

Somers Town Community Newsletter



September 2021 and the world continues to struggle under the weight of the pandemic, with the loss of human life becoming a segment on the news that many of us don't want to watch, but feel compelled to do so, because somehow by watching we will see an end in sight, a way out, answers to why we are here at all.

We see the pain and suffering of Afghanistan and its people as they fight to remain free, yet are forced to flee the only home they have ever known with little more than the clothes on their backs and their children held close in their arms, The lucky ones are the ones that escape, but the image of people hanging to the sides of planes or being crushed as they try to gain entry to the airport will remain stained on our retina's as we seek to understand what we are watching and why more was not being done.

We watch as severe flooding due to Climate Change causes death and destruction across Western Europe affecting Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands. Whilst fires burn across Greece, Turkey and Italy, with images shown around the world giving us a glimpse of our future unless we make a change, as our climate continues to heat up.

We watch, see and feel helpless. What can we do after all?

Yet the answer is we are not as helpless as we feel, because:

Every single act of kindness

Every donation made to someone or something in need

Every act taken by you, your family and your loved ones to reduce your impact on the world we call home

Every Vaccine taken

Can and will make a difference

Believe that TOGETHER we can make a difference and at Somers Town Community Association, The St Pancras and Somers Town Living Centre, The Somers Town Job Hub, Make@StoryGarden and The Somers Town Community Hub we pledge to continue to believe that we can make a change.



LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

CAMDEN POP-UP
THINK&DO
COMMUNITY SPACE FOR CLIMATE & SOCIAL ACTION

**FREE LUNCH
SERVED DAILY,
BY REFUGEE
COMMUNITY
KITCHEN**

ALL FREE!

WEEK 1 - What's On

15th-25th September Wednesday to
Saturday 10am - 7pm

Wednesday 15th Sept

- 11am-1pm** - Intro to pop up, come and see how you can get involved, plus free lunch
- 12noon** - Woven Together with Joy (ongoing)
- 1pm** - Social Justice Walks - Anarchist traces in Somers Town
- 1.30pm** - Social Justice Walks - Communist activists in Somers Town
- 2.30pm-4.30pm** - Apple Pressing
- 4.30pm-5.30pm** - Storytelling with Salina

Thursday 16th Sept

- 11am-12.30** - Book Lovers Club
- 10am-5pm** - Smoothie Bike from Our Little Market and free vegbox.org.uk
- 3pm-4pm** - CO2: What can I Do?
- 3pm-6pm** - Bike Maintenance from Camden Cyclists
- 4pm-5pm** - Kids Nature Quiz with TCV
- 5.30pm-6.30pm** - Greening Up Camden Free Supper from RCK

Friday 17th Sept

- 11am-12noon** - CO2: What can I Do?
- 1pm-3pm** - Preventing Food Waste with Too Good To Go
- 2.30pm-4.30pm** - Screen Printing on T-shirts with Melissa (bring any T-shirts you want to refresh)
- 6pm-7pm** - From Mutual Aid to Community Food Co-ops with Cooperation Town

Saturday 18th Sept

- 11am-2pm** - Clothes Swap from Camden Friends of the Earth
- 11am** - Crochet with Elizabeth
- 11am-3pm** - Sewing Community Textile Project with Little Hands Design - Suitable for all ages (Under 8's to have assistance from parents)
- 4pm-5pm** - CO2: What can I Do?



Location:
Ossulston TRA hall.
2 Ossulston St, London
NW1 1DF

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Ongoing Visioning
Camden 2030
exhibition and
History Pop Up,
Come in anytime
10-7pm

WEEK 2 - What's On

Wednesday 22nd Sept

- 10am-2pm** - Toy Swap, Under 5's Clothes Swap and Upcycling event with Little Village (Bring Toys or Clothes to Swap)
- 1pm** - Social Justice Walks - Footsteps of Feminism in Somers Town
- 1.30pm** - Social Justice Walks - Black Radicals in Somers Town
- 3pm-4pm** - Yoga with Sandra Chuang Outside (Some mats provided, please bring own if possible)
- 4.30pm-5.30pm** - Storytelling with Salina
- 5.30pm-6.30pm** - Somers Town History Workshop
Public Meeting

ALL FREE!

Thursday 23rd Sept

- 10am-11am** - Storytelling with Salina - under 4's
- 10am-5pm** - Smoothie Bike from Our Little Market and free veg bags from Vegbox.org.uk
- 11am-3pm** - The ZEN bus, yoga and other activities
- 12 noon** - Launch of Little Green Book Shelf
- 1pm-3pm** - Come and find out how to save money, save energy and stay warm with Power Up North London and Green Doctors
- After School** - Children's Bengali Cooking Activity
- 6pm-7pm** - Making Food Waste a Thing of the Past with Refugee Community Kitchen, Free Supper

Friday 24th Sept

- 11am-12.30pm** - We Make Camden Toolkit drop in, come and learn how to access funding for your ideas and community projects
- 1pm-4pm** - Reuse & Recycling Drop In
- 2pm-2.30pm** - Using less packaging and preventing food waste with Veolia
- 3pm-5pm** - Plastic Free, Zero Waste Shop from Fair-Well

Saturday 25th Sept

- 10.30am** - Come and Learn How to Make Mandazi Donuts
- 11am-1pm** - How Can we create a low Carbon Camden by 2025?
- 2pm-4pm** - Trainer Upcycling (bring canvas trainers or denim jackets to be painted)
- 2pm-6pm** - Bike Maintenance from Camden Cyclists
- 2pm-8pm** - World of Ossulston with Rienzi

MORE INFO EMAIL THINKANDDOCAMDEN@GMAIL.COM

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**Volunteers
needed.
Can you
help?**

Little Village is a charity at the heart of Somers Town and needs new volunteers.

We operate like a food bank but for baby equipment, clothes and toys. We urgently need volunteers who can help sort and pack donations to get them ready to be gifted on to families.

Volunteering sessions are Monday to Friday 1am-2pm, and Monday and Wednesday evenings 7pm-9.30pm, at STCA, Ossulston Street.

We are also pleased to be able to offer a creche for the children (0-5) of volunteers at our Friday sessions.

We have a really friendly team who look forward to welcoming you!

If you have time to commit please fill in the form at <http://bit.ly/LittleVillageVolunteer> or scan the QR code.

Little Village, a gift from one family to another.

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Registered charity
number: 11697 35



LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

All 16 and 17 year olds and some eligible 12 to 15 year olds can get vaccinated

If you're 16 or 17, please get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible – particularly if you have an underlying health condition that puts you at higher risk. There are 3 ways that 16 and 17 year olds can get vaccinated:

- 1 Turn up at a local COVID-19 vaccine walk-in centre or Camden's COVID-19 vaccine bus (find out when it's near you at camden.gov.uk/getting-the-vaccine)
- 2 Wait to hear from your GP
- 3 If you're going to be 18 in the next 3 months, book an appointment by calling **119** or visiting nhs.uk/coronavirusvaccine

Children aged 12 to 15 who have, or live with those who have, specific underlying health conditions that puts them at higher risk of getting seriously ill from the virus are now eligible for the vaccine. Find out more at nhs.uk/coronavirusvaccine or speak to your GP. To learn more about the vaccine before choosing whether to have it, visit nhs.uk/coronavirusvaccine or camden.gov.uk/covid19vaccine

Where to get your COVID-19 vaccine in Camden

Our Covid-19 community vaccination bus will be offering free Pfizer vaccinations (first and second dose) in the following locations this week:

- **West Hampstead, Iverson Road, NW6 2RB** (outside Thameslink Station)
Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 September 3pm-7pm
- **Brunswick Square, WC1N 1AX** Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 September 3pm-7pm
- **Kilburn Grange Park, Palmerston Road, NW6 2DG** Friday 17 September 3pm-7pm
and Saturday 18 September 10am-2pm

This is a free vaccination service for anyone 16+ who needs their first dose or anyone 18+ who needs their second dose of the Pfizer vaccine. Walk-in appointments are available at all these stops or if you'd prefer to book an appointment in advance call the Council, Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm on **020 7974 4444 (option 9)**. To find out more visit camden.gov.uk/getting-the-vaccine

Walk-in vaccinations clinics are also open at:

- **Bidborough House, 38-50 Bidborough Street, WC1H 9BT** Saturday 11 September 9am-5.30pm
- **Essentials Pharmacy, 169 Drury Lane, WC2B 5QA** Monday to Friday 9.30am-1pm, 2pm-5.30pm
- **Macey Chemist, 68 Mansfield Road, NW3 2HU** Monday to Friday 9am-5.15pm, Saturdays, 9am-3pm
- **JP Pharmacy, 139 Camden High Street, NW1 7JR** Monday to Friday 9am-7pm,
Saturday 9am-7pm, Sunday 10am-6pm

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