

TAKEnote

Bermondsey Community Council



Notes from the meeting on Monday October 2 2006
Harris Academy, 55 Southwark Park Road, SE16 3TZ

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Main items at this meeting:

- Community Slot
- Police update
- Southwark Community Games
- Bermondsey Spa update
- Bermondsey Street update
- Modifications to the Southwark Plan

Community Slot

Unicorn Theatre

Dulcie Alexander spoke about the new theatre on Tooley Street. She explained that the Unicorn Theatre wanted to work with the community including schools and youth groups. Dulcie wanted people to give their views and get involved. She added that some free/discount tickets were available for certain performances.

Southwark Volunteers

Francoise from Southwark Volunteers said that they were looking to recruit volunteers for charitable organisations. They train and engage local people and would like to hear from anyone with a project or scheme that needed help.

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Southwark Community Games 2006



Tim Hetherington presented

The Games are a programme of year-round sports coaching and competition for young people between 8 and 16 years of age. Taking place in schools, after school clubs, housing estates, youth club, parks and open spaces. It also creates:

- New opportunities for young people to participate in sport
- New opportunities for a healthier lifestyle
- Leadership amongst young people
- The opportunity for young people to strive to excel at their own pace and at what level they choose

This year it has involved:

- Ten full-time community sport coaches
- 8,000 young people
- All local schools
- 50 Community sites
- Working with numerous people and agencies to make it happen
- St Paul's Astro, Canada Water Park, Southwark Park, Tissington Court

* Bermondsey Community Council are currently top of the table in the current standings

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Police update

Sgt Cole reported that:

- The three Safer Neighbourhood Teams had made nineteen arrests during the July – Sept 2006 period.
- The ward panels have now been set up and will meet every three months. Priorities included tackling anti-social behaviour including cannabis use and nuisance caused by mini-motorbikes.
- Five acceptable behaviour contracts had been issued (a step towards ASBOs).
- The Community Payback scheme had seen offenders clearing up areas in recent weeks.
- They were hoping to recruit ten special constables in the next few months.

Bermondsey Spa update

Tim Thompson presented

Tim spoke about the regeneration programme of the last six years. He said it was evidently making a mark and improving the area significantly. Spa Park had been transformed and he thanked those involved. The Salmon Youth Centre with sports hall and other facilities was almost ready. There was a lot of work going on among commercial tenants and residents regarding Spa Road shops.

Bermondsey Street update

Sally Crew presented

In Bermondsey Street there are an increasing number of shops, restaurants and cafes. Many businesses require parking for deliveries. Tanner Street Park is a recent improvement.

Future projects include:

- Carriageway and footway works
- Thames Water Victorian mains replacement
- Improving local cycling facilities
- Raising of existing pelican crossing on Long Lane

Future challenges:

- Create a safe, enjoyable place to visit
- A streetscape that supports local businesses
- Address the needs of pedestrians and cyclists
- Create a public space that respects the history of the area

Sally explained that local discussions would take place with business owners and key stakeholders, including Bermondsey community council, on the way forward.

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Consultation on modifications to the emerging Southwark Plan

The emerging Southwark Plan provides the framework for all land use and development in the borough including the council's planning policies used to determine planning permission. The plan will replace the Unitary Development Plan 1995 (UDP). An independent inspector considered the objections and the evidence presented at the public inquiry and produced a report containing his recommendations for the plan. As a result, the council has made modifications and will hold consultation on these proposals from September 1 2006 to October 13 2006. Copies of the documents are available on the website and by request.

For information contact planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk or write to Planning Policy, Chiltern House, Portland Street, SE17 2ES



Your next Bermondsey Community Council meeting is on Tuesday November 21 2006 from 7pm at Ellen Brown Centre, 145 Grange Rd, London SE1 3EB

Everyone welcome !

Come and have your say and meet councilors and officers for your area.

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