

# Calling all Southwark Residents

## Electoral Registration Canvassers will be visiting your neighbourhood from September 23rd to November 6th!

The Electoral Register is a list of every eligible voter in the borough. It is published every year by December 1. All eligible voters must complete and return a registration form every year.

- Every household in Southwark must complete and return one of these forms.
- Failure to do so could lead to a fine of up to £1000!
- If you do not register, you may find it difficult to obtain credit

Electoral Registration Canvassers will be visiting every property in the borough, to speak directly with the householder, to help them complete the registration form and return it to us. Anyone having difficulty completing their form can get help from their canvasser. Large print forms, and translations are also available. We want everyone who is eligible to vote to be on the Voter's List.

### Key points:

- The Electoral Register is used for
  - credit reference purposes
  - elections
  - and jury service
- It is a legal requirement that every household completes and returns the form we send them.
- The Electoral Register is not linked to Council Tax in any way.

**Don't lose your right to vote. Complete and return the form straight away. And encourage others to do the same.**

If you have any questions, complaints, or if you require further information, call Electoral Services on **020 7525 7373**.

Thanks very much.

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# Walworth Community Fund

## Information sheet for September 2006 round

Each of Southwark's 8 Community Councils has £15 000 to support activities run by local groups. Bids for grants of between £100 and £1000 can be made to Walworth Community Council via a very simple application form.

### Who can apply?

- Any constituted local group (ie. that has a business bank account and letter-headed paper) **or** any group/ individual that has a sponsor organization (with bank account & letter-headed paper) who can administer the funds on their behalf
- Any community group that is based in the community council area they wish to bid to, and plans to hold their project in that area (please see enclosed post-code list for CC areas)

### What kind of things can be funded?

A variety of things can be funded by the Community Fund, examples include:

- a one off event such as a fun-day or a football tournament
- a series of workshops/ activities involving members of the local community
- publicity/ merchandise to advertise the event you are doing

### How much can groups bid for?

Local groups can make bids of £100 to £1000. Help can be requested with completing application forms and advice sought about the types of applications that are likely to get approval.

### How and when can you bid?

You can put in a bid by completing an application form (please see below) and returning it to the contact address below by **13<sup>th</sup> October 2006**.

### Who makes the decisions on what gets funded?

Council officers will assess and make recommendations but Councillors will ultimately be responsible for making decisions on which groups get funding. These decisions will be taken at a community council meeting in October or early November 2006.

### What type of criteria will be used to judge applications?

- The project is a revenue project: i.e. it involves the money being spent on an activity/ event (eg. Fun-day, education day, work-shops). (NB. If the purchase of certain materials/ goods is needed for the activity (including publicity) then this can be part of the break-down of costs, but it should not be the only item bid for & should contribute to a revenue project of some kind)
- The project can be linked back to demand from the local community
- The project is seen to benefit the local community (eg. a number of local people involved/ a number of people who benefit from the project in some way)
- The money can be spent before the end of March 2007
- The group bidding for the project is based in the community council area it is bidding to, and will be carrying-out the project in that area (unless it is a project for an outing eg. to theatre/ other place of interest outside of area)
- The project involves mostly local residents
- The group agrees to provide feedback about the project and evidence of spend once the project is completed

**Please note** that groups that are not constituted who would like to apply/ individuals with project ideas are advised to get in touch with the CC manager for their area for advice (contact details below).

**Please note** that priority will be given to:

- applications that show a high level of community involvement
- projects that demonstrate groups working together
- projects that link-in with Southwark Council's target themes for Southwark's most deprived neighbourhoods:
  - Children & Young People
  - Community Involvement & Social Cohesion
  - Crime & Community Safety
  - Educational Achievement
  - Employment & Enterprise
  - Environment & Housing
  - Health & Well-being

Groups who have not previously received funding are particularly encouraged to apply.

Groups can submit more than one application form but will only be awarded for a maximum of one of their project ideas (with a maximum award of £1000) from the small grants' scheme.

### **For more information**

Contact: Forid Ahmed, Southwark Council, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, East House, 35 Peckham Road, [London, SE5 8UB](#), [tel 020 7525 5503](tel:02075255503), [Email: forid.ahmed@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:forid.ahmed@southwark.gov.uk)

Or visit [www.southwark.gov.uk/communityfund](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/communityfund)

**The deadline for applications is 13<sup>th</sup> October 2006**

**All projects must take place between November 06 and March 07**

## APPLICATION FORM

# Walworth Community Fund

## September 06 round

Name of Group:	
Name of Activity:	

### SECTION 1 - About your activity

1. Describe your planned activity	
2. When would your activity take place? (please note that this is restricted to Nov 06 – Mar 07)	
3. Where in Walworth would the activity take place?	
4. Who would your activity be for? And approximately how many people would you expect to take part?	
5. Approximately what percentage of those who would be involved in the project live in the Walworth CC area?	
6. Can you demonstrate any local support for your project bid? (your project will still be considered if you are unable to do this)	
7. Which of Southwark Council's following key target areas does your project link-in with: Children & Young People, Community Involvement & Social Cohesion, Crime & Community Safety, Educational Achievement, Employment & Enterprise, Environment & Housing, Health & Well Being	
8. How much will the Activity cost in total? (please note that this total should not be more than the £1000 max. bid)	
9. Please give a breakdown of how much will be spent on different aspects of the activity? (please note that this should add-up to the total amount that you are bidding for)	
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**SECTION TWO - About your group**

1. Name of Group:			
2. Name of Contact:			
3. Position in Group:			
4. Contact Address			
	Postcode:		
5. Contact details:	Tel no. :		
	E-mail:		
6. Does your group have a set of rules or constitution? <i>(please tick as appropriate)</i>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <i>(please enclose a copy with your application)</i> <input type="radio"/> No		
7. Does your group have a business bank account?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <i>(please enclose bank details on letter headed paper with your application)</i> <input type="radio"/> No		
8. How much income did your group receive in its last financial year?			
9. Has your group produced annual accounts? <i>(please tick as appropriate)</i>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <i>(please enclose a copy with your application)</i> <input type="radio"/> No		
<b>If your answers are 'no' to the above, please fill in the Referee section below with the details of the group/ organisation that would be prepared to administer the funds on your behalf.</b>			

**SECTION 3 – Referee**

Please provide details of someone who knows of your group's work but is independent of your group, whom we could contact as a referee

Name:	Position:
Organisation:	Tel:
Address:	

**SECTION 4 – Declaration**

Signatory Panel - 2 signatures of people authorised to sign on behalf of your group are required

Signature	Name in Block Caps	Position in Group
1)		
2)		

Do you agree to fill-in a monitoring form (with accompanying documents as requested) providing feedback about your project, once your project is completed?

**Yes**

**No**

# **Consultation on the Proposed Modifications to the emerging Southwark Plan**

## **What is the emerging Southwark Plan?**

**The emerging Southwark Plan provides the framework for all land use and development in the borough. It contains the council's planning policies that are used to determine planning permission. The plan will replace the Unitary Development Plan 1995 (UDP).**

**The council held a public inquiry from April 12 to July 18 2005 to resolve any outstanding objections to the emerging Southwark Plan.**

An independent inspector considered the objections and the evidence presented at the public inquiry and produced a report containing his recommendations for the plan. The inspector's report was received by the council on March 31 2006 and published for information on May 26 2006.

## **What are the Proposed Modifications?**

**The council has made modifications to the emerging Southwark Plan in light of the inspector's recommendations. The modifications were agreed for consultation by council assembly on June 28 2006.**

## **What is the period for consultation?**

**The proposed modifications are now available for formal comment for a period of six-weeks between Friday September 1 2006 and Friday October 13 2006.**

**The Willowbrook Centre have organised an independent meeting on the 5th October, 7-9pm, Yellow Room, Inspire, the Crypt at St Peter's Church, Liverpool Grove, SE17 2HH to discuss the consultation. For further information on this event, please contact the Willowbrook Centre on 020 7732 8856 or email [planning@willowbrookcentre.org.uk](mailto:planning@willowbrookcentre.org.uk).**

## **How do I view the Modifications?**

The inspector's report, copies of the modified Southwark Plan and a report containing the Council's statement of decisions on the inspector's report and a list of proposed modifications together with the Council's reasons for proposing them are available to view and download from the council's website at:

<http://www.southwark.gov.uk/YourServices/planningandbuildingcontrol/planningpolicy/emergingsouthwarkplan.html> . The documents are also available for inspection at the Town Hall, Chiltern House, libraries, neighbourhood housing offices and one-stop shops. A list of these locations and their opening times is attached to this letter.

Copies of these documents can also be requested by writing to Planning Policy, Chiltern House, Portland Street, London SE17 2ES by phoning 020 7525 5471 or by emailing [planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk). For people who are not residents of Southwark or a community or voluntary group that operates in Southwark, hard copies of the documents will incur a charge.

## **How do I submit my comments?**

If you would like to make comments on the proposed modifications to the Southwark Plan you can do so by filling in a representations form and sending them by post to **Planning Policy**,

**Southwark Council, Chiltern House, Portland Street, SE17 2ES** or by e-mail to [planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk)

Representations forms are available from Chiltern House, the Town Hall, libraries, area housing offices and one-stop shops free of charge. They can also be downloaded from the council's website at:

<http://www.southwark.gov.uk/YourServices/planningandbuildingcontrol/planningpolicy/emergingsouthwarkplan.html>. Alternatively you can request a representation form from the planning policy team on 020 7525 5471 or by email to [planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk).

If you make a representation you will automatically be sent written notification of the council's intention to adopt the Southwark Plan.

### **What is the deadline for comments?**

All representations should be received no later than **5pm on Friday October 13 2006**.

### *Local Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report*

#### **What is Local Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report?**

As with many of council's services and plans, we are required to monitor how well our planning policies are performing. These policies are located in the Local Development Framework (LDF), which includes the emerging Southwark Plan.

Monitoring allows us to identify if our planning policies are having the outcomes intended, and if not ways of improving or changing them. Monitoring also allows us to ensure our policies are responding to changing local circumstances and priorities.

#### **What does an Annual Monitoring Report Cover?**

The Government requires councils to produce an annual monitoring report by the 31 December each year. This year's annual monitoring report will cover the year April 2005 to March 2006.

An annual report needs to set out:

- what progress council is making in producing planning documents;
- whether our planning policies are achieving the objectives of the plan;
- what impacts the policies are having on the local environment, communities and economy, and whether they are as intended; and
- whether policies are to be amended or replaced because they are not working or being implemented as intended.

#### **Consultation on the 2005/06 Annual Monitoring Report**

Over the coming year's we are looking to improve the way we monitor. This includes reviewing the targets we use to measure performance, how we collect data and how we present our reports every year.

Whilst there is no legal requirement for council to consult on the AMR, there is significant interest from the community to be involved.

This year our focus is to raise awareness of the AMR process and why it is important, particularly amongst the hard to reach groups in the borough. This will enable a wider range of people to contribute ideas on improving the way monitor over the coming years.



This year, the following consultation events are planned:

- A community training session to raise understanding about monitoring on 19 September 2006. This event is being run by The Willowbrook Centre (If you wish to attend, please email [planning@willowbrookcentre.org.uk](mailto:planning@willowbrookcentre.org.uk) or call 020 7732 8856); and
- A council run workshop on 17 October 2006 where you can provide feedback on this year's draft AMR and discuss ways we can improve monitoring over the next year.

The draft AMR will be published on 15 September 2006, and you will be able to make comments on it up until 27 October.

If you would like to get involved or find out more about monitoring, you can contact the Planning Policy and Research Team by email: [planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk) or by calling 020 7525 5475.



Dear Resident

In 2003, Southwark Council's adopted its Waste Management Strategy (2003 – 2021), which set out its approach to the management of waste in the long term. The Strategy stated its commitment to adopting the principles of the waste hierarchy, which places the greatest emphasis on waste reduction, followed by reuse, recycling and recovery.

Great progress has been made with recycling in Southwark, which has resulted in a quadrupling of the recycling rate in four years and focus is now turning to waste minimisation. As well as the environmental benefits, (saving resources, energy, reduction in transport related pollution), waste minimisation saves money on waste collection, recycling and disposal costs.

For these reasons, Southwark Council has developed a Waste Minimisation Strategy, and it is an area we hope to develop best practice in. Examples of waste minimisation initiatives in Southwark include home and community composting, the recent campaign to promote real (cloth) nappies and the recently launched "Swapxchange Southwark" website. The Council recognises that community involvement and interaction is crucial to achieving its waste minimisation goals therefore community engagement and communication are key elements of the Strategy. The Strategy covers a 3-year period commencing September 2006 and includes a one year waste minimisation programme, which gives specific actions and targets.

We are currently undertaking a consultation period on the Strategy and are seeking comments from a number of consultees including the Greater London Authority and the Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. In addition, the draft strategy document is publicly available on the Southwark Council website and available on request. We would very much like to receive feedback and comments from Southwark's Community Councils. If desired we are able to give a short presentation on the Strategy to the individual Community Councils in order that they feel more fully informed on waste minimisation in general.

The deadline for receiving comments on the Strategy is October 13<sup>th</sup> 2006. It will be reviewed in light of the feedback received prior to being presented for approval and adoption by the Executive Member for the Environment in October 2006.

For more information or to obtain a copy of the draft strategy document please contact Laura Wilson, Waste Minimisation Officer, on 020 7525 2366 or email [laura.wilson@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:laura.wilson@southwark.gov.uk). Please note that where possible we will provide an electronic copy, rather than paper.

I look forward to hearing your views and comments.

Yours sincerely

Laura Wilson