

REGENERATION NEWS

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CONSTRUCTION TOPS OUT ON BLOCK A

A 'Topping Out' ceremony marked the completion of the highest point of Block A; signifying a milestone in the construction of the first new affordable homes to be built on the Winstanley and York Road estates.

To celebrate this landmark event in the regeneration scheme, Councillor Ravi Govindia, Leader of Wandsworth Council, and Councillor Tony Belton, Ward Member for Latchmere, joined Joint Venture partners at the eight-storey site to oversee progress.

Block A, located on the junction of Grant Road and Plough Road, will deliver 46 new one- and two-bedroom homes for residents moving in Phase 1 of the regeneration scheme from Scholey House, Jackson House and Kiloh Court.

The Council's Regeneration Team has consulted with residents interested in moving to Block A over their preferences for the interior decorations and colour of kitchen units for their new property. The new apartments will be ready to occupy in Autumn 2020 and properties will be allocated in accordance with the Local Lettings Plan and Allocations Policy.

**Taylor
Wimpey**

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NAMING BLOCKS AND STREETS

Interview with Gareth Jones, Street Naming and Numbering (and Local Land and Property Gazetteer) Officer

What does your role entail?

I approve all new block names, street names, and building numbers - basically every part of an address apart from the postcode!

How is naming done in the borough?

Proposals for new street and building names mainly come from developers. Ideas for names may come from maps or local history librarians, archivists or history societies. Generally names of living known people should be avoided. Objects and animals and names related to the local area or the particular site are usually suitable. For instance, Ganley Court on the Winstanley Estate was named after the suffragette Caroline Ganley who became a Battersea Councillor in 1919 and the MP for Battersea South in 1945. Emily Duval was a Battersea Councillor alongside Caroline Ganley and accordingly, Taylor Wimpey are considering her name for their first private block on Grant Road. This name is appropriate as the Duval family of women suffragists were local residents of Clapham Junction and are not reflected in any other street or building name in the area.

What is the process and timeframe for setting up a new address?

The Council likes local residents to have input into the process of choosing names for new blocks in their area. Any part of an address, apart from the street name, can be finalised in approximately a week. Building names require consultation with the emergency services, primarily the Fire Brigade, Council departments such as Land Charges, and the Cabinet Member and Opposition Speaker on the Strategic Planning and Transportation Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Are roads ever renamed?

The process to change a road name is complex so it has been infrequent in recent years. Street naming involves a statutory procedure which takes around two months and includes advertising the proposed name on the street. However, nearly every Victorian Street in the borough will have been renamed at some point. For example, there were a lot of Church Roads and High Streets at one stage and German sounding names were changed during the war periods. Old York Road (formally York Road) is one of the more recent road name changes in the borough which arose following the development of Swandon Way.

What are some of your favourite or most memorable names in the borough?

Personally, I prefer quirky, unusual names - for example Bleeding Heart Yard in the City of London - but they can be controversial! One of my favourite developments is the Ram Quarter in Wandsworth where the street names all relate either to sheep or to brewing (due to the ram connection and its presence on the old Young's Brewery site). Legislation states that street signs must only state the street name and district and it is traditional to display black lettering on a white background. However, the Council can vary this if it is desirable to do so and as long as the signs are clear, conspicuous and legible. In this way, we gave approval for the street name plates in the Ram Quarter to display a brown colour and a hop motif. We consider all proposals with an open mind and if we think that an idea will work well - for instance in making a neighbourhood stand out as a defined area - we will give it the go ahead.

**CALLING
ALL RESIDENTS!
WE NEED
YOUR VIEWS**

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YOU!**

The application for the Winstanley and York Road regeneration scheme is in, and likely to be heard by the planning committee soon! The application is for outline consent of the whole scheme and detailed consent for three buildings, one of which is the landmark new community hub containing a new leisure facility, library and community hall as well as a replacement children's centre and two buildings of new replacement homes for existing tenants and leaseholders of the estate.

These buildings need to be named and in the new year we would like to run a number of workshops for the naming of new homes and the landmark community building which will see works start on site in 2020. If you are interested in being part of the naming of your new neighbourhood, please contact Louise Hanning in the Regeneration Team on the team email or call 020-8871-6802 and leave your details.



COMMUNITY VOICES:

Lorraine Hearne, Former Winstanley Estate resident,
moved to Assisted Living

I had been living on the Winstanley and York Road estates since 1968. I was one of the first residents to move into Pennethorne House after it was built, and from there I moved to York Road, and finally to Arthur Newton House. My family have been living in the area for 200 years and my son works here so I could never move out of Battersea; my heart is in Battersea!

When the Regeneration Team offered me an Early Move, I knew that I had to take the opportunity. I thought that if I stayed in Lavender Road much longer, there may become a point when my health wouldn't allow me to move. The property was also too large for me to manage alone, and required a lot of decorating which I was unable to afford.

I was quite hesitant to consider Sheltered Accommodation at first, but it is the best decision I could have made and I wish I had done it sooner! The lodge to where I have moved was the third home I visited, and I immediately knew that it was the one for me. The residents here are so pleasant, the warden is kind and helpful and the place has a homely feel and is based in lovely area. My flat is now all on one level, which is perfect for me as I struggle with stairs. The gardens are beautifully maintained and last month we hosted a BBQ and family fun day. We are also invited to garden parties hosted by other lodges.

There is plenty going on if you want to participate, including day trips to the seaside and pub lunches, coffee mornings every Wednesday and evening activities including supper clubs twice a week. There is a communal kitchen with facilities and a computer that we can use at any time and tea parties are thrown for our birthdays. There's a real community spirit here; I wouldn't hesitate to pop over to my neighbour to borrow a cup of sugar!

Just like my secure tenancy at Lavender Road, I can decorate my new home as I please; except they kindly decorated the flat for me before I moved in. There is a handyman here who will do jobs in our home for a small fee. The Warden knocks on my door once a week, but help is available at any time if you need it. Before I moved, I had a false impression of what sheltered accommodation was; I thought it would be regimental, but it has assisted me to live independently and not just exist like I was doing in my old place.

The support from the Regeneration Team and the Council's Specialist Housing Occupational Therapist was second to none. They were so accommodating to my particular needs and organised adaptations, including a wet room and automated front door system, to be fitted before I moved in.

I would recommend applying for Sheltered Accommodation through the Early Moves scheme to anyone. The Council found for me exactly the type of home I needed, in the area that I wanted. You don't have to be elderly or disabled to move to Assisted Living; it is available to anyone over age 55. The Regeneration Scheme has given me a new lease of life and I will always be grateful.



ASSEMBLE & JOIN

COMMUNITY MICRO-MANUFACTURING

Hi, I'm Lucy from HTA Design. I have been based at 20 Lavender Road, working with the JV to deliver Assemble and Join (A&J) workshops to local residents. We launched our design workshops with students from Falconbrook school and had an assembly stand at the Get Active Battersea.

We use a CNC wood router to engrave designs onto pieces of plywood and cut out shapes to construct wooden planters, birdboxes and other designs such as table tennis bats and signage. We have worked with a number of specific groups and held open sessions for local residents, youth groups and community groups.

I will continue to host A&J sessions over the coming months; so if you are interested in design, learning basic carpentry skills and making items for use in your local community, come join me at 20 Lavender Road! Schools, community groups, businesses and local residents are all welcome.

You can book a workshop for free on the A&J website or via the contact details below. See you soon!

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WINTER CAROLS CELEBRATION 2019

The Winstanley and York Road community came together in York Gardens for an afternoon of festivities including an older persons' luncheon of Caribbean roast dinner, with entertainment curated by World Heart Beat Academy including talented music soloists and a dance performance provided by the Katherine Low Settlement's "Battersea Belles" followed by an angelic performance from Falconbrook choir.

The late afternoon entertainment continued with further performances from World Heart Beat's talented musicians, Falconbrook School, Southfields Academy, St Peter's Choir, and New Orleans Jazz Band accompanied by mince pies and chocolate log.



YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLORS

The Winstanley and York Road estates are in Latchmere ward. You can raise any issues with your local councillors:

Cllr Tony Belton, Cllr.T.Belton@wandsworth.gov.uk, 020 7223 1736

Cllr Simon Hogg, Cllr.S.Hogg@wandsworth.gov.uk

Cllr Kate Stock, Cllr.K.Stock@wandsworth.gov.uk

You can also contact the Cabinet Member for Housing, **Councillor Kim Caddy**, at Cllr.K.Caddy@wandsworth.gov.uk or leave a message on 020 8871 6041.

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