR	020 7738 5774
Art & Design	08 October 2025	10 December 2025	Wed	198 CAL, 198 Railton Rd, London, SE24 0JT	020 7978 8309
Film & Video	07 October 2025	09 December 2025	Tue	198 CAL, 198 Railton Rd, London, SE24 0JT	020 7978 8309
Community Engagement with ESOL	17 September 2025	10 December 2025	Wed	Baytree Centre, 300-302 Brixton Road, SW9 6AE	0207 733 5283
Everyday Digital	22 September 2025	17 November 2025	Mon	Baytree Centre, 300-302 Brixton Road, SW9 6AE	0207 733 5283
Computers for Everyday life	25 September 2025	04 December 2025	Thu	High Trees, 220 Upper Tulse Hill, SW2 2NS	020 8671 3132
Everyday numbers	13 October 2025	17 November 2025	Mon	High Trees, 220 Upper Tulse Hill, SW2 2NS	020 8671 3132
English For All – Pre-Entry ESOL	18 September 2025	04 December 2025	Thu	IRMO, Unit 9, Warwick House, Overton Road, London, SW9 7JP	07862 457 012
English For All – Entry 1 ESOL	20 September 2025	06 December 2025	Sat	IRMO, Unit 9, Warwick House, Overton Road, London, SW9 7JP	07862 457 012
Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care	30 September 2025	19 December 2025	Tue, Wed & Fri	MI, 47A Bellefields Road, Brixton, SW9 9UH	020 7501 6450
English with Confidence (English)	03 September 2025	12 September 2025	Wed & Fri	MI, 47A Bellefields Road, Brixton, SW9 9UH	020 7501 6450
Green Skills for ESOL	16 October 2025	24 October 2025	Thu & Fri	MI, 47A Bellefields Road, Brixton, SW9 9UH	020 7501 6450





Westbury Estate Community Art Project

As part of the ongoing Westbury estate regeneration, Lambeth Council collaborated with National Trust's 575 Wandsworth Road, Heathbrook Primary School, local artist Jess Dyer, and artist Brian

McClure, a Westbury resident to create a nature-themed mural on the plain hoardings surrounding the Westbury Estate, which had previously been targeted by anti-social graffiti.

Several workshops were held with the budding young artists to design the different aspects of the mural, which include different art techniques, including handprints, stencils, and freehand painting.

The mural design celebrates the school's 140th anniversary by featuring the school's willow tree as the main focus of the artwork, framed by flora and fauna inspired by hand-carved fretwork in 575 Wandsworth Road.

The project is a brilliant collaboration between members of the communities across all ages to improve the local surroundings together through creativity.

This is one of the several community engagement activities being delivered as part of the regeneration of Westbury estate to ensure residents and the local community can be involved as much as possible and benefit from the planned regeneration.

Westbury Meet the Bidders Day

The procurement process to select a development partner to support Lambeth Council in delivering the next phase of regeneration on the Westbury estate is progressing well.

There will now be an opportunity for Westbury residents and local communities to get involved in the process through a 'Meet the Bidders Day' event in early Autumn 2025.

The event will be an opportunity to meet the potential development partners who will be seeking to be selected to deliver the next phase of new affordable homes on the Westbury estate.

The developers will share more information and designs about their proposal and take any questions about their plans. Further information about the date, location and timings of the event



will be published on the Westbury estate website.



SAFE ROAD, SAFE WAY HOME

Every young person deserves to feel safe in Lambeth.

If you feel unsafe, need support, or want to talk, look out for your local youth engagement workers.

They are here for you.


“I wanna provide young people with a safe space”

Saskia, Youth Engagement Worker.

Looking for things to do? Lambeth is full of amazing youth clubs who provide FREE activities for young people all year round, whether you're into sport, art, music, dance or are just looking for somewhere to chill after school or college.

Scan the QR code to find things to do near you.



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FREE BULKY ITEMS COLLECTION WITH EMMAUS



Lambeth Council has teamed up with the Emmaus charity to offer free collections of large household items in reusable condition. Instead of going to waste, your unwanted goods can fund Emmaus that supports - providing shelter, work and life chances for the homeless.

Don't forget, it's free!



What items?

Non-upholstered furniture. This includes dining tables, chairs, wardrobes, bed frames, drawers, office desks, bedside cabinets—must be clean, intact, rust-free, stain-free and complete.



How?

Simply book online, dismantle items yourself if needed, and make sure items are easy to access—especially if you're above the 5th floor without a lift. Make sure you are in for the collection and ensure you do not leave the furniture outside, or it will not be collected.



What's not accepted?

Upholstered furniture, electricals, or anything damaged beyond reuse. Those should go via standard recycling or paid bulky waste collection



When?

Collection slots are available Monday and Tuesday, 1:30–4:30 pm, up to 6 weeks in advance.



Say No to Fly-Tipping

Leaving bulky items on the street outside of scheduled collections is considered fly-tipping, and it comes with serious consequences:

- It's illegal – fly-tipping is an illegal offence and can result in fines.
- It clogs streets, harbours vermin, and creates hazards for pedestrians.
- It costs the taxpayers money to clean up, diverting resources from other services.

Report illegal fly-tipping

If you have any information regarding fly-tippers or have witnessed people dumping rubbish, please report it online at lambeth.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling or by calling the Lambeth Contact Centre on **020 7926 9000**.



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