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CITY APPROVES 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT

Following approval by the Planning and Transportation Committee, the Court of Common Council recently approved a plan to reduce the speed limit to 20mph in the City. We welcome this plan which is part of the City's Road Danger Reduction Plan and aimed in particular at reducing the number of pedestrian and cycle casualties. There has been a substantial increase in cycling casualties in recent years, as cycling has become more popular, including tragically a number of deaths. The limit will apply to all City streets, with discussions continuing with Transport for London on introducing the limit on streets for which they are responsible (eg Upper and Lower Thames Street). Including TfL run streets would be consistent with the Mayor's vision for London's streets.

The plan is supported by the Mayor of London, TfL and the City of London Police. All neighbouring boroughs with the exception of Westminster have introduced a 20mph limit. A 20mph limit has been shown to reduce both the number and severity of collisions. The next stage is for the City to issue a public notice on its intention to issue an order prohibiting motor vehicles from travelling at more than 20mph. Objections would then be considered by the Planning and Transportation Committee. The impact on journey times of the 20mph limit is expected to be minimal, adding less than a minute to journey times across the City.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT ST PAUL'S

We have reported previously (Issue 33) about the possibility of installing a signalled pedestrian crossing at the junction of Ludgate Hill and Ave Maria Lane. This has been found not to be practicable. The City is now seeking funding from TfL for a 12 month trial of a signalled crossing at the same location as the existing crossing.

HOLBORN CIRCUS UPDATE

Construction started in July this year of traffic safety improvements and is progressing according to plan with about 40% of the work completed to date. Full completion is anticipated by March 2014. The Prince Albert statue is being restored off site and will be returned to a new location in the median on Holborn in the New Year. St Andrew Street has been realigned to join New Fetter Lane, and the new public square is currently being constructed. The footway renewal has also been completed on St Andrew Street and on Holborn Viaduct. **To sign up to receive the regular Holborn Circus e-bulletins please email holborncircus@cityoflondon.gov.uk.**



Before



After

LICENSING UPDATE FOR CITY OF LONDON – PROMOTED EVENTS

City of London Police recently confirmed that the Novus Leisure Group which manages a large number of bars and clubs in the City has decided to no longer allow promoted events to be held on their premises. Two of their venues are located in Castle Baynard Ward - Kanaloa and The Last.

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SUITED AND BOOTED – CHARITY WORK

From its base in Castle Baynard Ward, “Suited and Booted” helps vulnerable men - long-term unemployed and ex-prisoners etc - to get jobs. It needs support to give them suitable (donated) interview clothing, training, and mentoring. Even if they do not get the job, the services Suited and Booted provides can change their lives and get them back into mainstream society. It has now been shortlisted for a Lloyds Community Fund Award. **Please support them by texting VOTE LQTD to 61119. Voting closes on Friday 1 November.**

To donate clothes please email suitedbootedcentre@gmail.com for more details.

WATCH THAT BAG!

At a recent City of London Police liaison meeting we were reminded that although general crime in the City is low, thefts of unattended items – bags, PCs, phones – are all too common from our bars and licensed premises. Please take care of your possessions if enjoying some of the great pubs and bars in the City.

TWO WAY CYCLING CONSULTATION

Following the successful implementation of two-way cycling on a number of City roads the City is consulting on extending this, as part of its Road Danger Reduction Plan. Roads include, for example, Pilgrim Street, just to the south of Ludgate Hill. **Further information will be available on our website www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/cycling from Tuesday 8th October 2013 and the consultation will run until Friday 1 November 2013.**

ONE STOP CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!

BRITISH RED CROSS CHRISTMAS MARKET – 18 AND 19 NOVEMBER

Start your Christmas shopping in style at the City’s Guildhall which will host the British Red Cross Christmas Market on Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 November. Over 100 specially selected stalls will offer a selection of items ranging from food, vintage fashion, live entertainment and celebrity book signings, and more. For further information, please see www.redcross.org.uk/market

The Castle Baynard Ward Club will be running a bottle stall at the market which Ward members are supporting. The stall needs bottles of wine and spirits to include in a tombola so if any resident wishes to contribute please contact Catherine McGuinness on Catherine.mcguinness@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

BRIDEWELL THEATRE – AUTUMN / WINTER PROGRAMME

The programme at the Bridewell Theatre features the following shows for the next few months. For ticket purchases, please go online www.stbridefoundation.org/bridewelltheatre or telephone 020 7353 3331 for information on how to book.

Evening Programme

- ▶ Daisy Pulls It Off (Spread Eagle Players): 16 – 19 October
- ▶ Lawrence – the Musical based on the life of DH Lawrence (Jefferson Performing Arts (USA)): 22 – 26 October
- ▶ Macbeth (SEDOS): 29 October – 2 November
- ▶ High Society (Centre Stage London): 5 – 9 November
- ▶ The Winterling (Tower Theatre Company): 19 – 23 November
- ▶ Hot Mikado (SEDOS): 27 November – 7 December
- ▶ The Pride (Tower Theatre Company): 10 – 14 December
- ▶ Goodnight Mr Tom (Tower Theatre Company): 17 – 21 December