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www.castle-baynard.org.uk

LOOKING OUT FOR ROUGH SLEEPERS IN THE WARD

Rough sleeping is the most acute and visible form of homelessness, and an issue that remains a challenge for the City of London. Those who find themselves homeless on the streets are intensely vulnerable to crime, drugs and alcohol and at high risk of physical and mental illness, and premature death. Many people will come to the streets with complex personal issues, and some are resistant to, and refuse, the support that is available to them. The number of rough sleepers has increased in the City as well as London as a whole. Some figures; over the course of 2015/16; outreach teams recorded a total of 440 people sleeping rough in the City alone, the highest proportion of which were new to the streets, followed by the longer term rough sleepers who had been seen both in the reported year and in the year before.

As we know, the number of rough sleepers in the ward itself has also risen and, as promised, your elected members are working closely with the police, social services and local charities to reduce those numbers. A Rough Sleeping Strategy Group has been set up by the City to ensure the overall delivery and responsiveness of the various commitments around this issue, bringing together key internal and external partners including adult Social Care, the City's outreach provider, the City of London Police, local clergy and health partners.

A reminder of how to report rough sleepers: please contact Streetlink on 0300 500 0914 or via www.streetlink.org.uk giving the person's location; for example the road name and building number, and their sleeping bag or hair colour, if easily visible. If a person needs urgent medical assistance, always call 999. It is important to remember that it can take a long time before the right assistance, measures and way forward, have been agreed for each individual case. Please feel free to contact us directly, should you have any queries: henrika.priest@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

REMINDER: CITY-WIDE RESIDENTS' MEETINGS

The next City-wide residents' meetings will be held on Monday 8 May at Guildhall, entrance via Guildhall Art Gallery, at two slots: 12.30 – 2.30 pm, and 6.30 – 8.30 pm. Refreshments are available in the first half hour of each meeting. This is your chance to ask questions to elected members and senior officers from the City Corporation and City of London Police. Please email residents@cityoflondon.gov.uk to reserve your space or telephone 0207 332 3176.

SHORT-TERM LETTING

The problems caused by short-term letting of flats in the City are becoming increasingly numerous. We are pleased to report that following pressure from Ward members, that information is now available on the City website which clarifies the legal position on this practice and provides guidance and support to help residents if neighbouring properties are being used for short-term letting in breach of current legislation. To find out more enter 'Short-term letting' on the City of London website.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION SURVEY

We would like to thank all of the residents, workers and others who took the trouble to complete the survey on traffic congestion in the City. We have published the results on our website and shared the results of the survey with the City's Highway officers. The officers have told us that they would find it very useful to meet with some of you, to discuss your views in more detail. If you would be interested in attending an early evening discussion meeting in the near future either at Guildhall or at a location in the ward, please let us know. We would also welcome any further feedback on this complex issue – so please don't hesitate to email us at: enquiries@castle-baynard.org.uk

DRAFT CODE OF PRACTICE FOR DECONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION SITES

The City of London is seeking views from all stakeholders on the refreshed and updated Code of Construction Practice. It sets out the approach to ensure the use of the best environmental options in planning and managing construction and deconstruction (demolition) in the City of London. The code is particularly relevant where office development takes place near residential properties.

See: <https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/business/environmental-health/environmental-protection/Pages/Noise-strategy-and-policy.aspx>

Send consultation responses to publicprotection@cityoflondon.gov.uk by Monday 19 June 2017.



Castle Baynard Resident

April 2017

Your voice on
Common Council:



Ian Luder - Alderman



Chris Boden



Emma Edhem



Michael Hudson



Angus Knowles-Cutler



Catherine McGuinness



Graham Packham



Henrika Priest



Jeremy Simons

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CITY ELECTIONS

The members listed on this page have been elected as your ward representatives at the recent City elections. We thank all of you who voted for your support, and we look forward to serving the ward and encourage you to contact us with any issues. Our contact details can be found on our website at <http://castle-baynard.org.uk/>

NIGEL CHALLIS

Long serving Common Councilman Nigel Challis has stood down at the elections.

Nigel was based in the ward for many years as a Partner with KPMG, was appointed Ward Clerk in 1996, was the Ward Club Treasurer from 1998 to 2001, was a trustee and treasurer of the Castle Baynard Educational Foundation and was elected to the Court of Common Council in 2005.

Since being elected Nigel has served with distinction on numerous City committees including: Finance, Markets, Port Health & Environmental Services, Audit Risk Management, Establishment, Standards, Children & Community Services, the Education Board, Benefices and the Health & Wellbeing Board.

In addition, Nigel is a trustee of the Alderman Samuel Wilson Fund and has represented the City on the Thames Estuary Partnership, was chairman of the Audit Committee for the City Academy Hackney and served on the City of London School for Girls Bursary sub-committee.

Nigel's contributions will be greatly missed and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Nigel for his dedication and extend to him and his wife Denise our best wishes for the future.

ANGUS KNOWLES-CUTLER

Following the election in March we are delighted to welcome Angus to the Ward team.

Since 1987 Angus has spent most of his working life in the ward. Angus is currently Deloitte LLP's London Office Managing Partner and U.K. Vice Chairman. The Mayor of London recently appointed Angus as a business board member of the London Enterprise Panel and he also serves as a Commissioner on the London Skills Commission. Angus has previously been a member of the advisory group for the City of London's enquiry into youth employment. As part of Deloitte's Teach First programme, Angus personally mentors students at a school in Kings Cross.

COFFEE CUPS

Did you know that the UK bins 7 million cups a day which is 5,000 each minute and 2.5 billion each year! This April, the Square Mile Challenge is calling on everyone in the City of London to collect and recycle half a million coffee cups in a month, and 5 million by the end of the year. Working with Hubbub, an environmental charity, and Simply Cups, a specialist recycling company, the City is challenging workers, residents, visitors and businesses in the City to recycle one million coffee cups during April.

There will be more than 100 recycling points in the City, with coffee cup-shaped bins on the streets and the yellow coffee cup icon in the window of coffee shops where you can recycle any cup, irrespective of the brand. Ludgate Circus and Festival Gardens, St Paul's are two locations in the ward where you'll find the yellow cup. Join the discussion online with the hashtag **#SquareMileChallenge** to help hit the target of half a million cups collected and recycled in April. Read more:

<https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/squaremilechallenge>

COMING SOON AT DR JOHNSON'S HOUSE

Mania and Health in the Eighteenth Century: Join author Catherine Curzon to explore attitudes to mental health in the eighteenth century through her discussion of the philosophies that started to develop, Dr Johnson's own struggles, including his self-diagnosed 'hypochondria', and the infamous madness of King George III. Wednesday 19 April at 7pm (doors open 6.30pm). Tickets are £10 (including a complimentary glass of wine) from the House or their web site.

