

# TAKE note

## Dulwich Community Council



Notes from the meeting on Monday April 23 2007  
Christ Church, 263 Barry Road, SE22

Issue no. 12

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### Main items at this meeting:

- Transport and traffic – group (ward) discussion
- Presentation by the head of transport planning
- Consultation on the way forward for community councils
- Report on Lordship Lane audit – a presentation by living streets
- Cleaner greener safer programme 2007-08
- Suburban/urban zoning (Southwark plan)



## Transport and traffic

Barbara Selby, head of transport planning briefly outlined that Transport for London (TfL) are putting together a list of schemes to present to the council's executive in May 2007. The bid is submitted to TfL in June, but we won't hear anything more until December 2007. The type of schemes to get funding would be for infrastructure, cycling and encouraging schools to join the school travel plan. Dulwich community council expressed disappointment about not being able to debate or comment on the development of local implementation plans bids for 2008/09 following receipt of TfL guidance in February 2007.

Dulwich community council agreed a motion which is detailed in the minutes agreement form and mentions that the process for future local implementation plan bids should be improved to enable full and proper participation by community councils to take place.

**For further information, please contact Barbara Selby in transport planning on 020 7525 2290 or email [barbara.selby@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:barbara.selby@southwark.gov.uk)**

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### Transport and traffic - report back by ward councillors

Dulwich community council members and residents highlighted the following during their ward group discussions.

CLlr Barber (East Dulwich) said most of the discussion focused around Lordship Lane and various ways of improving the area.

CLlr Eckersley (Village) mentioned the main focus was Court Lane, road safety, slowing down traffic and expedient consultation for residents.

CLlr Robinson (College) explained the main focus in their group were traffic problems at the south end of Lordship Lane. Sydenham Hill residents raised concerns about the Horniman Museum advertising free parking in neighbouring roads. CLlr Robinson said he wrote to the Mayor of London, the local M.P. and Director of the Horniman museum stating that people who visit the museum should be encouraged to use public transport.

## Consultation on the way forward for community councils

The council is presently reviewing the way community councils work and looking at ways to make them more effective and interactive.

CLlr Columba Blango executive member for citizenship, equalities and communities, spoke about decentralising powers and devolving them to the community and meeting with residents to talk about how they could be more involved with this process. Residents could have more meaningful meetings and work in partnership with elected councillors, officers and outside agencies to improve service delivery.

Russell Profitt, head of Peckham programme & social renewal, told the meeting that a community councils consultation booklet would be available shortly at local libraries and one stop shops etc. He asked residents to fill out the questionnaire at the back and return it to the community councils team. The date for completed questionnaires (consultation period) ends on 31 May 2007. The questionnaire can also be completed online by visiting [www.southwark.gov.uk/communitycouncil](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/communitycouncil)

**For more information contact community councils, west house, town hall, Peckham Road SE5 8UB or email [community.council@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:community.council@southwark.gov.uk)**



## Cleaner greener safer programme 2007-08

The chair announced that this year's cleaner greener safer (CGS) programme would be launched shortly and the timetable for Dulwich CGS 2007/08 is outlined below:

- Launch takes place on May 21 2007 and posting out of forms including publicity takes places through the month of June.
- Deadline for the return of completed forms is Monday July 16 2007.
- Investigation & costing of applications takes place in August 2007.
- Dulwich community council to receive information on applications and the approval of successful schemes at community council is scheduled during the month of September and October 2007.
- Distribution – CGS forms will be emailed to those that applied last year and posted out to people on the community council's email/ address list. Forms shall also be available at local community events.

For more information contact Andrea Allen on 020 7525 0860 or email [andrea.allen@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:andrea.allen@southwark.gov.uk), or visit [www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreenersafer](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreenersafer)

Forms are now available on Southwark Council's website together with more information about past projects. Forms can also be completed online on the council website.

To find out more about your local community council visit [www.southwark.gov.uk](http://www.southwark.gov.uk) and click on Dulwich, then the agendas and minutes link or phone 020 7525 7187

## Suburban/urban zoning (Southwark plan)

Following on from the Dulwich community council meeting on March 13 2007 and council assembly on March 28 2007, an agreement was reached where the Secretary of State prompted by the Mayor of London decided not to approve the UDP densities in urban/suburban zones. In light of the legal advice given, the Southwark plan would be modified to lower the urban density to between 200 to 400 habitable rooms per hectare and that the public transport accessibility level would also be reduced.

For more information contact Sarah Beuden at Southwark Council, regeneration, Chiltern House, Portland Street, SE17 on 020 7525 5345 or email [sarah.beuden@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.beuden@southwark.gov.uk)

## Presentation from Living Streets – a report on Lordship Lane audit

Paul Holdsworth, project manager from Living Streets, an organisation for pedestrians and public spaces gave a power point presentation on the Lordship Lane audit.

Paul's presentation outlined the following:

- **What is a community street audit?**
  - It's a way of assessing a street or streets matched with detailed local knowledge and expertise of what they are.
  - It involves talking to local people about how space could be changed or improved with the aim of broadening the range of possibilities for places like East Dulwich Grove, Goose Green roundabout, East Dulwich police station and the Plough.
- **Key problems to pedestrians**
  - Congested footways and pavements in many places are too narrow for a number of people on foot.
  - There are obstructed and uneven footways, too few crossings over Lordship Lane and poor conditions for crossing side roads.
  - East Dulwich Grove was considered the most dangerous side of the road to cross.
- **Eight achievements to enhance the junction of East Dulwich Grove**
  - Goose Green roundabout - improve existing crossings and install new crossing at Grove Vale.
  - Create a pedestrian boulevard along the main shopping zone of Lordship Lane.
  - Create an experimental closure of North Cross road on Saturdays between Lordship Lane and Nutfield Road, which would enhance condition for the street market.
  - Improve house keeping – review trade waste and storage collection, etc.
  - Review options for installing a crossing outside Somerfield.
  - Identify locations for a network of benches on Lordship Lane.
  - 60% of people on Goose Green use it as a shortcut or as part of longer walking journeys
  - Think about using audit as a part of the council's masterplan.

The chair thanked Paul for his presentation.



Your next Dulwich meeting is: Monday June 4 2007, 7pm start  
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Your next Dulwich community council meeting will be about the launch of the cleaner greener safer 2007-08 programme and community council fund. There will also be a presentation on the re-shaping of the community warden service and a briefing from the primary care trust (PCT) chief executive on the heritage features of Dulwich community hospital plus much more.

Everyone is welcome !

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