



Tulse Hill Forum

May 2016



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ASPIRE SPACE

The Aspire Space is a platform for local people to implement ideas and initiate change in Tulse Hill. It is a facilitated space to enable discussions about developments, improvements and community in the Tulse Hill area. The conversations that we had at the space, have highlighted possible projects that could be started in Tulse Hill almost immediately, and we are very excited. One of which was a "Social Media Team" to film the area in a positive light to help change some of the negativity. A newsletter supporting local groups and featuring the happenings in Tulse Hill and surrounding areas, parents and family activities, forums and much, much, more.....

We think that this has been a great start to getting local people really talking and making things actually happen in Tulse Hill. If you would like to be part of this please come to the Aspire space Scouts Hut, 26 High Trees Off Upper Tulse Hill, Tuesdays between 2pm and 8pm until the end of May and give us your views, or email us and contact us for details of future meeting places.



Tulse Hill Forum

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PLANNING OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Neighbourhood planning powers were introduced under the Localism Act 2011 to give members of the community a more hands on role in the planning of their neighbourhoods. It is a process that is led by the community and supported by the Council. We are now officially a neighbourhood forum, we still need your continued involvement in this process, we need your ideas and participation so that we can plan our area. We also have the opportunity to learn more about the possibilities there are, such as “right to bid” and “community assets”.



Tulse Hill Neighbourhood Plan will enable our community to play a much stronger role in shaping our areas and supporting new development proposals. This is because unlike a town plans that communities may have prepared, a Neighbourhood Plan forms part of the development plan and sits alongside the Local Plan prepared by Lambeth Council. Decisions

Suzie's Mobile Kitchen

Suzie - qualified Chef providing an interesting variety and style of food is catering every week at our Aspire Space. She's already been providing tasty foods to organisations such as High Trees, Tree Shepherd, James Wilson Cafe/The Hub, The Lazy Rhubarb, Tulse Hill Forum and more....



For catering contact her on
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on planning applications will be made using both the Local Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan, and any other material considerations.

To help deliver our vision we need you to take a proactive approach with the Tulse Hill Neighbourhood Steering group in drawing up our Neighbourhood Plan and securing the consent of local people in a referendum. This will allow the area to benefit from 25 percent of the revenues from the Community Infrastructure Levy. Please look out for our events in the future that invite you to come and shape Tulse Hill.



URBAN ARTS @BRIXTON 9TH & 10TH JULY

Urban arts are celebrating their 15th year this July. Josephine Avenue will once again be transformed into a bustling open air Art Fair Saturday and Sunday, free entry 10am to 6pm. The Art Fair will exhibit over 200 artists. Items will be for sale for all budgets and include paintings, printmaking, photography and street art. Landmarks on local walls and there will be a selection of mouth-watering street foods to choose from. Not to be missed



TWIST POP UP MARKET

Twist Pop Up market was launched in November 2015 and is on the last Thursday of every month from 3-8pm. Support local traders, try delicious street food and purchase wonderful handcrafted gifts. Or get involved with your own stall contact lydia@treeshepherd.org.uk 0203 697 1540

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Community Development



High Trees is an established community anchor and hub in Tulse Hill. They work with local people and external partners to build the capacity of individuals and smaller voluntary community organisations. They have a range of courses coming up from English, Teaching, and Computing. To find out more, and **about other courses email learningcentre@high-trees.org or call 020 8671 3132**

POETRY SLABS



On 29 February PoetrySlabs had their first public meeting at the Pop Up Library in the Scout Hut on High Trees, St Martins Estate in Tulse Hill. Local makers and artists mixed with other movers and shakers to listen to poetry, look at pictures, eat slabs of cake (inscribed with a quote from Oscar Wilde) and imprint words of their own into wet West Norwood clay.

West Norwood Feast saw the launch of the PoetrySlabs Prize 2016 - a competition calling for short, sharp poems (100 words maximum, 12 lines tops) to celebrate South London (postcodes SE and SW). The lucky winners will have their work immortalised on a ceramic slab or tile, glazed and stuck to a wall in West Norwood.

For more information, see the website at poetryslabs.org, and keep a look out for poetry appearing in ceramic form on a wall near you!

Many Hands Make Light Work

Many readers will have heard about the Straw Bale Community Hall that is being built behind Holy Trinity Church.

Finally, we're expecting to dig the foundations this summer. AND AFTER THAT ...on top of the gravel-trench foundations there are going to be car tyres packed with pea-shingle all around the perimeter of the building. Packing these tyres and setting them in place is our job – and you can help! Anyone who does gardening can do it. You'll learn a new "skill", but you'll also learn about methods of low-tech, eco-friendly construction.

Once we've been trained by the experts at StrawWorks, local team captains will oversee the on-going work. In particular we're interested in training up young people who may then develop a further interest or career in construction, architecture, or the environment.

If you're interested in finding out more email richard.dormandy@htth.org.uk or call on 020 8674 6721. (also looking for contractors with great rates)



Holy Trinity Holiday Club

Holy Trinity Church ran a very successful children's club during the recent half term. About 70 children attended each day, and 45 people were involved in the running of the club. 7 girls from St Martin in the Fields School took on leadership positions. The children took part in a variety of activities including film making, dancing, cooking, crafts and games. They learnt new songs and explored bible stories. One of the high lights of the club was going inside the igloo. The igloo was made from over 1000 4pint milk bottles that had been collected by people in the local community. The feed-back from parents and children was very positive. After a review of this year's event we will begin to make plans for next year's club. If there are people in Tulse Hill who would like to get involved they can contact me on jsut57@icloud.



ST MARTIN'S TENANTS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



WHAT DO THEY WANT TO ACHIEVE?

- To promote equal opportunities and work for good relations amongst the entire community
- Unity in the community
- To represent everyone on St. Martin's Estate
- To encourage recreational and social activities
- Open to everyone on St. Martin's



St Martin's TRA are working to improve

- Fly tipping & recycling
- Better Lighting
- Repairs
- Social Events for Young & Old
- Damp & mould conditions

They have had two social events on the estate, including a Community Funday + BBQ and a Winter Warmer Concert with more events planned. They have general meetings and door-to-door survey visits. Look out for further information on the estate... Drop them a line, or go along to support, and share your experiences.

Email: stmartinsresidentslambeth@gmail.com
twitter: @StMartinsTRAT - Tel: 07766 601777
<https://stmartinstra.wordpress.com>

- Thanks to Asal and Ruby from Fenstanton School for designing their logo

**Their general meetings are held regularly at High Trees Community Development Trust
220 Upper Tulse Hill, London SW2 2NS, email for more info**

CALLING ALL CHILDREN AGED 4 TO 14!

JUNIOR PARKRUN IS A LOVELY WAY TO START YOUR SUNDAY - ESPECIALLY NOW THAT THE WEATHER IS (HOPEFULLY) WARMING UP!

Do you like running? Do you think you hate running but want to get fitter and faster? Why not try junior parkrun in Brockwell Park? It's free, it's fun, and it's as competitive - or uncompetitive - as you want it to be.

The 5km adults' version of parkrun (which children can also run in) takes place every Saturday morning at 9am in hundreds of parks all over Britain and the world. Junior parkrun is the 2km version of parkrun for children aged 4 to 14, and it's on every Sunday morning at 9am. Junior parkrun isn't as widespread as parkrun, so we're very lucky to have this event in Brockwell Park.



REGISTER AT www.parkrun.org.uk/brockwell-juniors

TULSE HILL WARD – YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLORS

Over the past year, your three local councillors have attended 100s of community events in Tulse Hill supporting: new Tenants and Residents Associations, attending street parties, contributing to cleaning up areas with Lambeth's Freshview team, listening to residents' views on issues such as estate refurbishment and regeneration, rubbish collection and fly tipping.

At many of these events we have been asked - What do Councillors do? Below is our answer. Please contact any of us if you would like further information

COUNCILLORS HAVE 6 MAIN ROLES.



1. Be a member of a council committee where decisions are discussed, such as where to grant licences to sell alcohol; or where to grant planning permission i.e. whether new buildings or existing buildings can be built or altered.

2. Help sort out problems local people have with debt, council tax, housing, fly tipping or anything that concerns them.

3. Work with Lambeth Council residents and organisations to identify services needed in Tulse Hill.

4. Work with local organisation on Council initiatives to ensure community involvement; one such project is the gyratory project.

5. Attend community events to support local organisations such as Tenants and Residents Associations meetings, and street parties.

6. Talk to people about politics and how to get involved in politics with other members of the political party they represent. In Tulse Hill this is the Labour Party.

Drop in surgeries:

7 – 8.00pm

1st Friday of every month – St Matthews Estate Hall,
10 St Matthews Road , SW2 1NH

2nd Friday every month – St Martins Library, 220
Upper Tulse Hill, SW2 2NS

3rd Thursday every month – Cressingham Gardens
Estate Hall, Tulse Hill, Sw2 2QG

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covering Roupell Park
Estate:**

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**Surgeries on first Saturday each month at
Hyperion House, Brixton Hill, SW2 1HZ 10-11am**

STREETWORKS

Streetworks, the £7million community led project funded by Transport for London to improve Norwood



Road and the Tulse Hill Gyratory has been underway since last year. We have co-designed and expressed way in which we would like to improve our streets. The last workshop on how to change the 1-way system was very interactive and we discussed sections we could potentially close off to make the 1-way system 2 ways. We've worked with Elmgreen School, who are re-designing Station Alley and recently delivered a very good presentation to TLF. Community groups such as PoetrySlabs, Wriggle and Rhyme, Norwood Pensioners Club and ST Martins TRA have been awarded funding to support events and projects, and there are more to come. We will be having a celebratory event May 23rd 5pm-6.30pm at Elmgreen School. RSVP to <https://celebratestreetworks.eventbrite.co.uk>

www.streetworks.london



A BIT OF HISTORY FROM A LOCAL RESIDENT IN THE 1900'S

My great grandparents owned a house in Perran Road, Tulse Hill in the 1930s. My mother and father inherited the house in the 1940s, and I was brought up there from 1940.

I can remember the bombs falling and doing much damage to the area. Living in Tulse Hill during World War II was not nice. Damage was done to many houses. York Hill was badly hit. The big Methodist church on the corner of Christchurch Road was missed, but the houses behind were flattened. As children, we called this area the bomb site and played there. Many houses in Tulse Hill were also hit, and we played in the ruins.

We had a field between Christchurch Road and Tulse Hill where we played, but I believe this is now the flats and houses of St Martins Estate. The one way system wasn't there either.

On the corner of Perran Road was a grocer's and on the other corner the Post Office. On the opposite side of the road were a bank and police box, and on the other corner of Christchurch Road there was a United Dairies shop with an underground bomb shelter that many people used. We had a cellar in our house which we used when the V1s and V2s came over. We would count up to ten - if you were still there when you heard the engines cut out then you were OK.

And Brockwell Park - well, what can you say? We spent all our school holidays there, flying kites and swimming in the Lido. What a great place! Even having a game of tennis on the courts that were there.

My sister-in-law went to St Martins Girls School in Tulse Hill. There were three pubs - two by the station and one at the bottom of Tulse Hill at the main cross roads. I met my wife at West Norwood Secondary School, and we're still together to this day. I had my stag night in the White Hart Pub opposite the church on the corner of the road leading up to the station.

R Elliott



BYGONE WEST NORWOOD Tulse Hill and The Tulse Hill Tavern & Horse Bus Terminal c1905 COLLECTORCARD Craydon CR0 1HW C1574

HIDDEN LITTLE GEM OF TULSE HILL

SOUTH LONDON BOTANICAL INSTITUTE

Founded in 1910, SLBI has a beautiful botanical garden, a botanical library and a historic herbarium. It offers a wide range of courses, workshops and events for all ages, many of which are low cost or free of charge. It also welcomes school visits. It's just received a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund to offer more events and update the herbarium.

It's open on Thursdays from 10am to 4pm, and at other times for events and courses. Its annual Plant Sale will take place on Saturday 7 May from 11am to 1pm, with free entry to the house and garden. South London Botanical Institute is at 323 Norwood Road SE24 9AQ. You can check out what's going on, and subscribe for email updates, at the website www.slbi.org.uk.



Aspire Unity Walk

31st May 2016

**St Matthews Estate
Community Hall : 2pm**

Josephine Ave : 3pm

Jubilee Hall : 3.45pm

Cressingham Gardens : 4.30pm


**Palace Road
Nature Garden : 5.15pm**

St Martins Scouts Hut : 6pm

**After Party Networking at 7pm
Scouts Hut, High Trees
St Martins Estate
music and light refreshments**

Aspire Unity Walk

31st MAY 2016



It's Our 3rd Unity Walk

Join Your Community on a walk to meet the local issues and find out what is happening on the streets. This will help the forum really reflect what true Tulse Hill People want in their "Neighbourhood Plan"

Bring along biscuits, crisp, fruit and a flask of tea to share

After Party Networking at 7pm
Scouts Hut
High Trees
St Martins Estate music and light refreshments

BIG VISION FOR TULSE HILL'S FUTURE

COME ALONG TO OUR EVENT

Over the last 18 months Tulse Hill Forum and Tulse Hill Neighbourhood Steering Group committee have been finding what the hot topics are in Tulse Hill from Tulse Hill Residents. We would love to present these to you and give you the opportunity to add your input and participate further

15th June 6.30 - 8.30

AGM Beforehand 6.00-6.30pm

**Jubilee Community Halls,
Tulse Hill, London SW2 2LU**