

# Somers Town Community Newsletter

## Have your say

Somers Town

Future

Neighbourhoods

2030

Please go to **Have Your Say Today – Somers Town – Future Neighbourhoods 2030 – Commonplace** website and enter your comments, indicate how you feel about the area and why not place your own pin on the map to say what you would like to see in your community. [www.somerstownfn2030.commonplace.is](http://www.somerstownfn2030.commonplace.is)



**How are you connected to Somers Town?** Select one or more options

- I live in the area   
  I work in the area   
  I visit the area   
  I travel through the area

**What are you commenting on?** eg pavements

**How does this area currently make you feel?** eg 'Dislike' 'Love it'

**What would you like to see at the location you have placed a pin?**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> More trees             | <input type="checkbox"/> Less air pollution        | <input type="checkbox"/> Car Club bay           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green wall             | <input type="checkbox"/> Air quality monitoring    | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled parking bay   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estate gardening       | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling points          | <input type="checkbox"/> EV charging point      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cycle storage          | <input type="checkbox"/> Cycle lanes               | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycles for hiring    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panels           | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe pedestrian crossings | <input type="checkbox"/> Scooters for hiring    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Better insulated homes | <input type="checkbox"/> Benches/seating space     | <input type="checkbox"/> Better disabled access |

Alternatively please pop into the Living Centre and ask at reception for someone to help you **Have Your Say** and put your pin on the map.



## LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Our amazing Celebration of Cultures event

We were delighted to welcome over 140 people to our celebration of cultures event at the Living Centre and we look forward to continuing to welcome each and every visitor back to the centre, as we continue to build lasting relationships.



**CELEBRATION OF CULTURES**

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.

Join the celebration  
9th May 1-4pm at The Living Centre

The St Pancras & Somers Town Living Centre

Somers Town Community Association



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### Algae Materials and Ecosystems

As part of our Climate Action Fund Lottery project we were really pleased to deliver the first of 4 workshops at the Living Centre in partnership with students from Central Saint Martins University of the Arts London, with much fun had by all as participants heard about possible textiles of the future.



**Algae Materials and Ecosystems**

Wednesday 4th May 10am – 1pm at the Living Centre

Participants will look to explore the material potentials of both micro and macro algae.

During this workshop we will be talking about why and how we can transform these living organisms into plant-positive materials, and why they are important.

We will make bioplastics from algae derived extracts, explore alginate-based threads and composite materials made from algae and waste.

Be ready for some hands-on making and a short presentation about all things algae!

\* It is recommended that you bring your own mold for casting the bioplastic. This can be any tupperware or small container (best if plastic, glass or ceramic).

The workshop will be facilitated by students from the MA Biodesign Course at Central Saint Martins.

To find out more or sign up please email [sarah@somertown.org.uk](mailto:sarah@somertown.org.uk)

The Living Centre, 2 Osulston Street, London NW1 1DF

We're delighted to receive funding from The National Lottery Community Fund for our Somers Town Climate Action Market thanks to the National Lottery players, we will be able to bring people together, reduce waste and also reduce carbon emissions.

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### Calendar of events

#### 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@spaceforus.club](mailto:info@spaceforus.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 3pm to 6pm** Community event with STCA and joint Story Garden and MAKE birthday party

**9th July** Somers Town Festival, Chalton Street and 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](mailto:charlotte@globalgeneration.org.uk) to confirm your space

**Summer Holiday Club** Two weeks of summer holidays, TBC

### We are open...

#### Camden Mobile Food Bank

Please visit [www.urbancommunityprojects.org.uk/stay-connected](http://www.urbancommunityprojects.org.uk/stay-connected) for more details.

#### Somers Town Youth Programme

Please contact [youth@somertown.org.uk](mailto:youth@somertown.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 Jodie Allen on [jodie@somertown.org.uk](mailto:jodie@somertown.org.uk) for more details.

### Little Village Baby Bank

Little Village Baby Bank is running very low on certain items, particularly beds and buggies for children aged 0 to 5. They are also short of clothes suitable for newborn, 0 to 3 month and 2 to 5 years. They have a donation session every Friday (not on the bank holiday!) at STCA, 9.30am to 11am.



Visit their website to book a slot and for more details of what they accept: <https://littlevillagehq.org/donate-stuff/>

### New museum for Somers Town

The People's Museum, Somers Town opened on the 12th of May. Please visit Wednesday to Friday, 10-5pm at 52 Phoenix Road, NW1 1ES

The museum is hosting an exciting programme of events on social justice for the London Festival of Architecture and we are looking for volunteers to help.

#### EVENTS

##### Mural

Who or what would you put on a Somers Town mural? Join us in making a Somers Town mural in June. Join artists outside Phoenix Road hoardings. Each Saturday in June 11am to 1pm.

##### Youth collective

Have your say! Join our museum youth collective. Get involved in cultural projects and gain valuable work experience. Contact Mercedes [info@spaceforus.club](mailto:info@spaceforus.club) Meets Thursdays 3.45pm to 5pm.

##### Memory café

Meets Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm. Free tea and cake.

For further information, please visit events: <http://lostfound.spaceforus.club/events/>



# LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

## WE NEED YOU! VOLUNTEERS

THE ST PANCRAS & SOMERS TOWN  
LIVING CENTRE

2 OSSULSTON STREET  
LONDON NW1 1DF  
020 7380 0453

**Organisations currently recruiting include** Urban Community Projects, Camden Mobile Foodbank, Little Village, Doorstep Library, University College London Hospitals, Single Homeless Project, Global Generation and many more...

**Pop in for a chat or call to book an appointment with our Volunteer Coordinator, Ms. Kylie Rahman to find out more!**

**Email:** [kylie@thelivingcentre.org](mailto:kylie@thelivingcentre.org)  
**Work mobile:** 07483 312 211

## New Youth Employment and Training worker

**We have introduced a Youth Employment and Training worker to the team.**

With this addition to the Job Hub team we will be able to work with young people (between 16-25) to provide support with employment, CV's, job applications, career plans/maps, apprenticeships, general employment advice and work placements/experience.



“Hi, I'm Shazna Ahmed, the Youth Employment and Training worker. If you are aged between 16-25 and would like some help looking for work or just not sure what the next steps are for you, get in touch.”

To contact Shazna call **07450 626 226** or email [shazna@somerstown.org.uk](mailto:shazna@somerstown.org.uk)

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## HOW TO FIND US

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