

Richmond Partnership Bulletin

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The Richmond Partnership brings together the public, private and voluntary and community sectors to improve the quality of life for all those who live, work or visit the borough. Published monthly the Richmond Partnership Bulletin provides an update on the work of partners, links to more information and resources and highlights areas for action.

On the agenda

1. Next phase of Village Planning Engagement Events moves forward

As Village Planning moves to the next phase, residents in Hampton and Hampton Hill are invited to come along to a number of local events this spring to find out more. These include:

Hampton Drop-in sessions:

- Saturday 6 February 2016 from 10am to 4pm at Tangley Park, Children's Centre, TW12 3XB
- Saturday 27 February 2016 from 10am to 4pm at Hampton Infants School, TW12 2JH

Walkabout sessions:

- Sunday 7 February 2016 from 11am to 1pm and 2 to 4pm - meet outside Sainsbury's in Hampton Square
- Sunday 28 February 2016 from 11am to 1pm and 2 to 4pm. 11am to 1pm - meet outside Waitrose on Oldfield Road. 2 to 4pm - meet outside St Mary's Community Hall, Church Street.

If you would like to attend or have any questions email

allinone@richmond.gov.uk.

The Hampton online consultation will go live on Friday 5 February 2016.

Hampton Sofa Consultation:

Saturday 20 February 2016, Time: 12 noon to 2.30pm Location: Hampton Square, Hampton Hill

Hampton Hill Drop-in session:

Saturday 5 March 2016 from 10am to 4pm at Hampton Hill Junior School, TW12 1HW

Walkabout session:

Sunday 6 March 2016 from 11am to 1pm - meet outside Hampton Hill Library.

Leaders Question Time Events will be held for Hampton Wick and Teddington on:

Thursday 10 March 2016, 6.30 to 8.30pm, Teddington Baptist Church, 17 Church Road, Teddington, TW11 8PF At this event there will also be an exhibition of local groups, enabling residents to find out more about how they can get involved in their local area. The first hour of each Question Time will consist of pre-submitted questions and the second hour will be opened to the floor. To RSVP for the events or to submit a question email events@richmond.gov.uk

2. New Green Gym free sessions to improve people's health and wellbeing.

Richmond Green Gym is a new pilot free weekly session looking to engage the community in practical volunteering to help them improve their health and wellbeing. It meets every Wednesday from 10.45am-2pm at Kneller Gardens café and volunteers can take part in a range of practical tasks. These include learning how to care for Mereway Nature Park and Meadway Orchard and why their work is important in maintaining a healthy and diverse range of habitats in Richmond for people and wildlife. The Green Gym is open to all, no experience is necessary, and referrals are also welcome from GP's with patients who may need to lose weight, are coping with diabetes or depression and anxiety. The project is actively looking for other referral partners to recommend clients who could benefit from 3 hours spent being active outdoors with like-minded people. Volunteers can book a place by emailing gg-richmond@tcv.org.uk or calling Nadia Ward, Project Officer on 07801686014.

3. Work starts to create new, innovative Education and Enterprise Campus

Work has begun this week on the partial demolition of Richmond upon Thames College to make way for the new Education and Enterprise Campus. Over the last 18 months, Richmond upon Thames College, Clarendon School, Haymarket Media Group, Harlequins, Waldegrave School, Richmond Council and Achieving for Children have been working together to create an innovative Campus for the College site on Egerton Road in Twickenham. The Campus will include new College buildings, a new secondary school, purpose-built accommodation for Clarendon Special Needs School and Haymarket's new "tech hub" and digital media incubator. It will bring together education and enterprise, delivering innovative curricula that exploit the

latest technologies. The Campus specialisms will be creative arts and media, digital technology, engineering and construction and sport. Subject to Planning Permission, the school building will be completed by September 2017 and the College building in summer 2018. For more information, contact Elinor Firth on 020 8487 5159 or email: richmond.college@richmond.gov.uk

4. Joint partnership helps homeless turn their lives around

London Network Scaffolding Special Projects Limited (LNS) and the Richmond Metropolitan Police have worked together to help those who are disadvantaged make positive changes in their lives. Anthony; who was homeless just three months ago and living in a tent on Richmond Circus roundabout, was given an opportunity by the business as part of their rehabilitation programme after two police officers approached LNS Director; Gary Flynn to form a rehabilitation programme. Gary is also coordinator of Richmond Street Pastors, and the programme was jointly set up to help those disadvantaged by bringing them into employment and helping them overcome their struggles such as homelessness, addiction to alcohol or drugs etc. Since being on the programme, Anthony has flourished and now has his own apartment and is carving out a career at LNS. Since this and other success stories, the team at Richmond Metropolitan Police Station are in the process of trying to make this a long-term continuous programme to give those from the streets and ex-offenders the opportunity to turn their life around. If you are interested in supporting financially or any other way, or want more information on the rehabilitation programme and how it may help you or somebody you know, please contact gary.flynn@lnsltd.com or visit www.lnsltd.com

5. Fantabulosa – pop up Cafe

A free Pop-up, drop by cafe providing support to, and a place to gather and socialise for, the LGBT community in Richmond will be open at Richmond Adult Community College. Drop by for a free cuppa and to exchange ideas, receive or provide support from other members of the Richmond LGBT community. Attendance is free, and all are welcome to come along. The pop-up cafe is held in the foyer of the Richmond Business School (RBS) Building within Richmond Adult Community

College, Parkshot TW9 2RE on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, 3-6pm. Find out more by contacting wellbeing@racc.ac.uk

6. Be Online Month starts on 15 February

Local partners including Richmond Council, Richmond Age UK and RACC have a full range of events planned to help residents 'go digital' and use the internet. Visit the <u>Council website</u> or call 020 8487 5218 to find out more.

7. The Big Event 29 March at York House Twickenham, 6 - 9pm If your organisation provides services and support for people with learning disabilities, this is a great opportunity for engagement and to display information about what you do. The focus this year is health and 'living well'. To express your interest please email RichmondLearningDisabilitiesPartnershipBoard@richmond.gov.uk Details of how residents can register to attend will be published soon.

8. 'Working Together': NHS Health and Adult Education Professionals networking event

Come along to an event about creating opportunities to access community learning to improve one's physical and mental wellbeing. This event is part of RACC's wellbeing project and you will:

- Find out about how education is supporting the NHS within the current economical climate and the research behind how learning improves health
- Join breakout groups to discuss how education and health can work more closely together in future
- Meet other professionals in the health and education industry

This event will be held on Monday, February 22, 2016, 3-5pm at Adult Learning Suite, Richmond Business School, RACC, Parkshot, Richmond TW9 2RE. Register your attendance by emailing wellbeing@racc.ac.uk, or calling 0208 439 8943. Find out more about the Wellbeing Project at www.racc.ac.uk/wellbeing

9. Launch of new Annual Public Health Report

The Council's Public Health team has published its Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2016- 'Prevention: Redressing the balance in a time of austerity'. The independent report focuses on the four main unhealthy behaviours of smoking, unhealthy diet, being physically inactive and, drinking too much alcohol, which are underpinned by emotional and mental wellbeing. The report presents the size and scale of the problem in Richmond and highlights approaches at place, community and individual levels which, together, help to make the healthy choice the easy and preferred choice. To download the report go to: www.richmond.gov.uk/annual public health_report or contact public health@richmond.gov.uk

10. Updated Autism Strategy Consultation

The Richmond Joint Autism Strategy sets out the vision, aims, objectives and plans of health and social care as well as wider council and other services for people of all ages who have Autism Spectrum Conditions (ASC). This update has been produced as a response to the National Autism Strategy Update Think Autism, Fulfilling and Rewarding Lives, the strategy for adults with autism in England: an update and the subsequent updated statutory guidance which was published in March 2015. This consultation is open to people on the autistic spectrum, their carers, family and friends as well as others who feel they are affected by ASC. The Council would like your views on the updated strategy and on the proposed actions for the coming 3 years. The consultation runs from 25 Jan 2016 to 29 Feb 2016 Please see here to respond.

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