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## Dulwich Community Council



Notes from the meeting on Wednesday April 1 2009  
Christ Church, 263 Barry Road, London, SE22 0JT

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Wednesday April 29 2009

## Kingswood revisited

### – joint working with the Police & Southwark's Anti Social Behaviour Unit (SASBU)

Main items discussed at this meeting:

- Kingswood revisited – joint working with the Police, (College ward SNT) & Southwark Anti Social Behaviour Unit (SASBU)
- Dulwich Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
- Community Fund 2009/10 launch

Joan Leary from the Council's anti social behaviour unit (SASBU) presented along with colleagues from College ward safer neighbourhood team (SNT). They spoke about the unit's role and responsibilities which covers the whole area of Southwark. Unfortunately not all residents get to see the kind of projects that are set up in the community and Kingswood Revisited (a five minute DVD shown at the meeting) is an example of such a project. This was in response to residents' concerns about gangs operating in the area, graffiti and the harassment of kids and youths on the Kingswood Estate which has a high level

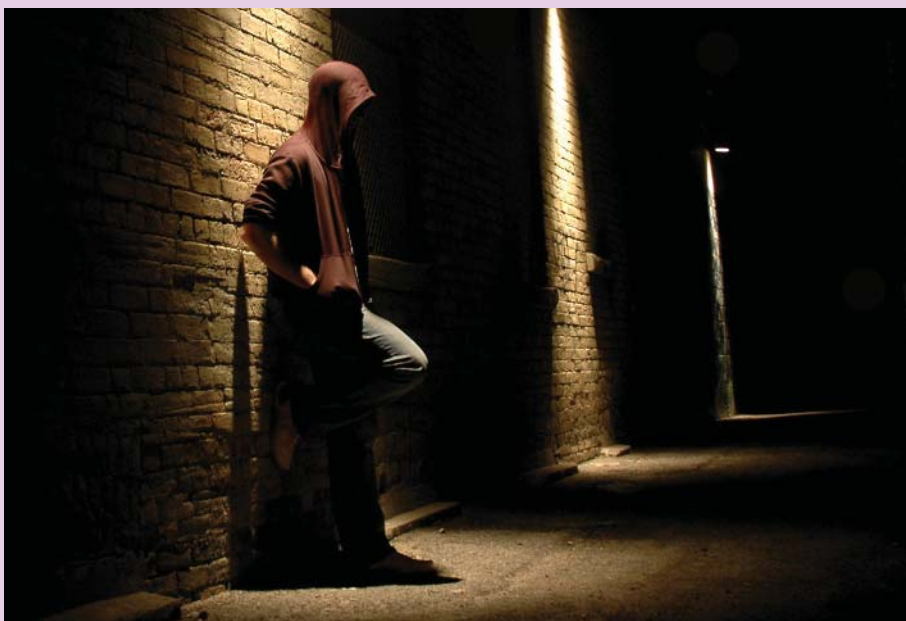
of deprivation. The film showed young people speaking about their experiences and how the area had improved particularly with the opening of a new youth club. New enforcement measures and intensive support to the area contributed to:

- 72% residents on the Kingswood now feel safer
- A recent residents' survey showed 59% felt there was an improvement to the area
- Crime in the area has reduced by 50%
- 77% of young people now feel safe and some residents state they hardly see any gangs around the estate
- 53% of young people feel comfortable reporting crime

PC Mark Deacon explained that Kingswood Est is quite isolated compared to other neighbouring housing estates. Kingswood Revisited started because of residents expressed fear about drug dealing and young people possibly being recruited into gangs.

In addition:

- Young people are encouraged to use the facilities that are available to them



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# Dulwich Supplementary planning guidance

*Alison Squires presented*

The officer explained that the SPD would form part of the Southwark plan – which is being rewritten and called the 'Core Strategy' local development framework. It was agreed the Dulwich Community Council will receive a further presentation in June 2009.

Timetable for the Dulwich SPD is set out as follows:

- Dulwich SPD considered at the main planning committee on March 31 2009
- The executive – to consider the draft SPD on April 28 2009
- Deadline for submission of any representations or queries to officers including residents associations & amenity societies by close of business on **May 19 2009**
- A short briefing paper detailing collated submissions, itemising issues raised and giving officers' responses will be for consideration at DCC on **June 3 2009**
- Dulwich community council on **June 3** will consider both the **Dulwich SPD & Core Strategy**

All comments on the SPD should be referred to the planning policy team by email [planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk)

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- There is a multi agency approach (e.g. with British Transport Police, Community wardens and youth offending team)
- Youth victims of crime – there is a significant amount of under reporting which the SNT and SASBU are trying to address
- Increased tension heighten amongst local youths and young people from Lambeth approaching the Estate particularly in light of the fatal stabbing of a young person who lived on the Estate – the attacker was imprisoned
- Increase residents' faith in the Police and Council in order to deal with the above issues – as a result a series of meetings took place
- Send out a strong message about gangs not being tolerated in the area
- To provide assistance to those young people who were involved into serious crime e.g. undertake home visits,

- engage with their parents and provide support
- The overall objective is to have sustainable solutions & problem solving steps in place in the hope they can be resolved permanently

Cllr Holford mentioned that the Police and Anti Social Behaviour Unit should be congratulated for their efforts. Everyone agreed.

Cllr Eckersley mentioned that the same sort of approach and initiative could be used for slightly smaller housing estates – e.g. Lordship Lane Estate.

The Chair, Cllr Vineall thanked the representatives for their presentation adding that it would be a good initiative to roll out to other community council areas or local authorities particularly if it is a successful model.

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## Dulwich community fund 2009 - 10 (£15,000)

Officers announced the launch of the Dulwich Community Council fund for 2009-10.

You can put in a bid by completing an application form and returning it to **Ambrose Omoma, Dulwich & Camberwell Coordinator Area Management at 73 Camberwell Church Street, Camberwell, London SE5 8TR**

You are advised to return your application form by **Friday May 15 2009**.

For more information contact **Ambrose Omoma on 020 7525 6435 or email [ambrose.omoma@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:ambrose.omoma@southwark.gov.uk)**

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Your next Dulwich Community Council meeting is on **Wednesday April 29 2009 from 7pm at Herne Hill Baptist Church, Half Moon Lane, London SE24 9HU**

Some of the topics up for discussion at the next meeting:

- **Cleaner greener safer programme 2009 – 10**
- **Updates from the Police Safer neighbourhood teams and Community Wardens update plus much more... Please come along to the meeting and have your say. Everyone is welcome.**

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