# Somers Town Community Newsletter

**LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION** 



Things that I think we can all universally agree that we never want to hear about and or see for a very long time are lockdown, social distancing, face masks, hand sanitisers, arrows showing us which way to walk and certainly not COVID-19.

Yet in reality these new words, additions to our daily lives and their implications are sadly with us to stay for at least the foreseeable future.

As the world collectively united to create a vaccine, raise a voice to **Black Lives Matter**, **Domestic Violence** and **Health Inequalities**, we must also add to that list the **Environment** and **Global Warming**, because if we don't there is no Planet B, so let's make this the moment we said **STOP**, to discrimination, inequalities, domestic violence and turning a blind eye to the planet we call home.

So please join with us on World Earth Day, 22nd April 2021 to commit to making a change.







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#### Introducing the Health and Wellbeing Development Team

The Living Centre now has a team dedicated to promoting the Health and Wellbeing of our local Black, Asian Minority Ethnic Communities (BAME). This team is also very committed to advancing the mission of The Living Centre to reverse the longstanding inequalities in our current health care system.

During the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, our team is focusing on collaborating with the partners of the Living Centre, the community and faith leaders and the scientist from the Francis Crick Institute to bring the best possible advice and support to our local BAME communities.

Tel 020 7380 0453 email wellbeing@thelivingcentre.org

# Activities for over 60s living in Camden

#### WE ARE AGEING BETTER

St Pancras & Somers Town

We Are Ageing Better provides free and low cost activities for anyone over 60 living in Camden. We are also currently providing phone and online groups. To find out more, please call the project coordinator (Jess) on **07919 598 375** or email <code>jess@weareageingbetter.org.uk</code>



## We are open...

Camden Mobile Food Bank Please visit www.urbancommunity projects.org.uk/stay-connected for more details.

Somers Town Youth Programme has moved its programme online. Please contact youth@somerstown.org.uk or follow on Twitter: @ stcayouthclub and Instagram: @stcayouthclub for more details.



A place for the community to come together to share, inform and gain new experiences. Email **joned@ thelivingcentre.org** for more details.

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# **West Euston Partnership**

The British Library and its development partners SMBL Developments Ltd want your input on their plans to adapt and expand their St Pancras site, making it one of the UK's most open, creative and innovative public spaces for the 21st century.

You can read more about their vision and aspirations here: https://blextension.co.uk/ Or if you prefer email info@westeuston.org to discuss and hear more about the project.

WEP has been commissioned to help with the consultation around this exciting project because the British Library wants the local community to benefit from this development, so they want as many people as possible to give their views and say what they want to see.

Don't miss out on helping to shape this project, just click on the link below to fill out their questionnaire: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VX5KRNY

# **Crick Covid Conversations Free online event**

#### Thursday 8th April 2021 at 6pm

This time a chat between Dara Ó Briain (of Mock the Week fame) and our brilliant virus scientist Kate Bishop.

Why are some viruses more deadly than others? Do all viruses attack in the same way? And if you know one virus, do you know them all?

A chance to ask your questions and hear the fascinating stories of the scientists who are making it happen in the face of COVID-19.

You can register here: https://www.crick.ac.uk/whats-on/covid-conversations-going-viral-with-dara-o-briain



For healthy eating tips and advice during Ramadan please contact Mohamoud Hassan 020 7380 0453 mohamoud@thelivingcentre.org

### **GLOBAL GENERATION RECRUITMENT**

#### **Commissions Gardener**

Closing date 14th April 2021

We are looking for an experienced and competent maintenance gardener with a passion for gardening with nature, who will oversee our growing portfolio of commercial gardens. This includes maintaining ornamental planters outside cafes and restaurants as well as other planting in the public realm.

#### Story Garden Manager

Closing date 15th April 2021

We are looking for a Garden Manager to manage the Story Garden. You will be responsible for the growing in the garden through workshops, training and engaging volunteers of all ages; you will support local residents with their greening projects in the local area; and you will continue to develop strong local partnerships with community groups, schools, youth groups, the Council and local businesses.

For further information visit https://www.globalgeneration.org.uk/jobs-and-volunteering

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# World Health Day 2021

# Building a fairer, healthier world

On World Health Day, 7th April 2021, we will be inviting you to join a new campaign to build a fairer, healthier world.

The World Health Organisation is committed to ensuring that everyone, everywhere, can realize the right to good health.

#### Our world is an unequal one

As COVID-19 has highlighted, some people are able to live healthier lives and have better access to health services than others – entirely due to the conditions in which they are born, grow, live, work and age.

All over the world, some groups struggle to make ends meet with little daily income, have poorer housing conditions and education, fewer employment opportunities, experience greater gender inequality, and have little or no access to safe environments, clean water and air, food security and health services. This leads to unnecessary suffering, avoidable illness, and premature death. And it harms our societies and economies.

#### This is not only unfair: it is preventable

We must call on Leaders at local, national and at a global level to ensure that everyone has living and working conditions that are conducive to good health. At the same time we must urge leaders to monitor health inequities, and to ensure that all people are able to access quality health services when and where they need them.

COVID-19 has hit all countries hard, but its impact has been harshest on those communities which were already vulnerable, who are more exposed to the disease, less likely to have access to quality health care services and more likely to experience adverse consequences as a result of measures implemented to contain the pandemic.

Somers Town Community Association, The St Pancras and Somers Town Living Centre, The Somers Town Job Hub, The Community Hub and our partners support this call to our leaders.

#### **HOW TO FIND US**

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