

Draft Walworth Social Regeneration Charter

Summary and Illustrative Indicators

Southwark Council

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Walworth

Social Regeneration Charter | Summary

A summary of our vision, goals, objectives and deliverables for the Walworth Regeneration area and how we will work together to make them a reality.

Southwark's Values

We want Southwark to be a healthy, clean, green and safe borough, where everyone has a great place to live, with excellent schools, parks and community facilities; where everyone has the opportunity to play a full part in the economy, to thrive and meet their potential; and where a person's background does not determine their life chances.

Walworth Now

Walworth is a well connected inner city neighbourhood sharing local infrastructure and services with new and existing communities on the Old Kent Road, Elephant and Castle, Camberwell and Newington. Walworth, some of its adjacent neighbourhoods, is experiencing significant levels of physical development and social change. These developments bring investment, infrastructure and a new population. All of positive influences however need to be managed and coordinated to ensure they benefit the local community and promote cohesion among existing and new residents. Southwark Council is committed to ensuring that any future developments are integrated and inclusive. The Council will look to achieve this through committing to partnership working with the community and focus on achieving widespread benefits for both the existing residents and new residents.

The Vision for Walworth

We want Walworth to build on existing strengths. Walworth will be a welcoming and resilient inner city neighbourhood where facilities and services encourage: growth in employment and training opportunities; high quality homes, estates, places and spaces which foster greater wellbeing and health; participation in the community by local people; a sustainable neighbourhood with good connectivity which prioritises walking, cycling and travel by public transport.

The Approach

We want to work collaboratively and collectively with those who live and work in Walworth (East and West) and build a culture of participation in Walworth and the surrounding area. Participation should directly result in influence and decision making that guides, coordinates and responds to, new development, change and opportunity in Walworth. Influence will be used to maximise benefits for the area and its' people as well as addressing the most acute needs of the area and its people alongside reduce inequalities in the area.

Since Mid – 2018, a small working group of local service providers, community interest organisations and housing providers in Walworth have come together to work collaboratively to discuss priorities, identify needs, share resources and learning. This small working group will continue to meet and support the goals and priorities of the Walworth Social Regen Charter. Continued engagement will extend to Tenants and Resident's Associations across

each ward.

The Social Regeneration Charter is a living document and will be monitored against the social regeneration indicators and updated and refined to align with emerging data and best practice.

Our Goals & Priorities

To build on the existing strengths within the community, support the growth of a cohesive neighbourhood and meet needs in the existing and new populations. Priorities have been established collectively through working with the working group identified above and research undertaken in Autumn 2018 exploring 'Community needs, assets and networks in the East Walworth' area undertaken by Social Life. Four Goals and thirteen promises have been identified. These will be refined through consultation and a baseline research study of the area that will run alongside the consultation period. The four goals for the Walworth Area are:

1. **Homes and places for communities to thrive.** Ensure new homes meet local need and invest in places and spaces that can bring the community together, build upon its existing strengths and encourage participation, cohesion and sharing of community stories.
2. **A high quality, healthy environment. A place** for living, working, learning, playing, exercising and relaxing with and integrated network of social infrastructure and open spaces which prioritise healthy and active travel and walking cycling and using public transport and reducing road danger
3. **A resilient economy with good employment opportunities.** An attractive business and employment environment that creates and sustains jobs, training and opportunities as well as supporting new initiatives and a more coordinated and participatory approach to investment in Walworth the builds resilience in our community and leads to a self-sustaining neighbourhood.
4. **A safe neighbourhood:** Improve safety for residents, businesses and users of Walworth and improve the perception of safety.

The vision, approach and goals and priorities outlined all draw upon and work in tandem with Southwark Council's eight Fairer Future themes and the vision for Walworth in the New Southwark Plan.

Tracking our progress

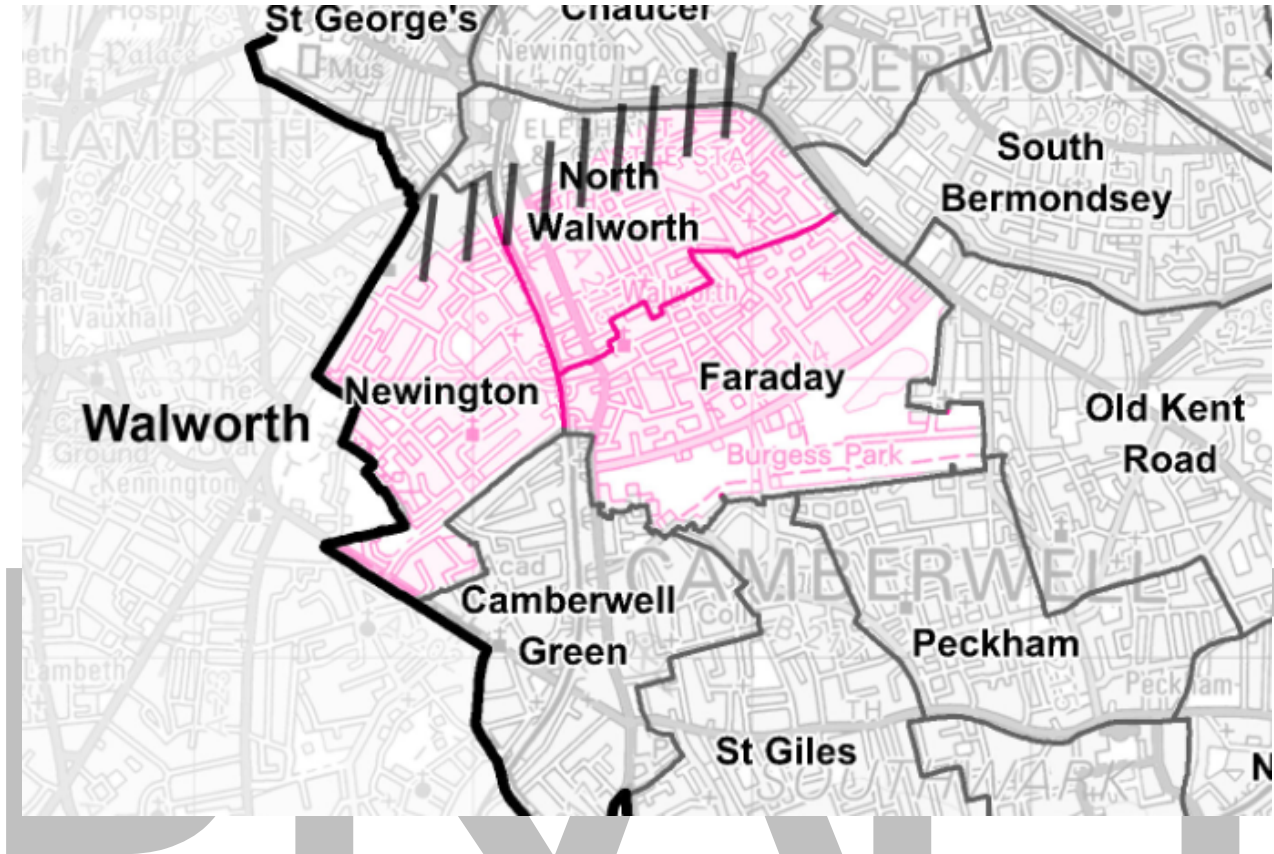
We will measure our progress using standardised and agreed indicators (see indicators to the rear of the document) taken from data sets that are regularly reported and baseline research (see research findings). Indicators will have different timeframes for measurement dependant on when the data becomes available including agreed timelines. Engaging local residents, communities and those across the borough to seek their views and understanding will be a key part of tracking progress and updating this 'live document'.

With research taking place at the same time as the consultation on this draft document, the research will not only examine the goals and promises that have been identified in this document but also establish a baseline for many of the indicators.

We will also track the investments into the local area, both directly from the new developments, as well as investments from Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106. We set out how this money will be spent in Local Place Plans and Community Investment Plans.

Map of the area

The Walworth Social Regeneration Area covers the area is pink below. The hatched area to the north of North Walworth and Newington denotes an area of cooperation.



Our Promises

Homes and places for communities to thrive in.	A high quality, healthy environment.	A resilient economy with good employment opportunities.	A safe neighbourhood.
<p>Promise 1 Meet the registered housing needs of Walworth through developing and maintaining social rented and affordable homes and neighbourhoods.</p> <p>Promise 2 Invest in places where communities can come together, participate in events and foster improved cohesion and a sense of belonging.</p> <p>Promise 3 Supporting local residents and families through life's transitions and access to services.</p> <p>Promise 4 Recognising the value of heritage in the people and buildings of Walworth's and protecting and promoting it.</p>	<p>Promise 5 Promote initiatives to improve the public spaces where walking, cycling and public transport are the clear priorities.</p> <p>Promise 6 Support development and investment that tackles the climate emergency.</p> <p>Promise 7 An inclusive community conversation regarding the places, spaces, buildings and development that the local community need.</p>	<p>Promise 8 Support a diverse and resilient economy and workforce.</p> <p>Promise 9 Develop opportunities for community assets that are managed locally and support local procurement initiative</p> <p>Promise 10 Support a diverse, resilient and healthy high street and market the serves the local community.</p>	<p>Promise 11 Reduce the level of anti-social behaviour and the perception of it.</p> <p>Promise 12 Support improved coordination between relevant partners and agencies.</p> <p>Promise 13 Support a thriving community and voluntary sector with coordination and collaboration at its heart</p>
<p>What we will do:</p> <p>Ensure the delivery of new community assets on the Aylesbury Estate and in Burgess Park respond to the strengths of the community and the needs within the community.</p> <p>Increase youth provision opportunities throughout the area including Burgess Park.</p>	<p>What we will do:</p> <p>Support the work of the Walworth Low Emission Zone Neighbourhood and the completion of the Walworth Road project along with the development of Low Traffic Neighbourhoods across the Walworth area.</p> <p>Support the delivery of the Low Line south of E&C.</p> <p>Support Walworth historic</p>	<p>What we will do:</p> <p>Support enterprise with workshops, studios and workrooms, small depots and yards.</p> <p>Support local shopping parades across Walworth and East Street Market.</p> <p>Promote contracts that support the local economy and social value.</p> <p>Continue to work with and</p>	<p>What we will do:</p> <p>Work with the Community Safety Partnership team to confirm promises and actions. .</p> <p>Work with relevant agencies and the voluntary sector to tackle to anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Continue to respond to and enforce licensing, noise and nuisance regulations.</p>

Support active leisure opportunities including leisure based spaces for all.

Utilise the Southwark Resource Centre.

Work with local Tenants and Residents Associations.

Support work of healthy school superzones.

buildings and conservation area through the Walworth Heritage Action Zone.

Improve the Albany Road and Thurlow St for pedestrians and cyclists.

Establish a wildlife conservation volunteer scheme.

Work with Guys and St. Thomas on West Walworth Healthy Streets

support the Walworth Group and align these promises with the workstreams of this group. Work with local stakeholders to coordinate and align investment spending to target areas of need and inequality.

Create a culture of participation to direct decision making and investment.

Work within the framework of Healthy High Streets.

Support work on the Healthy Catering Commitment.

Continue to implement Alexandra Rose Vouchers.

Promote the Where Walworth Eats work.

Communicate the relocation of Southwark Works hub from E&C to Walworth Road.

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Research: existing & forthcoming

Much is known about Walworth. This understanding has been gained through research undertaken in Walworth in recent years, discussions with the Walworth Group over an 18 month period and through the practical experience of the council's work in Walworth. The following two pieces of research undertaken in Walworth have informed the council's understanding as well as informing discussions with other stakeholders in the area:

- Walworth Road Economic Vision Towards 2030, Hatch, February 2020.
- Mapping community assets, needs & networks in east Walworth, A report for Notting Hill Genesis by Social Life. January 2019.
- Multi-Ward Profiles 2019 West Central Southwark Southwark's Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
- What Walworth Wants, We Made That.
- Walworth Road Vitality, Viability and Vulnerability Study, GVA, December 2014.

Baseline research that builds upon these pieces of work and which will inform the Social Regeneration Charter will be conducted by Social Life between April and May. The purpose of this research is to better understand the social and economic conditions of the local communities and how the communities perceive these themselves, with respect to current and future change in their area. The research methods will include street surveys and household surveys in the council's estates.

The findings of the research will be used to inform the draft charter and refine the goals, promises and indicators. In future iterations of this document, the most up to date research will be summarised here.

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Social Regeneration Charter | Indicators

Goal 1: Provide homes & places for communities to thrive in.

Ensure new homes meet local need and invest in places and spaces that can bring the community together, build upon its existing strengths and encourage participation, cohesion and sharing of community stories.

Promise	Measure/Indicator	Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	Frequency of monitoring
Promise 1 Meet the registered housing needs of Walworth through developing and maintaining high quality social rented and affordable homes and neighbourhoods.	1.1 The number of households in housing need in Walworth.	TBC	A decrease in the number of households on the housing register.	Annually.
	1.2 The number of new social rented and affordable homes built in Walworth.	TBC	A net increase in the number of social and affordable homes.	Annually.
	1.3 The level of satisfaction of residents in new homes	To be determined by baseline research.		3 to 5 years
	1.4 The level of resident satisfaction in the management and condition of homes and estates.	To be determined by baseline research.		3 to 5 years
	1.5 Number of rogue landlord reported and listed on the GLA rogue landlord & agent checker.	TBC		
Promise 2 Invest in places where communities can come together, participate in events and foster improved cohesion and a sense of belonging.	2.1 £ of invested in existing and new community spaces in the local area through CIL contributions, developers and partnerships.	TBC		Annually
	2.1 Delivery of community hub adjacent to the Southwark Resource Centre.	Due to be delivered Spring 2021		
	2.2 Delivery of a community hub on Thurlow Street intergrated with other community facilities including a new library and health centre	Due to be delivered Winter 2021		
	2.3 Delivery of a community facility at Walworth Town Hall.	Date for delivery to be confirmed.		
	2.4 Delivery of new and improved community facilities in	Date for delivery due to be confirmed.		Every year

	Burgess Park.			
	2.5 % of resident's participating in a local cultural or neighbourhood event.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	2.6 % of residents who think the area is changing for the better.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	2.6 A perception of belonging in the neighbourhood.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people feel a sense of belonging.	Every three to five years
	2.7 Satisfaction with the services on offer in the area.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people are satisfied with the area.	Every three to five years
	2.8 A perception that the change in the area is positive	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people perceive the changes in the area as positive.	Every three to five years
	2.9 A perception that the change in the area is bringing benefits to everyone.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people feel the changes benefit them.	Every three to five years
	2.11 A sense of community cohesion in the area.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people feel a community cohesion in the area.	Every three to five years
Promise 3 Supporting local residents and families through life's transitions and access to services.	3.1 Satisfaction with the services on offer in the area.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people are satisfied with the area.	Every three to five years
	3.2 School performance			
	3.3 Number of Children living in households claiming out of work benefits	TBC		
	3.4 A perception of ease of access to services and opportunities.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	3.5 A perception that local services meet local need.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	3.6 % of young people that are satisfied by the facilities in the area.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	3.7 % of older people that are satisfied by the facilities in the area.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
Promise 4 Recognising the value of heritage in the people and buildings of Walworth's and protecting and	4.1 Removal from the Walworth Road Conservation Area from the Historic England At Risk register.			
	4.2 % of residents who feel pride in the heritage of Walworth.	To be determined by baseline research.	The majority of people feel a sense	Every three to five years

promoting it.			of identify and pride in the area.	
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Goal 2: Ensure a safe high quality, healthy environment.

A place for living, working, learning, playing, exercising and relaxing with and integrated network of social infrastructure and open spaces which prioritise healthy and active travel and walking cycling and using public transport and reducing road danger.

Promise	Indicators	Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	Frequency of monitoring
Promise 5 Identify and promote initiatives to improve the public spaces where walking, cycling and public transport are the clear priorities.	5.1 Net increase in public realm in sqm	TBC	An increase in public realm where it is derived from underutilised space.	
	5.2 Perceptions of the quality of public realm	TBC	The majority of people perceived the quality of the public realm to be high.	
	5.3 Reduction in the number of local journeys made by motor vehicle.	TBC	Lower number of local car trips	
	5.4 Increase in the mode share of walking, cycling and public transport.	TBC		
	5.5 % of residents walking or cycling to work.	To be determined by baseline study		Every three to five years
Promise 6 Support development and investment that tackles the climate emergency and improves health.	6.1 Net increase in trees	TBC		
	6.2 Improvement in Air Quality	TBC		
	6.3 % of residents doing more than 30 minutes exercise a week	To be determined by baseline study		
	6.4 £ of investment in measures to tackle climate change	TBC		
Promise 7 An inclusive community conversation regarding the places, spaces, buildings and development that the local community need.	7.1 Perception of understanding how to influence local decision making	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years
	7.2 Perception of the ability to influence local decision making.	To be determined by baseline research.		Every three to five years

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Goal 3: Encourage a self-sustaining neighbourhood:

An attractive business and employment environment that creates and sustains jobs, training and opportunities as well as supporting new initiatives and a more coordinated and participatory approach to investment in Walworth the builds resilience in our community and leads to a self-sustaining neighbourhood.

Promise	Indicators	Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	Frequency of monitoring
Promise 8 Support a diverse and resilient economy and workforce.	8.1 Number of businesses who are living wage employers	TBC	Increasing number	
	8.2 % of residents of working age in paid employment.	TBC	Increasing %	
	8.3 % of residents earning below the London Living wage.	To be determined by baseline research	Decreasing %	
	8.4 % of residents satisfied with their job	TBC	Increasing %	
	8.5 Number of businesses producing living wage and gender pay audits	TBC	Increasing %	
	8.6 Number of businesses signed up to the Mayor's Good Work Standard	TBC	Increasing %	
	8.7 Net increase in affordable workspace	TBC	Increasing %	Annually
Promise 9 Develop opportunities for community assets that are managed locally and support local procurement initiative	9.1 No of companies supporting contracts with clauses regarding local procurement.	TBC		
	9.2 No of community assets managed by local community organisations.	TBC		
Promise 10 Support a diverse, resilient and healthy high street and market the serves the local community.	10.1 Number of vacant high street units.	TBC		Annually
	10.2 Perception that the high street and market meets local needs.	To be determined by baseline research		
	10.3 £ invested in shopfronts	TBC		

Goal 4: A safe community

Improve safety for residents, businesses and users of Walworth and improve the perception of safety.

Promise	Indicators	Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	Frequency of monitoring
Promise 11 Reduce the level of anti-social behaviour and the perception of it.	11.1 The number of reported crimes in the area.		Reduced numbers.	
	11.2 The number of reported instances of anti-social behaviour.		Reduced numbers	
	11.2 The perception of safety amongst residents		Improved perception	
	11.3 The perception of safety amongst businesses		Improved perception	
	11.4 The perception of safety amongst park users.		Improved perception	
Promise 12 Support improved coordination between relevant partners and agencies.	12.1 Work with Community Safety Partnership.			
Promise 13 Support a thriving community and voluntary sector with coordination and collaboration at its heart	13. 1 Increased partnership working amongst stakeholders			
	13. 2 A perception of ease of access to services.			