

EBURY BRIDGE

NEWS



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In this edition of the Ebury Bridge newsletter, we'd like to take the opportunity to remember the life of Dinesh Patel, the owner and proprietor of Green's Pharmacy, who passed away recently. Dinesh was a much loved member of the local community, running the pharmacy for over 40 years on Ebury Bridge Road. He'll be fondly remembered for his kind and caring nature by everyone who knew him. A devoted husband and father, he's survived by his son Jessel who'll continue delivering the pharmacy service his father established.

Dinesh with his son Jessel

A CLEANER GREENER EBURY BRIDGE

The council will start work from early March to see if water from 100m below Ebury could provide the new Ebury Bridge homes with heating and hot water. This system should be much cheaper to run than electric and gas boilers.

Two test wells will be drilled over two and half weeks before test water pumping for four weeks. We'll minimise disruption by limiting working hours and monitoring dust and noise, while maintaining refuse and emergency vehicle access.

Estate residents and near neighbours can refer to the factsheet recently mailed for more information on testing to see if it works. We encourage residents to contact us with any questions or concerns. You can see the factsheet in the news section of our website eburybridge.co.uk.

NEW ADDITIONS TO EBURY BRIDGE ROAD

We welcomed two exciting new businesses to Ebury Bridge. They bring investment, interest and variety to the street. Read on below about our new retailers.



FRESH AND ORGANIC FOOD

Mohammed Karaham owns the new healthy food store **Elderflower Wholefoods** at 35 Ebury Bridge Road. He specialises in providing organic and fresh food.

He has had lots of experience running organic grocery stores, using British suppliers. Moving from Turkey almost a decade ago, he married here and is proud to open a business in Westminster.

Mohammed said: *"I've always been passionate about organic and fresh food. We're grateful to the Council for providing affordable rent so I can make my business idea a reality. I hope my store will make it easier to local people to access delicious, fresh food at affordable prices."*

Elderflower Wholefoods is open 9am-8pm every day. Stop by to have a look at the range on offer.



SPECIALIST ART SERVICE

Fine Art Restoration Company has been operating for over 35 years and has opened their first retail showroom at 5 Ebury Bridge Road.

They've been trusted by everyone from locals to national institutions like the BBC and NHS. Westminster City Council recently asked for their expertise to restore a Banksy street mural in Marble Arch last year.

The new store is managed by Julian Laurence Samuels. The team restores art such as paintings and ceramics, frames special pictures, and will hold events.

Julian said: *"Passion for art drives our work. Our new showroom is an exciting opportunity for locals to get accessible art services on their doorstep. Having previously worked behind the scenes, we can now also provide an even more inclusive service for the community."*

They're open weekdays from 9am to 5:30pm, and by appointment on Saturday. Pop in to chat with Julian to find out more about the services on offer. You can also visit their website: fineart-restoration.co.uk.

SEE THE LATEST EBURY BRIDGE ESTATE DESIGNS

We're calling on local people to attend our next exhibition to see the latest designs for the renewed Ebury Bridge.

We had lots of constructive conversations during the first round of consultation. Thanks again to everyone who provided views. The exhibition shows how estate designs have evolved based on further analysis and feedback. We'll submit for a planning application in June 2020.

You can visit the exhibition at The Studio at 9 Ebury Bridge Road, London, SW1 8QX at these times between Monday 9th March and Saturday 21st March (excluding Sunday 15th March):

- ▶ Mondays and Thursdays (11am-7pm)
- ▶ Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays (11am-5pm)
- ▶ Saturdays (11am-3pm)

If you can't make the exhibition, the display information is also available to view and feedback on via our main website and our consultation website: eburydesign.commonplace.is

Below is a summary of some key changes to designs following the first round of consultation.



Reduced the number of homes in key areas to reduce impacts on neighbours



Big changes to the building designs to better blend with surroundings



A strengthened and improved retail parade



Better designed, even safer homes, which are cheaper to run



More detail about how we're creating a truly mixed and inclusive community



What the new estate could look like



H.A. MARKS PICKED TO BUILD EBURY EDGE

Construction firm H.A. Marks Construction has won the contract to build Ebury Edge – an exciting new temporary space planned by the council at the estate.

H.A. Marks Construction will deliver the new cutting-edge space, while the renewal of the estate progresses. H.A. Marks Construction is an award-winning family owned construction services company that has been trading for over 65 years.

Ebury Edge will have a community café, a mix of shops, affordable workspaces, event spaces and a garden courtyard, and will be open for around five years while work on the new estate takes place.

This temporary space was agreed in reaction to extensive public consultation, where residents said they wanted a space for gardening, a café and a flexible family-friendly space.

Cllr Melvyn Caplan, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Regeneration for Westminster City Council said:

“ The estate renewal of Ebury Bridge is one of our top priorities in delivering 1,850 new affordable homes as part of our City for All plan, and providing this vibrant pop-up is vital to this regeneration. The local community asked for a flexible, creative, community-focused space and that’s what we’re delivering – something that local entrepreneurs and residents alike can enjoy. We look forward to working with H.A. Marks Construction to create something that really benefits the local community for the next few years. ”

Visit the project website for more info: eburyedge.com

JOHN F HUNT TO TAKE DOWN EMPTY BLOCKS

The council has selected John F Hunt to prepare the estate for new Ebury Bridge homes over the coming months, as part of Phase 1 of the renewal.

We’ll organise a Meet the Contractor event, so you have an opportunity to ask any questions. Keep an eye out for future issues of this newsletter for more information.

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