

Monitoring report: 7 December 2018

Overview

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Overview	Detail	Action
<p>Following WCC's survey of local businesses, the council are now looking to use the results to inform future policy.</p> <p>(4 December, Twitter)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The survey, which is available here, is designed to understand the employment needs of local businesses and the challenges currently faced regarding recruitment. • The results of the survey will be used to inform future policy positions of WCC, giving businesses the unique chance to shape WCC policy. 	None.
<p>Director of Community Services at WCC, Andy Durrant, highlights the Westminster City Plan's policies for new spaces and boosting physical activity.</p> <p>(3 December, Twitter)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andy Durrant has welcomed the Local Plan's emphasis on boosting physical activity. • He also calls on WCC to continue to work closely with Active Westminster in order to achieve the goals set out within the Plan and create a healthier, greener Westminster. 	None.
<p>Cllr Andrew Smith, Cabinet Member for Housing, says that the Housing Solutions Service family centre's first week in operation has been a success.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Housing Solutions Service family centre launched last week and is designed to provide advice for those at risk of homelessness. • Cabinet Member for Housing, Cllr Andrew Smith, sent a message from within the busy centre reaffirming WCC's commitment to tackling homelessness in the borough. • Cllr Smith cited the centre as a big step forward, emphasising the importance of providing support at the early stages, rather 	None.

(3 December, Twitter)	than at the point of crisis.	
<p>WCC is supporting the development of new enterprise space to help 2,000 businesses grow and create jobs.</p> <p>(1 December, Twitter)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCC is supporting the development of new enterprise space, like the Paddington Works, Westminster’s new enterprise hub, to aid the growth of business in the borough. • Creative Westminster businesses have the chance to apply for free workspace at the Paddington Works, with 10 scholarships provided for businesses owned and operated by Westminster resident’s - including 5 young people. • This forms part of WCC’s continued commitment to small businesses in the borough. 	None.

Consultations

Body	Consultation	Deadline	Action
WCC	Oxford Street District strategy	16 December 2018	To be agreed
WCC	Revision to Westminster's City Plan	21 December 2018	To be agreed
MHCLG	Planning Reform: supporting the high street and increasing the delivery of new homes	14 January 2019	To be agreed
GLA	Analysing the Mayor's Healthy Streets initiative	31 January 2019	To be agreed

Events forward planner

Date	Organisation	Event	Tickets
12 December 2018	Cities of London & Westminster Conservatives (CLWCA)	Drinks Reception with Paul Scully MP The Chairman & Committee of the Bryanston & Dorset Square ward are hosting a drinks reception with special guest, the Rt Hon Paul Scully MP. It will be held at a central London location within Bryanston & Dorset Square ward. Details of the venue will be shared with attendees 48 hours beforehand.	£30 for members, £35 for non-members
Tuesday 22 January 2018	Cities of London & Westminster Conservatives (CLWCA)	Drinks Reception with Conservative Mayoral Candidate Shaun Bailey The Hyde Park Conservatives are holding a drinks reception with London Assembly Member and 2020 Conservative Mayoral candidate Shaun Bailey. It will be held at an Argentinian cafe and wine bar, ten minutes' walk from Marble Arch. Details of the venue will be shared with attendees 48 hours beforehand.	£30 for members, £35 for non-members