

Somers Town Community Newsletter



Somers Town Community Association is extremely pleased to announce that Our Little Markets CIC were successful in their application to take on the café at our 150 Ossulston Street Centre, please see below for some words from Troy Baptiste.

'Our Little Markets CIC is proud to announce we will now be running the community café located on Ossulston Street.

We're pleased to be working in partnership with STCA to ensure locals get a café THEY want.

We will be opening the first week after Ramadan (1st May) and look forward to welcoming you all to the café to enjoy delicious local food and treats in a great atmosphere for all.

A call out to all chefs, bakers and makers. We want anyone who has any hidden talents around the kitchen to bring them out to the forefront and get involved in what will really be a community café for many years to come!



LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

Household Support Fund

Camden recently devolved the administration of the central government Household Support Fund, in place to combat severe hardship over last winter.

Peter, our Signposting & Referrals coordinator was tasked by Camden with making applications for the fund for clients of the Living Centre.

As of 15th March, **53 households** have been helped with funds and vouchers totalling **£7,950**. Most of these have been in St Pancras and Somers Town ward whilst others have been for clients of the Living Centre's various services.

Further applications are being processed as the fund closes on 31st March 2022.

A huge welcome

Somers Town Job Hub welcomes our new Career Advisor Ms Edith Okparaocha and our new Employer Engagement worker Ms Sarah Barrett to the team, both ladies start from the 4th of April and look forward to starting their role, email the jobhub@somerstown.org.uk for more details.

Celebration of Cultures

On the **9th of May, 1pm to 4pm** the Living Centre will be celebrating the diverse communities in Somers Town and Camden. Where members of the various communities residing in the area will be talking and sharing their cultural traditions accompanied with food, music and various activities.

Some of the activities include...

**SPOT THE COUNTRY'S NAME
DART COMPETITION**

**CRAM BOARD, (TRADITIONAL
BANGLADESHI GAME)**

LASER TAG

TESTING TEA AROUND THE WORLD

**TESTING TRADITIONAL ERITREAN/
ETHIOPIAN COFFEE**

**INFORMATION, ADVICE AND
GUIDANCE FOR BAME MEN**

HEALTH CHECKS/NUTRITION?

We look forward to receiving you.

For more information, please feel free to contact Sonya on sonia@thelivingcentre.org and Mohamoud on mohamoud@thelivingcentre.org

We are open...

Camden Mobile Food Bank

Please visit www.urbancommunityprojects.org.uk/stay-connected for more details.

Somers Town Youth Programme

Please contact youth@somerstown.org.uk or follow on Twitter: [@stcayouthclub](https://twitter.com/stcayouthclub) and Instagram: [@stcayouthclub](https://www.instagram.com/stcayouthclub) for more details.

Make@StoryGarden

Please email Joned Khan on joned@thelivingcentre.org for more details.



LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

Calendar of events

APRIL

6th and 7th April 10am to 1pm Planter Making Workshop for ages 8+ email nadire@globalgeneration.org.uk to confirm your space

21st April 2pm to 5pm Information Sharing event at the Story Garden

MAY

3rd and 6th May 10am to 4pm Somers Town Future Neighbourhoods 2030 mapping event, Living Centre Reception

3rd May 12pm to 2.30pm British Library, Urdu Literature, South Asia collections

4th May 10am to 1pm Climate Action Fund Algae and Eco Systems Workshop, Living Centre, to book your place email siobhan@thelivingcentre.org

9th May 1pm to 4pm Celebration of Cultures event, at the Living Centre

12th May from 6pm PREVIEW EVENT 'Lost/Found: Somers Town' our first exhibition of history at the Somers Town Museum is open to local community

26th May 5.30pm to 8pm British Library, the world as seen and (mostly) imagined in European early printed books

JUNE

Saturdays in June 11am to 1pm 'A Space For Us' will be painting outdoors each Saturday in June. What would you add? To get involved, contact info@aspaceforus.club

7th June 12pm to 2.30pm British Library, Punjabi Folktales, South Asia collections

14th and 17th June 10am to 4pm Somers Town Future Neighbourhoods 2030 mapping event, Living Centre Reception

30th June 5.30pm to 8pm British Library, Women in Czech, Polish and Slovak collections

JULY

7th July 2pm to 5pm Community event with STCA and joint Story Garden and MAKE birthday party

9th July Somers Town Festival, Chalton Street and the British Library

28th July 12pm to 2.30pm British Library, Medicinal Plants and Indigenous Knowledge

Additional activities - Global Generation

Saturdays 11am to 3pm Family Saturdays, email charlotte@globalgeneration.org.uk to confirm your space

Summer Holiday Club Two weeks of summer holidays, dates TBC



National Lottery Community Fund



We are extremely delighted to have been awarded funding from **The National Lottery Community Fund** for our Somers Town Climate Action Market. Thanks to National Lottery players, we will be able to bring people together, reduce waste and also reduce carbon emissions. The project will be based at Chalton Street market, the heart of Somers Town and will work closely with the Somers Town Future Neighbourhood 2030 programme, to ensure the greatest possible outcomes for local residents.

If you would like to know more then please email sarah@somerstown.org.uk



For healthy eating tips and advice during Ramadan please contact Mohamoud Hassan
020 7380 0453 mohamoud@thelivingcentre.org

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Somers Town Future Neighbourhoods 2030



What is it about?

Somers Town has received funding from the Mayor of London to become a more sustainable neighbourhood.

The goal is to help residents, local businesses and organisations understand how climate change is affecting them, and more importantly, to work together on activities that are good for the environment, their pockets and their quality of life.

Overview of the project

We will work on two areas. The production of a local long-term plan (the Neighbourhood Strategy to 2030) that identifies what needs to happen locally to become the neighbourhood we all want to live in. And the delivery of a number of projects to start working towards the improvements we all want to see.

Planning and making the projects happen will be done by working together with residents, local businesses and other organisations in our area.

What will the projects do?



Find out more and get involved

Visit our event on **21st April, 2-5pm**, at the **Story Garden** and the **Living Centre**. There will be stalls showcasing each of the initial Future Neighbourhoods projects and opportunities to find out how to get involved.

For more information contact Sarah Elie from Somers Town Community Association: sarah@somertown.org.uk



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