

EBURY BRIDGE

NEWS

BRINGING YOU THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF EBURY BRIDGE



Residents enjoying their time at the Winter Warmer event

THE YEAR AHEAD

The Ebury Bridge Team would like to wish you a Happy New Year for 2021. We hope you had a restful festive break and that you and your families are safe and well.

Although the current government restrictions still mean that life is very different for us all, there are still many things to look forward to over the coming year.

In the first newsletter of the year we'll look at a few reasons to be cheerful at the start of the new decade.

We also want to reassure all residents that the Ebury Bridge Regeneration Base is open and the Team is on hand to support you, with COVID-19 secure restrictions in place for your safety. The Base is open from 10am to 4pm, so call to make an appointment or pop into reception.

Your health, wellbeing and safety remains our priority, therefore we encourage you to speak up if you are feeling lonely or concerned about COVID-19. Please do not hesitate to contact us on **0800 358 3783** or via email at **eburybridge@westminster.gov.uk**. There is more information about COVID-19, Westminster Connects and how you can get a test on the back of this newsletter.

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SAYING GOODBYE TO 2020 WITH A BANG

Although 2020 was one to forget, it will undoubtedly be a year we will all remember in several ways.

We ended the year on a high with our Winter Warmer event. Held in the external courtyard area at Ebury Edge, December saw a festive celebration for Ebury Bridge residents. Sponsored by our contractors, the event was a 'thank-you' to Estate residents for their patience and understanding during a challenging year. In total, over 160 residents enjoyed delicious street food, served at a social distance.

Below are a range of photos from the event, see if you can spot yourself!



HELLO 2021

This year will again be very important in the journey of the renewal of Ebury Bridge. Below are a few of the things we can look forward to in 2021.

- ▶ The new community facilities at Ebury Edge will be available for residents to use. A community hall and spacious courtyard will be the location for activities and events for us all to enjoy as the days start getting longer. Please note, this is subject to government restrictions.
- ▶ The Ebury Edge units are also filling up with keen and innovative start-up businesses and Fat Macy's, the café operator at the new meanwhile space, has opened its doors to the public. On the next page we show you who is calling the new meanwhile space their home for now, so you can visit as and when government restrictions allow.
- ▶ We will see a decision made on the planning application, which was submitted last July. The application was the culmination of the hard work and feedback of local residents. Should permission be granted, it will pave the way for the delivery of the new homes.
- ▶ As building work continues there will be opportunities for new exciting pop-up play spaces and facilities for people of all ages to enjoy. Keep an eye out for how you can help us shape these new spaces.
- ▶ In late summer, we hope to see Bouygues – the principle contractor – arrive on site to start construction on Phase 1, delivering 226 new homes, and getting a better picture of the new Ebury Bridge.
- ▶ We are working to provide fun and educational initiatives at Ebury with our partners, for you, while the construction takes place – stay tuned!

FAT MACY'S OPEN THEIR DOORS

We are delighted to announce that new Ebury Edge café, Fat Macy's is now officially open to the public.

Fat Macy's arrived at Ebury in October last year, after being chosen to operate in the café of Ebury Edge. They have been busy preparing their wholesome and delicious menu for the local community and are now ready for you to come on in (and takeaway).

As well as producing delicious food, Fat Macy's also help young Londoners take on new skills, find work and settle into permanent accommodation as well, as part of their charitable arm.

Fat Macy's is currently open for takeaway from Tuesday to Sunday.





FAT MACY'S CAFE
Social enterprise specialising in supper clubs and catering. Charitable arm that supports young homeless people into permanent accommodation through training and employment opportunities.

COMMUNITY SPACE (AT REAR)
The Community Space is run by Meanwhile Space CIC through a booking system. It is the perfect place for the Ebury community and others to join great initiatives, be part of social inclusion and community development. Open 7 days a week.

A glance at who is currently occupying the new meanwhile space:

Retail units

- 1 HEIR WARDROBE**
A boutique women's sustainable clothing store stocking independent brands from all over the world. Heir Wardrobe also showcases up and coming local artists and designers from across London.
- 2 MANUFACTURED CULTURE**
Offers interior design objects from Central and Eastern Europe, many of which were previously leading exponents in the fields of design, arts and crafts and that are now regaining their voice and status.
- 3 CLAY HABITAT**
A group of ceramic makers and artists who showcase and sell their work directly from their gallery shop at Ebury Edge. The group will also provide pottery workshops for local residents and schools.
- 4 EACHxEVERY**
A new shoe retailer with a strong online presence. The founder, Simon, plans to hold workshops on how to design the perfect shoe and how to look after the health of your feet.
- 5 NINI ORGANICS**
A green and organic beauty brand. Specialising in vegan, cruelty free skincare which is perfect for people with allergies. The team will deliver weekly yoga and meditation sessions for the local community.
- 6 TBC**
- 7 HER.O**
Pimlico residents delivering a sustainable haute couture and knitwear brand. The business offers commissioned work and 'loved pieces' mending services for local residents.

Workspace units

- 1 EDGIFY**
Edgify is a technology start-up specialising in machine learning (artificial intelligence), the team will host STEM workshops for young people.
- 2 AMAIA**
Amaia is the back-office team for a new children's clothing company. Established by a local Westminster resident.
- 3 GLUE HOME**
A smart-home technology start-up specialising in advanced remote door locking solutions.
- 4 TELMIE**
An online platform for communication-based services such as coaching, consulting etc. Connects experts with people who need help.
- 5 TBC**
- 6 EAT DRINK LOVE ITALIAN LTD**
A venture capital company specialising in supporting Italian entrepreneurs based in the UK.
- 7 ITALIAN VENTURES**
Incubator and investor in startup by Italians in the UK.
- 8 MIKE SIMONELLI**
A growing product design magazine start-up with over one million visitors to its website each week.
- 9 WEB EXPERTISE**
A new creative design business and website development company.
- 10 TBC**

RELOCATION OF THE FOODBANK

You may have noticed that the Foodbank Team has recently been relocated from the Lodge to where Wellesley and Wainwright Houses once stood. Visitors can now access the Foodbank via the path next to Bucknill House. This is to allow gas and groundworks to be completed in the area near to the Lodge.

We understand how important the service Mike and his Team offer is to the surrounding community, and we will continue to support them now and into the future.

If you are new to the site and require the Foodbank Team's service, then their new location is highlighted on the map on the right for you. Please be aware that there is a live construction site around this area, consequently you must be vigilant when accessing the Estate and look out for signposts and safety information.



CONSTRUCTION HAPPENING NOW AND IN THE COMING WEEKS

The start of 2021 is all systems go for construction at Ebury.

John F Hunt has placed hoarding and scaffolding around Pimlico House, as they prepare for the demolition of this block, making it now part of the construction site. The demolition work is scheduled to start in early February.

Work will also start soon to remove the foundation of Hillersdon House. Due to start in the coming weeks, John F Hunt will install 'sheet piling' using a vibrating technique which may create low level noise during working hours. This method is scheduled to last two days and has been chosen to minimise noise and vibration on the Estate while John F Hunt remove the foundations over the coming weeks. Thank you in advance for your understanding during these works.



TELLING THE EBURY STORY

We would like your help to decide how we promote the Ebury Bridge neighbourhood to new visitors and residents in the future.

In 2021, we will be appointing a marketing and branding agency to work with us to promote the regenerated estate and we want to make sure that the community at Ebury Bridge is at the heart of this process. We would like to invite residents to get involved at this early stage to shape the story of Ebury Bridge.

If you'd like to take part, please use the following link to visit the short survey, to let us know your thoughts – smartsurvey.co.uk/s/HH7L8D. We can then use this feedback to prepare a briefing document for potential agencies before inviting them to submit their proposals.

Please feel free to share any other ideas or views at the bottom of the page. Please submit your responses to mcrank@westminster.gov.uk

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT ONS

Office for National Statistics (ONS) is hiring thousands of people for a range of exciting temporary roles to make next year's census a success. On Sunday 21 March 2021, the census survey will take place throughout the UK and prior to that, ONS is looking to employ people to help encourage everyone in England to participate.

The census gives a picture of communities, which helps to plan and fund public services in your area that can help to transform lives for the better.

Whether you're saving up for something or you want to make a real difference to your community, there's a job for you. Apply today at censusjobs.co.uk



CALLING ALL YOUNG ARTISTS

Westminster City Council is looking for young artists (up to age 18) to take part in a collection of exhibitions in Westminster, showcasing the creativity of young people and offering a chance to reflect, share and celebrate together.

We are looking for original artworks of any kind, whether they be audio clips, short films, poems, paintings, drawings, statements or digital work that are related to:

- ▶ Lockdown.
- ▶ Resilience and hope.
- ▶ Community.
- ▶ Black Lives Matter.

Once submitted, you will have the chance to see your work displayed in four public gallery spaces across Westminster later this year. The public will select their favourite pieces to be displayed in a final celebration at the world famous Saatchi Art Gallery. So everyone can see, hear or experience your artwork, they will be included in our virtual gallery to mark this moment in time!

To find out more visit citylions.org/students/creative-collective-westminster

SIGN UP TO HELP VACCINATE PEOPLE OF WESTMINSTER

A team of 200 people are being recruited to help give the coronavirus vaccine to residents in Westminster.

The Westminster Employment Service is working to recruit people to the two temporary mass vaccination centres in Westminster – Lord's Cricket Ground and the South Westminster Centre for Health in Pimlico.

The roles include full and part-time jobs.

They include immunisers who will get full training to vaccinate people with the coronavirus vaccine as part of the UK's biggest mass vaccination programme.

They will be paid £14.83 an hour.

Other roles include front-of-house, who help direct people, at £12.18 an hour, and administrators, who will be paid £13.10 an hour.

It is part of the nationwide aim to vaccinate as many people as possible, with the aim of delivering 15m vaccines to the over 80s and health care workers by the end of February.

Contact us at employmentteam@westminster.gov.uk or **07971 026709** for more information or support.



A NOTE TO LEASEHOLDERS

Leaseholders on the estate will have received a letter from our contractors Ardent requesting confirmation of your details and property interest.

This is a standard process during a redevelopment scheme and we like to encourage all leaseholders to respond to the enquiry. If you need any further information please contact Jamal Samaoli over the phone on **07458 133142** or via email at jamalsamaoli@ardent-management.com



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COVID-19 TESTING IN WESTMINSTER

Testing is the most effective way to control the spread of the coronavirus. The council offer two types of testing: for people who have symptoms and for people who are not showing symptoms.

Symptom-free testing is available at the following locations seven days a week:

- ▶ Little Venice Sports Centre, 10 Crompton Street, London, W2 1ND - 10am to 4pm.
- ▶ Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, Westminster, London SW1P 1QH - 10am to 4pm.
- ▶ Moberly Sports Centre, 25 Chamberlayne Rd, Ladbroke Grove, Kensal Green, London NW10 3NB - 10am to 4pm.

The following semi-permanent, walk-through testing centres for people who have symptoms are open seven days a week, from 8am to 8pm, on an appointment only basis:

- ▶ Greenside Community Centre, 24 Lilestone St, Marylebone, London NW8 8SR.
- ▶ Grosvenor Hall, Vincent Street, London SW1P 4HB.

- ▶ Lydford Tenants and Residents Hall, 74 Fernhead Road, London W9 3EW.

You can only be tested if you have pre-booked an appointment that can be booked online on the NHS website via the following link **nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19** or by calling **NHS 119**.

Westminster is working flat out to support the coronavirus vaccination programme with test centres and vaccination sites.

As throughout the pandemic, our vulnerable and shielding residents are the council's priority. Together with our frontline staff working around the clock, we are lucky to have more than 3,000 local people volunteering to help the community as part of the Westminster Connects scheme. They will once again be carrying bags, fetching shopping and conducting pharmacy runs for those who can't leave their homes.

To access this support, please call Westminster Connects on **020 7641 1222** (9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday). More information can be found here: **westminster.gov.uk/testing**

SHAPING FUTURE EBURY SERVICES

The new Ebury will be very different from the current estate. With more people, expanded green spaces and community facilities, the neighbourhood will need a new approach to how it is managed.

Over the coming months we want to hear from you about the services that are important to you. We also want to provide opportunities for residents to help select the team that will manage the Estate in the future. If you're interested in getting involved contact us on **0800 358 3783**.

