



Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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Looking forward Edition

There is loads happening locally during Spring and Summer this year. Here are just a few events. Do keep an eye on the Events page of our website. Also in this edition - what will be the very important issue of traffic management with the arrival of the Westfield Hammerson development. NOW is the time to galvanise our Council into action.

Quiz Night for All Saturday 9 April, 7.15 for 7.30 pm Clyde Hall, Clyde Road

Come along for a great evening, meet neighbours and help raise funds for Marie Curie. We will have a variety of questions to suit a variety of people. Raffle. Tickets £10 includes a fish and chip supper. Bring your own drink, glasses, cutlery, plate.

Come either as a team or on your own and join up with others. Feel free to bring friends.

Please let Anne know no later than **Sunday 3 April** if you would like to come along - annebridge175@gmail.com or 020 8656 707.

Expect a warm welcome!

IN AID OF



Care and support
through terminal illness

Big Lunch followed by afternoon tea Sunday 12 June, 1.00 to 3.00 pm Forecourt of St Mary Magdalene, Canning Road

Everyone is welcome to a Big Lunch on Sunday 12 June in Canning Road! We are organising this jointly with our neighbours and St Mary Magdalene. It's an opportunity for neighbours of all ages to come together in a relaxed, easy-going atmosphere, have fun and make new friends. There is a special theme this year— the Queen's 90th birthday.

Bring your own picnic lunch and, if you like, a little extra to share. If you bake, why not bring along some cup cakes on the theme of the Queen's 90th birthday for afternoon tea at the end of lunch? There will be a best cup cake competition for people under 13. Also for young people—bouncy castle, face painting, races.

Help carrying tables to set up and to clear away at the end will be gratefully received. More info nearer the time.

Family Fun Day

Saturday 19 March, 1.00 – 4.00 pm
Tunstall Children's Centre, Tunstall Road

Arts and Crafts, games and toys, stories and songs. Two residents from Clyde Road will be running workshops. Katia is doing a session on family photography. Rebeckah is doing a Zumba session.

Refreshments provided but please bring cakes and snacks to share.

Organised by East Croydon Communities Organisation (ECCO)

Mobile police station

Sunday 27 March, 12.00 – 1.00 pm
East India Way

According to the Addiscombe Safer Neighbourhood Team Police website, they are holding a drop in mobile Police Station on Easter Sunday for an hour. It will be a van somewhere in East India Way.

Addiscombe Festival

Sunday 29 May, 11.00 am – 5.00 pm
Ashburton Park

Family fun day with music, stalls, stage shows, food

If you would like to volunteer to help or take a stall, contact Jon Bonner on **07837650371** or jon@bigearners.co.uk
<http://www.addiscombecarnival.org.uk/>

A Right Royal Fayre, Saturday 18 June
12.00 – 3.00 pm
St Mary Magdalene, Canning Road

Organised by one or two local residents associations and St Mary Magdalene Church who kindly host it. The theme is to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. Republicans are also welcome; at least one of the people helping to organise falls into that category!

There will be something for everyone of every age. Here's just a flavour but there will be more: Face painting, cream teas, variety of food, live music, art competition, bouncy castle, Beat the Goalie, bubbles, various stalls and ... Scruffs Dog Show in the vicarage front garden – bring along your prized mutt!

If you would like to have a stall to sell or promote something, it costs £5. Please

contact Anne who is co-ordinating stalls.

Also needed – some volunteers happy to wield BBQ tools for an hour. There'll be a couple of BBQs out the front. We need six people in total to cook for just one hour.

We'll also need some volunteers to keep an eye on the bubbles and bouncy castle.

Again please contact Anne if you can help.

Midsummer's Night Dream

Thursday 23 June, 7.30 pm
St Mary Magdalene, Canning Road

Brought to us by Surrey Opera who are based in Clyde Hall. Music by Benjamin Britten

Tickets £15. 020 8654 6205

Wandle River Walk

Saturday 16 July

Fancy walking along the River Wandle from Croydon to The Thames? We thought we'd organise the walk for residents living in Canning and Clyde Roads but feel free to bring along friends. Although there's some urban walking, it's surprising how much of the Wandle Trail runs through parkland or along wooded paths beside the river.

The total path is 12 miles but we will plan it so there are three or four points at which people can peel off and take no more than two modes of public transport to get back to Croydon. We've planned it for a Saturday as public transport is more frequent than on a Sunday. More details nearer the date.

Annual Residents Meeting

Following a suggestion from a resident we will be holding our Annual Residents Meeting in early September this year when the calendar is a little less busy.

Quick Contact Group

In between newsletters we keep residents updated on occasional bits of information or short-notice Council 'consultations', either by email or paper copy only for those without email. We keep these to a minimum. Please contact Anne if you would like this information.

Local cafés

We are continuing our review of local cafes within a 10 to 15 minute walk of our roads. Café Adagio in Addiscombe, which we featured in our December edition, has since won The Croydon Citizen's *Croydon's Best Independent Café 2015 People's Choice* award. Runner-up was The Tram Stop, a few doors away.

The Tram Stop, opposite Addiscombe Tram Stop

In May 2014 a new cafe opened up in Addiscombe, and as the name suggests The Tram Stop can be found opposite Addiscombe Tram Stop. It is owned and run by Croydon and Addiscombe residents, the McFadyen family. 'We decided to call the cafe The Tram Stop, partly due to its location but also because my 2 sons love to watch the trams go by from the cafe window' says Sarah McFadyen. 'Once we had the name we worked on a brand which reminded of us of an old British Railways train station.'



The cafe is known locally for its delicious cakes, food and coffee. 'We bake our cakes here and try to create unusual flavours and use seasonal products. One of our best sellers is our courgette and sultana cake and our Guinness cake is always a favourite too' says Jim McFadyen. 'We also use locally sourced products where we can.' Using the local butchers and bakeries for their bread, meat and eggs, and even using honey from hives on Shirley allotment The Tram Stop supports other local businesses. Offering a full breakfast and lunch menu the cafe uses the best of the local products to create a delicious and varied menu. Breakfast favourites include the Full English Breakfast and French toast with bacon and maple syrup. 'Our lunch time favourite is definitely our Macaroni Cheese or our Warm Potato Salad with Chorizo and Halloumi. Our menu changes regularly with new specials added all the time.'

The cafe has also featured on television. 'A friend told us that they had seen the cafe on the Homes under the Hammer in an episode about Addiscombe.' Since then the cafe has been featured in BBC documentaries and on Songs of Praise.

The Tram Stop has been a great addition to Addiscombe high street and is a favourite place among Addiscombe residents. The Tram Stop can be found at 231 Lower Addiscombe Rd and is open Monday- Friday 8am – 5pm and Saturday 8.30am-5pm. (Lizzie Slater)

Moliceiro, corner of Lower Addiscombe and Alexandra Road

"Go West ... Go West!" said Coleridge, and he was right! Head along the Lower Addiscombe Road, past the small Co-op, to number 43, and there you will find one of the hidden gems among local eateries in the west of Addiscombe --- the *Moliceiro* Café (formerly *Café Ouro* or the *Titanic* Café).



Now a Portuguese establishment, it serves a wide range of distinctive Mediterranean food (seafood, meat and vegetables) but also does a wonderful English breakfast, including a cup of tea or strong coffee, for just £4.25.

As the sign says inside, they serve traditional Portuguese cuisine on a Sunday ("Aos Domingos Ha Cozido A Portuguesa"), and it is worth going just for that. A very generous plate of mixed meat with rice and vegetables (beautifully cooked) is available for two people to share, for just £15. Service is friendly and prompt, gratuities at your discretion.

Opening hours, 8.30 until late, Mon - Sat, and 10.00 until 18.00, Sun. Licensed (Mediterranean bottled beers and red/white wine to drink in) and now take card-payment.

Traffic in our area

Proposed 20 mph in residential streets



Consultation on making residential roads 20 mph – Councillor Sean Fitzsimons has said this may take place in Spring / Summer. This particular consultation is likely actually to happen at some point because it's a borough-wide proposal – unlike the Lebanon Road one-way introduction, which was specific to Lebanon Road and for which those residents most likely to be affected in Addiscombe Court and Canning Roads were excluded from the sham statutory 'consultation' for some reason For the history of this see our newsletters dated June 2014 (140614), October 2014 (141004), May 2015 (150509), October 2015 (151003) available from the News page of the Canning & Clyde website. We leave you to draw your own conclusions.

The potential advantages of 20 mph speed limit in our roads are better survival rates in the event of an accident and making side roads like our own appear less appealing to rat runners. The potential disadvantages are to those motorists who like to put their foot down between speed humps.

It's really important that, when this consultation happens, *everyone* expresses their view – for or against, strong or not strong. In such situations there is a possibility that those who have the strongest views are the only ones who express them and the result is not necessarily representative of residents as a whole. We know in our two roads there is a variety of views on this so we'd be really grateful if you could also let us know your opinion; that way we can be confident we are giving a balanced view of residents' opinions. We shall of course be chatting to people to gain a picture of views.

Please be aware that, should those most vocal in other roads say they want a 20 mph speed limit in their roads but those most vocal in our roads say they don't – that increases the chance of our roads ending up being used even more as a rat run for motorists cutting between the Addiscombe and Lower Addiscombe Roads.

For a variety of views on a potential 20 mph speed limit, Croydon Radio has a podcast at <http://www.croydonradio.com/podcast/podcast.php?ID=370>

We don't know what form the consultation will take. It may be an idea to keep an eye on notices attached to lamp posts as that is one possible way the Council may conduct the consultation.

Proper Traffic Management Plan ahead of Westfield Hammerson

We note that in the paper 'manifesto' our councillors delivered through our doors ahead of the last Council elections, one of their promises is to '**Reduce traffic on residential roads**'. As they do not say 'some' residential roads or qualify the statement in any other way, this clearly gives the impression that it applies equally to all residential roads. Since the beginning of January, after the introduction of the Lebanon Road one-way system, there has been an increase in rat running in Canning Road and Addiscombe Court Road. We look forward to our Councillors keeping their election promise and reducing traffic in our two and all other local residential roads.

Addiscombe Councillors

Residents survey results: [www.](#) April 2014

Tell us your top three priorities: [www.](#)

Dear Neighbour,

You may recall that in January we conducted an Addiscombe Residents survey and sought your views on how we could improve the area. The results are now available on our website but some of the key findings are:

- Residents top concerns were litter and graffiti, parking and poor local shops.

✓ Reduce traffic on residential roads

licensing scheme for taxis.

- Most people thought that the street cleaning had got worse under the Conservative controlled council.
- Parking outside their house was a problem for 63% of people.
- A majority of people thought that the cost of buying and renting a home was rising too fast.
- Lack of cycle lanes and speeding traffic were considered the main barriers to encourage more people to cycle.

Our Manifesto for Addiscombe is available on our website at [redacted] and, based on your feedback, your key pledges are:

- ✓ Increase street cleaning & prosecute fly-tippers
- ✓ Deliver local jobs & apprenticeships as a priority and support local shops
- ✓ Tackle those responsible for anti social behaviour
- ✓ Support 20mph zones where residents want them
- ✓ **Reduce traffic on residential roads**
- ✓ Reduce the cost of resident parking permits
- ✓ Crack down on rogue and criminal landlords
- ✓ Freeze council tax

We would however like to hear from you on what your top three priorities would be for you - so please take a few seconds to complete our online poll at [www.](#)

Over the last 4 years we have worked on a number of local issues including campaigns against over-development, saving the parcel collection office at East Croydon, reducing traffic on residential roads and keeping our streets clean and safe. We have also recently undertaken a consultation on 20MPH zones and the results are now available on our website at [redacted] here is more information, including our biographies, also on our website or you can contact us at anytime.

Sean Fitzsimons Cllr Sean Fitzsimons
Patricia Hay-Justice Cllr Patricia Hay-Justice
Mark Watson Cllr Mark Watson

References to political party name removed as we are non party political

Proper Traffic Management Plan ahead of Westfield Hammerson (continued)

The Council needs to be addressing the following issue *now*. The Westfield Hammerson development is currently due to start in 2017 for a 2021 opening; apparently the delay is because of legal wrangling over the details of the Compulsory Purchase Order. Its arrival will lead to an increase in traffic to and from central Croydon. We and some neighbours in Addiscombe Court Road, who have experienced an increase in rat running since January, are seeking to galvanise the Council and Transport for London – TfL are responsible for the large main roads – proactively to draw up their own traffic management plan. A wait and see approach or leaving the traffic management plan to the developer are simply not realistic options.

We and some residents from Addiscombe Court Road met with our Greater London Assembly Member, Steve O’Connell, last summer. Steve listened closely to our ideas on traffic management priorities for when Westfield Hammerson arrives and our insights into the movement of traffic and parking in our roads. Steve said he would take this to Westfield Hammerson and the Council.

We will be working with other residents’ groups to campaign for the Council to have in place its own proper traffic management plan way ahead of the arrival of the Westfield Hammerson development. And of course our Councillors have their election promise (see p.4) to fulfil. We hope this time our Councillors will engage with *all* local residents *equally* and listen to them on this in a timely and *even-handed* manner.

We emailed the candidates for the five main parties (Conservative, Green, Labour, LibDem, UKIP) for the Greater London Assembly Member elections coming up this May to see what their position is on the need for a Council / Transport for London coherent traffic management plan. We put the following questions to them. Two Croydon based candidates, Peter Staveley and Steve O’Connell, have replied. Tracey Hague sent apologies that owing to circumstances outside her control, she is unable to write something for this edition. Here is an edited version of



what they have said.

Questions

If elected, would you do the following and, if so, how would you go about it:
Establish all local residents’ insights into how traffic moves around in the East Croydon / Addiscombe area and why?
Establish all local residents’ insights into where people park and why?
Establish all local residents’ suggestions of how increased traffic can flow around the area with minimum impact to residents?

If elected would you do the following and, if so, how:

Approach the developers, Westfield Hammerson, with regards to traffic management?

Approach Transport for London with regards to traffic management?

Approach the Council with regards to traffic management?

Steve O’Connell

As your GLA Member, I very much welcome the arrival of Westfield/Hammerson to Croydon as it will give the town the regenerative boost it needs and deliver many much needed jobs and homes, as well as being a cracking shopping and dining experience. But such is the size of the project and its transport and traffic implications much thought needs to be applied to the potential impact on existing residents.

The effect on the Canning and Clyde and surrounding area is something that does concern me, and I have been in discussion with local people on this very subject.

My concern is that we are likely to see locally a great influx of vehicular traffic from the east, Beckenham, Bromley etc. Again, really great that these folk are coming to spend money in our town, but we have to consider that they may choose to park in our local streets, where parking is already an issue.

Clearly I would expect a Traffic Management study for the scheme, but I will be calling for a more granular study relating to our very localised impact. This may involve a broader study around parking and traffic flow, and in this instance I would insist that we absolutely

must involve local residents right from the start.

TfL has a big role to play in this, and as your GLA Member I will raise this topic with the new Mayor once they have taken office. I also continue to lobby for more Tram capacity as if we can encourage more usage to and from Beckenham, we can alleviate potential on road parking. If elected I promise to continue my excellent working relationship with your local committee and treat as a priority this particular issue.

Please do let me know your thoughts.

Peter Staveley

I would meet with as many residents and Residents' Associations as possible and would arrange regular public meetings or encourage residents to set up their own Residents' Association.

Having heard the major issues I would contact Croydon Council to determine: What solutions are available and possible. What funding is available for each solution and if necessary lobby for funding. I would ensure that any solution does not adversely affect residents. I would listen to the views of residents and concerns and suggestions about parking and lobby on their behalf.

Any change to traffic flows will result in displaced traffic finding other routes. When a solution is proposed I would listen to residents' concerns about increased traffic flow. I have some experience in reading results from traffic models earlier in my career.

Obviously the Westfield Hammerson scheme will result in several changes to traffic patterns as the scheme is built, so I will keep myself and residents up to date. I would keep in regular contact with both developers and Croydon Council to ensure that traffic management plans do not adversely affect residents or the viability of the rest of Central Croydon.

TfL hold a London-wide traffic model so they would have an input into the various changes to traffic flows at each stage. I would meet with TfL to discuss these and the effects across the whole of South London.

I have been involved in a similar large development at Cricklewood Brent Cross, so I know how different stages of any large project will be constantly changing.

Croydon Council hold a local traffic model so I would meet with the Highway Manager to deal with detailed issues, such as maintaining access to each car park and where parking will be permitted during the development's construction.

YOUR views are welcome

What are your views on how traffic can best be managed locally? Two residents have suggested a big need for the Council to find a way of ending what is often a bottleneck of traffic from West Croydon, along St James Road, over Windmill Bridge up to the two mini-roundabouts by the Co-op on the corner of Lower Addiscombe, Cherry Orchard and Morland Roads. Hold-ups in this area, especially at the double roundabout, cause some of the rat running along local residential roads as people travel instead via Chepstow Road, then cut through. Please let us know your thoughts and suggestions.

From the website of the South Norwood Tourist Board

South Norwood Tourist Board Proudly Presents... PicklesFest 2016!

On 27 March, we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the day when the World Cup was rescued by a South Norwood dog going by the name of Pickles. The Jules Rimet Trophy was stolen from Westminster Central Hall on 20th March 1966 and the FA were forced to commission a replica. Without Pickles heroic intervention, a week later, that glorious year for English football would have been very different.

27 March (1 PM): The World Cup Treasure Hunt (obviously) with The Friends Of South Norwood Country Park. Come to South Norwood Country Park where the Jules Rimet trophy will be hidden, wrapped in newspaper. Follow the clues to find the cup. Come dressed as Pickles, come dressed as Sherlock Holmes or Bobby Charlton or whoever you like.

For more information see

<http://southnorwoodtouristboard.com/>

Compulsory dog chipping from April

From April it will be compulsory for all dog owners to have their dogs chipped or face a fine of £500.



A Canning Road resident

The Dogs Trust is organising some free chipping events:
7 April – outside Pets at Home, off Purley Way (to be confirmed)
29 April, 11 am to 4 pm – Central Parade, New Addington CR0 0JP
To double check times contact Ione Brownlie, Dogs Trust, at ione.brownlie@dogstrust.org.uk, tel 020 7837 0006 www.dogstrust.org.uk

The Croydon & Crystal Palace branch of the RSPCA also provides free microchipping for people on benefits or low income.
Tel: 07548 840 934
www.rspca-croydoncrystalpalaceanddistrict.org.uk

Croydon Council also has information on dog chipping events. 020 8726 6000, or email doginfo@croydon.gov.uk

Green Waste Collection

Croydon Council is starting a fortnightly, paid for green waste collection for those who sign up for it. Garden waste will be collected every fortnight between 18 April 2016 and 18 November 2016.

If you are a resident with sole or joint responsibility for a garden, you can join the service by paying an annual subscription fee to have your garden waste collected from home. Your garden waste may not be collected on the same day as your refuse and

recycling.

The cost each year is: £55 for 140 litre bin service, £60 for 240 litre bin service, £100 for two 140 litre bin service, £105 for two 240 litre bin service.

To subscribe for the new service go online to <http://my.croydon.gov.uk/gardenwaste>
If you do not have access to the internet at home you can use a computer at your local library, or use a self-service computer at Access Croydon in Bernard Weatherill House where staff are available should you need help. If you, or someone you know, wants help to learn skills to get online, you can visit the [Digital Zone](#) in Access Croydon on Fridays, or visit any of the partner [Go ON Croydon](#) digital zones around the borough.

If someone is unable to register for the service online, or visit a local library or Access Croydon, they can call Croydon Council's Contact Centre on 020 8726 6200 for help or advice.

Good local source for plants

Cherry Orchard Garden Centre
171 St James' Road, CR0 2BY
(entrance is just off Sydenham Road)

This garden centre by the crossroads of St James Road and Sydenham Road contains a wide selection of good quality, low cost plants. It is a social enterprise run by and for people with learning difficulties.

And Finally

Neighbouring residents association, HOME, are suggesting that they have special road signs showing that their roads are in the East India Conservation Area. They will be applying for some kind of funding for this.

They have asked if Canning & Clyde would be interested as we also fall within the



conservation area. In the interests of democratic neutrality we thought we should present their idea to you

without comment. Here are some of the designs HOME are considering. What do you think of the idea of having special road signs? Please let us know.