



**Community  
Southwark**

## Lambeth Newsletter – September 2017

September is upon us; hopefully the works at Waterloo are coming to an end and maybe just maybe we can hold onto the sunshine for a bit longer.

Schools will be gearing up for the new year but it is not just the kids who get to pick out their new stationery and learn something new this September. So, pick out your favourite pencil case and get yourself booked onto to one of our excellent training sessions coming up (details below).

With so many funding opportunities you may want to type up some practice funding applications to work on – if you use google docs and find yourself getting frustrated you may be interested in finding out how to use it passively aggressively! This is very funny:

<http://thecooperreview.com/passive-aggressive-collaborating-in-google-docs/>

If grant funding isn't your thing or you just fancy trying your hand at Crowdfunding check out [this blog](#) on the subject by Cool It Art's Amanda Callis.

As usual the newsletter is packed full of all things Lambeth – news, events, funding opportunities, workshops and support available.

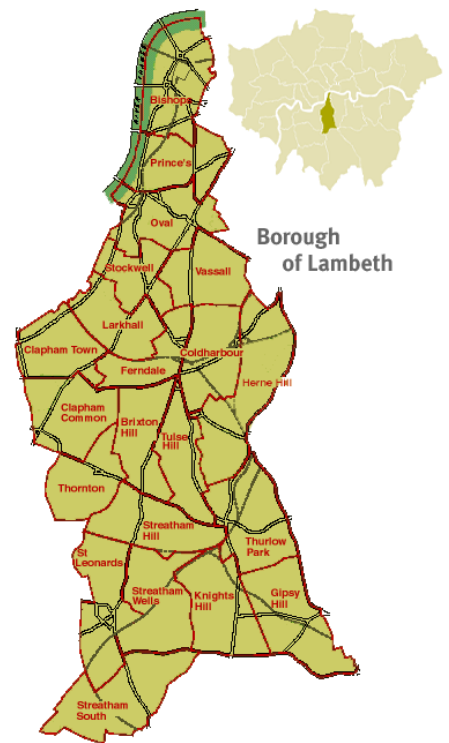
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We hope you enjoy all this newsletter. Please do get in touch if you have anything you would like to add to future communications - but remember this newsletter goes out in the first week of every month so please send anything in beforehand.

Hope to see you soon

Deborah

Director of Development & Partnerships, Community Southwark



## 1. Stronger Together Programme

[Community Southwark](#) is delivering [a two-year programme of practical support and advice](#) for Lambeth-based voluntary and community organisations funded by [The London Community Foundation](#) (LCF) as part of the Lambeth Community Fund, from February 2017 until April 2019.

Under the theme, 'Stronger Together', LCF aim to strengthen and build the capacity of local organisations, increasing skills and knowledge of staff and volunteers in order to improve service delivery and increase sustainability. They also hope to encourage collaboration between the third, public and private sectors within the borough.

This programme of support is being provided by Community Southwark entirely free of charge and all voluntary and community organisations, including social enterprises, based in Lambeth are eligible to take part. The programme is particularly aimed at small community groups and those which are not yet formally established. This is a unique opportunity to gain expert support and advice to help with fundraising; business planning; marketing; financial management; and governance and leadership.

The programme of support includes:

- Monthly 1:1 Support Surgery appointments plus follow-up support
- Training: Our 'Made Easy' suite of introductory workshops run twice yearly plus ad hoc training based on your needs
- Quarterly Small Groups Network
- This monthly newsletter
- Access to Community Southwark membership, resources and other Southwark based activities.

To find out more about the programme, request support, or if you know of a group that would benefit from this free support, please email Deborah Hayman at [development@communitysouthwark.org](mailto:development@communitysouthwark.org) or call them on 020 7358 7011.

To find out more about the London Community Foundation or the Lambeth Community Fund please email Donna Yay at [donna.yay@londoncf.org.uk](mailto:donna.yay@londoncf.org.uk) or call 020 7582 5117.

## 2. Free 1:1 Support Surgeries

One-hour sessions, run once a month, during which you have the opportunity to meet a Development Officer, sign up for Community Southwark membership and talk through some of the issues you are encountering in your daily work and/or as a whole organisation. The first meeting will always include an organisational diagnostic to support action planning and evaluation of the programme.

The 1:1 support is designed to promote the long-term sustainability of your organisation, and we encourage board members with strategic responsibility to attend alongside staff members. When you book we will ask what issues you wish to discuss and request that you send appropriate information prior to attending the meeting.

The 1:1 Support Surgery is free but booking is essential, as they fill up fast! To book a slot, simply email [development@communitysouthwark.org](mailto:development@communitysouthwark.org) or call 020 7358 7020

**The surgery dates are:**

- Tuesday 12 September 2017, 2-3, 3-4 or 4-5pm
- Tuesday 17 October 2017, 2-3, 3-4 or 4-5pm
- Wednesday 15 November 2017, 2-3, 3-4 or 4-5pm

- Wednesday 6 December 2017, 2-3, 3-4 or 4-5pm

These sessions are being held in various locations around Lambeth. We will confirm the venue with you on booking an appointment, so please do check your emails.

If a session is fully booked but someone drops out, we will send out a quick email to see if anyone would like to take the appointment.

### 3. Training Programme

We will be delivering our three most popular training sessions: our 'Made Easy' suite of training twice a year over both years of the programme as well as ad-hoc workshops based on your needs.

Coming soon:

- **Lambeth Small Groups Network: Volunteer Management: [Tuesday 5 September, 6 – 8 pm](#)**

*'Really useful evening. I met loads of people and even found someone who is going to work with us on the next project.'*

*'Fascinating speaker, brought up some interesting ideas and practical things I am going to try to take back to my organisation.'*

- **Fundraising Made Easy: [Thursday 28 September 2017, 10am - 4.30pm](#)**

*'Everything was really useful, however the websites for funding and exercises were amazing and helpful'*

*'I found everything fine. It was all helpful, especially the language / mock application'*

- **Governance Made Easy: [Thursday 12 October 2017, 10am – 3.00pm](#)**

*'Fantastic knowledge of the trainer - she knew everything, so I felt in excellent hands and much more confident'*

*'The tasks & slides. The interaction with others. Learning the general rules of governing, as it is something I am new to.'*

- **Finance Made Easy: [Tuesday 7 November 2017, 10am – 4.30pm](#)**

*'The wealth of advice, tips, signposting to free or low-cost tools. I left with loads of ideas to try out. An inspiring and valuable event, thank you. She was an excellent trainer and pitches the content really well. The practical exercises were great.'*

To book a place on the training simply click on the links above and fill in the Eventbrite form.

You are also welcome to book a place or two on our comprehensive training programme delivered in Southwark: <http://communitysouthwark.org/training>

### 4. Free Small Groups Network

A quarterly network specifically for groups and organisations with less than £30k income. The meetings will be created for you and by you - we will be asking what you would like to talk about, what guest speakers or topics you would want to hear about etc. and we will arrange these evening networks to cover the topics you choose in venues across Lambeth.

**The second Small Groups Network will take place on [Tuesday 5 September 2017, 6-8pm.](#)** So, book your place now. The Small Groups Network will take place at Blenheim CDP, Blenheim Central Office, 210 Wandsworth Road, London, SW8 2JU

The first session covered your ideas for what you would like to happen at the sessions and a top answer was looking after your volunteers so on the agenda for the second meeting on 5 September 2017 is **VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT: Finding and Maintaining Volunteers.**

Marissa Charles, our Volunteer Management and Best Practice Officer will explore what volunteer management looks like in different sizes of organisations, taking best practice and making it practical and useful for smaller organisations such as yours.

**Marissa will cover some of the following topics and take your questions:**

- How do you look after your volunteers when you have few or no staff?
- How much of your resources should you put into volunteer management?
- What does good volunteer management look like?

Some feedback from Marissa's Volunteer management sessions:

*'Resources to contain in induction packets & training were really useful. Marissa was enthusiastic and informative throughout the session.'*

*'Hearing from fellow attendees & learning about their organisations and experiences; hearing from Marissa's experience & knowledge'*

*'The whole course was great. My org has a long way to go. But this gave a great idea of actions we have to take.'*

## 5. News from the sector

### **Big Local North Brixton**

Big Local North Brixton is a 10-year programme covering the northern fringe of the Town Centre and a clutch of SW9 estates from the Waltham Estate eastwards to part of the Loughborough Estate. Its three priorities are Safety, Community Cohesion and Employment. The first of these topics includes tackling youth crime. The last includes promoting volunteering with local projects, and offers training courses to help groups work better. Occasional grant schemes are run via the London Community Foundation, which contributed to the recent Brixton Fund round.

Enquiries to Jedidah Onchere on 07 958 622 171 or [jedidah.onchere@londoncf.org.uk](mailto:jedidah.onchere@londoncf.org.uk)

### **Community Coordinator for Counter extremism in Lambeth Council**

As the new Community Coordinator, Counter Extremism at Lambeth Council, Rupert's role is to build an understanding of the harms extremism causes within the borough, and to identify any Lambeth groups running projects which could work towards countering those harms.

He'll help signpost groups towards Home Office funding and work with them to submit bids, reading proposals and providing help with applications where possible. He'll also help build connections between groups, making introductions and promoting projects where those running them might not have the time or resources to do that.

Please feel free to get in touch with him at [rsutton@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:rsutton@lambeth.gov.uk) if you have any further questions

## [Lambeth Heritage Festival](#)

The Lambeth Heritage Festival is a series of events running through the month of **September** in most parts of the borough - pick up a programme at Brixton Tate Library or download it [here](#). Events include talks at Brockwell Lido Café, St. Andrew's Church (Landor Road), and even the **Chocolate Museum** (Ferndale Road). The choice of guided walks includes Brixton Hill, Brixton's Show Business past, Brixton Market, Railton Road and Stockwell Green.

## [Optivo - Exercise and dance classes for over 50's](#)

Connect! Develop! Learn! Socialise! FREE - Fun exercise and dance class for over 50's held every Tuesdays from 4 July 2017, 1-2pm at Lansdowne Green, Community Hall, Lansdowne Green Estate, Stockwell, SW8 2N. In partnership with Fresh Visions and London Community Foundation. For more information contact: Lola Oyewusi, Community Worker  
[Lola.Oyewusi@optivo.org.uk](mailto:Lola.Oyewusi@optivo.org.uk) 020 8726 8628

## [Brixton Community Base](#)

BCB is currently recruiting Trustees to support the development and direction of this important community asset. We provide a vibrant base for local arts, community and fitness groups. We manage community projects such as Brixton Youth Theatre and Bling Ya Bike for local young people. Our halls are hired out for a variety of activities (even the occasional Forum meeting!). We are looking for people who can support us with marketing, fund-raising and digital issues, and can find 4-5 hours a month to do so. Enquiries to Jane Duncan Ribeiro, [jane-duncan@ntlworld.com](mailto:jane-duncan@ntlworld.com)

## [St John's Senior Citizens Project](#)

St. John's Church is on the north-west fringe of our area, at 386 Clapham Road, SW9, between Clapham North Station and Union Road. The project runs 3 activities each week: an exercise class on **Tuesday** mornings, with an afternoon Arts and Crafts session to be added from September; a singing group on **Thursday** mornings, and a social club (including bingo) on **Thursday** afternoons. Information sessions, parties and outings are also organised from time to time. Enquiries to Colette McGovern on (020) 7819 9498 or [info.stjohns@yahoo.com](mailto:info.stjohns@yahoo.com)

## [Mosaic and Tile-making Classes](#)

Also near our north-west corner, Art4Space are offering Tuesday evening classes, starting from **12 September**, in mosaic and tile-making. Single session (6-30 to 9 pm) £25, 5-week course £120, 10-week course £230, at their Community Art Centre, 312 Jeffreys Road, SW4 6QU. More details at [www.art4space.co.uk](http://www.art4space.co.uk), enquiries/ bookings to Jewels on 07 816 386 270 or [jewels@art4space.co.uk](mailto:jewels@art4space.co.uk)

## [Children's Acting Classes](#)

From mid-September, Creative Minds London will be running theatre-based workshop sessions at Island Arts Studio, at the Herne Hill end of Milkwood Road, SE24. Little Stars (age 4-7) on Tuesdays 4 to 5 pm from 19 September, Big Stars (age 8-11) on Wednesdays 4 to 5 pm from 20 September. Enquiries to Victoria on 07 944 549 847 or [creativemindsdrama@gmail.com](mailto:creativemindsdrama@gmail.com)

\*Thank you to The London Community Foundation, Brixton Neighbourhood Forum, Vassall and Coldharbour Forum and Love Lambeth for news items.

\*\*Please send in your news items for Octobers bulletin now.

## 6. Funding Opportunities

To search for specific local, regional, national and/or European funding opportunities – grants, contracts and loans – we recommend signing up to [www.fundingcentral.org.uk](http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk) and creating a profile. You will receive weekly bulletins and can search the database at any time.

Below is a selection of opportunities suitable for Lambeth organisations:

### [Clarion Digital Communities Fund](#)

Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available for charities and community organisations working across the UK to support Affinity Sutton and Circle residents of all ages to get and stay online and to build the skills, motivation and confidence to use the internet safely as an everyday tool.

**Deadline: Friday 22 September at 5pm**

### [Drug & Alcohol Relief Fund](#)

Funding of between £2,500 - £10,000 for projects of up to one year, across London for work which supports people affected by drug and alcohol addiction, and their families. This fund will support all work which will help a person to achieve and sustain recovery, as well as preventative work to help individuals identify risky behaviour that might lead to a later addiction. The fund will also help families to cope with the stress of addiction and to support their family member's recovery process.

**Deadline: Friday 22 September at 5pm**

### [The Reducing Isolation Fund](#)

Grants of between £5,000- £20,000 are available to support small organisations and projects working with older people to reduce isolation and increase involvement in the community. Applications will only be accepted for projects and work that benefits older people. By older people we mean people over the age of 50. Organisations working with the 65+ age group may be prioritised. Applications will also be considered for intergenerational work however older people must be the main beneficiaries.

**Deadline: Friday 29th September, 5pm**

### [London Legal Support Trust:](#)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for organisations who provide or facilitate the provision of free, specialist legal advice to those who are based in London or the Home Counties.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

### **!Lambeth Only Opportunity!**

#### [London Community Foundation – The Lambeth Community Fund](#)

Grants of between £500 and £10,000 per year for up to two years (i.e. maximum grant of £20,000 over 2 years) are available to locally based community groups, charities and other organisations in Lambeth for projects which improve the wellbeing and quality of life of Lambeth residents.

**Deadline: 17 November 2017 at 5pm (Round 1)**

### **!Lambeth Only Opportunity!**

#### [London Community Foundation – Lambeth Wellbeing Fund](#)

Grants of up to £5,000 for projects of up to 12 months are available for projects that promote wellbeing, help people to connect with others and address what are known as the Five Ways to Wellbeing. These are: Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give. These activities are simple things individuals can do in their everyday lives to increase their wellbeing.

There are eight priority wards this year, across three Local Care Network (LCN) areas:

North LCN	Ferndale, Larkhall and Stockwell
South East LCN	Vassall and Coldharbour
South West LCN	Streatham Hill, Streatham Wells and St Leonard's

In addition to these priority areas, 25% of the total funding available in this round is for the rest of the borough.

**Deadline: 17 November 2017 at 5pm**

#### [Building a Stronger Britain Together](#)

Rupert Sutton in Lambeth's Community Safety service has flagged up this Home Office funding scheme, for community groups already established for at least a year. Emphasis is on in-kind support with social media or printed material - more details at [www.gov.uk/guidance/building-a-stronger-britain-together](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/building-a-stronger-britain-together), enquiries to Rupert on (020) 7926 7025 or at [rsutton@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:rsutton@lambeth.gov.uk)

#### [Consolidated Charities for the Poor Grant](#)

Grants are available for small, charitable organisations in Inner London to relieve poverty, disadvantage and homelessness; assist those who are elderly and infirm, and to support people with disabilities; and enhance education. Preference given to the boroughs of South East London.

**Deadline: Applications will be accepted at any time.**

#### **Diana and Allan Morgenthau Charitable Trust (no website contact via phone or email: 0207 4931904 or [allan.m@btinternet.com](mailto:allan.m@btinternet.com) )**

Grants are available to charitable organisations undertaking a variety of general charitable activities in London and overseas.

**Deadline: The application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time.**

#### [Fidelity UK Foundation](#)

Grants of between £10,000 and £100,000 are available to registered charities located near a Fidelity International office in London, Kent or Surrey for strategic, transformational projects in arts and culture, community development, education or health.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.**

#### [Merchant Taylors' Consolidated Charities for the Infirm](#)

Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 are available for charitable organisations providing services to people living with significant disabilities or health concerns in South East London.

**Deadline: Applications can be made at any time.**

#### **Oliver Stanley Charitable Trust (no website, please phone on 0207 399 0000)**

Grants of between £500 and £2,000 are available for registered charities carrying out projects for the relief of need throughout the UK.

**Deadline: Applications can be made at any time and will be considered once a year.**

### [Peter Minet Trust](#)

Grants of up to £500 (small grants programme) or £5,000 (main grants programme) are available for registered charities that run social welfare, health, cultural and community projects in the **London Boroughs of Lambeth** and Southwark.

**Deadline: Main Grants applications is 20 July 2017 (midnight).**

**The Trust are not currently welcoming applications for small grants. Small Grant applications are expected to re-open on 20 July 2017.**

### [Sir John Cass's Foundation - Grants to Schools and Organisations](#)

Grants of between £10,000 and £30,000. are available for schools and organisations to support education and rehabilitation projects in inner London boroughs. The Foundation will only consider applications from schools and organisations that benefit children or young people under the age of 25 who are:

- Permanent residents of named inner London boroughs.
- From disadvantaged backgrounds or areas of high deprivation.

Inner London boroughs are Camden, Greenwich, Hackney, Hammersmith and Fulham, Islington, Kensington & Chelsea, **Lambeth**, Lewisham, Newham, Southwark, Tower Hamlets, Wandsworth, Westminster and the City of London.

**Deadline: Applications may be made at any time.**

### [The Master Poulter's Pelican Trust](#)

Small grants to charitable organisations for work which relieves poverty, sickness and distress in London.

**Deadline: Applications are considered once or twice a year.**

### [City Bridge Trust - English for Speakers of Other Languages](#)

Grants are available to charitable organisations for projects that increase the number of Londoners with improved English language skills, and lead to enhanced access to mainstream services and greater participation in the wider community.

**Deadline: The Trustees meet regularly and applications are accepted throughout the year. It usually takes about four months from receiving a complete application until a final decision is reached.**

### [City Bridge Trust - Improving Londoners' Mental Health](#)

Grants are available to support specialist services in London that target those with mental health issues.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.**

### [City Bridge Trust - Improving London's Environment](#)

Grants are available for projects to maintain and enhance London's biodiversity or support the environmental education of Londoners.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.**

### [City Bridge Trust - Making London More Inclusive](#)

Funding is available to support work that will help remove barriers to enable disabled people in London to live independently and to fully participate in society.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.**



### [City Bridge Trust - Making London Safer](#)

Funding is available to enable survivors of domestic violence and trafficking, and victims of hate crime in London to access high quality specialist support services.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.**

### [City Bridge Trust - Older Londoners](#)

Funding to support older Londoners, particularly those over 75, to live more active and healthier lives and to have more choice and control in their lives through quality advice and support.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time**

### [City Bridge Trust - Reducing Poverty](#)

Funding is available to tackle food poverty and provide money, debt and housing advice in London.

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time**

### [City Bridge Trust - Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Offenders](#)

Funding is available to support work that sees more ex-offenders in London successfully and sustainably resettled in the community and re-offending reduced

**Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time**

### [London Catalyst - Project Grants](#)

Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available for charities and voluntary and community organisations working in Greater London to fund initiatives that will tackle the effects of poverty and ill health and make a difference.

**Deadline: London Catalyst hold quarterly review meetings in February, June, September and December. Applicants are advised to contact London Catalyst for the exact meeting dates.**

### [Fishmongers' Company Charitable Trust](#)

Small grants are available to charities for the relief of hardship linked to the fish and fisheries or maritime sectors. The Trust provides grants for charitable purposes. These are generally used for the relief of hardship and disability, education, the environment, heritage and fishery related charities.

Applications will be accepted from charities operating within the City of London and the boroughs of Camden, Hackney, Islington, **Lambeth**, Southwark, Tower Hamlets and Westminster that are concerned with education, the relief of hardship and disability, heritage and the environment. Charities must have an income of less than £500,000.

**Deadline: Open to applications**

### [London Community Foundation - Peabody Community Fund](#)

Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available to local charities, not-for-profit groups and community organisations for projects and activities that benefit the residents of Peabody estate and housing areas which are located throughout London.

**Deadline: 21 March 2018**

## **7. Involve – Business & Community Engagement**

Are you a **charity, community organisation, school or nursery** with an in or outdoor space that is in need of improvement? If so, the Involve team can help your organisation to complete large practical projects through our corporate Team Challenge days. And even better, our services are **FREE** to all the community partners we support through our programme!

Involve's active Team Challenge programme was designed to support community organisations and schools with limited resources to achieve large space improvement projects. Part of Community Southwark, the Involve team provides the link between community organisations and groups of business volunteers and organises and facilitates corporate Team Challenge days that aim to deliver high-quality projects that provide invaluable impact to the community.

Community organisations we work with include schools and nurseries, adventure playgrounds, community gardens, youth clubs and settlements. Together with our teams of corporate volunteers we create spaces that help local people to learn, be happy and thrive and recent projects included: creating (vegetable) gardens, planting trees, digging ponds, building seating areas, improving playgrounds, painting stunning murals and other indoor spaces and much more.

Involve manages the process from start to finish working with you to develop your ideas, providing the facilitation on the day and covering both risk assessment and First Aid to ensure both fun and safe Team Challenges.

We are also able to facilitate skills-based projects.

All tools and materials are financed by our Corporate Partners so all of the work is **FREE** to your organisation.

### **Would we love to help you!**

If you have an idea for a project or would like to find out more then we would love to hear from you. Please fill out [this form](#) which will give us an idea about your organisation and the tasks you would like completed, email us at: [involve@communitysouthwark.org](mailto:involve@communitysouthwark.org)