

what's on

Masterplan consultation roadshow

See inside for details.

Construction jobs and training advice sessions

10.30am every Wednesday until September 26

Keir Hardie Methodist Church, Fife Road

Contact Colin Dodd on 020 7055 3570

Walking groups

Keir Hardie walking group

Every Wednesday, 1pm
Keir Hardie Methodist Church
Fife Road

Custom House walking group

Every Friday, 10.30am
Ascension Church, Baxter Road

Contact Bob Bicheno
07950 186137

Area Tenant Liaison Committee

Thursday September 13

6.30pm to 9pm
Trinity Centre, Bothwell Close

Free dance classes for the over 60s

Every Wednesday 11.30am to 12.30pm

Keir Hardie Methodist Church, Fife Road



Neighbourhood Group Meetings

Canning Town Centre
Tuesday July 17, 6.30pm
River Christian Centre,
Vincent Street

Freemasons Road
Tuesday July 24, 6.30pm
Canning Town and Custom
House Regeneration Project
Office, 20 Freemasons Road

FREE Football Coaching

If you're aged eight to 18,
simply turn up and join in.
Sessions are from 5pm to 7pm.

Every Wednesday
Canning Town Rec. Ground,
Freemasons Road

Every Thursday
Scud Park ball cage,
Tant Avenue

Every Friday
Fords Park ball cage,
Fords Park Road

Contact Sham on 020 8556 5973

Pinnacle estate walkabouts and inspections

Every Friday, 2pm – Nelson Street Studios, Nelson Street

Free Canning Town and Custom House summer fun day

Human table football, horse
and cart ride and more

Saturday 21 July, 12 noon to 6pm
Keir Hardie Park

See inside for more details

TRADITIONAL FAIR

Friday August 31, 11am to 4pm
Rathbone Market, Barking Road

Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration drop-in sessions

Every Thursday, 10am to 4pm
Canning Town and Custom House
Regeneration Project,
20 Freemasons Road

SUMMER MARKETS

Saturday July 28

Saturday August 11

Saturday August 25

Rathbone Market, Barking Road

Summer Activities for under 5s

Organised by Early Start
Royal Victoria Dock

See inside for more details

E16 NEWS



Welcome to the latest edition of the E16 News.

It's going to be a busy summer for the project despite all the bad weather. We will be asking your views on a number of the big schemes being planned. We've been working on a refresh of the masterplan for the area and are keen to hear what you have to say about the ideas coming forward. See inside for more details about the consultation exhibition and roadshow.

English Cities Fund (ECf), the developers for Rathbone Market, will be continuing to work with local residents and traders about the plans to improve the shopping centre. Young people from the youth forum are involved too and are already planning their research into other markets.

The council wants to help boost the market and shop trade in Rathbone while the long term development takes place. This summer we are supporting a series of bigger and better special Saturday markets in July and August, similar to the popular Good Friday market. There will also be a traditional Victorian style fair on Friday August 31, which should be good fun.

Finally, please do come to the summer fun day at Keir Hardie Park on Saturday 21 July. See inside for more details.

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Ferrier Point

refurbishment gets go-ahead



As Newham's tallest tower block, Ferrier Point has always made an impression but major improvements will ensure it really stands out from the crowd.

Residents have been coming to the drop-in sessions to find out more about the improvements to the block.

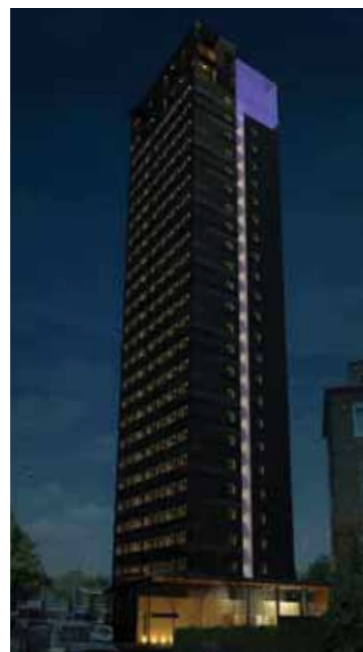
As planning permission has recently been granted, tenants will soon be choosing their new kitchens and bathrooms and looking forward to a number of other improvements such as new windows and front doors.

The works will ensure that all 115 flats are brought up to at least the Decent Homes standard.

Improvements will also mean that Ferrier Point is just as smart on the outside and the inside. New cladding will dramatically improve the appearance of the building and special panels will capture solar energy and transform it into electricity that can be used in the building.

The proposals also involve demolishing the existing garages to make more room for parking, there will be a new single storey entrance to the building and improved landscaping. Works to the block should begin in about a year's time, but people are already getting involved. A group of residents has volunteered to work with the architects, ECD, during the summer on the designs for the building. Look out for more information in a future edition of E16 News.

For further information, contact Philippa Cartwright on 020 8430 5123 or email: philippa.cartwright@newham.gov.uk or Keith Smith on 020 8430 3781, email: keith.smith@newham.gov.uk.



New climbing frame gets children on a high

Children at Oasis Nursery School in Burke Street were ecstatic when their new climbing frame was unveiled.



Head teacher Ann Buckingham organised a mammoth fundraising effort to replace the wooden frame, which was condemned for safety reasons.

Tate & Lyle made a significant donation towards the new frame. Community relations officer Ken Wilson said: "The Oasis Nursery has such a fantastic reputation not only in the community but also with Ofsted. Tate & Lyle has been committed to promoting health and wellbeing in the community for a long time and when approached for a donation we were delighted to be able to help."

Other sponsors included local businesses and traders from Rathbone Market, London Power Washers, the Newham Christian Fellowship Snack Bar Association and Community Governor Sally Craig, who raised funds by taking part in the Great North Run. The children themselves raised money when they took part in a five lap fun run around a nearby football pitch.

A fun day was held to celebrate the launch of the new climbing frame, with a bouncy castle, face painting, football activities, disco and tombola.

Ann said: "This has been a fantastic day. The children love the frame and have been like bees around a honey pot since they were able to use it."

"Having a new climbing frame for the children was very important. We place a high priority on providing opportunities for our children to take part in physical exercise every day because we know that this will help them to become happy and healthy and all the more ready for learning."

"We are very grateful to everyone that has helped with our appeal. Without them this would not have been possible."

Young people find out about regeneration

Students from Royal Docks Community School took part in a questions and answers session about the regeneration project.

The Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Project team visited the school in Prince Regent Lane and took a model of the regeneration area, which they used to explain future plans for the area.

Councillor Conor McAuley, chair of the Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Project Partnership Board and



a governor at the school, said: "It's very important that young people get involved with the regeneration."

"The session at the school provided a great opportunity to explain in detail what is happening as part of the overall improvements to Canning Town and Custom House as well as find out what young people want to see in the area."

Student representatives from Royal Docks School have previously been on a walkabout with the regeneration team to identify issues in the neighbourhood. A meeting is planned for the police and the

council to report back on action from the walkabout.

Any children and young people interested in getting involved in regeneration activities can contact Richard Sharp on 8430 3261 or email: richardjohn.sharp@newham.gov.uk



New development gets under way



Construction work is due to start at St Luke's Square, a new development in Shirley Street, near Keir Hardie Park and St Luke's primary school.

The development is expected to be completed in late 2009 and will offer a mix of attractive one and two bedroom homes.

Some of the homes will be available to residents who are being re-housed through the regeneration.

Shared ownership homes will be managed by Sutherland Housing Association (part of the Genesis Group). They can be contacted on 020 8510 4000.

The work is being undertaken by developers Mizen Properties Limited and Galliard Homes Limited.

Anyone interested in finding out more about St Luke's Square can visit the drop-in session held every Thursday from 10am to 4pm at the Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Project office at 20 Freemasons Road.

To discuss your re-housing needs, contact Cecile Duerinkx on 020 8430 4605 or email: cecile.duerinkx@newham.gov.uk

To find out about plans for the new development and any issues relating to the works, contact Shona Pollock on 020 8430 4564 or email shona.pollock@newham.gov.uk.

GET SET FOR SUMMER



Get a team together for a human table football match

Take a ride on Blaze the shire horse and cart

Get active with a 3km walk and get a health MOT

Don't miss

12pm Five-a-side football tournament for 6 to 11-year-olds
1pm to 3pm 3km walk (register from 12pm)
2pm Penalty shootout competition for 12 to 16-year-olds

Plus

Climbing wall
Trampolines
Bouncy castle
Face painting

Craft workshop
Henna tattoos
Indian head massage
Body and nail art

Music by Eone6
Dance performances by
Drama Setters

Keir Hardie Park, Canning Town, Saturday 21 July, 12pm to 6pm

Keir Hardie Park is located at Appleby Road, Tarling Road and Radland Road.

Sponsored by Newham Council's Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Project, Regenter-LCEP, Reed in Partnership, Newham 2012, Newham City Farm, Early Start Royal Victoria Dock, Canning Town South Safer Neighbourhoods Team

Summer sports in the park

There are plenty of sports activities to take part in during the summer.

Sessions are free and take place at Canning Town Recreation Ground in Freemasons Road.

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4pm to 6pm, there will be girls' football and from 6pm to 8pm there will be twilight football sessions for 16 to 21 year olds.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3.30pm, there will be football, athletics, cricket, handball and basketball with a mini competition every Thursday.

For more information contact Abul Hussain on 020 8430 2484, email abul.hussain@newham.gov.uk or visit www.newham.gov.uk/sports

Pick up a cool bargain at Rathbone Market

Anyone who has visited the annual Good Friday market will love the new summer markets.

The special Saturday markets will take place on:

- July 28
- August 11
- August 25



Visitors will be spoilt for choice with the array of goods to buy, from clothes and household goods to fruit and veg.

On Friday August 31 from 11am to 4pm, come to the market and enjoy some good old fashioned fun. There will be traditional Victorian style fairground stalls such as hoop-la and hook-a-duck.

Rathbone Market is located on Barking Road and can be reached from Canning Town station. Short stay parking is available behind the market in Mona Street.

Summer activities for under fives

If you're stuck for ideas on keeping your children occupied during the summer, then join in with the free activities organised by Early Start Royal Victoria Dock.

Story time and rhyme

Tuesday July 24
10.15am to 12.30pm
Custom House Library,
Prince Regent Lane

Little green fingers

Thursday July 26,
August 2, 9, 16
9.30am to 11.30am
Early Start Royal Victoria
Dock, 5-9 Freemasons Road

Storytelling followed by messy play

Monday July 30, August 6
10.30am to 11.30am
Early Start Royal Victoria
Dock, 5-9 Freemasons Road

Trip to Newham City Farm

Tuesday July 31,
Friday August 24
Meet 11am at Early Start
Royal Victoria Dock, 5-9
Freemasons Road

Baby Club with Talking Hands

Wednesday August 1, 8,
15, 22, 29 - 1pm to 3pm
Early Start Royal Victoria
Dock, 5-9 Freemasons Road

Messy play

Monday August 8, 20
10.30am to 11.30am
Early Start Royal Victoria
Dock, 5-9 Freemasons Road

Trip to Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood

Friday August 10
10.30am to 3pm
For children aged 15 months
to four years

Booking is essential

Fun in the park with storytelling

Tuesday August 14
1.30pm to 3.30pm
Cundy Park, Prince Regent
Lane/Victoria Dock Road

To find out more and to book a place on any of the trips, contact Joanna, Shelley or Nicole from the Early Start team on 020 8430 6188.

Do you like a sporting challenge?

Newham's Community Forums will be holding football and athletics competitions for all ages and abilities. Show off your skills on the football pitch, have a go at the 60m, 100m and 200m sprint or 4 x 100m relay.

Winners of the football competitions will play in a final on Saturday September 8.

Register now or just turn up.

Agnes 8 to 11, 12 to 14 and 15 to 17

Monday August 13, 10am-3pm
Canning Town Recreation Ground, Freemasons Road

Over-18s

Tuesday September 4, 6 to 8pm
Canning Town Recreation Ground, Freemasons Road

Football final

September 8, 10am to 3pm
West Ham Park, Upton Lane, Forest Gate

For more information or to register your team contact Abul Hussain on 020 8430 2484, email abul.hussain@newham.gov.uk or visit www.newham.gov.uk/sports



Consultation on masterplan refresh begins

The original masterplan for the area is being refreshed to improve the look and character of the area as well as the routes through it.

There are proposals for new homes, shops, work space and job opportunities as well as parks and public squares, improved schools, leisure facilities and safer and more attractive streets.

You can find out more about the proposals by visiting the mobile public exhibition on the following dates. Members of the project team will be available to answer questions and we are keen to hear your views.

For more information contact Gemma Allen on 020 8430 2408, email: gemma.allen@newham.gov.uk or Keith Smith on 020 8430 3781, or email: keith.smith@newham.gov.uk

Tuesday July 17
10am to 5pm
Rathbone Market
Barking Road

Thursday July 19
11am to 7pm
20 Freemasons Road
Custom House

Saturday July 21
12 noon to 6pm
Keir Hardie Park
Appleby Road,
Tarlton Road
and Radland Road

Thursday July 26
11am to 7pm
20 Freemasons Road
Custom House

Saturday July 28
10am to 5pm
Rathbone Market
Barking Road



Courtesy of Erick van Egeraat Associated Architects BV

Looking for a job or training in the construction industry?

We are working with Elite (East London into Training and Education) in offering free advice to residents on how to get on the ladder to a career in the construction industry.

Sessions are held at 10.30am every Wednesday until September 26 at Keir Hardie Methodist Church, Fife Road.

To book an appointment, call Colin Dodd on 020 7055 3570 or email: colin.dodd@ndfc.co.uk.

Information about this and other jobs and training opportunities is available on Elite's website www.elitendfc.co.uk

Young people talk shop

The Canning Town and Custom House youth forum met to discuss the regeneration of the area.

The young people expressed interest in the planned improvements for Rathbone Market, so developers English Cities Fund (ECf) were invited to make a presentation.

They watched a video featuring shoppers and traders talking about the market and what improvements would make it a better place.

The young people said they are keen to learn more about the redevelopment process and a trip is being planned to look at work that has taken place in Camden, North London.

Their views will feed into the designs for Rathbone Market and Canning Town Centre.

Other actions agreed by the youth forum is for a design group to be set up to look at the design and landscaping for the new multi-use games area that is planned for Keir Hardie Park.

The young people also found out about the resurfacing of the games area and lighting improvements in Fords Park, which are being undertaken as a result of their comments.

Representatives from the South Canning Town Detached Youth Project and St Luke's Youth Club were at the youth forum meeting.



Ben Kingston, 17, (pictured above) came to the meeting. He said: "The youth forum is important because it gives young people an opportunity to put their opinions across about the way they want to live."

John Rowland, 16, said: "I enjoy going to the youth forum because it's good to have my say about what goes on in my area."

To find out how to get involved in the youth forum, contact Richard Sharp on 8430 3261 or email richardjohn.sharp@newham.gov.uk

World Environment Day turns children green

Pupils at St Luke's School celebrated World Environment Day in June by raising awareness of global warming, climate change and taking responsibility for caring for the planet.

The schoolchildren took part in workshops and activities to promote environmental awareness. These included fashion design sessions using recycled materials, producing newspaper reports, writing letters to G8 members, making musical instruments from junk and calculating the air miles generated by cooking a Spanish omelette.

Councillor Pat Sheekey, Newham Council's Deputy Community

Executive Adviser for Environment was among the visitors who were given guided tours through the school's Eco site, which showed what the school is doing to prevent further damage to the planet.

The school achieved Green Flag status after it received a glowing report on its ecology work when it was successfully assessed as an Eco School.

John Middleton, Head of Skills and Economic Development at the London Thames Gateway Development Corporation attended the event. He said: "Congratulations to all at St Luke's. I was really impressed by what they have



Cllr Pat Sheekey joins the pupils at the school's Eco site

achieved and the Green Flag is worthy recognition. I was not only impressed by the green eco facilities, but also by the knowledge and enthusiasm of the members of the Green Team and other pupils as well."

Free Smoke Alarms

The London Fire Brigade in Newham is offering free home fire safety checks to anyone living in the area as well as fitting free smoke alarms for those who don't have them.

To find out more, you can call the London Fire Brigade on freephone 0800 0284428 or contact Sam Clark on 020 8430 5450, email sam.clark@newham.gov.uk.



Smoke alarms may differ from pictured image

Update on neighbourhood groups

The neighbourhood groups are going from strength to strength. The four groups have a total of 190 people attending the meetings and this is expected to increase.

You can come to the meetings to discuss a range of issues about crime and anti-social behaviour as well as street cleansing and the environment.

Although a lot of individual cases are raised at the meetings, there are also many issues that are shared by other people living in the neighbourhood. These wider issues are put into neighbourhood action plans, which are passed to the relevant council departments and police for action.

The issues that residents raise at neighbourhood group meetings do influence the way that Newham Council and the police provide services. For example:

- We are working with the police and youth service providers in looking at ways to address your concerns about anti-social behaviour. This includes four ASBOs that have recently been issued to individuals in the area.
- In response to concerns raised about dog fouling, a new strategy group made up of representatives from the council and the police has been set up to look at how to tackle the problem.
- Many residents told us they were concerned that there is a lack of facilities for young people. We are currently involving young people in the design of a multi-use games area in Keir Hardie Park.

While some of these issues can take longer to resolve, we hope that by receiving regular updates at the neighbourhood group meetings,

you will notice the progress that we are making.

Everybody is welcome to attend these meetings. The Keir Hardie and Fife Road meetings have already taken place but there is still time to go to the Canning Town Centre meeting on Tuesday July 17 at the River Christian Centre, Vincent Street and the Freemasons Road meeting at the Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Project office, 20 Freemasons Road on Tuesday July 24. Meetings start at 6.30pm and light refreshments are provided.

If you need transport or assistance with child care in order to attend the meetings, please contact Sam Clark on 020 8430 5450 or email sam.clark@newham.gov.uk.