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NEW MIXED SCHEME DEVELOPMENT IN THE WARD - MEETING WITH PLANNERS - MONDAY 4 AUGUST

A site in the ward, encompassing buildings situated on 150 - 151 Fleet Street, 2 - 3 Hind Court, 1 - 3 & 3A Bolt Court and 11 Gough Square, is up for re-development. The plans are to replace the current office buildings with a mixed-use scheme that would expand a retail unit on Fleet Street, provide new offices and some residential units, and also create a new public space.

We have arranged a meeting with the developers, on **Monday 4 August at 6.00 pm at Guildhall, Gresham Street, EC2** at which you will have an opportunity to hear about the plans and to ask questions. We hope you can join us and would be grateful if you could let us know by email, henrika.priest@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

SUNDAY 20 JULY - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SQUARE MILE'S 20 MPH LIMIT

The plan to reduce the speed limit to 20 mph in The City was approved last year by the Court of Common Council, and will be implemented as of Sunday 20 July. The new limit is part of the City of London Corporation's "Road Danger Reduction Plan" to reduce casualties. Alongside this new speed limit there are other ongoing danger reduction measures for all street users, for example contra-flow cycling, new pedestrian "count downs" and traffic light timings, enforcement and junction redesigns — Bank junction being one of them.

The 20 mph limit will cover all of The City, except for Upper and Lower Thames Streets, the lanes and alleys between this red route and the River Thames, and Mansell Street, Goodman's Yard and Minories. For now, Transport for London will experiment with a 20 mph speed limit on two routes through the City where TfL is the local traffic authority, from Farringdon Street to Blackfriars Bridge and from Norton Folgate to London Bridge. The new speed limit will be enforced by City of London police starting on Sunday 20 July using speed cameras. For more information, please go to www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/20mph.

BROADBAND IN THE CITY – UPDATE

In our last newsletter we told you about the resolution passed at our last Ward Mote deploring the lack of superfast broadband for residents and small businesses in the City. Ward members continue to press the City Corporation to take action on this. We have been assured that it is being taken very seriously and that the City Corporation is in contact with BT and other providers at a senior level to try to find a solution. The City has launched a short survey for small and medium sized enterprises to help gather evidence on the scale of the problem.

If you are involved with an SME, you can find the survey on <u>www.surveymonkey.com/s/smesbb</u>. If you are a resident with problems please let us know and we will pass this on.

INDIVIDUAL VOTER REGISTRATION

Remember that the way in which you register for a vote in national and European elections has now changed. Individuals will now be responsible for their own registration rather than relying on one member of a household completing the form. This will not however apply to the City's Ward Lists, which will continue to be complied in the traditional way.

For more information see "Residential Registration" on the City's website, www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

NEW PUBLIC SPACE – JOHN CARPENTER STREET



A new public space has been completed on John Carpenter Street between the old City of London School and Sion Hall. The new space which took six months work to complete was formally opened on Thursday 10 July. As well as attractive paving, planting and seating, the space also contains a notable bronze statue called 'Taxi' from the JP Morgan Chase Art Collection which was cast in 1983 by J. Seward Johnson Jr., an American sculptor. This statue was formerly sited on Park Avenue and 47th Street New York before being moved to London this year.

The space has been generously funded by JP Morgan and provides an attractive new amenity for City workers, visitors and Ward residents.

Check out our website for other news of the ward and further details on newsletter topics!

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THE CITY LIFE COMMUNITY FAIR 2014 - SUNDAY 20 JULY AT GUILDHALL YARD, EC2

All City residents are invited to join us for **The City Life Community Fair** in the historic Guildhall Yard on Sunday 20 July for a day of fun and entertainment - the City's very own summer village fete! There will be a festival stage featuring music, dance and some very special guests, food and drink stalls, a licensed bar, and activities for all ages (a kids zone with tea cup ride, balloon modeller & entertainer, bouncy castle & face painting). A bustling community market area with arts, crafts, games and activity stalls run by local charities and community groups. **This event is free to attend and timings are 12.00 noon till 4.00 pm. Please see** www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/communityfair for more details.

TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

Some of you may be familiar with the work of this forum as an update was given of its current project, **City Vision 2050**, at the recent Residents' Meeting at Guildhall in June. The forum itself brings together key service providers, community representatives, user groups and other agencies to discuss the transport, sustainability and environmental challenges in The City. It focuses on a number of objectives: to reduce The City's impact on climate change to improve the way we adapt to it, to continue to minimise noise, land and water pollution and improve air quality, to advance sustainable procurement and consumption, to encourage sustainable forms of transport, to ensure high standards of energy and resource efficiency in the design and the implementation of the built environment and to encourage reduced carbon emissions across all sectors. It is a multi-stakeholder group with about 180 members, serving the interests of both businesses and residents.

The City Vision 2050 programme itself identifies the key social, environmental and infrastructure challenges facing the City of London up to 2050 and looks at partnership and funding opportunities that maximise the City's resilience in responding to these challenges. Check out the blog spot for more information http://cityvision2050.blogspot.co.uk/.

The next Transport and Sustainability Forum meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 November 2014. If you wish to attend, please email your interest to transportandsustainability@cityoflondon.gov.uk directly a week in advance. You can also use the same email address if you wish to receive more information or go to www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

COMING SOON AT DR JOHNSON'S HOUSE - FRIDAY 25 JULY AT 6.30 PM

Dr Johnson's Georgian Jamboree with Historic Punch: an evening of 18th Century Junketing! This event is in aid of Dr Johnson's House and features guest speakers Dr Jonathan Foyle, the acclaimed TV architecture historian; and the estimable Antiques Roadshow expert Lars Tharp; with bawdy Georgian ditties supplied by peerless musician David Owen Norris. Plus: silent charity auction, charity raffle, and lashings of fortifying punch, laced with the most excellent Hendrick's Gin! For tickets, please go to the following website: http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/historic-punch-georgian-jamboree-tickets-11964747883

BRIDEWELL THEATRE – SUMMER PROGRAMME

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

Lunchbox Theatre

All lunchbox theatre performances take place on Tuesdays to Fridays, start at 1.00 pm prompt and are about 45 minutes long. You are more than welcome to bring a packed lunch! Don't forget that you can get tickets until 11.00 am on the day of the performance at £1.00 advance booking discount. On the door you can buy tickets at full price from 12.00 noon at the theatre box office:

- The Misfits Return (Interrupt the Routine): until 25 July
- ► The MTA Acting Showcase: 11 September
- The MTA Musical Theatre Showcase: 12 September (For these tickets email: Showcase@theMTA.co.uk or call 020 8882 8181)

Evening Programme

- ► Chalet Lines (Tower Theatre Company): 22 26 July
- ► Children of the Great War (Age Exchange Theatre): 1 2 August
- ▶ Just the Ticket (MTA): 10 13 September