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Dear Members, Partners and Friends

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Welcome to your monthly Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin produced by Voscur on behalf of the ChangeUp consortium.

Please pass this information on to anyone else in your organisation, or friends who may find it useful.

This e-bulletin will be sent out monthly on the third Monday each month.

If you would like to include any news or information in the Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin, please contact Matthew Symonds at the Voscur office on 0117 909 9949 or email <mailto:matthew@voscur.org>

The deadline for news items you'd like to be included in the Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin is 5.00 pm on the following dates, 15 May, 12 June, 17 July, 14 August, 18 September, 16 October, 13 November, 18 December

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::: STOP PRESS! :::

YOUR PHOTO'S OF BRISLINGTON WANTED

Brislington's Reflex Camera Club are asking for photographs of Brislington on the subjects of 'Things I like in Brislington' and 'Things I would like to improve'

The club aims to show these images at the camera club meeting on Thursday 7 May. Send your images as jpegs to Rosie at <mailto:tommos@blueyonder.co.uk> by Thursday 30 April. In the body of the email give some explanation of why you've chosen these images. Find out more at: <http://www.brislington.org/notice.html>

LOCAL ELECTIONS IN JUNE

On Thursday 4 June local elections are taking place in the following wards:

Ashley, Avonmouth, Bishopston, Cabot, Clifton, Clifton East, Cotham, Easton, Eastville, Frome Vale, Henbury, Henleaze, Hillfields, Horfield, Kingsweston, Lawrence Hill, Lockleaze, Redland, St George East, St George West, Southmead, Stoke Bishop, Westbury on Trym. Elections to the European Parliament are also taking place across Bristol on the same day.

The deadline for registering as an elector in time to vote in these elections is 5pm on Tuesday 19 May 2009. For a register to vote form visit:

[http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/cms-service/stream/asset/?asset\\_id=29932331&](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/cms-service/stream/asset/?asset_id=29932331&)

To find out if you are registered or to get registered telephone (0117) 922 3790, Fax (0117) 922 3461 or email <mailto:registertovote@bristol.gov.uk>

::: NEWS :::

#### INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS FOR WILD WEST GOING GREEN

A documentary with animation told by the residents of Knowle West has been shortlisted from 761 films submitted and will be screened in May at 6th Green Film Festival in Seoul, Korea! 'Wild West Going Green' is presented by two boys and shows the challenges faced building momentum within the community to develop locally driven and relevant environmental projects. To find out more visit: <http://www.kwmc.org.uk/index.php?article=332&department=3>

#### MEET YOUR LINK AT A ROAD-SHOW EVENT!

Bristol Local Involvement Network (LINK) want you to 'Have Your Say in Health and Social Care!' at their road show events. The road show will give you the chance to put forward your views on how health and social care services can be improved, developed and commissioned locally. All events are from 6pm—8pm, and you only need to attend one. Road shows taking place in May:

- Monday 11 May: Brunel Academy, Speedwell Road, Kingswood, Bristol BS15 1NU
- Wednesday 13 May: South Bristol Sports Centre, West Town Lane, Bristol, BS14 9EA
- Tuesday 19 May: Westbury on Trym Village Hall, Eastfield Road, Westbury on Trym, Bristol BS9 4AG

To find out more or to book a place please contact Alex Hodgson, Bristol LINK Administrator (0117) 9589325 or email <mailto:alex.hodgson@linkbristol.org.uk>

#### INSPIRING COMMUNITIES SOUGHT

The Department of communities and Local Government have today launched the application pack for Neighbourhood Partnerships interested in bidding to become Inspiring Communities - Initially it will fund and support 15 neighbourhood partnerships to deliver a programme of activities working with young people, their parents and communities, to create new opportunities, broaden horizons and build up the self-confidence of local people. The deadline for receipt of bids is Wednesday 3 June. Further details can be found at:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/communities/neighbourhoodrenewal/inspiringcommunities/>

#### YOUR IDEAS FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES WANTED

As part of the Sustainable Communities Act, Bristol City Council is looking for your suggestions to make Bristol more economically, socially and environmentally sustainable. Suggestions must be made by 1 May 2009. For more information visit: <http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Council-Democracy/Democracy-Elections/sustainable-communities-act---suggestion-scheme.en>

#### HELPERS NEEDED AT COMMUNITY CENTRE

A neighbourhood centre in Brislington is looking for volunteers to help with a range of tasks and activities. The centre, in Allison Road, has a lunch club for older people and a range of activities for youngsters aged four to 11. Volunteers who can help with finance, gardening or can teach children new skills at the after-school and holiday clubs are needed. A cook is also needed to cater for the lunch clubs for older people that are held in the centre. Helpers will need to be free for several hours in the morning, three days a week.

To help call 977 2100 or email [brislingtoncentre@btinternet.com](mailto:brislingtoncentre@btinternet.com).

::: DATES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS :::

Neighbourhood Partnership meetings are open to any resident or local group to attend.  
Key to meetings

SG = Steering group meeting, OM = Open Meeting

The dates of meetings coming up are:

\*\*\* EAST BRISTOL \*\*\*

Brislington East and Brislington West (Brislington Community Partnership)

(OM) Monday 11 May 2009, 7 pm, Wicklea Community Centre, 281 Wick Road, Brislington, BS4 4HR.

Contact Lorna Heaysman on (0117) 377 2653 or email <mailto:lorna.heaysman@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Frome Vale, Eastville and Hillfields

(OM) Thursday 14 May, 7 to 9pm venue to be confirmed.  
Contact Jo Holmes on (0117) 903 6898 or email <mailto:johanna.holmes@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

St George East and St George West  
(OM) Thursday 23 April 2009, 7 to 9 pm, Summerhill Methodist Church, 5 Air Balloon Road, St George, Bristol, BS5 8LB  
Contact Abdul Razak Dahir on 0117 903 6409 or email <mailto:abdulrazak.dahir@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Inner City Neighbourhood Partnership (Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill)  
The next meeting will take place in (OM) Monday 13 July, venue to be confirmed.  
Contact Penny Germon on (0117) 903 9932 or Sarah Keel on (0117) 903 9975 or email <mailto:innercity@neighbourhoodpartnership.co.uk> for more details

\*\*\* NORTH BRISTOL \*\*\*

Avonmouth and Kingsweston  
(SG) Tuesday 28 April, 10am venue to be confirmed.  
Contact Sam Parker on (0117) 922 3029 or email <mailto:sam.parker@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership.  
(OM) Wednesday 22 April, 7 – 9pm at Redland Green School, Redland Court Road, Redland, Bristol, BS6 7EH.  
Contact Jo Holmes on (0117) 903 9797 or email <mailto:johanna.holmes@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East  
(OM) Monday 27 April, 7pm, The Hawthornes, Woodland Road, Bristol, BS8 1UQ  
Contact Ariaif Hussain on (0117) 922 3218 or email <mailto:ariaif.hussain@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Henbury and Southmead  
(OM) Friday 15 May, 10am, Southmead Estate Agreement meeting plus walkabout. Meet at Southmead Community Centre, Greystoke Avenue, Southmead, Bristol, BS10 6BQ  
Henbury meeting date, time and venue to be confirmed.  
Contact Mohamed Ismail on 0117 903 6420 or email <mailto:mohamed.ismail@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury on Trym  
(SG) Wednesday 6 May, 7 – 9pm, Wesbury Baptist Church, Reedley Road, Westbury on Trym, Bristol, BS9 3TD  
Contact Jayne Anstis on (0117) 903 6442 or email <mailto:jayne.anstis@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Horfield and Lockleaze  
(OM) Monday 27 April, 7pm, the Cameron Centre, Cameron Walk, Lockleaze, Bristol, BS7 9XB  
Contact Mohamed Ismail on 0117 903 6420 or email <mailto:mohamed.ismail@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

\*\*\* SOUTH BRISTOL \*\*\*

Bedminster and Southville (Greater Bedminster Community Partnership)  
Date, time and venue to be confirmed  
Contact Ben Barker, GBCP secretary on (0117) 903 6441 or Lorna Heaysman on (0117) 377 2653 email <mailto:benbarker@blueyonder.co.uk> or <mailto:lornaheaysman@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Bishopsworth, Hartcliffe and Whitchurch Park  
Monday 18 May, 7pm Venue to be confirmed  
This meeting will focus on Young Peoples Issues.  
Contact Heather Williams on (0117) 903 8044 or email: <mailto:heather.williams@hwcp.org.uk> for more details

Filwood, Knowle and Windmill Hill  
Date, time and venue to be confirmed  
Contact Valeria Talbot on (0117) 908 4247 or email <mailto:valerie.talbot@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Hengrove and Stockwood  
(OM) Tuesday 7 July, 7pm, South Bristol Sports Centre, West Town Lane, Bristol, BS14 9EA  
Contact Ariaif Hussain on (0117) 922 3218 or email <mailto:ariaif.hussain@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

::: CONSULTATIONS :::

The following consultations are currently taking place in Bristol:

- New homes in Bristol (Until 24 April 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Owen Square (Until 26 April 2009)
- Your suggestions for a sustainable Bristol (Until 1 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Victoria Park (Until 2 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Begbrook Green Park (Until 10 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Arnos Court Park (Until 11 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Oldbury Court (Until 12 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Rawnsley Park (Until 12 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Gainsborough Square (Until 21 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Witherwood Park (Until 23 May 2009)
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- Have your say on the future of your local playground at St Andrews Park (Until 25 May 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Troopers Hill Field (Until 28 May 2009)
- Linking Hartcliffe to Long Ashton (Until 31 Mar 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Millenium Green (Until 1 June 2009)
- Proposed Closure of Care Homes (Until 1 Jun 2009)
- Have your say on the future of your local playground at Horfield Common (Until 7 June 2009)
- Proposed Closure of Care Homes (Until 30 June 2009)
- Active People (until 31 October 2009)
- Museum Visitor Surveys (Until 31 December 2009)

To find out more about these and other consultations visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Council-Democracy/Consultations/consultation-finder.en>

YOU CAN CURRENTLY SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING ONLINE E-PETITIONS:

- Hebron burial ground Bedminster auction 28 April 2009 (Until 24 April 2009)
- Save Ashton Vale Fields from further damage or future development (Until 30 April 2009)
- No to Amalgamation of Henleaze Infant and Junior Schools (until 30 April 2009)
- Let All Bristol Decide (Until 5 May 2009)
- Save Newquay Rd playing fields (Until 23 May 2009)
- Say No to Park & Ride on Stapleton Allotments (Until 31 May, 2009)
- Banana Bridge wheeled access. (Until 14 June 2009)
- No Incinerator in Bristol (Until 17 Jun 2009)
- Save the Bristol Travel Shop (Until 30 June 2009)
- Direct democracy (Until 1 Jul 2009)
- Save Summerhill infant and primary from amalgamation (Until 1 Jul 2009)
- No Heathrow Expansion - Electrify mainline London to Bristol instead. (Until 31 July)
- No More Noisy Leaf Blower at Blaise, Use a Rake! (Until 1 Aug 2009)
- No billboards on Stokes Croft (Until 5 August)
- Petition to remove billboards on Mina Rd. (Until 29 August 2009)
- A public transport hub at Temple Meads (Until 29 Oct 2009)
- New Bristol cyclepath across M32 motorway (Until 31 October 2009)

Support these and other petitions or start your own at: <http://epetitions.bristol.gov.uk/>

::: LOCAL COMMUNITY DIARY :::

--- MONDAY 20 APRIL – SUNDAY 20 JUNE 2009 ---

ANNE FRANK EXHIBITION

To support the 'Anne Frank + You' exhibition open throughout May 2009 at Bristol Cathedral commemorating the 80th anniversary of her birth, copies of The Diary of Anne Frank have been purchased in various formats, including spoken word CD and area available from all Bristol Libraries. To find out more Visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Leisure-Culture/Arts-Entertainment/whats-en?XSL=eventdetail&EventId=20824>

--- SATURDAY 25 APRIL ---

#### EASTSIDE ROUTES COMMUNITY SPRING FAYRE

Annual event to celebrate spring - this year the Spring Fayre will launch the Eastside Routes Community Garden Centre! From 12.30pm at Stapleton Road Railway Station, Easton, Bristol (walk up from St Marks Road or come by train along the Severn Beach line). To find out more visit:

<http://www.eastsideroots.org.uk/news-events.html>

#### HERBAL WALK

Join a Herbal Walk with Julia Green at Ashton Court Estate, 2- 4pm. She will explain the use and function of herbs during her guided tour. Please book by phoning the estate office on 0117 9639174 as places are limited.

--- WEDNESDAY 29 APRIL ---

#### WOMEN'S FORUM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Bristol Women's Forum will be holding its Annual General Meeting at 7pm at the Council House, College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TR. To find out more go to [www.bristolwomensforum.org](http://www.bristolwomensforum.org) or ring 0117 9224562 or email

<mailto:tansy.pot@bristol.gov.uk>

--- MONDAY 4 MAY ---

#### SPORTS UNLIMITED – SOUTHMEAD STREET DANCE 10-16's

A combination of urban, hip-hop and youth dance moves. Participants are welcome to come along and enjoy the sessions and learn new moves and routines. 6.30 – 7.30pm Southmead Youth Centre, Greystoke Avenue, Southmead, Bristol, BS10 6AS. To find out more about this and other sports Unlimited activities in Bristol visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Leisure-Culture/Sports-Clubs-and-Centres/sport-unlimited.en>

#### NEW CUT 200th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

The Friends of the Avon New Cut invite you to a Fun Day to mark the 200th anniversary of the completion of the Avon New Cut and the opening of Bristol's Floating Harbour. The celebrations take place from 12.30 to 5pm by the ss Great Britain. To find out more visit: [http://www.southvillecentre.org.uk/article.php?id\\_article=106](http://www.southvillecentre.org.uk/article.php?id_article=106)

--- TUESDAY 5 MAY ---

#### FREE MUSIC RECITAL

Music for Bass, clarinet and piano. Free lunchtime Concerts happen every Tuesday at 1.15 pm in the Cathedral Choir term. . Enjoy lunch, music and the Anne Frank Exhibition all in one visit. 1.15 – 3pm Bristol Cathedral, College Green, Bristol

--- SATURDAY 9 MAY ---

#### BEACON CENTRE OPEN DAY

A chance to meet with tutors and students and find out more about our Summer and Autumn Courses. 11.00am – 4.00pm, The Beacon Centre, City Academy Bristol, Russell Town Avenue. BS5 9JH.

For more information call (0117) 935 1471

#### HENLEAZE GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE

10 - 12.30pm Plants to buy, tea, coffee and cake stall. Proceeds towards club funds. Everyone welcome. 3 Grange Park, Westbury on Trym, Bristol. To find out more visit: <http://www.henleazesociety.co.uk/diary.htm>

--- SATURDAY 9 MAY ---

#### SOUTHBANK ARTS TRAIL

The seventh Southbank Bristol Arts Trail will be a weekend of arts and performance in homes, churches, community centres and public houses around Southville, Bedminster and Ashton. Venues will be open on 9 and 10 May 2009, between 11 am and 6 pm, welcoming the public to see and enjoy work from artists, makers, performers, musicians, and others in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. To find out more visit: [http://www.sbaweb.co.uk/arts\\_trail\\_2009](http://www.sbaweb.co.uk/arts_trail_2009)

--- SUNDAY 10 MAY ---

#### TRINITY GARDEN PARTY

Free annual May party at the Trinity Centre, Trinity Road, Bristol, BS2 0NW, is packed with live performances from some of Bristol's finest! The day will include family entertainment, workshops, activities, stalls and live music from 12 noon. Find out more at:

<http://www.3ca.org.uk/gigs/listings/gigs-2009/free-trinity-garden-party>

--- SATURDAY 16 MAY ---

#### LAWRENCE WESTON SEED SWAP SATURDAYS

An opportunity to swap spare plant-seeds with other gardeners and talk about seasonal gardening issues at Lawrence Weston Library and Learning Resource centre, Broadlands Drive, Lawrence Weston, Bristol, BS11 0NT. The swaps are free sessions, for all ages, and will continue on every third Saturday of the month until 19 September. For more details contact [vicki.bowd@cityofbristol.ac.uk](mailto:vicki.bowd@cityofbristol.ac.uk)

#### COLSTON HALL SNEAK PREVIEW

Get a sneak preview inside the new Colston Hall foyer and be the first to hear about the events and musical commissions taking place at the Opening Festival. From 10am, all welcome. To find out more and to enter the competition to be the lucky person to officially open the new Foyer visit: <http://www.colstonhall.org/redevelopment/news/News875>

--- TUESDAY 19 MAY ---

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP RESIDENTS FORUM

10am - 12.30pm at the Broadmead Baptist Church, Union Street, Broadmead, Bristol, BS1 3HY. Network meeting for residents, voluntary and community groups involved in the 14 neighbourhood Partnerships across Bristol. To find out more contact Matthew Symonds on 0117 909 9949 or email: <mailto:matthew@voscur.org> or confirm your attendance online at: <http://www.voscur.org/brispartnership/np>

--- WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY ---

#### HARTCLIFFE AND WITheyWOOD BIODIVERSITY WALK

Withywood Biodiversity Walk. The walks will last 1-2hrs including some time at the end to discuss any further ideas and concerns. Meet 3.30pm at Four Acres Primary School, Four Acres, Withywood, Bristol, BS13 8RB

To find out more contact Contact Ceri Naylor on 37 73450 or Heather Williams on 90 38010 or visit:

<http://www.hwcp.org.uk/>

#### HOTWELLS, CLIFTON AND CLIFTON WOOD LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

The launch of this new group will take place 7:30-9pm in the Lecture Theatre at the CREATE Centre, Smeaton Road, Bristol, BS1 6XN. The aim of the society is to bring together everyone who is interested in the huge diversity of historical riches in the area. After some short formal business to get the Group officially recognised, the meeting will celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the Floating Harbour. Please telephone 0117 9277157 to reserve a place for this free event. To find out more visit: [http://www.cliftonhotwells.org.uk/chis\\_news.html](http://www.cliftonhotwells.org.uk/chis_news.html)

--- SATURDAY 30 MAY ---

#### WITheyWOOD GARDEN LAUNCH FUN DAY

The Fun Day will take place from 11am. People who would like to perform on stage during the afternoon for at most 30 minutes, run workshops or put on stands should contact Teresa Anstey at the Withywood Centre on (0117) 987 8400.

#### FIND MORE EVENTS

To find details of events happening in your local parks and green spaces visit

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Leisure-Culture/Arts-Entertainment/whats-on.en?XSL=index&EventTypeId=71&AllRecords=true>

To find more events or publicise your own in the Voscur online diary visit <http://www.voscur.org/event>

::: COMING UP :::

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP RESIDENTS' FORUM MEETING DATES

Join other people from across Bristol who are active in their Neighbourhood Partnership. Share good ideas and solve problems at the Neighbourhood Partnership Residents' Forum. Date for the coming year:

Tuesday 19 May, 10am – 12.30pm at Broadmead Baptist Church  
Thursday 16 July, 6-8pm, at Barton Hill Settlement  
Saturday 19 September, 10am - 12.30pm venue to be confirmed  
Tuesday 24 November, 2 - 4pm at Windmill Hill City Farm  
Thursday 28 January, 2010, 6-8pm at the Council House  
Saturday 27 March, 2010, 10 - 12.30pm at Shirehampton Public Hall

To find out more contact Matthew Symonds on 0117 909 9949 or email: <mailto:matthew@voscur.org> or confirm your attendance by online at: <http://www.voscur.org/brispartnership/np>

#### VOSCUR TRAINING

Courses coming up - Contact Anna Polanek on 0117 909 9949 or email <mailto:anna@voscur.org> to register your interest in any of these Voscur course:

- Getting Ready for Enterprise
- Writing Better Funding Bids
- How to Develop a Business Plan
- Trustee Series 1 Why am I on the Committee?
- Trustee Series 2 - Good Governance - How to be a better Trustee
- Making Outcomes Work For You
- Speaking With Confidence
- Collaboration and Merger
- Trustee Series 3 So you think you're a charity? Understanding legal structures for organisations

For more details on Voscur Training and learning visit:  
<http://www.voscur.org/training>

::: NOTICEBOARD :::

Talk online to people in your area.

There are several online discussion groups across Bristol where you can discuss your local issues from the comfort of your own home! Why not follow one of these links and join in?

Greater Bedminster Issues Forum:  
<http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/bemmy-forum/index.html>

Brislington  
<http://s8.invisionfree.com/BCP/>

Barton Hill, the Dings, Lawrence Hill and Redfield  
<http://www.ndcbristol.co.uk/forum/>

Easton  
[http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/easton\\_bristol/](http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/easton_bristol/)

Henbury and Brentry  
<http://www.henburybrentrycommunity.org.uk/wordpress/>

Knowle West  
<http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/kw-forum/index.html>

Redland  
<http://www.sustainableredland.org.uk/subscribe/>

Shirehampton

[http://www.shire.org.uk/index.php?page=message\\_boards](http://www.shire.org.uk/index.php?page=message_boards)

St Werburghs

<http://www.stwerburghs.org/forums/>

If you'd like to find out more about how to set up an online discussion forum in your area, you can find information at:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Council-Democracy/Consultations/online-forums.en>

::: RESOURCES AT YOUR FINGERTIPS :::

#### KEY DECISIONS COMING UP

You can find out what key decisions Bristol City Councils Cabinet of elected councillors will be making soon by looking at the Leaders Forward Plan online at:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Council-Democracy/Elected-Representatives/leaders-forward-plan.en>

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Each week Bristol City Council publishes a list of all the planning applications that they receive. You can view the list at:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Environment-Planning/Planning/weekly-lists-of-planning-applications.en>

To find out how you can have your say and influence decisions on planning applications visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Environment-Planning/Planning/file-storage-items/planning-applications---your-chance-to-have-your-say.en>

::: FEEDBACK :::

We are always keen to receive feedback on Voscur services such as the Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin. You can send us your views by filling in the online form at <http://www.voscur.org/contact>