

D'Eynsford Estate Newsletter March 2016

Contact the TMO: Estate Office, 38 Mary Datchelor Close, London SE5 7AX Tel: 020 7525 0745 Website: www.deynsford.org

You're invited!

General Meeting

Wednesday 23 March, 7pm-9pm

in the Sheltered Unit Community Room (through door 50-75 Don Phelan Close)

Hear about the TMO's first six months delivering estate services ♦ Accept the TMO accounts for 2014/15

◆ Tell us what you think of our ideas for the year ahead ◆

Free refreshments < Have a chat with your neighbours

Proxy votes and help to attend

TMO members who can't make the meeting can appoint someone to vote on your behalf (a proxy). Everyone who lives on the D'Eynsford Estate can be a member. If you look after someone in the evening, we can pay carer costs. Or let us know if there are other ways we can help you take part, for example a translator.

Contact Kate D for details, tel: 07811 864 209, email: deynsford@gmail.com or join the TMO online: www.deynsford.org/member-registration

Staff changes



Last month, we welcomed new caretaker **Kelly Ulysses** to the TMO team.

Meanwhile, **Mitch Flacko** has changed roles to become our Maintenance and Repairs Coordinator.



Team vacancy: caretaker

We are looking for a full time caretaker to join the TMO staff team. Salary: £17,439-£18,210 plus ethical pension.

Full details are available online (search for D'Eynsford): www.jobsgopublic.com

Closing date: 31 March 2016

Secret Garden spring clean

Thursday 17 March 10am -12pm by the Kimpton Road walkway estate entrance

Join us for a morning blitz in the community garden to get the space ready for the year ahead. There'll be coffee and cake for everyone pitching in!

Garden opening times

The garden will be open from April every week on Wednesdays 4pm-5.30pm and Sundays 11am-2pm.

Everyone is welcome - including families - to come and enjoy this lovely garden, learn some gardening tips and get involved with planting, digging and more!

Check out the garden gate for opening dates or contact Kate T for information, tel: 07989 377407.

Residents survey

In April, we will be asking you what you think of TMO services and how we can improve. Look out for your questionnaire next month.

But there's no need to wait! If you have views to share now, please pop in to the office or give the staff team a call to give your feedback, tel: 020 7525 0745.

Women's Event

Friday 1 April, 4pm-8pm in the Sheltered Unit Community Room (through door 50-75 Don Phelan Close)



A special afternoon of pampering, treats and delicious food for all D'Eynsford women.

Get the date in your diary!

For more details, contact Tasha, tel: 07960 072036.

New trees for our estate

The Council will be planting several new trees this month. They have also kept our trees healthy over the last year by removing dead wood and pollarding.

They will plant different varieties including an American sweetgum (pictured).



Weekly coffee mornings

Wednesdays, 10am-11.30am in the TMO office

Come and join us for FREE coffee, tea and cake on Wednesday mornings!

We are a friendly group of local neighbours and everyone is welcome.

We also do creative activities, games and quizzes. But you are also very welcome just to come and have a chat and a cuppa.

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Advising London

Free and confidential drop-in advice on housing, debt, benefits, consumer issues, employment and immigration, Monday-Thursday, 9.30am-1.30pm, Elephant & Castle Shopping Centre, First Floor, Unit 215/216 or online: advising.london

Play area spring clean

The TMO staff team will be jet washing the children's play area soon to remove the algae and muck in the cushioned floor which has made it very slippery.

The play area will be closed for a little while for the floor to be chemically treated as well.

Meanwhile, the play equipment has been cleaned and washed down in readiness for the spring. We will also be renovating the wooden slats on some of the play equipment.

Join our estate walkabouts

On the first Friday of every month, a group of TMO board members and other residents walk around the estate with our Housing Officer Albert Frimpong to spot issues.

Anyone is welcome to join the group – an extra pair of eyes are always helpful. The group meets at 10am at the TMO office and the walkabout lasts about two hours. The next walkabout is on **Friday 1 April**.

Other opportunities to get involved with the TMO

Are you looking for ways to contribute to your community? Here are some more ways you can help our estate to be an even better place to live:

- Share your views at the general meeting on 23 March
- Help organise our social events
- Get involved with the Secret Garden
- Help write this newsletter or deliver it to your neighbours.

Contact Kate T to have a chat about any of these opportunities, tel: 07989 377407.

Free stuff to do on your doorstep

Feeling a bit bored? Here are a few ideas for things to do locally – and **they're all free!**

Check out the new Camberwell Library

Our new library by the court is now open every day of the week and has lots of activities for all ages including:

- Baby and toddler sessions
- Comics and manga club for 11+
- Creative writing and games for 7+
- Knitting club
- Book groups
- Conversation cafe to practice your English
- Job club and computer classes.

Events at the Southbank Centre

Hop on the 68 or 171 bus to Waterloo Bridge for these free performances:

- Friday 11 March, 5.30pm-7pm
 Yasmin Kadi Sierra Leonean singer and Mary J Blige collaborator performs
- Saturday 12 & Sunday 13 March, throughout the day
 Women of the World Festival – world record-holding hula hoop troupe, circus, speed mentor sessions, DIY cheerleading and more
- Saturday 19 March, 11am-7pm Chorus Platform – London's biggest and best community choirs perform all day.

African drumming and dance workshops

Saturday 19 March & Saturday 2 April, 4pm-6pm, Pembroke House, 80 Tatum Street SE17 1QR. To find out more email: info@uncle-aug.org

Next TMO board meeting

Monday 14 March, 7pm-9pm, in the TMO office. All meetings are open.

Next estate walkabout

Friday 1 April, 10am-12pm, meet at the TMO office. All welcome.