RESIDENTS are urged to cheer on competitors in the second Vitality Run Hackney half marathon, which is taking place on 10 May.

Runners of all abilities are set to take part in the 13.1 mile race, which will pass many of the borough’s landmarks. Spectator points for the Council-backed event will be at Hackney Marshes; Mabley Green; Hackney Downs; Hackney Town Hall Square; Broadway Market; Well Street Common; Hackney Wick and areas throughout Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Live music, refreshments and family entertainment will also line the route. Road closures will be in operation from 7am to 2pm, when all runners are expected to have finished the course. See pages 8-9.

Cool running

The Run Hackney half marathon will see 13,000 competitors pounding the streets of Hackney on 10 May — many in aid of charity — so go and cheer them on!
ACKNEY charities and community groups can now apply for grants of up to £5,000 from the Council as two rounds of funding go live.

Awards of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available from the small grants fund for voluntary and community groups.

Applicants need to demonstrate how projects help improve the lives of residents by focusing on one of the following themes: reducing poverty; raising aspirations; promoting healthy living; making the borough safer; promoting mixed communities, or increasing community pride.

Projects will need to be delivered between 1 July and 31 March next year. Deadline for applications is 12 noon on 26 May.

Last year’s small grants programme saw 22 groups awarded funding totalling £30,000; meanwhile the community chest grant delivered £13,816 of financial help to 15 local groups.

The Hawa Trust, which works with African and minority groups in Hackney on a range of projects, was awarded £900 to run music and dance sessions, as well as healthy cooking workshops.

Hawa Sesay, from the Trust, said: “The work enabled us to reach out to families on the doorstep of the Artburst Studio who did not have funds to pay to attend sessions.”

Joanna Sumner, the Council’s Assistant Chief Executive, added: “There are lots of groups across Hackney with the ideas and energy to help make it an even better place. If your organisation needs some extra help, then I would encourage you to apply for one of these Council grants.”

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A blast of colour

SPECTACULAR light show over Hackney’s West Reservoir formed the climax of the launch of a kaleidoscopic range of new trainers by a sportswear giant.

Adidas built a stage over the water at the reservoir in Stoke Newington, and held an interactive laser and music display at the unique venue, which is owned by the Council and managed by its leisure contractor GLL.

Clothes also appeared floating above the water as part of the launch of the new Superstar Supercolour footwear collection earlier this month.

At the reservoir’s industrial pumphouse – an increasingly popular venue for events including wedding receptions – guests saw a video address by US music legend Pharrell Williams (pictured inset), who helped create the rainbow range of trainers. They were invited to write on a ‘supercolour wheel’ doodle-board made from all 50 trainer shades, and there was also a ‘sneaker tree’ with new trainers appearing to grow on branches.

The West Reservoir Centre is a sports and education hub that hosts sailing and kayaking for adults and children.

Facilities include a learning room for schools; seminar room, conference rooms and function room; and a waterfront café. The reservoir is also one of only a handful of places offering open water swimming in inner London.

Kim Wright, the Council’s Corporate Director of Health and Community Services, said: “Our venues have very quickly become some of the most sought-after in London. It’s crucial we make the most of opportunities like this to generate revenue to help us keep supporting our facilities and green spaces for residents. “The fact that a global brand like Adidas saw the West Reservoir Centre and really liked it shows the calibre of our indoor and outdoor portfolio, and it is a great way of showcasing our borough and attracting investment in it.”

For more info on Hackney’s venues, visit: www.hackneyvenues.com

Making a splash for charity

HACKNEY swimmers made a splash when Olympic gold medallist Duncan Goodhew joined them at London Fields Lido.

Duncan was supporting 138 local participants in the national Swimathon event on 19 April, which saw thousands of swimmers, at over 600 pools across the UK, engage in challenges of 1.5km, 2.5km or 5km to raise money for cancer charity Marie Curie.

Duncan, who won both gold and bronze medals in the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow, is also president of Swimathon, a nationwide swimming challenge.

Joining the borough’s swimmers in the water, he said: “I absolutely love it, I’m so lucky to be the one that gets to visit swimmers all across the UK. It’s definitely one of my favourite times of the year, seeing so many people being inspired to get into the pool and push themselves.”

For more info, or to donate, visit: www.swimathon.org

Digital Shoreditch to launch

DIGITAL Shoreditch, the annual tech festival which attracts delegates from around the world, is on from 11 to 15 May.

It boasts a jam-packed programme featuring keynote speeches, talks, workshops, discussions, panels and debates, including Council-run events which aim to encourage networking between businesses and create employment opportunities for residents.

The Council will also showcase its new Opportunity Hub in Hoxton, where members of the Ways into Work team will be on-hand to connect local people looking for employment with businesses, jobs and training opportunities in the tech sector.

For more information, visit: digitalshoreditch.com and follow #DS15 on Twitter.
The fragility of life

The 32-acre Abney Park Cemetery is celebrating its 175th anniversary with a series of free events

On its magnificent Egyptian-style entranceway, hieroglyphics bear this message: ‘The Gates of the Abode of the Mortal Part of Man.’

A stark reminder of the fragility of life, the words are a suitably imposing welcome for visitors to one of the capital’s greatest burial grounds, Hackney’s Abney Park Cemetery, which is 175 years old.

Some 200,000 souls have been laid to rest in the cemetery, once a landscaped masterpiece, now a very much-loved wilderness in the heart of urban London.

Among its inhabitants are some of the affectionately-titled ‘heroes of Abney’ including General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army; William Pennington, survivor of the Charge of the Light Brigade; and Victorian music hall performer George Leybourne, who sang ‘The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze’.

More recently discovered is the tomb of Joanna Vassa, daughter of Olaudah Equiano, ‘The African’, a prominent anti-slavery campaigner from Nigeria.

Once historic parkland owned by the Abney family, the 32-acre graveyard was created in 1840 by the Abney Park Cemetery Company and designed by William Hoskins, a Professor of Architecture at King’s College London.

At its inception, the park was literally an A-Z of nature. Trees ranging from the acer to the zanthoxylum were planted and 1,000 varieties of roses were bedded. It was the elaborate vision of famous Hackney nurseryman George Loddiges and it laid the groundwork for the natural diversity seen there today.

“Only a few of the original Loddiges trees remain,” says Deputy Chair of the Abney Park Trust, Alan Gartrell whose great-grandparents are buried in the park. “But there are some 200 old trees and a veteran tree walk. There are also wonderful fungus growths and a profusion of wild flowers, as well as sparrowhawks, owls and woodpeckers, rare moths and bees amongst the...”
A timeline of free events to mark Abney Park’s 175th anniversary

9 May Fun Day for all the family – with music, stalls, food, a nature walk and visit from the Speaker of Hackney, Cllr Sharon Patrick. Meet at the Stoke Newington High Street entrance, from 12noon-4pm
10 May Talk about Abney – a day of guided walks and talks about the flora and fauna of Abney and the foundation of the cemetery. Meet at the Stoke Newington High Street entrance, from 12noon-4pm
14 May Authors’ Night – an event at Stoke Newington Bookshop with a Q&A with John Turpin, Catharine Arnold, and Ann Treisman who have all written about the park and Victorian cemeteries. From 7-9pm
16 May Victorian Day – a day in costume, with walks and talks about some of the famous people buried at Abney and a Victorian flower workshop. Meet at the Stoke Newington High Street entrance, from 12noon-4pm
17 May Music Day – a day of music around the park with an appearance by poet and comedian John Hegley. Meet at the Stoke Newington High Street entrance, from 12noon-5pm

The park, now a local nature reserve, became known as one of London’s so-called Magnificent Seven cemeteries, which include Highgate, Brompton and Kensal Green, and were set up in the mid-19th century to alleviate dangerous overcrowding in the capital’s churchyards. Indeed, visitors to Abney can tour more than 25,000 statues and monoliths peppered around the site, from the marble sleeping lion (the Trust’s mascot), which guards the grave of Frank Bostock, a travelling animal showman who kept his giraffes in nearby Yoakley Road, to the recently-listed war memorial which commemorates the civilian dead of the Second World War. Uniquely, for its time, no Act of Parliament was invoked to create the park, nor was the ground consecrated. It meant burials could take place without the involvement of the established church and the park became popular among non-denominational families. It has been attracting interest of both natural resource and wildlife. It is an amazing

History of Abney Park

1840 Abney Park Cemetery opens
1842 Novelist Charles Dickens attends the funeral of satirist William Hone and writes about it
1861 The funeral of James Braidwood, the founder of the world’s first municipal fire service who is killed in the great Tooley Street fire, takes place. The procession is a mile-and-a-half long and every church rings its bells
1890 Catherine Booth, the ‘Mother of the Salvation Army’, is buried. More than 38,000 attend the funeral
1909 Funeral of PC Tyler, shot in the ‘Tottenham Outrage’. Some 3,000 police line the route and 500,000 people watch the cortège pass
1912 General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army is buried. The funeral procession from the City has 5,000 marching Salvationists, 40 bands and 150,000 mourners
1940s A high-explosive Second World War bomb falls on the cemetery
1970s As with many of the Magnificent Seven cemeteries, Abney goes into decline as burial rates fall and income is reduced. More than 200,000 bodies have been buried there
1978 Hackney Council acquires the cemetery
1992 A 21-year lease is granted to Abney Park Trust
2015 The Council is set to resume control of the cemetery and work with the Trust towards a Heritage Lottery Bid for the maintenance and improvement of the site

13. The beautiful chapel in Abney Park Cemetery

For more info, visit: www.abneypark.org; call: 020 7275 7557; or e-mail: info@abneypark.org

DID YOU KNOW?

Visitors to Abney Park can tour more than 25,000 statues and monoliths
Do you **really need** a plastic bag?

Support your local high street and reduce the use of plastic bags by shopping with a reusable carrier bag - discounts are available at some participating shops.

For more information, visit [www.hackney.gov.uk/shop-local](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/shop-local)
Night at the museum

Two popular cultural venues in Hackney are bidding for a world famous artist to host a special event with them.

Hackney Museum is in the running to work with the Nigerian born, borough-based artist Yinka Shonibare MBE and stage an exciting after-hours event in October.

This would form part of Museums at Night, a biannual UK-wide festival, which aims to entice visitors into museums, galleries and heritage sites by putting on special evening events.

Six internationally acclaimed artists have drawn up a shortlist of projects which they want to work on as part of the Connect! competition. The six winning projects will be decided by a public vote.

Sutton House has made it on to the shortlist to work with street artist Charley Uzzell Edwards, aka Pure Evil. He would both ‘interrogate and celebrate’ Sutton House’s past through a multimedia events programme of graffiti, artwork, photography and film, as well as a gig by Flowers in the Dustbin, which squatted the historic house during the 1980s.

Online voting is open from 1 to 16 May. Museums at Night takes place on 30 and 31 October. It is co-ordinated by non-profit cultural publishing organisation Culture24.

Shonibare on a collaborative installation to represent the ultimate Hackney ‘dish’.

Should the museum win the vote, residents will get the chance to submit a recipe to create their perfect Hackney ‘supper’. Guests would be seated over one of the museum exhibits, an Anglo-Saxon log boat, to have supper ‘in a way the artist chooses to interpret each recipe’.

Ted Rogers, the Council’s Head of Libraries, Heritage and Culture, said: “This is a fantastic opportunity for us to work with such prestigious artists.”

More info on Museums at Night, and to vote for a Hackney venue, visit museumsatnight.org.uk/connect/

News in brief

Pick up free guide to Hackney

Delve inside Hackney and explore the sights, sounds and tastes of the borough with a new 92 page pocket guide, free to pick-up in nearly 50 venues across town.

Written by Helena Smith, Lonely Planet travel writer and blogger for Eat Hackney, and supported by the Council, the ‘Inside Hackney’ guide offers a taster of sights, food, shops, music, art, theatre and kids’ attractions, while focusing on the borough’s ‘independent vibe’.

Thrown into the mix are profiles of Hackney’s neighbourhoods, its green spaces and local personalities. When asked what makes Hackney such a special destination, Helena said: “It is Hackney’s independent and creative spirit that is the spark. There are so many old and new venues and businesses, run by inspired people for whom money isn’t the main goal. People are following their passions in many different fields, and there is a collective buzz that is very energising.”

‘Inside Hackney’ is out now.

Game, set, match at Clissold

It was game, set and match to Hackney’s tennis players when former British number one, Anne Keothavong, came to Clissold Park.

The charity fun day on 12 April was organised to raise money for Hackney City Tennis Clubs, which organises tennis activity in the borough across five different sites.

Club coaches were joined by former British Davis Cup players to run three, one-hour coaching clinics, putting young players through their paces with warm-up activities before staging a match for the public.

Among the tennis champs was Anne, who was born and raised in the borough and won a total of 20 International Tennis Federation singles titles before retiring as a professional player in 2013.

Lunch was served in the newly opened Clissold Park Tennis Pavilion and £600 was raised, which will go toward the cost of providing CCTV for the new clubhouse.

For more info, visit: hackneytennis.co.uk
On your marks, get set, go

The Run Hackney half marathon will see 13,000 competitors pounding the borough’s streets on 10 May – many are raising money for charity.

The second Vitality Run Hackney half marathon will take place on Sunday, 10 May, with over 13,000 entrants of all ages and abilities due to take part.

Following a successful debut last June – which saw 12,500 runners pounding the streets of Hackney – this year’s race weekend kicks off on 9 May with a 5km course around Hackney Marshes for 2,000 runners who are new to the sport.

The main event takes place the morning after, with the 13.1 mile half marathon starting and finishing at Hackney Marshes. An improved route will take in a number of the borough’s landmarks, with thousands of supporters set to line the streets to cheer runners on.

The race starts at 9am, with elite athletes expected to finish just after 10am. The majority of runners should complete the course between 10.45am and 11.45am.

Spectator points for the Council-backed event will be located at Hackney Marshes; Mabley Green; Hackney Downs; Hackney Town Hall Square; Broadway Market; Well Street Common; Hackney Wick and areas throughout Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

Live music, refreshments and family entertainment will line the route, with a carnival atmosphere set to see the runners around the course.

Last year’s inaugural race delivered impressive results with Kenyan Peter Emase winning the elite men’s race in a time of 01:04:19. He said: “It was a good, flat course. It was a very well organised race and it was nice to run in Hackney.”

Many of the runners will raise thousands of pounds for their chosen causes. This includes the official race charities Cancer Research UK and The East End Community Foundation (EECF).

Ben Fisher, who is running for EECF, said: “I’ve been volunteering with EECF which has really opened my eyes about the inequality happening across east London. It’s fantastic that every penny I raise will be making a difference in the lives of local people.”

Youngsters will also be getting involved as they complete the final leg of a Hackney schools’ challenge. Pupils have been challenged to run a mile, once or twice a week, in order to complete 12 miles before race day. They will run a final 1.1 miles over the race course, to complete the equivalent of a half marathon, from 9.30am on 10 May.

Many of Hackney’s streets will be closed from 7am to create a traffic-free route. Roads will re-open once runners have completed each section and when it is safe and feasible to do so. Most roads should be open again by 2pm.

www.hackney.gov.uk

For more info on Run Hackney and the road closures, visit: www.runhackney.com; or call: 0845 304 5443

Photos from last year’s inaugural Run Hackney half marathon; this year’s race weekend kicks off on 9 May with the main race on the 10th.
Road closures will be in operation from 7am and will re-open once all runners have passed by.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Roads closures on Sunday, 10 May, from 7am-2pm

- Homerton Road (B112)
- Valette Street
- Wansbeck Road
- Marah Hill (B112)
- Paragon Road
- Chapman Road
- Homerton High St (A112)
- Urswick Road (A102)
- Mare Street (A107)
- Felstead Street
- Brooksbys’s Walk
- Graham Road (A107)
- Wals Road
- Wandle Road
- Queensbridge Rd (B108)
- Berkshire Road
- Urswick Road
- Middleton Road
- Osborne Road
- Lower Clapton Rd (A107)
- Cricketfield Road
- Scriven Street
- Rothbury Road
- Queensdown Road
- Whiston Road
- White Post Lane
- Downs Road (A104)
- Pritchard Road
- Southern Loop Road
- Rectory Road
- Haggerston Road
- Hepscott Road
- Broadway Market
- Mandeville Place
- Amhurst Road
- Westgate Street
- Waterden Road
- Downs Park Road
- Victoria Park Rd (A106)
- Westfield Avenue
- Pembury Road (A104)
- Olympic Park Ave
- Middlesex Way
- Balls Pond Lane
- Cadogan Terrace
- Eastway (A106)
- Ponsford Street
- Wick Lane
- Lee Conservancy Rd
- Morning Lane (B113)
- Monier Road
- Dalston Lane (A107)
- Grove Road (Between Old Ford Rd/Gore Rd)
Changes to recycling and rubbish collections

Collections will be affected by the bank holiday on **Monday 4 May**.

Please put your recycling and refuse out before 7am on the correct day.

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Hackney is one of the most diverse places in the UK. In this regular feature, we profile the borough’s great & good or just plain interesting.

Chrisann Jarrett from Hackney was announced ‘Young Woman of the Year’ at The Women on the Move Awards last month.

By Hattie Worsley

I CAME to the UK aged eight,” says Chrisann Jarrett. “My mum had come a year earlier, because she was determined to study and support her family. It was December when I joined her and it was the first time I ever saw snow. I remember driving away from the airport feeling disappointed – it looked a bit dull and murky.”

Chrisann was determined, from the start, to work hard and not to disappoint. She recalls: “Coming to the UK was our opportunity to succeed. We arrived straight into Stoke Newington and it was a great place to be as a recent arrival.

“I remember my first day at school and feeling like I didn’t stand out after all – there were so many different accents, colours and cultures in the playground. I had some wonderful teachers at Clapton Girls’ Academy who encouraged us not to limit ourselves.”

At the academy she was made head girl and began to look into university courses. She says: “I saw a leaflet about all the amazing public events going on at the London School of Economics (LSE). I remember gazing at all these incredible speakers and thinking: that’s where I want to be.”

“The day she learnt that she had earned the A-level results to be accepted into that university was ‘amazing’. She recalls: “I actually fell off my chair when I found out that I’d got in.”

The elation, however, didn’t last long. She explains: “I sent off all the forms to apply for student finance. It was like being hit by a truck. I had worked so hard for so long and now everything I had aimed for was being ripped away. I asked the university to defer my place for a year, but in my heart I knew I would never be able to find that money. I thought I would never hear from LSE ever again,” she says.

But quitting is not in Chrisann’s DNA. Instead, she began an internship at Just for Kids Law and launched a campaign, Let Us Learn, fighting to bring attention to the many migrant children in a similar situation. She explains: “I thought: at least if I can’t study law, I can do something this way. I met so many young people who’d had their ambitions ripped away from them. It was so sad for them, and so sad for the country too, because these people would never contribute to the extent that they might have.”

It felt good to do something positive but, she was also saddened. “I felt different to my peers, somehow less than them. It was so demoralising, so difficult not to become disengaged,” she said.

Then her luck changed. Chrisann said: “I got an e-mail from the LSE, I had to pinch myself, and then I had to send the e-mail to colleagues just to check that I’d read it correctly.”

She had, LSE offered her two scholarships, one covering her entire tuition fees, and another for her living expenses. Since that day, Chrisann’s life has been transformed.

“I had to send the e-mail to my mum,” she explained. “I’ve had to fight for my rights and now I want to help others do the same,” she says.

The first time I attended a lecture it felt like I’d won the lottery. Finally, I can do what I wanted to do: study.

Her ambition doesn’t stop here. She is still working on her campaign. “I might have found a way to pursue my ambitions. But so many people I met along the way are still stuck. At first, I didn’t want to talk about my scholarship, because I didn’t want to rub it in. But one of my friends said to me ‘it gives us all hope,’ so I keep trying to change things for them,” she says.

Beyond that, she wants to forge a career in human rights law. “I’ve had to fight for my rights and now I want to help others do the same,” she says.

‘I’ve had to fight for my rights’

Photo: Adam Holt

Curriculum Vitae: Chrisann Jarrett

1994 Born in Falmouth, Jamaica
2002 Arrives in the UK
2013 Offered a place at LSE but was forced to defer
2015 Presented with the ‘Young Woman of the Year’ award at The Women on the Move Awards
2015 Begins studying law at LSE on a full scholarship
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Inconsiderate dog owners fined for failing to clean up after their pets in Clapton

TWO people have been fined and one issued with a warning for failing to clean up after their pets in a Clapton park.

Daubeney Fields, also known as Clapton Park, is popular with children and families as it has a large playground, skate park and sports pitches. However, many people’s enjoyment of the park has recently been spoilt by some inconsiderate dog owners.

Gerry Tissier, Chair of Daubeney Fields Forever, said: “Eight out of 10 dog owners who use the park clean up after their pets. Sadly, a small minority fail to bag and bin their dog’s mess. They spoil it for everyone else and create a health hazard. The Council’s crack-down gives a message that dog fouling will not be tolerated.”

The fine for dog fouling is £80. Anyone who is caught more than once can be taken to court and fined up to £1,000. Those with any information about people not picking up dog poo can e-mail: enforcementsupport@hackney.gov.uk; or call: 020 8356 4810.

Smart, green homes

RESIDENTS are being urged to take advantage of a scheme which offers them up to £6,000 to help make properties more energy efficient.

Applications for the Smart Homes scheme close at the end of this month. It is designed for properties built before 1930. These homes are often less energy efficient and have difficult-to-fill cavity walls or need solid wall insulation. Additional energy saving measures are also available.

MakeMyHomeGreen, a Hackney-based company, completed the first project undertaken through the scheme earlier this year, providing solid wall insulation to a Haringey home (pictured above).

Company founder Patrick McCool said: “The Smart Homes grant is a fantastic opportunity for homeowners to make their period homes much more comfortable to live in and much more energy efficient, bringing down their energy bills and making their home a better place to live.”

Smart Homes grants are available for homeowners, private landlords and private tenants in six London boroughs – including Hackney – and the deadline for application is 30 April. To be eligible, residents need to pay a minimum of 25 per cent towards the total cost of the work which should be completed by the end of September.

Grants of up to £6,000 are available to residents through the Smart Homes scheme, which closes 30 April.

Get free summer flower seeds

SOME 35,000 households in Hackney are set to receive free packets of flower seeds this month.

Each packet contains up to 30 different summer flowering seed varieties which will add a splash of colour to any garden, windowsill or balcony.

Residents can sow the seeds from April to June, and the flowers should appear from June to October this year, then grow again next spring.

The packets also double up as information leaflets which promote the Council’s free garden waste collection service. Garden waste is collected every two weeks and turned into compost which is used in Hackney’s parks and allotments.

Most homes with gardens get this service, but those that do not can book a free bulky waste collection instead. Residents can check if they can take advantage of a garden waste collection, order a free brown bin or reusable bag, or book a bulky waste collection, by visiting: www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling.
Do you have an idea for a New Social Enterprise but need funding to set up?

The Beyond Business Programme, Bowley by Bow Centre are offering start up funding for new or emerging Social Enterprises across Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Newham. The Social Enterprise must be located in those Boroughs.

**What is the Beyond Business Programme?**

Beyond Business has already launched a network of 50 plus successful Social Enterprises in the East End and provides:
- Start up funding.
- Strategic and business planning guidance, and
- Practical business support including training, mentoring and pro-bono legal services.

**Is my idea for a Social Enterprise eligible?**

- To be eligible for a start up grant of up to £17,000 your idea for a Social Enterprise must:
  - Have a clear social purpose and outcomes, such as employment for people with barriers to work, youth training, healthy living and local environment improvements.
  - Have a sound business proposition and the potential to be financially sustainable without reliance on grant funding.
  - Create sustainable employment.
  - Be able to legally set up and start trading by end January 2016.

**How will Applicants be assessed?**

- Stage 1: Applicants submit an expression of interest form for a panel review.
- Stage 2: Applicants successful at stage 1 complete a business plan, with support from the Beyond Business team.
- Stage 3: Applicants successful at Stage 2 present their business idea and plan to an independent Dragons’ Den panel on 15th October 2015 - funding then approved for successful applicants.

**Need an expression of interest form?**

Please contact: Kim Hayman, Beyond Business, Bowley by Bow Centre, St Leonard’s St, E3 3BT
Telephone: 020 8709 9722 • Email: kimlcb@hbce.org.uk

The closing date for Submission of Expressions of Interest is 15th June 2015.

For full details on eligibility and any other information, please contact Kim Hayman.

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See Art & Exhibitions

2. COOKING
Learn to cook healthy and tasty recipes for all the family for free with the Shoreditch Trust
See Courses

3. FREE PACT FORAGING WALK
Get close to nature and join in a guided walk along the New River path in Manor House
See Health, Fitness & Sport

4. LAND OF KINGS
Multi-venue festival Land of Kings returns for a day/night takeover of music and arts across Dalston
See Nightlife

5. BEAT THE BANANA!
5K FAMILY FUN RUN
Chase a bunch of giant bananas around a 5k course to support World Cancer Research Fund
See Noticeboard

Hollywood Oscar winning film season
30 April-4 May, Hackney Empire, 291 Mare Street, E8 1EJ

WE can’t make any promises about the weather this May bank holiday. But whether it leaves you Singing in the Rain or crooning Summertime, we’re pretty sure Hackney Empire will have it covered.

From 30 April to 4 May the borough’s oldest theatre is staging an ‘Oscar-winning Hollywood musicals’ season. At least one classic movie will be screened every night, to the accompaniment of live music, special guests and themed cocktails. Both dressing up and signing along are actively encouraged.

Starting with ‘The Broadway Melody’ of 1929 - the first great musical of the silver screen and the first ‘talkie’ to win the Academy Award for Best Film – the season tap-dances its way through each decade of the 20th century, via ‘West Side Story’, all the way up to ‘Beauty and the Beast’. So be their guest, put their films to the test.

For more info, visit: www.hackneyempire.co.uk/whatson

also in what’s on

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Get close to nature and join in a guided walk along the New River path in Manor House
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See Nightlife

5. BEAT THE BANANA!
5K FAMILY FUN RUN
Chase a bunch of giant bananas around a 5k course to support World Cancer Research Fund
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Different mediums, including screen prints, paintings and site-specific mural, four artists find common ground in illusions and the fantastical. Free. All ages. Well Hung Gallery, 239 Hoxton Street, N1 5LG. Info: 020 7033 2777; www.wellhung.co.uk

Phantasmagoria

Until 23 May, 9.30am-11am-6pm

Inspired by the word 'phantasmagoria' – meaning a sequence of real or imaginary images – artists explore both physical and spiritual journeys through their work. Across the political and social issues of our time. Free. All ages. Flowers Gallery, 82 Kingsland Road, E2 8DP. Info: 020 7920 7777; www.flowersgallery.com/exhibitions/flowers/2015/peter-howson/

Let Grass Root Grow

7-14 May, 6-9pm

An exhibition showcasing a contemporary collection by London-based painters, including graduates of Central Saint Martins and The Royal College of Art. The non-profit project gives artists the opportunity to build relationships with exhibiting artists. Free. Ages 18+. A-Side B-Side Gallery, Hackney Downs Studios, Amhurst Road E8 2BT. Info: 07597 757 812; www.asidebasidegallery.com

Open Source Art Festival

2-3 May, 2pm-11pm

Open Source will showcase work from 32 emerging artists who will present installations, performances and films themed around contemporary cultures and technologies fitting with Hackney’s global reputation as the centre for the UK’s tech industry. Gillett Square, Unit B7, 3 Bradbury Street, Dalston, N16 8JN. Info: www.opensource.london

Maps

7-16 May, 11am-8pm

This exhibition explores the importance of mapping within creative disciplines, and its relevance to our culture. Maps features work from artists, designers and architects showcasing various interpretations of mapping and will run alongside a programme of talks, workshops and events. Free. All ages. Dalston Square, E8. Info: www.dalston-square.com

Rio

The Falling (15); A Pigeon Sat On A Branch Reflecting On Existence (12A); Far From The Madding Crowd (U); White Bird In A Blizzard (15); Paddington (PG), Rio Cinema, 107 Kingsland High St, Dalston, E8 2PS. Info: 020 7241 9410; www.riocinema.ndirect.co.uk

Bana Masal Anlatma

2 May, from 8-10.30pm

This screening marks the start of a new and exciting film club at Dalston CLR James Library, dedicated to films from Turkey and East Asia. The title meaning, ‘Don’t Tell Me Tales’ will be in Turkish with English subtitles. The event is being organised by Hackney Council and the Lost Picture Show. Free. All ages. Dalston Square, E8. Info: www.dalston-square.com

Hackney Picturehouse

The Falling (15); A Pigeon Sat On A Branch Reflecting On Existence (12A); Avengers: Age Of Ultron (12A); Cinderella (U); Cobain: Montage Of Heck (15); The Emperor’s New Clothes (tbc); Dark Horse (PG); Force Majeure (15); Suite Francaise (15); While We’re Young (15); Glassland (15). Hackney Picturehouse, 270 Mare St, E8 1HE. Info: 0871 902 5734; www.picturehouses.co.uk/cinema/hackney_picturehouse

Rich Mix

Dior And I (12A); Cobain: Montage Of Heck (15); Child 44 (15); Avengers: Age Of Ultron 3D (12A); Blade Runner: The Final Cut (15); The Emperor’s New Clothes (tbc); A Little Chaos (12A); Far From The Madding Crowd (12A); Shrek Forever After (U). Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Rd, E1 6LA. Info: 020 7613 7488; www.richmix.org.uk

Cooking

Every Thursday, until 21 May, 4.30-6.30pm


Open Source

This exhibition features six international artists who were inspired by the word ‘phantasmagoria’ – meaning a sequence of real or imaginary images – artists explore both physical and spiritual journeys through their work. Across the political and social issues of our time. Free. All ages. Flowers Gallery, 82 Kingsland Road, E2 8DP. Info: 020 7920 7777; www.flowersgallery.com/exhibitions/flowers/2015/peter-howson/

DID YOU KNOW?

Events info can also be viewed on the Council’s website: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson

Hackney Today has a pair of tickets to give away. To be in with a chance of winning a pair of tickets, send a postcard to: Diving competition, Hackney Today, 1st Floor, Maurice Bishop House, 17 Reading Lane, E8 1HH; or e-mail: btnews@hackney.gov.uk by 30 April. All entries must include a name, address and telephone number. Winners will be pulled out of a hat.
MOTORCYCLING
14 May, 4.30-6.30pm
The Council is offering potential mopeds and scooter riders a course leading to a 50 per cent discount on compulsory basic training (CBT). The course covers the law, hazard perception, the CBT and the Driving Standards Agency motorcyle test. Applicants must have a provisional motorcycle license or a full motor car license with provisional moped/scooter entitlement. Online booking essential. Free. Ages. Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, E8 4RU. Info: 020 8356 8364; sandra.agbabia@hackney.gov.uk; www.hackney.gov.uk/motorcycling

FREE PACT FORAGING WALK
10 May, 2-4pm
Get close to nature and join in a guided walk along the New River path where you will learn about safely identifying edible plants that can be foraged and used to create delicious food. Walks are led by an expert guide. Free. Ages. The Castle Climbing Centre Green Lanes, N4 2HA. Info: 07733 330 379; www.mhdt.org.uk/pact/greener-cleaner/pact-walks/

MINDFUL REVOLUTION
13 May, 6-8pm
City and Hackney Wellbeing Network is launching the Pause Campaign, a movement for better wellbeing. There will be food, music and a chance to experience the scientifically proven benefits of mindfulness (including reduced stress levels and better concentration). Free. Dalston Eastern Curve Garden, 13 Dalston Lane, E8 3DF. Info: services@cityandhackneymind.org.uk

PREGNANCY YOGA
Every Wed, 6-7pm
Each class includes gentle stretching, breath work and postures to help during labour as well as relaxation techniques. No experience needed. Suitable for mums-to-be from 14 weeks, until birth. £9 drop-in or £48 for six weeks. Flat A, Victoria Park Road, E9 7HD. Info: 07585 645 978; www.clareday-yoga.co.uk

ZUMBA
Every Fri, 7-8pm

DALSTON VS UKIP
30 Apr, 7pm til late
A pre-election unity party in the run-up to the general election. Featuring a live performance by UK reggae band, Captain Skà. Free before 9pm/£3. Ages 18+. Passing Clouds, 1 Richmond Road, Dalston, E8 4AA. Info: 020 7241 4889; www.passingclouds.org

LAND OF KINGS
3 May, 12noon-3am
Multi-venue festival Land of Kings returns for a day and night takeover of music and arts. Festivities sprawl across everything from galleries and underground bunkers, to basements, block parties and rooftop gigs. Record labels, art collectives and local eateries all play their part for a 16-hour stomp up and down Kingsland Road. Participating venues include Birthdays, Dalston Roof Park, Oval Space, Arcola theatre and The Nest. £25. Ages 18+. Various Dalston venues. Info: www.landofkings.co.uk

CONNECTED PRESENTS:
BANK HOLIDAY SPECIAL
3 May, 2pm-5am
Party all day and night on the terrace with a BBQ in the garden, and drinks deals. Underground deep house to Dalston’s iconic jazz venue. Despite its obvious jazz roots, this music unveils its untold political power. Pereira brings his exciting band to Dalston’s iconic jazz venue. Featuring performances by Portuguese guitarist Vitor Pereira and duo Sisterhood. £13.50. Ages 18+. XOYO, 32-37 Cowper Street, Shoreditch, EC2A 4AP. Info: www.xoyo.co.uk/events/black-coffee-er/index

BLACK COFFEE, ERIC VOLTA & SISTERHOOD
8 May, 9pm-4am
Black Coffee’s affordable personality and seductive DJ sets have won fans across the clubbing generations as documented in a recent feature for Resident Advisor. Playing alongside him for the night will be German producer Eric Volta and Dutch Sisterhood. £13.50. Ages 18+. XOYO, 32-37 Cowper Street, Shoreditch, EC2A 4AP. Info: info@xoyo.co.uk; www.xoyo.co.uk/events/black-coffee-er/index

SCARED TO DANCE
9 May, 10pm-3am
The club night will be playing their eclectic mix of indie-pop, punk and sixties music. Guest DJs on the night are Fever Dream and David Lynch’s classic film, Eraserhead will be projected onto the dancefloor. £6/£4. Ages 18+. Moustache Bar, Stoke Newington Road, N16 7XN. Info: 07507 152 047; info@moustachebar.com; www.scaredtodance.co.uk/2015/04/fever-dream-dj-on-sat-9th-may/

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THEATRE & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

FRENCH MUSICAL THEATRE
8 May, 6-8.30pm
An evening of drama, music and dance with fantastic prizes to boost your French. Featuring performances by young people from Hackney New School and children from various ‘Mind Your Language’ French Club projects. Free. All ages. The Rose Lipman Theatre, 43 De Beauvoir Road, N1 5SF. Info: 07572 579 501; mylclubs@gmail.com; www.worldofmyl.com

FITZWILLIAM STRING

PREVIEW
Product
27 April-23 May, Arcola Theatre, 24 Ashwin Street, E8 3DL
A HOLLYWOOD producer pitches a romantic thriller to an actress, but is it the script that will save her career, or a crass and offensive flop?

The latter, it quickly transpires: ‘Mohammed and Me’ features a 9/11 widow meeting a Muslim man, falling in love and, er... joining Al Qaeda. It is the producer, Leah’s attempts to sell this stinking script that makes the play so compelling.

Olivia Poulet, star of ‘The Thick of It’, gives a performance that has been described as ‘killer’ by Time Out. And a good thing too: she is the only person on stage for the duration of this 45 minute monologue. Produced by Inside Intelligence, this dark satire on Hollywood culture is written by critically acclaimed writer Mark Ravenhill.

For more info and to book tickets, visit: www.arcolatheatre.com/production/arcola/product

To list an event, fill out the e-form at: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson
London Turkish Film Festival
7-17 May, Rio Cinema, 107 Kingsland High St, Dalston, E8 2PB

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the London Turkish Film Festival, a celebration of the country’s top filmmaking talent that has had Hackney at its heart since its launch. The festival began in Dalston’s Rio Cinema and has since grown into an internationally renowned event, screening nearly 300 features and 350 documentary films in the last two decades. Two other London venues join the Rio for this year’s programme, which runs from 7 to 17 May, and includes feature films, shorts and documentaries from Turkish film makers both at home and abroad.

A series of speaking events will welcome directors, actors and producers to the stage as well. The Rio, however, remains central to festival. Hackney highlights will include a screening on 8 May of ‘Sivas’, writer and director Kaan Mujdeci’s feature debut, which won the Grand Jury Prize at the Venice Film Festival. Mujdeci will host a Q&A after the show.

On 9 May, meanwhile, ‘Rimo and Zimo Peace In Town’ will introduce Turky’s first ever hand-puppet feature film to younger audiences. For more info, programme and booking details, visit: www.ltff.co.uk.

Due to the restricted capacity, booking is essential. Free entry. The lucky winner was K Horrocks, E5.

Find out more online at: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson
**Schools across Hackney are celebrating big wins at the annual Department for Education’s Pupil Premium Awards, which recognise excellence in education for young people from all backgrounds.**

Five Hackney schools were presented with cash prizes for demonstrating how they use their pupil premium grant creatively to increase attainment across the board.

The central government grant is aimed at helping the board. It’s important that all young people receive the same standard of education and opportunities.

Through Orchard School in E9, was a regional finalist, receiving a £25,000 award to continue its work in providing a ‘rounded academic and extracurricular education’. The school is in the top 100 performing schools in the country in terms of the progress made by students between the ages of seven and 11. The school uses its pupil premium grant to fund smaller teaching groups; homework clubs; music tuition; one-to-one reading support; therapeutic support; and after-school clubs.

Head of school, Rachel Davie, said: “The whole school is very proud of this award. Everyone at Orchard works very hard to make sure children get the best start in life.”

Four other Hackney schools were nominated and received £1,000 each. They were: Northwoold, William Patten, St John and St James’ Church of England, and St Paul’s with St Michael’s primaries.

Head of Hackney Learning Trust, Anne Canning, said: “This is great news and the schools involved should be very proud of their staff, pupils and parents. We want to give every child in Hackney the best possible start in life, and our schools are helping to do that by using their pupil premium creatively, in ways that benefit both pupils and families.

“It’s important that all young people receive the same standard of education and opportunities.”

**Students learn circus skills to help build their self-esteem**

Fahim Ullah juggles with a diabolo.

**News in brief**

**New head of education starts**

ANNE Canning has started her tenure as the Council’s new Director of Education and Head of Hackney Learning Trust.

She brings a wealth of experience, having worked as a maths teacher and head teacher in schools across London for 30 years, before becoming Service Head for Learning and Achievement at Tower Hamlets Council, where she was responsible for raising educational standards.

Anne said: “I am excited to take up my post at Hackney Council and to work with such an innovative and forward thinking team at the Hackney Learning Trust.

“My priorities are supporting all of our schools to aim high and continue being ambitious for all pupils across the borough.”

Council Chief Executive, Tim Shields, added: “Our schools have transformed beyond recognition in the last decade and I’m sure Anne will build on this.”

**Petchey charity fundraiser**

A GROUP of students from Petchey Academy held a series of fundraising events to support a homeless shelter.

The team of Year 12 pupils worked with Envision, a youth empowerment charity, to structure their project targeted at tackling homelessness.

After meeting staff from Caritas Anchor House, in Canning Town, east London, the students helped raise £290 for the shelter, which helps up to 220 people a year by providing food and shelter.

The students arranged a Zumba event, a bake sale and a teachers versus students football match to raise funds.

For more info about the charity, or to donate, visit: www.caritasanchorhouse.org.uk
Giving your garden a spring clean?

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Hackney teenager wins prestigious Diana Award for her work on child poverty

A HACKNEY teenager has won the prestigious Diana Award in recognition of her work to improve the lives of others. Eniola Festus, 14, a pupil at Haggerston School, is one of 16 young people from across the UK, leading the first-ever Children’s Commission on Poverty.

The group was presented with the award, which was inspired by Diana, Princess of Wales’ belief that young people have the power to change the world for the better. Eniola said: “It is a huge honour to receive the Diana Award. Over three million children in the UK are living in poverty and this award is an important recognition of our work, and of our goal to help tackle this terrible situation and improve these children’s lives.”

The Children’s Commission has been working for 18 months, investigating the hidden costs of school and its effect on children in poverty, as well as conducting research on the huge numbers of children in this country living in cold, damp homes.

Matthew Reed, Chief Executive of The Children’s Society, which is supporting the Commission, said: “This award shows that these young people’s determination to expose the brutal reality of poverty facing millions of children in the UK is being heard.” For more info, visit: www.diana-award.org.uk

News in brief

Young people given a taste of the creative industries

THE winners of a unique initiative, aimed at giving young people a taste of working in the creative industries, have been announced.

The Council joined forces with educational charity D&AD and advertising agency Bartle Bogle Hegarty, to launch the ‘NowCreate: Hackney’ project, aimed at giving young people a greater understanding of the design and advertising world. NowCreate set a brief to challenge young people to design a product or service to help tackle social isolation for older people living in Hackney.

Each team of 14 to 18-year-olds were asked to conduct research and use their own knowledge to develop an idea to meet the brief. A two minute film was then produced to present their ideas to a judging panel of experts. Shortlisted entries were given the opportunity to work with staff from agency ustwo to develop their ideas further. The final pitches were then delivered at their offices.

The winners were: Hackney Community College: ‘Convo’ – an app that helps older people with hearing difficulties be more independent.

Skinners’ Academy: ‘Open Up Your School’ – a project that invites older people into schools to meet pupils and learn from each other.

BSix: ‘Culture Cook’ – a competition that brings a range of young and old people together in pairs to share, learn and create recipes from their cultural backgrounds.

Each of the winners will have their work profiled at key D&AD events in the summer.

COOKING up poetry

By Dila Tumer

OXTON Street Market got poetic as young people delivered bespoke verse to passers-by.

The group of eight to 11-year-olds manned a ‘poetry takeaway’ from a converted burger van and composed rhymes for visitors to the market.

The ‘junior apprentice poetry chefs’ chatted with customers in order to discover a few key details about them before cooking up a personalised poem within 10 minutes. The event on 11 April was run by education charity Ministry of Stories (MoS), which is based in Hoxton, and uses storytelling to inspire eight to 18-year-olds to help build confidence and communication skills.

Lucy Macnab, co-founder and director of MoS, said: “For almost five years, Ministry of Stories has unleashed children’s imaginations through the power of storytelling. “We love nothing more than surprising the public with the untold power of creative writing and on Saturday we had laughter.”

More info for MoS, visit: www.ministryofstories.org or call: 020 7729 4159

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Young people ran a poetry takeaway van at Hoxton Street Market as part of a project by education charity Ministry of Stories. Rebecca, Emmanuella and Grace cook up a personalised poem for passers-by

Photo: Marc Gates

Eniola Festus (far right) with other members of the commission

Photo: Marc Giles

Skinners’ Academy winners with ‘Open Up Your School’ project

Photo: Danny Harris
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Post-stroke health care

A programme that helps people who have suffered a stroke to improve their physical and mental health has secured a major funding boost.

The Council successfully applied for £116,500 from the Big Lottery Reaching Communities Fund for the Fit 4 Health scheme.

It supports residents to improve their quality of life by increasing their physical activity levels. For the past five years, the project has significantly improved participants’ wellbeing by helping them lose weight; lower blood pressure and blood sugar levels; and increase strength, flexibility, balance and happiness.

John Fitzgerald, 86, from Stoke Newington, used the Council’s Fit 4 Health after stroke scheme to aid his recovery.

He underwent an eight-week programme of circuit and gym-based exercise sessions at Clissold Leisure Centre under the supervision of Fit 4 Health after-stroke specialist instructors.

These sessions included a warm-up; cardiovascular exercises; light resistance movements; a cool-down and an opportunity to socialise afterwards.

John said his confidence and fitness had greatly increased as a result of the help he received. Adding: “Despite having had a knee replacement some years ago, I’ve noticed my walking has improved, which hit the nail on the head for me.”

His partner, Ruth, added: “Thanks to Fit 4 Health John has now got his sense of humour back.”

Council awards £370k to community projects to improve health and happiness

A share of £370,000 in funding to support healthy living projects in Hackney has been awarded to 32 community groups and projects.

Launched last September, the Council’s Healthier Hackney Fund aims to support new approaches to tackling some of the borough’s most complex health challenges including smoking, mental health, substance misuse and sexual health.

Almost £291,000 will be awarded to 13 organisations which have demonstrated how their projects will make an impact to improve mental health or prevent young people from smoking. Just over £68,000 will be awarded to nine groups to tackle substance misuse and improve sexual health amongst high-risk groups.

The remaining £10,000 will go to 10 community groups to kick-start neighbourhood projects that support residents with their general health.

Dr Penny Bevan, the Council’s Director of Public Health, said: “The Healthier Hackney Fund aims to support community and voluntary groups and organisations to develop innovative and exciting approaches to address some of our most complex health problems.”

Another round of applications for funding opens in September.

For more info, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/healthier-hackney-fund
The Mayor and councillors

Councillors are elected by Hackney residents and serve for four years. The last borough elections took place in May 2014. Councillors have a range of responsibilities, including helping to oversee the Council and its services. They hold advice surgeries where residents can meet their local representative and ask them to take up issues that may be of concern. Generally they can help with Council related matters, but if the issue is the responsibility of another person or organisation, councillors can often point people in the right direction and tell residents who they need to see. Hackney has 57 councillors representing areas called wards – see map below.

Hackney has an executive Mayor, Jules Pipe, who is not a councillor, but is directly elected by the entire borough. The Mayor is the political leader of the Council, overseeing the budget and all Council services. Cllr and ceremonial duties are undertaken by the Speaker of Hackney who is elected annually from among the borough’s 57 councillors. The current Speaker is Cllr Sharon Patrick.

To check which councillor covers your area, or confirm surgery times, call: 020 8356 3373. More info: www.hackney.gov.uk/l-mayor-cabinet-councillors

1. BROWNSWOOD
Cllr Brian Bell
1st Thurs each month 9-10.30am, The Kings Crescent Estate Community Centre, Queens Drive, N4 2XD.

2. CAZENOVE
Cllr Doreen Adshead
1st & 3rd Thurs each month 6.30-7.30pm, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Road, N10 6AA.

3. CLISSOLD
Cllrs Sophie Lindden, Ben Hayhurst & Victoria Stopps (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month 11am-12noon, Room 37a, Hackney Town Hall, E8 1DA.
3rd Sun each month 11am-12noon, Wilton Estate Community Hall, Greenwood Road, E8 1BE.

4. DALSTON
Cllr Sarah Adejare & Peter Snell (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs & 3rd Fri each month 6.30-7.30pm, Dalston CLR James Library, Dalston Square, E8 3BQ.

5. DE BEAUVROI
Cllrs Laura Bunt & James Peters (on a rota basis)
2nd Sat each month 11am-12noon, Parkside House, 37a Dalston Lane, E8 3QG.

6. HACKNEY CENTRAL
Cllrs Sara Ayling & Patrick Tai
1st Mon each month 6-7pm, Hackney Central Library, 302 Seven Sisters Road, N4 2PJ.

7. HACKNEY DOWNS
Cllr Michael Desmond, Anna-Joy Rickard & Nick Mair
Cllr Desmond
1st Sun each month 11am-12noon, Lunchtime Club, 19 Olympus Square, E5.
Cllr Rickard & Mair 2nd Sun each month 11am-12noon, Landfall Community Hall, Landfall Estate, Clapton, E5 3QZ.

8. HACKNEY WICK
Cllr Chris Kennedy, Jess Webb & Nick Sharron (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month 12noon-1pm, Wick OAP Hall, Lavington Close, Truman’s Brewery, E6.

9. HAGGERSTON
Cllrs Barry Bullock, Jonathan McNeice & Jan Monroe (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month 6-7pm, Haggerston Community Centre, 8 Lavelite Street, E8 4FV.
3rd Sat each month 10-11am, Regents Pensioners Hall, 33 Brougham Rd, E8 4PD.

10. HOMERTON
Cllr Robert Alan Chapman, Guy Nicholson, Sally Muradley 1st Fri each month Roving surgery with all Homerton Cllrs; Centre for further details.
Cllr Chapman 07781 130 532.
Cllr Nicholson 07582 860 534.
3rd Fri each month 6.30-7.30pm. Banister House Community Hall, Hantman High Street, E8 6BP.

11. HOXTON EAST & SHOREDITCH
Cllrs Kam Adams, Feryal Demirci & Tom Elbust (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month 10.30-11.30am, Shoreditch Library, 80 Hoxton Street, E2 6LP.
3rd Sun each month 11am-12noon, roving surgery.

12. HOXTON WEST
Cllr Philip Glennie
Cllr Bryan McKinnon
2nd Tues each month 10-11am, The Bell Club, Bowling Green Walk, 45 Pithiviers Street, N1 1BU.
Cllr Caroline Williams
3rd Wed each month 11am-12noon, 24 Emily Street, N1 7QX.
2nd Sun each month Roving surgery.

13. KING’S PARK
Cllrs Sharon Patrick, Tom Ruhlly & Rebecca Rennison (on a rota basis)
1st Fri each month Roving surgery with all Kings Park Cllrs.
Cllr Chapman 07781 130 532.
Cllr Nicholson 07582 860 534.
3rd Fri each month 6.30-7.30pm, Banister House Community Hall, Hantman High Street, E8 6BP.

14. LEA BRIDGE
Cllr Margaret Gordon, Ian Rathbone & Deniz Oguzkanli (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month 6.30-7.30pm, St John Ambulance Hall, Mildenhall Road, E5.
2nd Sat each month 1.30-2.30pm, Victoria’s Coffee Shop, 55 Chatsworth Road, E5.
4th Sat each month 10-11am, The Community Flat, Jack Watts Estate, 10 Devon Road, E5.

15. LONDON FIELDS
Cllrs Annetta Bramble, M Cunliffe & Emma Plievier (on a rota basis)
2nd Sun each month 2-3pm, Salvation Army Building, 70 Mare Street, E8 4RT.

16. SHACKLEWELL
Cllrs Michelle Gregory & Richard Lufffin (on a rota basis)
1st Fri each month 6-7pm, Dalston CLR James Library, Dalston Lane, E8 3QG.
Monthly roving surgeries or meetings by prior arrangement.
Contact councillors via e-mail michelle.gregory@hackney.gov.uk & richard.lufffin@hackney.gov.uk or call members services on: 020 8356 3373.

17. SPRINGFIELD
Cllr Simcha Steinberger
2nd Mon each month 4-5pm, Stanfield Hall Library, Perpendicular Avenue, E15 4SU.
3rd Sun each month 2-3.30pm, Anda Paraza, U Marks Ltd, 128 Clapton Common, E5 9AG.

18. STAMFORD HILL WEST
CllrАЗова Kostadinova
3rd Sun each month 2-3pm, Sgt Collins Memorial Hall, Hertingfordbury, Oxted Court, N16 5QW.

19. STOKE NEWINGTON
Cllrs Louisa Thomson, Susan Fajana-Thomas & Mike Garman (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month 10-11am, Stoke Newington Library, Stoke Newington Church Street, N16 0JS.
3rd Sat each month, roving surgery, 11am-1pm.

20. VICTORIA
Cllr Will Brett, Kate Hanson & Geoff Taylor
Cllr Brett 1st Mon each month 10-11am, Hackney Central Library, 302 Seven Sisters Road, N4 2PJ.

21. WOODBERY DOWN
Cllrs Jon Burke & Caroline Saltman (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month 10-11am, Joseph Court Community Centre, 49 Ainsworth Road, E9 6PT.
2nd Sat each month 10-11am, Woodberry Down Community Organisation, Unit 2c Rowan Apartments, Seven Sisters Road, N4 1NS.
3rd Sun each month 10-11am, Henry Sims Community Hall, Bethnal Green, E2.

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Recipes straight from the ovens at Waterhouse
www.waterhouserestaurant.co.uk

THIS is the latest in a series of regular recipes courtesy of Waterhouse – an eco-friendly restaurant alongside The Regent’s Canal in Shoreditch.
This week’s recipe is a tasty, low fat chicken curry served with brown rice, which is a healthier alternative to traditional white rice.

Chicken curry with brown rice
Serves 4-6

Preparation time 30 mins
Cooking time 1 hour, 15 mins

Ingredients
- 500g diced chicken thighs
- 2 white onions
- 1 tbsp fresh ginger, garlic and chilli
- 400g natural yoghurt
- 2 tbsp turmeric
- 2 tbsp garam masala
- 2 tbsp gram flour (chickpea flour)
- 1 tbsp mustard seeds
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1/4 bunch of coriander (chopped)
- 200ml veg stock
- 50ml veg or sunflower oil
- 50g tomato puree
- Coriander to garnish (optional).

Method
- Marinate the chicken in 1 tbsp garam masala, 1 tsp salt, 1 tsp pepper and 1 tbsp turmeric.
- Add a small amount of oil (15-20ml) to help the spices stick to meat. Set aside in the fridge for 24hrs for best results.
- Preheat pan on a medium to high heat then add oil. Fry off the onions first and then the ginger, garlic, chilli and mustard seeds until golden (approximately 5-7 mins). Add tomato puree and vegetable stock and bring to the boil. Simmer for 10 minutes.
- In a separate pan, fry a touch of oil on a medium to high heat. Add the chicken and fry until sealed all over (3-4 mins). Drain off excess oil and add chicken to the sauce.
- In a bowl, whisk 400g natural yoghurt, 2 tbsp gram flour, 1 tbsp garam masala and 1 tbsp turmeric. Add this to your pan with the chicken and sauce, bring to boil, and simmer for 20mins.
- Serve with brown rice and garnish with coriander (optional).

Waterhouse - through Blue Marble Training supports young people across the borough towards careers in the restaurant industry.
Owned by Shoreditch Trust, income from this enterprise goes back into training programmes across the borough. Waterhouse in Orsman Road, N1, is open five days a week.

Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS IN APRIL
28  Licensing sub committee 7pm
30  Licensing sub committee 2pm

INFO: 020 8356 3316/3302/3312; OR VISIT: WWW.HACKNEY.GOV.UK/COUNCIL-DEMOCRACY.HTM

TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
IN APRIL
27 Alden and Broadway TRA 7pm
28 Shoreditch Neighbourhood Panel 6.30pm
29 St Mary’s Estate TRA 6.30pm
29 Follingham Court TRA 7.30pm

IN MAY
30 Warburton & Darcy TRA 7.30pm
30 Hackney Homes Turkish & Kurdish Housing Group 2pm

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Sudoku
For solutions see: www.hackney.gov.uk/hackneytoday

RESIDENTS are being encouraged to have their say on two conservation area proposals for Dalston town centre and nearby Albion Square.

The Council believes these proposals will help to preserve and enhance the appearance of both locations as areas of special architectural and historical interest. The proposal for a new Dalston Conservation Area is centred on one of the oldest roads in Britain – Ermine Street – which dates from Roman times and is now known as Kingsland High Street. Built as a shopping street, many of the buildings are Victorian and Edwardian, including rows of purpose built terraces.

The proposed area will stretch from Tottenham Road in the south, to Somerford Grove in the north. The proposals for Albion Square detail a small extension to the existing conservation area boundary to include Queensbridge Primary School.

A number of informative, community drop-in sessions will be held locally and information will be available in libraries and online. The consultation is open until 25 May.

John Allen, the Council’s Assistant Director of Planning and Regulatory Services, said: “Conservation areas are important in preserving the borough’s historic past, which includes its architecture, whilst encouraging new development to use materials and design in keeping with the area’s built environment.”

For more info on the proposals, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/dalston-ca; and: www.hackney.gov.uk/albion-ca
THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY (BRIDGE HOUSE (PHASE 2) AND MARIAN COURT 46-60 AND 61-75 (PHASE 3)) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2014

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Section 226(1) (a)

The Acquisition of Land Act 1981

1 Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under the above Acts, on 13 November 2014 confirmed the London Borough of Hackney (Bridge House (Phase 2) Marian Court 46-60 and 61-75 (Phase 3)) Compulsory Purchase Order 2014 submitted by the London Borough of Hackney.

2 The Order as confirmed provides for the purchase for the purposes of facilitating the carrying out of development, redevelopment and improvement of the land for the provision of new residential dwellings, retail units, new road layout, new public realm, landscaping, associated infrastructure and other ancillary development which are likely to contribute to achieving the promotion or improvement of the economic, social or environmental well-being of the area of the land described in the Schedule hereto.

3 A copy of the Order as confirmed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and of the map referred to therein have been deposited at the Council’s offices London Borough of Hackney of Town Hall, Mare Street, London E8 1EA and may be seen at all reasonable hours.

4 The Order as confirmed becomes operative on the date on which this Notice is first published. A person aggrieved by the Order may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks from that date, challenge its validity under Section 23 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981. The grounds for challenge can be that the authorisation granted by the Order is not empowered to be granted or that there has been a failure to comply with any relevant statutory requirement relating to the Order.

SCHEDULE

LAND COMPRISED IN THE ORDER AS CONFIRMED

LAND TO BE ACQUIRED:

1. Land including residential buildings, flats and/or other dwellings known as Bridge House and Marian Court principally consisting of two parcels of land being 1-60 Bridge House and 46-60 and 61-75 Marian Court together with the areas of parking, undefined areas of landscaping with some play areas and undefined land and estate roads within the vicinity of those buildings, except those interests owned by the London Borough of Hackney.

Dated: 20 April, 2015

Signed: Patricia Nareba, Head of Commercials, For and on behalf of the Corporate Director of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services, London Borough of Hackney

Preliminary Notice of Intention to Make General Vesting Declaration

STATEMENT OF EFFECT OF PARTS II AND III OF THE COMPULSORY PURCHASE (VESTING DECLARATIONS) ACT 1981

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY (BRIDGE HOUSE (PHASE 2) MARIAN COURT 46-60 AND 61-75 (PHASE 3)) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2014

PART 1

Power to make general vesting declaration

1 The London Borough of Hackney (hereinafter called “the Council”) may acquire any of the land described in the Schedule above by making a general vesting declaration under section 4 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981. This has the effect, subject to paragraph 4 below, of vesting the land in the Council at the end of the period mentioned in paragraph 2 below. A declaration may not be made before the end of a period of two months from the first publication of a notice which includes this statement except with the consent in writing of every occupier of the land affected.

Notices concerning general vesting declaration

2 As soon as may be after the Council make a general vesting declaration, they must serve notice of it on every occupier of any of the land specified in the declaration (except land where there is one of the tenancies described in paragraph 3) and on every person who gives them information relating to the land in pursuance of the invitation contained in any notice. When the service of notices of the general vesting declaration is completed, a further period begins to run. This period, which must not be less than 28 days, will be specified in the declaration. On the first day after the end of this period (“the vesting date”) the land described in the declaration will, subject to what is said in paragraph 4, vest in the Council together with the right to enter on the land and take possession of it. Every person on whom the Council could have served a notice to treat in respect of his interest in the land (other than a tenant under one of the tenancies described in paragraph 3) will be entitled to claim compensation for the acquisition of his interest in the land, with interest on the compensation from the vesting date.

Modifications with respect to certain tenancies

3 In the case of certain tenancies, the position stated above is subject to modifications. The modifications apply where the tenancy is either a “minor tenancy” i.e. a tenancy for a year or a yearly tenancy or a lesser interest, or “a long tenancy which is about to expire”. The latter expression means a tenancy granted for an interest greater than a minor tenancy but having on the vesting date a period still to run which is not more than one of the tenancies described in paragraph 3 and on every person who gives them information relating to the land in pursuance of the invitation contained in any notice. When the service of notices of the general vesting declaration is completed, a further period begins to run. This period, which must not be less than 28 days, will be specified in the declaration. On the first day after the end of this period (“the vesting date”) the land described in the declaration will, subject to what is said in paragraph 4, vest in the Council together with the right to enter on the land and take possession of it. Every person on whom the Council could have served a notice to treat in respect of his interest in the land (other than a tenant under one of the tenancies described in paragraph 3) will be entitled to claim compensation for the acquisition of his interest in the land, with interest on the compensation from the vesting date.

Modifications with respect to certain tenancies

4 The modifications are that the Council may not exercise the right of entry referred to in paragraph 2 in respect of land subject to a tenancy described in paragraph 3 unless they first serve a notice to treat in respect of the tenancy and then serve every occupier of the land with a notice of their intention to enter and take possession after the period (not less than 14 days from the service of the notice) specified in the notice. The right of entry will be exercisable at the end of that period. The vesting of the land will be subject to the tenancy until the end of that period or until the tenancy comes to an end, whichever happens first.

Dated: 20 April, 2015

Signed: Patricia Nareba, Head of Commercials, For and on behalf of the Corporate Director of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services, London Borough of Hackney

Invitation to Give Information

Every person who, if a general vesting declaration were made in respect of all of the land comprised in the Order (other than land in respect of which notice to treat has been given), would be entitled to compensation in respect of any such land, is invited to give information to the Council by making the declaration in the prescribed form with respect to his name and address and the land in question.

The relevant prescribed form is set out below.

PART 2(a)

Form for Giving Information

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY (BRIDGE HOUSE (PHASE 2) MARIAN COURT 46-60 AND 61-75 (PHASE 3)) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2014

From:

To: The London Borough of Hackney

1. Name and address of informant(s) (i) ........................................................................................................................................................................

2. Land in which an interest is held by informant(s) (ii) ........................................................................................................................................

3. Nature of interest (iii) ................................................................................................................................................................................................

To: The London Borough of Hackney

From:

Signed: ____________________________

Date: ________________

(i) In the case of a joint interest insert the names and addresses of all the informants.

(ii) The land should be described concisely.

(iii) If the interest is leasehold, the date of commencement and length of term should be given. If the land is subject to a mortgage or other incumbrance, details should be given, e.g. name or building society and roll number.

Please send completed Information Form to:

Tracey Nisbett, Estate Regeneration, Christopher Addison House, 72 Witton Way, London, E8 1BJ

PJT8257

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LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: PROPOSED AND MADE NOTICES

WE, THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY, GIVE NOTICE THAT WE INTEND TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ORDERS IN THE FIRST PART OF THE TABLE BELOW, AND HAVE MADE THE ORDERS IN THE SECOND PART OF THE TABLE, IN EACH CASE FOR THE REASONS AND DURATION DATES STATED AND WITH ALTERNATIVE DIVERSION ROUTES AVAILABLE

ANDY CUNNINGHAM, HEAD OF STREETSCENE, 27 APRIL 2015

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Hackney
## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: PROPOSED AND MADE NOTICES**

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: NOTICES OF PROPOSED AND MADE ORDERS**

We, the London Borough of Hackney, give notice that we intend to make the following orders in the first part of the table below, and have made the orders in the second part of the table, in each case for the reasons and duration dates stated and with alternative diversion routes available.

**ANDY CUNNINGHAM, HEAD OF STREETSCENE, 13 APRIL 2015**

**HACKNEY HALF MARATHON PROPOSED RESTRICTION (PROPOSED NOTICE)**

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ANDY CUNNINGHAM, HEAD OF STREETSCENE, 13 APRIL 2015

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THE HACKNEY (WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING RESTRICTIONS) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2015

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney on 24th April 2015 did make the abovementioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The effective changes from these Orders will be to:
   a) Relocate existing bus stand on the southern side of Hornsey Road to the northern side of Hornsby Grove.
   b) Relocate existing disable parking bays from Hornsby Grove to the northern side of Hornsey Road and convert bays to pay and display bays.
   c) Relocate 2 parking bays on the southern side to the northern side of Hornsey Road.
   d) Hornsey Road Extend the existing waiting and loading double yellow line marking to replace the bus stand and parking bays.

3. Copies of the Orders, which will into force on 4th May 2015, other relevant Orders, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney Keltan House 89 – 115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Hackeped on 020 8536 2897.

4. If any person wishes to question the validity of either the Orders, or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date on which the Orders are made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.7) ORDER 2015

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney on 24th April 2015 did make the abovementioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The effective changes from these Orders will be to:
   a) Introduce a new building access at Angels Fold.
   b) Extend existing cycle parking on the north side of Leverton Street.
   c) Introduce new cycle parking in Nile Street.
   d) Introduce new pay and display bay north yard of Shurt Street.
   e) Introduce new no waiting at any time opposite the junction with Nile Street.
   f) Introduce new pay and display north bay of Shurt Street.
   g) Introduce new no waiting at any time opposite the junction with Nile Street.

3. Copies of the Orders, which will into force on 4th May 2015, other relevant Orders, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney Keltan House 89 – 115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Hackeped on 020 8536 2897.

4. If any person wishes to question the validity of either the Orders, or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date on which the Orders are made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (PRESCRIBED ROUTES AND 20MPH SPEED LIMIT) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.5) ORDER 2015

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney on 24th April 2015 did make the abovementioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The general effect of the Order would be:
   a) to extend a 20mph speed limit in all roads addressed in the amended Orders.

3. Copies of the Orders, which will into force on 4th May 2015, other relevant Orders, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney Keltan House 89 – 115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Hackeped on 020 8536 2897.

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3 Hackney Road London E2 7NX Shopfront alterations and change of use of the ground floor of the property from mini-cab office to miscellaneous use for food for off-premises (Sui-Generis) to provide 2 1 X 1 bed self-contained residential units. Minor alterations to the residential entrance at ground floor and minor amendments to the rear and west elevation. 2015/1019 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Clere Worksop boundary Street Hackney London E2 JUB Erection of 2 metre high gates to entrance. In association with Listed Building application 2015/0773. Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

4 Hackney Road Hackney London E2 7NX Change of use of the first floor from office use (Use Class A1) to 4-1 2 Hackney Road. Erection of a new first floor; front and rear extension at ground floor level. Works to front of property comprising widening of steps between ground and first floor levels, 2015/1177 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

14 Trest Road Hackney London E5 1JP Erection of a new front extension at ground floor level. Works to front of property including widening of steps between ground and first floor levels, 2015/1177 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Woodberry Down Primary School, Woodberry Grove Hackney London N4 1SY Replacement school window to the rear at ground floor level; repair works and alterations consisting of new metal windows and re-roofing of mansard with new roof slope. 2015/0794 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Erection of a shed to the rear yard; demolition and reduction of rear chimney breast, 2015/0957 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

The application, together with the plan of the premises which accompanies it, may be inspected at Hackney Registration Services, 1 Hillman Street, London, E8 1FB. All representations will be acknowledged in writing. John Allen Director Planning. 27 April 2015

London Borough of Hackney Notice under the Town and Country Planning Acts and Related Orders The Applications can be inspected between 9am and 5pm daily for a period of 28 days. The applications may be viewed on-line at www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing any person may make a written representation to the Planning Manager, 2 Hillman Street, London, E8 1FB. All representations will be acknowledged in writing.

LICENSING

The MARRIAGE ACT 1949 (AS AMENDED)

The CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

The MARRIAGE (APPROVED PREMISES) REGULATIONS 1995

Notice of application for the approval of premises being the authority for the purposes of the Marriages (Approved Premises) Regulations 1995, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that an application has been made by Mrs Katherine Lumsden, 50 Fountayne Road Hackney E8 3EB, to the Planning Manager, 2 Hillman Street, London, E8 1FB. All representations will be acknowledged in writing.

The Planning Manager, 2 Hillman Street, London, E8 1FB. All representations will be acknowledged in writing.

No notice is given that CHUAN MAN WONG applied to HACKNEY COUNCIL for a premises licence at FRIENDS OF DULS, 61 PINE STREET, Hoxton, London N1 6FQ.

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Any representations against this application must be made in writing and received by the Licensing Service at the above address, no later than 19th May 2015.

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