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# BROCKLEY SOCIETY



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### Brockley Society Open Meeting

Tuesday 20 April, 8pm  
Brockley Social Club  
240 Brockley Road, SE4 2SU  
(*enr Foxberry Road, next to Esso garage*)

**A strategy for Brockley's myriad mews**  
Some of Brockley's mews have noise and rubbish problems. Unsuitable businesses operate in some. Developers hope to build profitable buildings for inappropriate use. To work out how to tackle this vexatious issue and enhance the mews for the future, we will invite a Lewisham Council speaker.

*All are welcome!*

### Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre

Saturday 19 June, 12 noon to 5pm

### Brockley Barbecue

Friday 2 July, 7.30pm  
Stone Circle, Hilly Fields

### Brockley Society Open Meeting

Tuesday 13 July, 8pm  
Brockley Social Club

### Brockley Society AGM

Tuesday 9 November 8pm  
Brockley Social Club

**Copy deadlines for newsletter:**  
1 February, 1 May, 1 October

*If you have ideas about the newsletter or would like to contribute, please email*  
[brocsocnews@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:brocsocnews@yahoo.co.uk)

**Farmers' Markets on Hilly Fields**  
Second Saturday of each month 10am-3pm

## BROCKLEY SOCIETY

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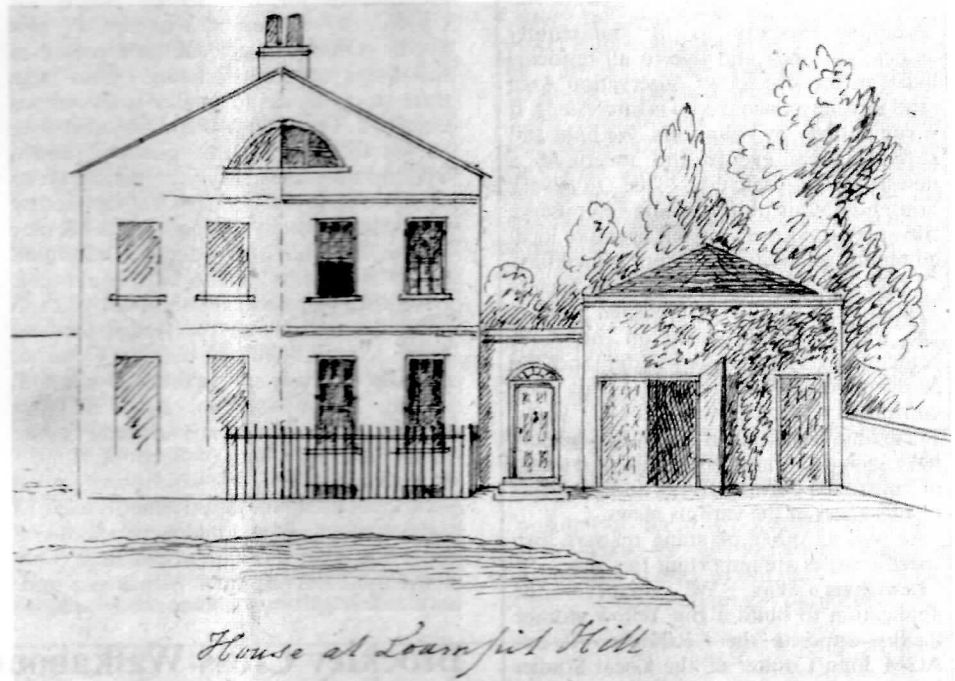
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To join an occasional email circulation about Brockley Society events and activities, email Clare on [clare@sumner-type.co.uk](mailto:clare@sumner-type.co.uk)  
*Everyone living in the Brockley Conservation area is automatically a member of the Brockley Society. The Brockley Society welcomes all.*



**Lewisham Way:** This semi-detached pair of houses is one of three, built c. 1840. They were converted to shops in 1885 and still exist today. Previously known as Lewisham High Road, we would like to see the dilapidation tackled and a strategy developed to make it an impressive thoroughfare once again.

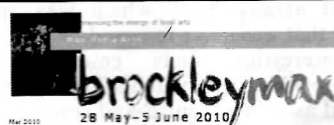
## Big Yellow disaster

The government's Planning Inspector has found for Big Yellow and against Lewisham Council.

Big Yellow's application to build on Lewisham Way opposite the Arthouse was thrown out by the Lewisham planning committee in August. Now the democratic decision-making process is being ignored and we, the tax payers, have to foot the bill for the Big Yellow lawyers.

Lewisham opposed the application because it meant a loss of jobs and manufacturing. Brockley Society and many others also pointed out that the building would be unsuitable: a strident yellow eyecore dominating this section of a historic highway with several adjacent listed buildings.

We are still checking if there is any further way of overturning this ruling.



## Brockley's local arts festival:

[info@brockleymax.co.uk](mailto:info@brockleymax.co.uk)  
[www.brockleymax.co.uk](http://www.brockleymax.co.uk)

## Get ready for the Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre!

**Saturday 19 June 2010**  
- 12 noon to 5pm

This is the largest community event in Brockley. It has been going for 36 years and is a fun day for people throughout the surrounding area. If you wish to help, please contact Clare on 020 8692 3829, [clare@sumner-type.co.uk](mailto:clare@sumner-type.co.uk)

*For stall enquiries see*  
**Brockley Society website**  
[www.brockley.com/brocsoc/](http://www.brockley.com/brocsoc/)

## BrocSoc Chair Retires

Peter Byrne, Brockley Society's chair for nine years, has had to move away and, sadly, retire as chair. The AGM in November 2009 passed a unanimous resolution thanking him for all his hard work over many years and wishing him well for the future.

### Letter from the new Chair

'Brockley Society is a community association open and free to all residents living in the Brockley Conservation Area (and anyone adjacent who is interested). It is run entirely by volunteers. We hold and support local events and meetings; a newsletter is delivered free to every household. Our objectives are to conserve the area's unique character, promote local community activity and improve facilities.'

I take over as Chair of Brockley Society to continue a tradition established 36 years ago when it was founded on the above principles. The free newsletter and the Midsummer Fayre on Hilly Fields have continued through all those years. Recurring issues taken up by the society have included traffic problems, the threat of controlled parking zones, and problems of nuisances in the various mews.

As well as other planning matters, two specific issues are important this year:

**Lewisham Way.** We opposed the application to build a Big Yellow storage facility opposite the ARthouse. At our AGM John Coulter of the Local Studies Library gave an impressive presentation about the buildings of merit on Lewisham Way. We want to work with residents, the council and other interested groups to make the road once again into an impressive highway rather than a dreary arterial road like the Old Kent Road. (Details of meeting on 20 April on page 1)

**Brockley's numerous mews.** These are jewels of the conservation area - or should be. Unfortunately there are problems in many of them: noise, rubbish, fires, fumes. We need coherent, joint action on the kind of business activities allowed and enforcement by the council of their own policies to end nuisance activities that blight the lives of adjacent residents at present.

Our website and email circulation details are on page 1. But all sorts of other activities take place in Brockley which we aim to support and co-operate with. Some are mentioned in this newsletter. Below are a few more.

#### **Brockley Central:**

<http://brockleycentral.blogspot.com/>

#### **Brockley Cross Action Group:**

[www.brockley.com/bcag](http://www.brockley.com/bcag)

#### **Brockley Open Studios:**

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

#### **Friends of Brockley and Ladywell**

Cemeteries: [www.foblc.org.uk](http://www.foblc.org.uk)

#### **Brockley PFI Leaseholders Association:**

[www.brockleypfileaseholdersassoc.org](http://www.brockleypfileaseholdersassoc.org)

To receive an email circulation about arts events in Brockley email Moira Tait on [moiratait@gmail.com](mailto:moiratait@gmail.com)

Would you like to become involved in Brockley Society? Please contact me if you wish to participate or if you have new ideas!

**Clare Cowen, Brockley Society Chair**

## The Struggle to Save Gordonbrock School from Redevelopment

By Rob

The Edwardian buildings at Gordonbrock School in Ladywell are regarded by many as a wonderful example of what is best about the built environment in our little corner of South London. Built in 1905 to designs put down by Thomas Jerram Bailey, head of architecture for the School Board for London, it was one of a number of new buildings that marked a shift in approach in the design of urban schools: from large three storey blocks to smaller scale campus buildings. The School Board presided over an incredible period of publicly funded works during the thirty-year period of its existence up to 1904, when it was replaced by the London County Council. It left a legacy of over 800 schools providing free education for all children in London for the first time. Love them or hate them, no doubt you will be very familiar with the typical looming brick school buildings of the Victorian Board era as many are in existence today, still serving the educational needs of our children. There is a well known literary quote placed into the mouth of Sherlock Holmes by Arthur Conan Doyle which sums up the contribution that the Board Schools made to the everyday lives of Londoners: "Look at those big, isolated clumps of buildings rising above the slates, like brick islands in a lead-

coloured sea. . . Lighthouses, my boy! Beacons of the future! Capsules, with hundreds of bright little seeds in each, out of which will spring the wiser, better England of the future."

The Brockley Society subscribe to the approach that these historic school buildings can be upgraded in such a way that they might continue to provide accommodation for the demands of modern teaching practice, by enhancing and repairing the fabric without deterring from the architectural merits of the original building. We also believe that these schools are a very important aspect of London's social heritage.

Unfortunately, Lewisham Council and Governors at Gordonbrock are of the opinion that their fantastic school is no longer fit for purpose. Planning permission was granted on the 10th December 2009 to demolish two of the original Edwardian teaching blocks, and replace with a new building which will link all of the remaining teaching spaces together to provide increased accommodation for more pupils. This decision was made despite the fact that most of the elected Councillors present at the planning meeting criticized the new proposals as being of inferior design quality. Many parents at the school are outraged, not

## Brockley Cross Walkabout

By Stuart Woodin (Brockley Cross Action Group committee member)

For nearly three hours Brockley Cross had the undivided attention of key players in Lewisham Council in the form of a walkabout and de-brief in Toads Mouth Too. The whole patch was carefully walked - from station to our 'High Street' (Brockley Road), down to Brockley Cross, where we all took life in hands to navigate the 5 roads in an clockwise direction to return to the stretch of shops between Cranfield and Harefield, where we spent some time examining a large puddle, and the old and unnecessary railings and the unhelpful parking restrictions which serve neither passing traffic or commuter traffic between 10.00am and 6.30pm.

It was a sobering and cold tour! Personally, I had a horrible sense of déjà vu, but it was a useful and necessary thing to do. As a community, we have to keep reminding Lewisham Council that we have a very poor public realm, significant road safety issues, and lots of ideas as to what might be done. Unfortunately, the money Lewisham has applied for from TfL has been spread quite thinly, and with regards to Brockley Cross itself, it isn't going to go very far - we won't be getting rid of the hated 1950s double roundabout arrangement, which was an experiment that was never removed.

Some interesting facts emerged - Brockley/Brockley Cross, with its 75 shops, is only classed as a 'local centre' and competes for resources with Lewisham's more important 'district' centres (e.g. New Cross, Sydenham, Lee Green). Across the borough, the backlog of public realm/highways/pavement works needed is about £150m - compared with its annual budget of just under £3m. In other words, unless Lewisham can tap extra funds, little more than pothole filling and urgent

resurfacing is done in any one year. No wonder we have terrible pavements.

Having said that, both Heidi Alexander (cabinet member for regeneration) and Darien Goodwin (Head of Highways) agreed that some things could and should be done as a matter of priority. For example, the above mentioned railings, parking time review, upgrading pavement between Cranfield and Harefield, more drop kerbs, and raised tables in the road and - crucially - slowing traffic more effectively before it reaches the Toads Mouth Too junction, where two tragic road deaths has made clear to the council that something further needs to be done here.

The Action group pushed hard for any improvements or changes to be set within the context of an urban design strategy - and not just done because a bit more money has been found. We also questioned whether more consultation shouldn't be done with local people on priorities for a large 5 year PFI programme for new street lights. We took them to the old concrete lamp post stuck in the middle of the pavement in Brockley Cross which Ian (BXAG committee member) asked to be moved. Ian is blind and has a close working knowledge of this lamp post and the difficulty of navigating Brockley.

On behalf of Charlie Hedges (BXAG Trustee), Rupert King (BXAG Vice Chair), Michelle (TMTToo) and myself, we would like to thank the above named, plus Darren Johnson (local Green councillor), Julie Sutch (Town Centre manager), and Ian Plowright, (Transport Policy Officer) for coming down, and we look forward very much to seeing small and not-so-small improvements appearing over 2010/11.



only at the loss of much loved buildings, but also at the disruptive prospect of having their children bussed and decamped to a l t e r n a t i v e accommodation in Bell Green during the lengthy construction period. Others are also disappointed at the loss of outdoor play space at the expense of a larger building, as well as the atrocious lack of public consultation for this major local project. The development has also been criticised for its unimaginative approach to sustainability. We ask the question: how can the demolition and reconstruction of perfectly good and substantial buildings ever be sustainable in the first place?

A listed building application has been rejected by English Heritage and an appeal refused – so the last hope for saving the buildings remain with Lewisham and the School reconsidering their options before the demolition crew rolls onto the site in April. Perhaps a little bit of that English wisdom predicted by Holmes may have been inherited by the decision makers at the Town Hall?

If you would like to add your voice to the list of objectors to the proposed re-development at Gordonbrock, then please sign our online petition at [www.savegordonbrock.com](http://www.savegordonbrock.com).

## ParkSport Lewisham: cricket returns to Hilly Fields and Mayow Park

### Lewisham Press Release Excerpt

A plan to build cricket pitches on two of Lewisham's parks has been given the go-ahead.

The joint project, by local social enterprise Envirowork Lewisham working in conjunction with Lewisham Council and Teachsport, has been awarded £600,000 from three funding bodies, including the Big Lottery, the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), and the London Marathon Charitable Trust.

Led by Mike Gatting, the ECB's Managing Director of Cricket Partnerships and ex England captain, the ECB has agreed to fund up to 75% of the construction of the squares at both grounds and to provide money for equipment for the project, which will be called ParkSport Lewisham. The ECB sees the projects at Mayow Park and Hilly Fields as a way of re-invigorating cricket in the local community.

This is an exciting and innovative project, and an example of partnership working with Lewisham Council to develop underused areas in local parks, providing employment and training for local unemployed people whilst creating opportunities for local residents to get involved in community sport.

This development will also allow local people to develop their sporting skills within

the borough rather than having to go outside, giving them the opportunity to get involved with community cricket and football teams.

Funding has also been acquired from the London Marathon Trust for the construction of the squares and from the Big Lottery to support the development of the project in its first three years. It is hoped that the project will become financially sustainable within 4 years.

Local residents and Park User groups have been consulted, and it is planned to re-build the cricket squares, renovate the outfield and improve facilities so that cricket can once again be played by local schools, wandering clubs, community groups and local cricket clubs Catford Cyphers CC and Catford Wanderers. Once the outfield is settled, it is planned to make them suitable for football in future seasons and for the grounds and facilities to become centres of sporting excellence.

## Lewisham Core Strategy

Consultation for this document ends on 6 April. View it at libraries, Planning Information Service or online: <http://consult.lewisham.gov.uk/portal>

## Transition Towns Brockley/Lewisham Update

Transition Towns is dedicated to a vision of a low-carbon future. The local BROCKLEY/Lewisham group had its first meeting in April 2009 and has provided updates regarding its activities and accomplishments in previous editions of this newsletter. Highlights of its activities include:

- Film showings at St. Andrews Church in Brockley and Manor House Library in Lee showing the Power of Community and A Farm for the Future as well as couple of short films about Transition Towns Totnes and Brockley to highlight the importance of moving away from reliance on fossil fuels and how urban sustainable food-growing is possible.
- Discussions of how to reduce our carbon footprint and build resilience to peak oil.
- Assistance in setting up a community vegetable garden at St Saviour's Church, one of the 2012 community food growing spaces to be created by the year 2012 under the Capital Growth scheme.
- Support to Friendsbury Gardens in their successful application for continued provision of facilities for courses in sustainable growing and increases in wildlife habitat.
- An awareness raising evening at the Brockley Social Club with a magician, live band, DJs, swopshop, wheel of fortune and other visioning activities on a transition theme.
- Supported plans for an orchard in an overgrown plot behind Brockley residents' flats. The ground has been cleared, soil has been taken for testing, and, together with

the London Orchard Project, trees will be planted in the spring.

- Support of the Global Action Plan (GAP), an independent charity which advises business on energy saving measures, to visit a couple of local small businesses to discuss how they might make energy savings and help them survive the current economic downturn.

- Sparked off an increase in the number of beehives being set up in the area, following two 'veils-on' sessions with buzzing bees and a film showing of The Mysterious Bee.

- Support of sustainable growing (permaculture) principles. An introductory course to permaculture is being organised together with Friendsbury Gardens. Negotiations are also under way for permaculture courses to be held for Lewisham's Envirowork, and Glendale, the council's parks and gardens maintenance team, have expressed interest.

Plans are underway to plant a community orchard on Hilly Fields, together with the London Orchard Project and Park Users' Group.

Another initiative is 9carrots, wherein local businesses pledge to put aside 10% of the money they take from 9carrots customers to make their business more energy efficient. The scheme needs support, which you can provide by spreading the word and asking local businesses for 9carrots vouchers when you spent money at their shops. Businesses providing vouchers so far include:

- The Shop On The Hill, 7a Harefield Road

- The Broca Food Market, 209-211 Mantle Road
- Mr Lawrence Wine Bar, 391 Brockley Road
- Royal Tandoori, 387 Brockley Road
- EXP Chinese Experience, 390 Brockley Road

For more information about Transition Towns, visit [www.transitionlewisham.org.uk](http://www.transitionlewisham.org.uk), or to get the latest news, subscribe to the group on [transitionlewisham-subscribe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:transitionlewisham-subscribe@yahoo.co.uk).

## Hilly Fields Park Update

The playground work started in the New Year, and an opening event for the playground is being scheduled for May.

The Users Group has been working with Gordonbrock School on the final stage of the gate project. The blacksmith has been forging the gates, and lots of the panels are complete.

Also, the group ran its second big bird watch event in the park, and had lots of keen children and parents making bird feeders and helping with the bird survey. For more details on birdwatch, refer to [www.hillyfields.blogspot.com/](http://www.hillyfields.blogspot.com/).

In addition, the cricket project has taken off, with funding agreed (refer to separate article).

For more information about the Friends of Hilly Fields, refer to [www.hilly.org.uk](http://www.hilly.org.uk).

## Brockley Society archives

Two people have responded to our appeal for help to sort these priceless archives and photos.

They still need a home. Could you house the 4 - drawer filing cabinet which contains the files?

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## Masonic Foxes

The Foxes have not been very active in Brockley during recent months due to other engagements further afield.

The only local venture was a second visit to Masons in Ladywell. We had heard that at the beginning of the year Mason's had changed hands. The evening meal was slightly more expensive than our previous visit, £12 for 2 courses or £14 for 3. We were taken aback to be given the wine menu as we sat down, but no food menu. When the wine came, we were offered bread and olives, which we accepted, but the serving was small, with uninspired olives and over priced. After a considerable while of sipping wine and eating olives, we felt that it was time to eat and actually had to ask for the food menu.

A starter of chilled whitebait was freshly, if slightly under cooked. The food was OK but generally just missed the mark on flavour. Two of us had fillet of sea bream, but both servings had large bones in them, not only the very small ones. The sauce was all cream and quite bland. The vegetables, previously quite a let-down at Mason's, were nicely cooked but still boring - just the usual mixture of carrots, broccoli and cauliflower. Better presentation could have made all the difference. We declined puddings in favouring of going for a drink in The Ladywell Tavern. Their menu looked more interesting than before the summer, though we did not see anyone eating there.

La Lanterna is boarded up now. Does anyone know what the plans are?

## Ten Reasons to Join Frances Drake Bowls Club

By Jill

Don't overlook the possibility of a lovely summer's day spent bowling with fellow locals at the Francis Drake Bowling Green. More information, including the summer schedule and contact information, available at [www.francisdrake.org/](http://www.francisdrake.org/) or ring Mick or Jeanette on 020 8291 9243.

### Ten good reasons to take up bowls!

1. It's easy to start playing. Beginners can play alongside experienced players and learn the subtleties of the game. FDBC always welcome new players with a smile!
2. It's great exercise - the walking, bending and stretching is very good for your body!
3. Men and women compete on equal terms. How many sports can you say that about!
4. Young and older players can play together. Francis Drake Bowls Club has casual players and members aged from 8 to 93. (Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.)
5. We offer offering coaching sessions for beginners with qualified Bowls England coaches - no equipment needed. Just

wear flat shoes without heels (and something white on top, just to feel part of the 'scene')!

6. You can play competitively or just for fun. Last year we won the John Collyer League, beating our dear rivals from Ladywell. It's an eight strong league with clubs from Southwark, Lambeth and Lewisham! There are also regular Friendly matches and casual roll ups several times a week until the end of September. FDBC also have members who enter the National and County competitions!
7. It's great being out of doors. Our bowling green in Hilly Fields, Brockley, has splendid views across towards the 'O2 Formally Known As The Dome'!
8. It's totally surreal with an underlying sense of nuttiness!
9. We only charge a minimum of £2 (contribute more if you wish!) for non members to play - and you might get a cup of tea and a biscuit too!
10. It's your local Stadium of Balm and it's now in it's 104th year - do come and make use of it!

## Misty Moon...20th March

By Stuart

The Misty Moon Easter Craft and Art Fair is being held at St Hilda's Hall and The Undercroft, Courtraï Road, Crofton Park, SE4 on Saturday, the 20th March 2010 from 11am till 4pm. Entrance is free, and refreshments will be available.

The Fair is being opened by guest celebrity Graham Cole Aka PC TONY

STAMP from ITV1's THE BILL. Graham will also be signing copies of his new autobiography. (Graham's appearance is subject to work commitments.)

Stalls include all different types of jewellery (boho, ethnic, beaded, silver, reclaimed, even lego!), cakes and chocolates, ceramics, paintings, sculptures, glassware, knitted children's clothes, handmade corsets, and much more.

We will have demonstrations of crafts for the children to get involved with, and we also have local author Barbara Kennedy signing copies of her book The Kings Shilling.

Please come along and support your local

crafters and artists whilst picking up an Easter present and meeting a TV drama legend!

Feel free to contact Stuart on 07960 993737 or email him on at [s\\_morriss@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:s_morriss@tiscali.co.uk) if you want further information.

## Panto Addicts

By Debbie

December's Brockley Society Panto trip was more popular than ever, with 90 panto addicts making the pilgrimage to Greenwich Theatre to be bowled over by Andrew Pollard's hilarious production of Mother Goose.

This annual event is subsidised by the Brockley Society and is a special treat for both the young and young at heart. Although too early to confirm, the cast announced that this year will see the return of Cinderella....steady now, tickets won't be on sale until November!

# MidWinterWarmer

By Kate



The second annual Brockley Society MidWinterWarmer was a roaring success again this year. Sixty-seven of Brockley's local seniors came to our free party at the Social Club at the end of January.

Attendees were entertained by the Seniors Choir and Senior Stompers and treated to first-rate cabaret courtesy of Maria Trevis and The Smart Set. Lewisham Pensioners Forum was on hand to provide free information and advice.

The free raffle included prizes from Jam Circus and the Toads Mouth as well as heaps of donations from generous local people. The Social Club donated the room and trays of sandwiches, Deptford Rotary Club donated the first drink from the bar, and Sainsbury's New Cross Gate



donated sandwiches, soft drinks and cakes. We were also inundated with homemade cakes and biscuits, all of which were utterly delicious (can I have the recipe for the fruit cake, please?)

We will be hosting the party again next year, so look out for our distinctive teapot posters.

The following web sites may be of interest to our readers:

[www.lewishampensionersforum.org/](http://www.lewishampensionersforum.org/)

[www.myspace.com/mariatrevis](http://www.myspace.com/mariatrevis)

[www.rotarydeptford.org.uk/](http://www.rotarydeptford.org.uk/)



## BROCKLEY SOCIETY

### Beautiful Brockley Competition



Best Window Box

Best Balcony



Best Front Garden

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## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Before you start making decisions on any changes to your property, we strongly advise that you look at the Council's guidelines for preserving the Brockley Conservation Area. These will give you a good idea of what is acceptable development: <http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/Environment/Planning/ConservationAndUrbanDesign/ConservationAreas/Brockley/AlteringBuildingsBrockley.htm>

If you would like to object to plans for unsympathetic or inappropriate development, please advise the Brockley Society. The more objections the council receives, the more likely the development is to be questioned. If you would like to support something, again, let us know – community pressure does actually work!

Every other week, the Brockley Society joins the other local conservation societies at the Council's Amenity Panel Meeting. Here we raise formal objections, ask questions, and give our input on local development. These meetings help to determine whether planning applications are approved or go on to be raised at the public planning meetings. The public meetings give applicants and objectors a chance to have their say to enable the Council to reach a decision.

If you would like to get involved in preserving the character of Brockley or for further guidance on planning issues, including making an application, raising an objection, or the processes involved, contact Danny on 07904 508 678.

### Applications Granted

The alteration, conversion and change of use of part of the existing Public House, The Talbot at **2-4 Tyrwhitt Road (No. 4)**, together with alterations to elevations, to provide a three bedroomed house.

The installation of replacement double glazed timber windows in the front, side and rear elevations of **101A & B Upper Brockley Road**.

The installation of replacement double glazed timber sash windows to the front and side elevations of **9A Chalsey Road**, and a timber casement window in the side elevation.

The demolition of the existing buildings at **Units 2, 3, 4 & 5 Ashby Mews** and the construction of a part single/part two storey block comprising 5 commercial B1 units, together with the provision of 3 car parking spaces, internal bicycle storage and refuse storage area.

The demolition of the boundary wall at **62 Wickham Road** and the construction of a 1.8m boundary wall.

The construction of a brick garden wall to the front boundary of **2 Montague Avenue**, together with replacement of the garden path.

The installation of replacement double glazed PVCu windows at **69A & B Cranfield Road**.

The retention of a timber sash window at second floor

level and a double glazed timber door in the rear elevation of **17 Montague Avenue**.

The construction of a side extension to provide a new entrance at **2 Tyrwhitt Road**, together with alterations to the front elevation.

The construction of a two storey extension, together with decking and reinforced lightwell to the rear of **4 Tyrwhitt Road**.

The installation of a replacement rain and sun canopy to the rear of the nursery building at **Myatt Garden Primary School, Rokeby Road**.

The replacement of the existing roof tiles on the main roof and back addition of **20 St Margaret's Road**.

The construction of a replacement single storey extension to the rear of **12 Drake Road**, to provide additional living accommodation.

The partial demolition and refurbishment of the buildings at **Gordonbrock Primary School, Gordonbrock Road**, together with the construction of part single/part two storey extensions and single storey buildings to provide classrooms and associated facilities and landscaping.

The construction of a single storey extension to the side of **14 Coulgate Street**, to provide an additional

assessment room.

The construction of a part one/part two storey extension to the rear of **118 Upper Brockley Road**.

The installation of replacement double glazed timber sash windows to the front of **68 Tressillian Road**.

The removal of existing communal walkway balcony walls and the installation of perforated metal, infill panel balustrades and the provision of a render finish to private balcony walls at **Elm House, Rokeby Road**.

The removal of existing communal walkway balcony walls and the installation of perforated metal, infill panel balustrades, together with the provision of a render finish to private balcony walls at **Oak House, Rokeby Road**.

The provision of a render finish to private balcony walls to the front and rear elevations of **Cherry Tree House, Shardeloes Road**.

The removal of existing communal walkway balcony walls and the installation of perforated infill panel metal balustrades and the provision of a render finish to private balcony walls at **Pear Tree House, Brockley Road**.

The retention of the gravel surface to the front garden at **59 Harefield Road**.

### Trees

Fell a Conifer tree to the front of **96 Tyrwhitt Road**. Prune a Plum tree in the rear garden at **10 Montague Avenue**.

Fell a Sycamore tree to the rear of **35 Rokeby Road**. Pollard to original points and remove epicormic growth from two Lime trees at the rear of **38 Tyrwhitt Road**.

Crown reduce, crown thin and cut back from properties an Ash tree and cut back two Leylandii trees, all to the rear of **38-40 Manor Avenue**.

Crown reduce by 20% a Yew tree to the rear of **3 St Margarets Road**, and cut back to boundary or appropriate points overhanging limbs from an adjacent Ash tree.

Crown lift to 2.5m, remove low limb growing over garden, reduce and reshape crown by 30% and crown thin by 20% a Willow tree to the rear of **132 Breakspears Road**.

Fell a Holly tree to the front of **47 Tyrwhitt Road**. Crown thin by 25% Hawthorn, remove secondary pendulous limbs and crown thin by 20% an Ash tree and remove fire damaged limb and crown thin by 20% a Horse Chestnut tree to the rear of **137 Breakspears Road**.

Fell a Sycamore tree to the rear of **95 Cranfield Road**.

Crown reduce by 40% an Ash tree in the rear garden at **49 Tyrwhitt Road**.

Fell three Leylandii and an Elder tree and carry out minor remedial and maintenance work as detailed in the schedule to other trees in the rear garden at **59 Tressillian Road**.

Fell a Eucalyptus tree to the front of **102 Tyrwhitt Road**. Crown reduce by 50% a Eucalyptus tree to the rear of **32 Geoffrey Road**.

Repollard a Lime tree to the front and crown reduce by 25% a Bay tree to the rear of **75 Harefield Road**.

Crown reduce by 30% an Acacia, three Sycamore trees and a Cherry tree and cut back to boundary an overhanging Elder in the rear garden of **52 Breakspears Road**.

Fell a Walnut and a Sycamore tree in the rear garden; crown thin by 30%, crown lift to 4.5-6m and cut back from property an Ash tree to the front of **32 Tyrwhitt Road**.

Repollard two Lime trees T1 and T2 at the front of **57 Upper Brockley Road**.

Cut to ground level a Pawlownia Tomentosa and a Sycamore tree at **94 Tyrwhitt Road**.

Crown reduce by 30% an Ash tree at **12 Tressillian Crescent**.

Fell three self seeded Ash, a Eucalyptus and a Sycamore tree to the rear of **35 Tyrwhitt Road**.

Fell six Sycamore trees to the rear of **36 Wickham Road**. Fell a Pear tree to the rear of **28 Harefield Road**.

Fell a Norwegian Spruce tree to the front of **41 Manor Avenue**.

Repollard a Sycamore tree to the rear of **47 Cranfield Road**.

Fell an Acacia, reduce and reshape by 20% an Elm and carry out remedial work to a Horse Chestnut tree at **St Johns Vicarage, St Johns Vale**.

Remove two Sycamore trees from the rear of **49 Tressillian Road**.

Crown thin by 30% two Lime trees at **135 Breakspears Road**.

Reduce by 30% overhanging crown of a Sycamore tree at the rear of **137 Breakspears Road**.

Crown reduce overhanging Sycamore at the rear of **172 Tressillian Road**.

### Applications Refused

Certificate of Lawfulness in respect of the use of **1 Wickham Road** as 3, two bedroom and 1, one bedroom self-contained flats.

Fell a Lime tree at **69 Tressillian Road**.

Fell three Lime trees at **1 Edwards Way, Adelaide Avenue**.

The retention of fencing to enclose the flat roof at the first floor level to the rear of **109B Tyrwhitt Road**.

### Pending

The construction of an extension to the rear roof slope incorporating folding doors with railings and a window, together with the installation of a roof light to the front roof slope of **39 Chalsey Road**.

The construction of a single storey extension to the rear, and balcony to first floor level at **17 St Margaret's Road**, together with alterations to the rear and side elevations.

The construction of an extension at first floor level to the rear of **39 Manor Avenue**.

The construction of a conservatory to the rear of **16 Hilly Fields Crescent**.

The construction of a single storey building in the rear garden of **135 Breakspears Road**, to provide garden storage space

The removal of existing communal walkway balcony walls and the installation of perforated infill metal panel

balustrades and the provision of a render finish to private balcony walls at **Holly Tree House Brockley Road, Chestnut House Brockley Road, Lime Tree House Wickham Gardens, May Tree House Wickham Road & Acacia House Breakspears Road** (separate applications).

The construction of a log cabin in the rear garden of **86 Breakspears Road**.

The retention of the single storey extension as built at the rear of **104 Tressillian Road**.

The retention of a two storey extension to the rear, together with the conversion of **20 Cranfield Road**, to a 2 bedroom self contained flat and a 4 bedroom self contained maisonette.

The construction of a single storey, detached garage at the rear of **53 Wickham Road**, fronting the private access road at the rear of the property.

The construction of an extension to the existing conservatory at the rear of **125 Tressillian Road**.

The construction of a single storey building comprising 6 work units on the vacant site at **Breakspears Mews**, to the rear of **38 Breakspears Road**, together with associated parking and cycle provision.

The formation of a vehicular access and hard standing area at **Henna House, 12 Ashby Road**.

The construction of a single storey extension to the rear of **Flat B, 95 Tressillian Road**.

The installation of a skylight to the flat area of the existing roof of **91d Manor Avenue**.

The replacement of the existing roof with Slates at **102 Manor Avenue**.

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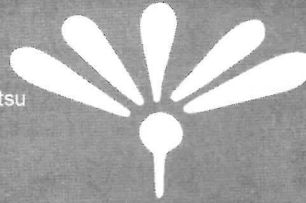
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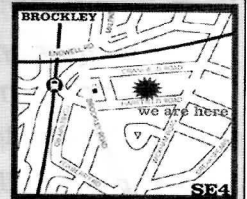
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