

# BROCKLEY SOCIETY



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**Breakspears Mews Community Garden**  
Annual General Meeting & visitors' day  
*Saturday 1 April, 1-4pm*  
AGM business: 2-2.30pm  
Access: Breakspears Mews, Ashby Road,  
SE4 1UW or r/o St Peter's Court, 29-31  
Wickham Road, SE4 1NE (see page 2)

**Brockley Society Open Meeting**  
*Wednesday 19 April, 7.30pm*

**Growing up in Brockley** (see right)  
Hear a range of speakers, young, old,  
diverse. What was Brockley like in the  
1930s or 1960s? Was it boring in the 1990s?  
Bring your own recollections,  
photos or interesting items.  
Brockley Social Club,  
240 Brockley Road, SE4 2SU

**Historical Mews Walk led by Gillian  
Heywood MBE:**

*Sunday 19 March 11am-12.30pm*  
Meet outside Pistachio's cafe on Hilly  
Fields for a walk through streets in  
Brockley Conservation Area,  
ending at The Talbot Pub,  
2 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4 1QG

**Innovation and Conservation**

*Saturday 10 June, 10am-4pm*  
Prendergast Hilly Fields College  
A free conference on urban design for  
everybody who is interested in  
the buildings where they live

**Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre**

*Saturday 24 June 2017, 12 noon to 5pm*  
Stall application forms will appear on  
[www.brockleysociety.org.uk](http://www.brockleysociety.org.uk) on 1 April

**Brockley Barbecue**

*Friday 7 July 2017, 7pm*  
Stone Circle on Hilly Fields

**Brockley Society Open Meeting**

*Wednesday 12 July, 7.30pm*

**Breakspears Mews Community Garden**

Open Day  
*Saturday 15 July, 1-4pm*

**Coordinated Front Garden Sale**  
*9 - 10 September 2017*



## Festival of Ideas for Change a big success

Brockley Society was delighted to welcome two hundred and fifty people, virtually all from the immediate area, to the Mural Hall at Prendergast Hilly Fields College on November 20 last year.

Sixteen speakers, all also local, presented terrific ideas for change both local and global, divided into four sessions, each with a different theme.  
*See page 2*

## Growing up in Brockley

*Brockley Society Open Meeting*  
*Wednesday 19 April (see left above)*

As new people move into the area it sometimes seems that Brockley is changing. But many people who grew up in Brockley, went to school and played in our streets still live here. We are inviting several people, ranging from a teenager to a 93-year-old, to bring their Brockley recollections. How different was Brockley in the 1930s compared to the 1960s, the 1990s or today?

If you grew up in Brockley, assemble about three minutes' worth of memories from your childhood and bring them to the meeting with any photos or interesting items — and invite your gang of friends too if they're still around.

## Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre

**Saturday 24 June 2017,**

**12 noon to 5pm on Hilly Fields, SE4 1QA**

This will be the Fayre's 43rd year. It is one of the most exciting events in Brockley and is entirely community-run by dozens of volunteers. See details on our website. Early arrangements are proceeding and many of our Team captains are already in place.

**Situations Vacant:**

**Two vital Team Captains**

**Advertising and Sponsors:** First two weeks of May: approach sponsors, advertisers, prize-givers; send ads to programme designer; collect payments and prizes. A short burst, then follow-up collecting ads and payments. A team of two or three people is ideal. One person has already volunteered, but we need a team captain to take charge.

**Programme distribution:** In early June we distribute 8,000, 24-page, colourful FREE programmes as a major way to advertise the fayre and to publicise the competitions, cake stall and other delights. We need a team captain to take charge of organising the volunteers (we'll appeal for them later).

**Email [chair@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:chair@brockleysociety.org.uk) for more information or to volunteer.**

Application forms for stallholders will be available on 1 April on [www.brockleysociety.org.uk](http://www.brockleysociety.org.uk).

## Innovation and Conservation

*- a one-day conference in Brockley*

**Saturday 10 June 2017, 10am-4pm Prendergast Hilly Fields College, SE4 1LE**

Brockley Conservation Area was designated in 1974 under the Civic Amenities Act 1967 which first made provision for Conservation Areas.

We are proud to celebrate the Act's 50th anniversary with a one-day conference entitled Innovation and Conservation.

The event will be free, aimed at local residents, hoping to increase awareness and understanding of how to protect and enhance conservation areas through good

design: both protecting what we have and creating innovative solutions, where opportunities arise.

The conference will discuss the relevance of conservation areas today and show exemplar schemes; look at feasibility and design potential and discuss how to make them happen; and look at the legacy of conservation.

See further details and booking arrangements on our website [www.brockleysociety.org.uk](http://www.brockleysociety.org.uk)

**Brockley Open Studios**  
25th Anniversary,  
1-3 July 2017

**BROCKLEY  
OPEN  
STUDIOS**

Back in 1992, when The Whitechapel Gallery extended the boundaries of its annual East London Open Studios event, a number of resident artists in Brockley decided to take part. Following the event's success, our local artists carried on this tradition independently. This annual event thus became known as the Brockley Open Studios ever since.

Open to any artist living in the catchment area, this yearly event, which normally takes place during the first weekend of July, sees about 30 to 40 artists share their unique works of art to the general public who not only find out about them but also have the opportunity to purchase these works of art.

More than supporting local artists and satisfying the curiosity of the visitors and residents of Brockley, the Brockley Open Studios rekindles the sense of neighbourliness, renews the ties of community, and celebrates the beauty of art in all her varied forms.

This summer, the Brockley Open Studios will launch the event with their group show at St Peter's Church on Thursday 29th June from 6 to 8 pm

*Artists Open Studios on*

**Saturday 1st July from 2 to 8 pm**

**Sunday 2nd July from 2 to 8 pm**

**Monday 3rd July from 5 to 8 pm**

**www.brockleyopenstudios.co.uk**

## Festival of Ideas for Change



**The panel on Participation and Democracy: 1 to 6 r: Camilla Berens, Michael O'Keefe, Sean Coughlan, Oliver Lewis (Chair), Swetam Gungah and Ivo Mosley.**

A festival in November to air a range of ideas — this was the first time such an event had been held in Brockley.

Panelists spoke in turn, followed by questions from the floor and a brief open discussion in a spirit of intelligent and civilised engagement. Subjects covered were varied and occasionally demanding; they included inequality, global warming, war, drugs, poverty, the growing crisis in democracy, and the millions of people across the world fleeing destitution.

**You can explore audio recordings of all the speeches at [www.brockleysociety.org.uk/brockley-festival-of-ideas/](http://www.brockleysociety.org.uk/brockley-festival-of-ideas/)**

Feedback at the event and since has made clear there is real local enthusiasm for engagement with these serious themes. All those who sent comments were invited to a meeting about taking forward the Festival discussions. The enthusiastic gathering discussed a number of proposals, including



**Desmond Clarke (left) spoke about young people**

researching volunteering opportunities in local projects, the possibility of organising smaller, targeted events such as 'Hackathons' or open Mike events, or another festival in November 2017.

Four new volunteers agreed to join our organising committee and will meet to plan how to bring about some of these proposals.

## Breakspears Mews Community Garden

**Annual General Meeting & visitors' day**  
*Saturday 1 April, 1-4pm (AGM: 2-2.30pm)*

This is a chance to wander round our lovely community garden, see what's growing, chat with the volunteers and enjoy a cup of tea and a slice of cake in peaceful surroundings — and take part in the AGM to elect the committee or enlist as a volunteer.

Access: Breakspears Mews, Ashby Road, SE4 1UW or r/o St Peter's Court, 29-31 Wickham Road, SE4 1NE

### Seniors' gardening club

Learn about growing vegetables and flowers from seed to plate. Eight free sessions, 10am - 12.30pm will start on 20th April.

If you're interested please contact [breakspearsmews@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:breakspearsmews@brockleysociety.org.uk) or ring 07790 642 781.

## Farmers' Market

by the Café

**Saturday 10-3 PM**

**'the second Saturday every month..'**

Friends of Hilly Fields  
[www.hilly.org.uk](http://www.hilly.org.uk)

BROCKLEY SOCIETY

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Planners, architects and others with conservation knowledge or interest are welcome to join our planning and conservation group. See planning email above.

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**Join our occasional email circulation about**

**Brockley Society and local events:**

**[email\\_chair@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:email_chair@brockleysociety.org.uk)**

*Everyone living in the Brockley Conservation area is automatically a member of the Brockley Society. The Brockley Society welcomes all.*

**Newsletter copy deadlines:**

1 February, 1 May, 1 October

**[Email\\_to\\_news@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:Email_to_news@brockleysociety.org.uk)**

**Advertising rates - back page**

## Street Trees for Living - 2017 update

Brockley Society is thrilled to confirm new funding for street trees in Lewisham. The number of plantings will double due to a grant from the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, as part of his plan to increase London's tree cover by 5%. The grant has been awarded to the partnership between Street Trees for Living (Brockley Society's street tree campaign) and Lewisham Council. It is worth £18,000, and will fund an extra 75 street trees. It is hoped even larger amounts will be available in future years.

Members of the campaign have inspected six low tree-cover wards within the borough to identify those streets which will most benefit from the extra tree plantings. We are extremely grateful to our partners at the council who put the bid together at the end of last year against an extraordinarily tight deadline.

**Street Trees for Living** is the new name for Brockley Society's street tree campaign. We are delighted to report that the total raised since 2012 looks set to be enough to fund 250 street trees - with about half of these already labelled and planted. In the last year alone we raised £18,000. This was from a Brockley Assembly grant, fundraising events and a fantastic 70% from local residents.

All this has allowed us to bid for a similar amount through the scheme offered by the Mayor of London to increase London's tree cover by supporting local communities, businesses and civil society in improvements to neighbourhoods through tree-planting and associated activities.

This activity was part of Brockley Society's new Street Trees for Living programme, run in partnership with Lewisham Council. The creation of the programme is marked by exciting new projects for the year ahead. These include continued efforts to raise

community awareness with the launch of a schools outreach project. The committee would welcome requests from local schools for information talks to students, as well as their participation in the Street Trees for Living logo competition (details to be issued soon).

Street Trees for Living is currently managing several schemes of multiple planting. These will become apparent within Brockley ward in Foxberry Road and Vanguard Street, as well as across the borough. These successes have often been the result of neighbours coming together to develop a planting scheme for their street. If you'd like to discuss the role of tree co-ordinator for your street, or are interested in helping Street Trees for Living in any way, please contact Dom Eliot on [trees@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:trees@brockleysociety.org.uk) or on the Tree Committee's [brockleystreettrees.blogspot.co.uk](http://brockleystreettrees.blogspot.co.uk)

♦During street surveys it became clear there is tremendous opportunity to green our streets further by planting trees within front gardens of both houses and flats. Street Trees for Living is proposing a pilot scheme under which owners and tenants can purchase and plant subsidised trees in their front gardens. Particular emphasis will be on those streets where pavement planting of trees is problematic due to space, parking or subterranean pipes and cables. To this end we are asking for an enthusiastic volunteer to help make this unique idea happen. Please contact Dom at [trees@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:trees@brockleysociety.org.uk) if you are interested.

**Afghanistan & Central Asian Association's International Women's Day Conference:**  
Wednesday 8 March, 1.30-4pm, Rooms 1&2, Civic Suite, Catford Road, SE6 4RU. Afghan refreshments will be served. Book your place on [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/international-womens-day-conference-tickets-31414526695](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/international-womens-day-conference-tickets-31414526695)

## Seniors' MidWinter Warmer

The cold and slightly snowy weather did not deter our attendees at the annual Seniors' Mid-Winter Warmer on 11th February. We were beautifully regaled by the Senior's Choir, led once again by Christine Bond, and there were plentiful refreshments; sandwiches and delicious home made cakes.

Jennifer Owens delivered a very informative talk about Alzheimer's awareness and



shared ideas on how to befriend those in the community who are living with dementia.

The raffle heralded the end of the afternoon; we are most grateful to the local businesses and individuals who donated such a variety of prizes such as chocolates and vouchers. Thanks to Brockley Social Club for hosting this event once again and Mike Baker from Deptford Rotary for putting money behind the bar.



This is always such a warm event and this year in particular we were happy to meet new volunteers who came along to help. If you would like to be part of the tea party next year, as an attendee or a helper, do please contact the Brockley Society.

## Satellite dishes are breeding - let's do a bloodless cull!

Our own Brockley Conservation directive states: 'Satellite dishes are unsightly and not permitted on any parts of a building where visible from a street. Care should be taken to site dishes in the back garden or in an inconspicuous location on the rear of the building.' What has happened?

No, they are not permitted on the front of houses within the conservation area. Just because someone else did it, it's not OK.

What have we done? Why are we turning a blind eye? Some houses have four satellite dishes on the front. The Article 4 Direction for Brockley Conservation Area requires each and every satellite dish to have planning

permission. The planning application is free, and hopefully the Council will say no.

Stop. Remove. Relocate. Locate your satellite dish on the roof behind a chimney. Share the satellite. We can't choose the rules we want and ignore the ones that don't suit our wishes.

Please save our community from the flying saucers!

*Brockley resident*

♦ At [www.lewisham.gov.uk](http://www.lewisham.gov.uk) you will find documents for Brockley Conservation Area, including the Supplementary Planning Document and details of the Article 4 Direction

## Heston Nature Garden in Tanner's Hill

Sited inside a U-shaped post-WW2 block of flats on Tanner's Hill, with the railway line running along the fourth side, Heston Nature Garden is a wildlife garden with slowly developing diverse areas: woodland, glade, shady and architectural, wildflower area, cottage garden and picnic lawn. This year a rockery for drought resistant plants and a raised allotment bed will be created.

Along with the residents of the Tanners Hill Estate, the garden is the home of foxes, an urban gang of mischievous squirrels, a slow worm and finally, after several years of collecting pruned branches and twigs in piles we have seen a Stag Beetle!

This amazing oasis is managed entirely by residents who volunteer their time. To join us email [gillianlewis@ntlworld.com](mailto:gillianlewis@ntlworld.com)

*Gillian Lewis, Secretary,  
Heston Nature Garden Group*



Joan Francis, right, visited Heston Gardens last summer and stayed all day, enjoying its delights



**Garden volunteers display the cup, certificate and voucher won for Best Community Garden in the Grow Lewisham Competition, run by Lewisham Tenants Fund.** Photos: Barry Still, Tanners Hill TRA + Heston Nature Garden Group

### Joan Francis

Donna Hall of the Leander Centre writes: 'Joan Francis was a Mother full of integrity, loving, kind, full of life and support for her community. She was on The Leander Centre Management Committee and on the coordinating group of the Brockley Assembly. It came as a shock to us when she sadly passed away in October 2016. She will be sorely missed. We intend to create a memorial in the Leander Centre to Joan in remembrance of her love of good food and incredible cooking skills.'

At her crowded funeral in the Tabernacle on Algernon Road we heard about her big role in many church projects, including the Evergreen project to support the elderly.

# brockleymax

**Brockley Max 2017**

- this year's festival is from 2-10 June so keep up to date with our plans on Twitter and Facebook!

## RUSS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

### 33 Community-build Homes

Five years ago we began our journey to build sustainable and affordable homes for the benefit of our community. In that time the housing crisis has got worse. Luxury high-rises have proliferated whilst the average Londoner struggles to meet the rising costs of living.

We started our movement in the hope of changing the way housing is developed. Today I am asking you to help fund our first scheme of 33 homes.

My Mum and Dad, Dave Dayes and Barbara Hicks had the opportunity to move out of an overcrowded council flat and build their own dream family home in South London. They raised me and my brothers in a beautiful safe and secure house that they had the satisfaction of building themselves. This story has been the inspiration for RUSS.

We have developed a unique model of community-led housing utilising self-build labour to empower local people to build affordable and sustainable homes. RUSS is run and led by unpaid volunteers passionate about fixing the housing crisis. Earlier this year we achieved a



significant milestone by securing our first development agreement with Lewisham Council.

To progress this development we have an urgent need to raise £80,000 so that we can:

submit our planning application for 33 homes in Lewisham

cover our running costs over the next year and continue to organise a Community-led housing movement capable of developing more community assets on a non-profit basis

We need your help – we hope you can make a contribution and help us achieve our aims. This can be the start of something powerful and transformative: a Community-led Housing Revolution.

Visit [www.theruss.org/fundraising/](http://www.theruss.org/fundraising/) for details.

*Thank you for your support,  
Kareem Dayes and the whole RUSS team  
RUSS, 11 Walters Way, London  
SE23 3LH*

## Brockley's businesses: photo competition

Brockley Society is considering a photo competition focusing on our local businesses — the people who run them, their shops and sometimes hidden premises. They are a vital part of our community.

'When publications write an article about Brockley they feature new businesses, but what about the older ones? We've been here for 26 years,' said Tulen Guclu, right, owner of Tom Boyz Hairdressers in Harefield Road. 'The area has much more to it.'

Watch out for competition details.



## Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe still in jail

Neighbours continually ask me about my friend Nazanin, who is in jail in Iran, separated from her two-year-old daughter.



She lived with us in Brockley between 2006 and 2009. After visiting her parents, she was arrested in Tehran airport on 3 April 2016 and her baby daughter was handed to the grandparents. Nazanin has dual nationality but British government action on her behalf has been minimal.

She has been sentenced to five years on unknown charges, identified only as relating to 'national security'. Six weeks ago she was

moved to a political section among 30 other women prisoners, who at least can give her moral support and understanding.

It appears that Nazanin is being held as some kind of political pawn: the Iranian Revolutionary Guard have suggested that the British government 'knows what we want'. Petitions on change.org and elsewhere have garnered nearly 1 million signatures.

Nazanin's parents in Tehran are caring for the baby who is able to see her mother only sporadically, sometimes in a room where they can touch and cuddle. Nazanin's health is suffering. Recently she wrote a beautiful, poetic letter to her little girl which you can read on change.org along with other information.

Clare Cowen

## 1918 and 2015 photos

We don't know much about the people in the First World War photo taken on Hilly Fields in 1918. Everyone was wearing their finest clothes; some may have been very poor; all the dignitaries were present; some of the sizeable Welsh community must have been there; we can see that all the people are white.

Wider Brockley's community has changed enormously and the 2015 photo is very different. The First World War led to the collapse of several empires and heralded the end of the British Empire. As a long-term result, there have been huge movements of people worldwide. These and other factors will have affected Brockley.

We would like to set up a project to investigate what the changes have been and why they occurred. We are considering applying for Heritage Lottery Funding to set this up.

Is this a project that interests you? Please contact me if so: [chair@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:chair@brockleysociety.org.uk)



Visit [www.brockleysociety.org.uk](http://www.brockleysociety.org.uk) to buy the 2015 photo

♦**Brockley Society Archives:** We are looking for volunteers to help sort and file our fascinating archives, perhaps two hours a week. We have letters, pictures, maps and various documents and we want to make them more accessible. Please contact as above.

### COME AND TRY BOWLS

#### Francis Drake Bowls Club on Hilly Fields

Free open day + family fun day + Homemade cake stall 11am - 4pm on Bank Holiday Monday 1st May.

Also special offer: 4 introductory sessions in may for £5

Bowls is an ideal way to enjoy the outdoors, exercise, have fun and meet people. No previous experience is required, all equipment is provided but please wear flat soled closed toe shoes. All welcome.

For further information or to contact us see our website [www.francisdrakebowlsclub.org](http://www.francisdrakebowlsclub.org) or Tel: 020 8291 9243

We look forward to seeing you – bring your friends and family as well.

#### The David Jones Society

presents Starlight Order

Saturday 11th March 2017,

10.00am – 6.00pm

The Art Workers' Guild,

6 Queen Square, London, WC1N 3AT

A series of presentations comprising discussions, film, poetry and musical recitals in honour of poet and artist David Jones (1895-1974) who fought in The Great War.

More details or to reserve your place:

[www.david-jones-society.org](http://www.david-jones-society.org)

Hosted by Anne Price-Owen, Director of the David Jones Society, in association with The Temenos Academy

Cost: £40 pp., including refreshments

### Brockley 50+ Club

Every Wednesday, 11am-4pm

Brockley Social Club

240 Brockley Road, SE4

Come and enjoy an informal chat and other activities: bingo, darts, quiz, two coach trips (funds permitting), Christmas dinner, occasional cream teas / fish & chips

For more information contact

Marcia on 020 8461 0860

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## Save Lewisham Hospital campaign and the NHS

The Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) is the Government's plan to reorganise the NHS in England, requiring £22 billion to be slashed from the NHS budget by 2020 (£1 billion in SE London); England to be transformed into 44 'Footprints' (regions) with no regard for existing relationships between organisations and services; and sale of much of the NHS buildings and land to property developers.

STPs, called 'Slash Trash and Plunder' by some, were developed in secret over 2016, without Public Consultation, in an attempt to rush them through. Trusts and Local Authorities were pressurised to sign up sight unseen. Lewisham Hospital Campaign and Council pressure saw the publication of the already finalised plans at the end of November.

Not complying with these plans will result

in access to funding streams being denied after six years of deliberate under-funding, on top of £242m of cuts in Adult Social Care annual funding. Trusts with deficits have been told to 'reduce their headcount'.

Julia Simon, Director of Commissioning, NHS England, recently resigned saying that STPs are 'shameful, mad and ridiculous. There is a lot of blue sky thinking and then you have a lot of lies in the system about the financial position, benefits that will be delivered - it's just a construct not a reality.'

**How you can help:** • Write to your MP and councillors urging them to oppose the STP plans. • Join our campaign – help us to leaflet in Lewisham, organise activities, come to meetings (details on our website). • Ask our Campaign to come and talk to your group or trade union branch about the STP.

[www.savelewishamhospital.com/stp/](http://www.savelewishamhospital.com/stp/)

## Beckenham Place Park — on our doorstep

Just seven minutes from Crofton Park station are 220 acres of open parkland, including ancient woods, bluebell walks, a mansion house and formal gardens. Welcome to Beckenham Place Park.

After decades as a public golf-course, the park and mansion are now entering a new phase. The last round of golf was played by the clubs' loving fans in October. A special part of the park's life and heritage closed as an exciting new chapter opens. With an £8.5 million grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund, the park will be returned to its original 18th century landscaping, with an emphasis on wild, outdoor leisure and a wild swimming and canoeing lake.

During the next two years, Brockley

resident Sydney Thornbury (former CEO of the Conservatoire in Blackheath) and the family behind Peckham's Bussey Building will transform the disused Georgian Mansion into an arts, culture and community centre with artists' studios, a yoga, pilates and well-being centre, a cafe, a sewing school and an array of concerts, exhibitions, markets, theatre, art classes for kids and adults — and other activities. Find out more on [www.beckenhamplace.org](http://www.beckenhamplace.org).

The public launch on the 29th April will have taster sessions, open studios and lots more. It's a very exciting time for both the mansion and the park, which is larger than Greenwich Park, has an incredible array of birds and wildlife — and is on our doorstep.

## Play Streets for children's safe play

The London Play Streets project campaigns for children to have the space, time and freedom to play freely and safely on their doorstep — by neighbours agreeing to temporarily close their street to through traffic.

Sessions are usually two to five hours and can be held weekly, fortnightly or monthly, after school or at weekends. It is up to you and your neighbours to decide. But it's a good idea to begin with a one-off 'trial' play street session so that everyone knows what

they're signing up for and sees for themselves just how brilliant play streets are.

Chat to a few neighbours, ask the council how to apply for your street to be closed for the trial, flyer the whole street and invite everyone to a meeting. London Play can help: see [www.londonplay.org.uk](http://www.londonplay.org.uk).

Lewisham does not yet have a play street programme but Barry O'Donovan has already done this in his Lewisham street. Contact him at [barry@londonplay.org.uk](mailto:barry@londonplay.org.uk)

### Kitchen Sink Catering

Cordon Bleu catering in Surrey & the South East

**CATHERINE CLARK**

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[www.kitchensinkcatering.co.uk](http://www.kitchensinkcatering.co.uk)

"The food and service was exceptional"

Welcome to Kitchen Sink Catering: private chef and events catering across the South East, from intimate dinner parties to wedding catering, canapé parties, corporate events, funerals, children's birthday parties (with cooking for the children to get involved in) and vintage afternoon tea.

My name is Catherine Clark and I am a freelance chef from Guildford, Surrey. Over the past few months I have come to know and love this part of London, in part because I have been hosting a pop-up Attic

Tea Room in the Art Salons at Brockley Art House, created by David Bottomley. I hope by providing tea and cakes the whole visit becomes more of a special occasion with a selection of delicious old time favourite cakes and scones with clotted cream and homemade jam.

Why did I become a chef? – I love food! I am passionate about the way good food brings people together. I trained as a Cordon Bleu Chef at Tante Marie, I have been personal chef to HRH Prince Ali Bin Hussein in Jordan; I have cooked for Muse & Radio Head while on tour and worked in Michelin Star restaurants. ... but a couple of years ago I took the plunge and set up my own catering company. There is almost nothing I won't cater for. Being a very young company I am hungry and willing to give it a go.

So I do hope you will come to the Brockley Art House exhibitions on the first Sunday of every month at 12 Montague Avenue, London SE4 1YP

## St Peter's Church facilities

Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE 4 1LT



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## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Before you start making decisions on any changes to your property, we strongly advise you to look at the Council's guidelines at: [www.lewisham.gov.uk](http://www.lewisham.gov.uk). Click through myservices / Planning/ Conservation and urban design / Conservation areas / Brockley. The Brockley Conservation Area Supplementary Planning Document describes what building modifications will be allowed. Under the Article 4 direction external changes visible from public viewpoints require

planning permission (doors, windows, roof, driveways, gates, walls, fences, painting the exterior).

You can view planning applications in the Planning section of the website, and then select 'Search and comment ...' You must log in to make a comment supporting or objecting to an application.

To get involved in preserving the character of Brockley or for further guidance on planning issues, contact [planning@brockleysociety.org.uk](mailto:planning@brockleysociety.org.uk)

8 October 2016 – 8 February 2017

### Pending

**10 Tressillian Crescent SE4.** Additional storey and a single storey rear extension; replacement front and rear windows, re-cladding front elevation, conversion of garage.  
**Ground Floor Flat, 5 Glensdale Road SE4.** Replacement rear extension, refurbishment of front and side windows; construction of a single storey office building in the rear garden.  
**86 Breakspears Road SE4.** Demolish and reconstruct part of side boundary wall.  
**17 Hilly Fields Crescent SE4.** Alterations to front tiled garden path.  
**Breakspears Building, Lewisham College, Breakspears Road, SE4:** 6 replacement antennas on the roof.  
**98 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; double glazed timber window on the rear; replacement timber sash windows on all elevations, installation of replacement rooflights on the front and rear roof slopes and installation of replacement slates.  
**17 Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Replacement double glazed timber windows to front.  
**39 Harefield Road, SE4.** Dormer extensions to rear roof slope; installation of roof lights in front roof slope.  
**134 Breakspears Road, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; dormer window to rear roof slope; rooflights in front and side roof slopes.  
**First floor Flat, 8 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4.** Conversion into 2, one bedroom self-contained flats occupying the first and second floors; extensions to side and rear roof slopes; insertion of rooflights to side and rear.  
**274 Brockley Road, SE4.** Extend façade; demolish side extension; new building incorporating 4 self contained flats.  
**5 Beverley Court, SE4.** Construction of rear dormer; conservation style rooflight to the front.  
**Lower Flat, 37 Upper Brockley Road SE4.** Replacement yellow brick boundary treatment on the front elevation.

### Granted

**180A Tressillian Road, SE4.** Install bi-folding & french doors in rear; replace side windows; new entrance door to the lower ground flat.  
**80C Adelaide Avenue SE4.** Replacement white timber casement windows.  
**192B Tressillian Road SE4.** Replacement timber sliding sash window to rear.  
**11 Montague Avenue, SE4.** Installation conservation styled rooflights on front and rear.  
**85 Tyrwhitt Road SE4.** Single storey extension to rear.  
**68 Manor Avenue, SE4.** Construction of a single-storey annex in rear garden.

**The Coach House, adjacent to 12 Wickham Road, SE4.** Extension at upper ground level adjoining the side of No 12 Wickham Road together with renewal of roof coverings; two rooflights to side and rear; flush fitting rooflight to existing flat roof; replacement timber sash windows to the front and rear; replacement timber glazed doors on the rear; new aluminium framed full height window.  
**18 Hilly Fields Crescent, SE4.** Demolish existing garage; replace with single storey side extension on same footprint. Demolish existing rear extension and replace with single storey rear extension.  
**37 Chaisey Road, SE4.** Two dormers with infill link between to rear roof slope; insertion of a rooflight into front roof slope.  
**3A Wickham Gardens, SE4.** Dormer extensions in side and rear roof slopes; velux window on side roof slope.  
**16 Coulgate Street SE4.** Change of use to A3/A4 and opening hours.  
**4 Brockley Gardens, SE4.** Replacement single storey

extension to rear.

**2 Avon Road SE4.** Replace existing front, flank and rear windows and doors with timber and uPVC double glazed units; roof replacement with Canadian natural slate.  
**54 Manor Avenue SE4.** Replace roof with natural slate.  
**17B Rokeby Road SE4.** Roof extension to rear (new application).  
**Flat Above 187 Lewisham Way SE4.** Replacement first floor rear extension and extensions to the front and rear roof slopes.  
**74 Breakspears Road, SE4.** Replacement brickwork, gate and bin/bike store.  
**69c Tressillian Road, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; replacement double glazed timber windows on the ground floor, front, side and rear elevations; landscaping works; reinstatement of original stone pathway and stucco decorations at front.  
**106A Upper Brockley Road SE4.** Demolish single storey garage; 1.8m fence.  
**15 Harefield Road, SE4.** Single storey infill rear extension; double glazed timber windows to front; double glazed aluminum doors to rear.  
**8 Rokeby Road, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; 2 rooflights to rear.  
**18 Montague Avenue, SE4.** Double glazed timber windows to front.  
**17 Eastern Road, SE4.** Double glazed timber sash windows and doors to front and rear.  
**45 Cranfield Road, SE4.** Single storey extension to rear.  
**187 Brockley Road, SE4.** Proposed raising of roof of the existing storage building to rear; insertion of eight rooflights, a replacement window and new door to the west.  
**58A Wickham Road, SE8.** Single storey extension at lower ground level with roof terrace above; formation of a new front entrance on the side.  
**5 Tack Mews, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; installation of side and front doors.  
**10 Wickham Garden, SE4.** Single storey rear extension; new timber window on rear elevation; new rooflights on the front and rear roof slope.  
**95 Cranfield Road, SE4.** Replacement timber sash windows on all elevations; new front and side elevation doors.  
**82 Adelaide Avenue, SE4.** New lightwell; replacement timber sash windows and door to the basement in front elevation.  
**12 Avon Road, SE4.** Single storey extension on the rear elevation.  
**28 St Margaret's Road, SE4.** Single storey rear extension.  
**194 Tressillian Road SE4.** Construction of roof extension to rear roof slope.  
**14 Breakspears Road, SE4.** Replace sections of collapsed brick wall with a timber lap fence; repairs.  
**Ground Floor Flat, 80C Adelaide Avenue, SE4.** 4 replacement white timber casement windows in the front and rear elevations.  
**Flat B, 18 Tressillian Road, SE4.** Replacement double glazed timber windows on front and side.  
**Flat 1, 58 Adelaide Avenue, SE4.** Installation of bi-folding doors in rear elevation.  
**18 Hilly Fields Crescent SE4.** Replace red clay roof coverings to match the existing; 2 Velux windows to the front and 3 to rear.

### Refused

**St Cyprians Hall, Brockley Road, SE4.** Signage.  
**17B Rokeby Road SE4.** Roof extension to rear (new application).  
**9 The Parade, Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Alteration and conversion of upper floors; first floor extension to rear with roof terrace above; a roof extension in rear roof slope; 2 roof lights in front roof slope to provide 1, one bedroom and 1, two bedroom, self-contained flats.  
**159a Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Demolish existing

buildings; construct a four storey building to provide 7 residential units and 53sqm of commercial floorspace (Use Class

B1), together with associated landscaping, cycle parking and refuse and recycling storage.  
**52 Geoffrey Road, SE4.** Permeable parking area to the front of property and a vehicular crossover.  
**2A Cranfield Road, SE4.** Demolish existing single storey brickwork structure; construct a two storey building plus roofspace to provide 1, one bedroom and 1, two bedroom self-contained flats; provision of refuse, recycling, bicycle storage and amenity space.

### Trees

**Flat A, 84 Wickham Road, SE4.** Fell 1 London Plane.  
**144B Breakspears Road, SE4.** Fell 1 Cedar.  
**49 Tressillian Road, SE4.** Fell 3 Cypresses.  
**Flat 2, 55 Breakspears Road, SE4.** Rear Garden: Silver Birch All Round Tip Reduction of up to 2m and 20% Crown Thin & ONE Hazel Reduce in Height by up 3m  
**99 Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Two Ash, 1 Sycamore: reduce by a third  
**18 Wickham Road, SE4.** Sycamore T1: fell. Sycamore T2 remove two stems, pollard. Willow T3: Crown reduce by 30%. Walnut T4 remove lower branch. Elder T5: Cut back canopy.  
**153 Breakspears Road, SE4.** One Ash: fell.  
**111A Tressillian Road, SE4.** One False Acacia: crown reduce by 20%, crown thin by up to 15%.  
**60 Wickham Road, SE4.** One London Plane Crown reduce by 30% and crown thin by 20%. One Robinia: fell.  
**90 Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Front garden: one ash Crown reduce by 20%, thin by 20%. Rear 3 sycamores: fell; one sycamore remove epicormic growth.  
**100 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4.** Rear garden: Hazel T1: reduce to 1.5m of branch length, lift to 1.5m. Pear T2: reduce by up to 3m off height. Bay T3: reduce to 3m from ground level. Pear T4: Fell. Apple T5 reduce to 1.8m. Prunus T6: reduce all round by 1 metre. Elderberry T7: reduce to 4m of branch length.  
**19 Hilly Fields Crescent, SE4.** Robinia: remove lowest branch at 2m above ground level. Eucalyptus: lowest branch at 2m above ground and reduce height by 3mm. Magnolia: crown thin by 20%.  
**26 Eastern Road, SE4.** Conifer T1: fell.  
**20B Hilly Fields Crescent, SE4.** One Leyland: reduce height by 4m.  
**1 Glensdale Road, SE4.** Maple T1, Elder T2, Hawthorn T3: repollard, remove regrowth. Rear garden: Willows T4&5: repollard. Two apples: remove two limbs by 2m. Hazel T9: Crown lift, reduce crown. Elder T10: reduce crown.  
**Bridge House, Adelaide Ave, SE4.** Three poplars: fell.  
**Basement flat, 99 Manor Avenue, SE4.** Sycamore: crown reduce, thin, lift lower canopy.  
**123 Breakspears Road, SE4.** Gleditsia T1 crown reduce. Bay T2: 20% crown reduce. Conifer T3 and Apple T4: crown reduce.  
**28A Manor Avenue, SE4.** 2 sycamores: Remove epicormic growth and thin by 30%.  
**135 Breakspears Road, SE4.** 3 large lime trees: reduce by 3-4m. reduce lateral branches by 2m.  
**Lloyd Villas, SE4.** Treeworks on 11 trees.  
**25 Manor Ave, SE4.** Crown reduce two lime trees.  
**86A Upper Brockley Road, SE4.** Damson T1: reduce height and lateral. Cherry T2: Crown lift, thin.  
**4 Syringa House, Wickham Road, SE4.** Walnut: fell and replace.  
**Flat 1, 1A Wickham Road, SE4.** Pear T1: reduce. Apple T2: 30% reduction.  
**1 St Margaret's Road, SE4.** Elder T1; Ash T2: Crown reduce and thin.  
**30B Tressillian Road, SE4.** T1 Ash: pollard.  
**33 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4.** Leylandii on front or property.  
**14 Somerset Gardens, SE13.** Two Sycamores and one Lime: fell.

## Big Lunch: Sunday 18 June 2017

On this date it is officially easy to close your street as part of the national Big Lunch event.

Why not consider organising one in your street? It can be simple: "Bring a picnic and a chair", or it can be more elaborate. As it falls during Ramadan, it can even be a "Lunar Lunch". There are lots of ideas on [www.edenprojectcommunities.com/thebiglunch](http://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/thebiglunch)



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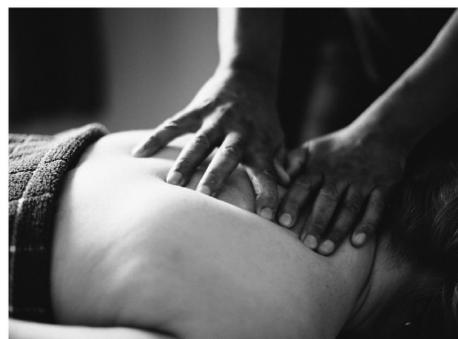
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