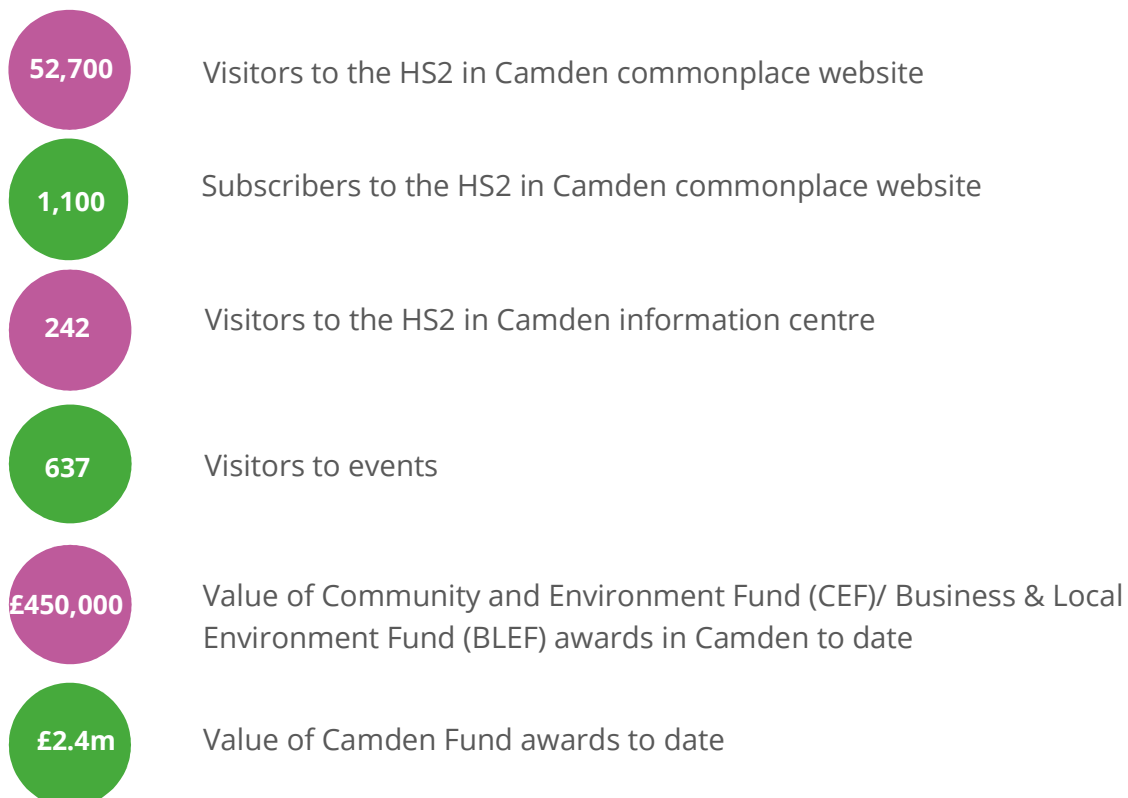


Community Engagement Flash Report Euston Community Representatives Group (ECRG) Issue no. 7 December 2019

Community engagement at a glance

January 2019 – November 2019



Community awards - 2019

CEF/ BLEF awards

February 2019

Euston well-being team project – this is an outreach project to engage and support the street population and help to reduce associated crime and antisocial behaviour.

Camden Fund awards

February 2019

New Diorama Theatre – to create a filmmaking library to work with residents to make films and documentaries about their community and lives and provide free theatre trips for primary school children in the Regent's Park Ward.

The Conservation Volunteers – to help replicate and enhance the existing use of green spaces by providing physical activities in a friendly group environment.

Edith Neville Primary School – for Families First which provides support for parents to support their children's personal and education development to expand their current provision and provide support at evenings and weekends.

Clime-it Brothers CIC - a service that provides employment and apprenticeships placements for ex-offenders and young people at risk.

Groundswell UK - to recruit a Care Navigator to work closely with local homelessness services in Camden to support homeless people in accessing healthcare.

April 2019

Training Link - courses for residents to improve their reading, writing, spelling & grammar

Speak Street - for fun, social, educational sessions to help isolated newcomers to Camden improve their English skills and build community cohesion

North London Cares - host 30 Social Clubs and facilitate 12 Love Your Neighbour matches every year, for three years, connecting isolated older and younger neighbours in South Camden

Talk for Health – to make therapeutic talk accessible to all, by teaching peer counselling and train people to set up ongoing peer-support groups

Citizens Advice Bureau – Community Outreach Project in community locations and deliver community development work

Fitzrovia Youth in Action - Youth Action Innovation Hub provides local young people with inspiration, resources and support to identify issues of concern in their community and devise social action projects to address them thorough seed funding

July 2019

Action Youth Boxing Intervention CIC - support at-risk young people in Camden to stay in and engage with school.

STORE Schools and Projects CIC – a free architectural summer school with four scholarship places to students in Camden.

Change Please Foundation (CPF) – four new retail sites in Camden to empower the homeless community by training them to be baristas to then help run either a coffee shop or mobile coffee outlet at each site

Samuel Lithgow Youth Centre – support 300 women to improve their levels of fitness and emotional well-being through the provision of fitness activities (with a creche).

St Pancras Community Association - a healthy living programme which aims to provide a wide range of opportunities for physical activities that support mental health and wellbeing for all ages and abilities.

Little Village (Camden) - to expand both the reach and depth of their work to provide family support services, including the provision of essential items of clothing, toys and equipment for young children.

October 2019

Healthy Minds, Healthy Bods - to provide active fun day-events, improving mindset, providing knowledge of exercises with qualified personal trainer, to explain the need to eat healthily.

Camden Citizens Advice Bureaux Service - a contribution towards upgrading their IT equipment, for example through supporting with online HS2 compensation schemes and applying for financial support.

Regent's Park Allotment - to provide improved access into/around the allotments; food growing beds will be rebuilt and prepared for planting; additional raised beds will be installed to engage less mobile users; new communal seating area and pergola.

Steel pan trust - working with community & arts groups the Trust will reach a diverse range of local people to try acoustic steel pan together. They will hold inclusive workshops across Camden in accessible venues and adjust sessions so that individuals with disabilities can join in fully.

Women and Health -to grow a holistic programme of activities and interventions to improve residents' and their families' overall mental and physical health, well-being and resilience.

King's Cross Brunswick Neighbourhood Association - to connect older people with young people creating opportunities to share experience, knowledge and skills that are mutually beneficial and foster long term relationships.

Coram's Fields - a sports programme to deliver free sport to young people across South Camden. Through a programme of universal and targeted interventions, they break down the barriers to young people's participation in sport, with a particular focus on young women, those with disabilities and young people considered high risk.

Engagement

- **Four weekly drop-ins events**

- Two drop-in events have taken place since the last meeting.
- The October event provided a general update on enabling works
- At the November drop-in SCS talked about their upcoming works. Residents also raised concerns about the construction traffic routes and the closure of Granby Terrace bridge.



- **Pop up events**

- 20 pop-up events have been held at Regent's Park Estate during the demolition works and 152 residents have attended.
- At recent events residents have raised concerns about the works; anti-social behaviour around Stanhope Parade; parking suspensions; noise and dust.
- The team updated residents on the works and environmental control measures and shared information on the Camden well-being programme.
- We continue to attend the Chalton Street Market on the first Friday of the month (subject to weather) to share information about the project, construction works and jobs and skills opportunities.



Skills and Education

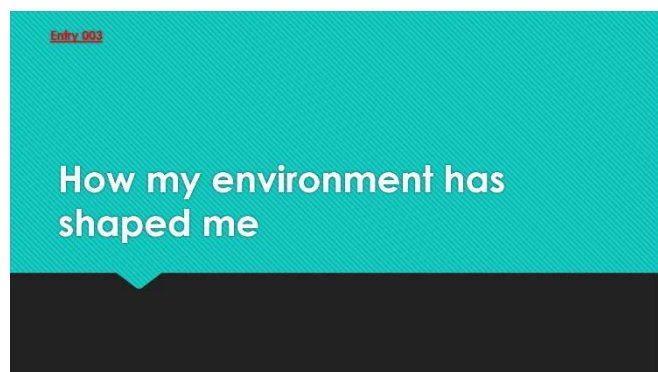
- **Growing Spaces**

- Planning continues with St Mary and St Pancras, Edith Neville Primary and Maria Fidelis to deliver our Growing Spaces initiative in the New Year.
- Growing Spaces is a programme to teach children about healthy living and growing fruit and vegetables by installing a raised bed at the schools.



- **Schools engagement**

- We held a competition with students at Maria Fidelis on the topic of: "How has your environment shaped you?"
- 25 submissions were received covering topics such as gender equality, knife crime and their family heritage.
- We delivered a STEM workshop for Year 3 students at Gospel Oak Primary School.
- As part of a weekly reading programme we have been delivering ongoing support to pupils at Netley Primary School.
- We carried out mentoring at Maria Fidelis and our contractors will be attending a careers day for 120 Year 7 students at Maria Fidelis on 26th November.
- Offered Netley School space on our hoardings to promote their open days which increased attendance to the school.



Community Investment

- **Local business opportunities**

- Over 40 local businesses were brought together for an event to advise them of HS2 businesses opportunities and provide guidance on how to get involved.
- The event included a series of workshops with SCS on how to tender and get your business to stand out.
- Initial feedback from businesses has been positive.
- To help us find out more about what the local business community can offer us and our contractors we are asking local businesses to tell us a bit more about what they do by registering their interest at: www.hs2.org.uk/local-business



- **Local projects**

- Over the Christmas period staff are collection donations for three local charities - the Euston Foodbank, New Horizon Youth Centre and Camden Routes Off the Streets.



If you know of a project that would benefit from professional support or other community investment please contact HS2inCamden@hs2.org.uk

Working groups

The ECRG working groups covering noise insulation, traffic, air quality and trees and design development are an opportunity for complex technical topics to be discussed in detail outside of the main ECRG meeting and for suggestions and proposals from the community to be considered. Below are a summary of topics covered recently.

- **Noise Insulation**

- Progress on noise insulation - 350 installations.
- Following a workshop and an internal decision paper on mitigation for LOAEL residents, communications will be sent to LOAEL residents advising them of the special case procedure.
- The community have previously raised concerns about properties that may be more susceptible to heat. HS2 have commissioned the creation of a desktop assessment that could be applied to certain property types if residents apply for consideration.
- The Settled Topics list was updated and discussed. This includes HS2's position on topics such as external glazing; universal credit; the NI conclusion procedure.

- **Traffic**

- Interim taxi rank proposals presented and feedback sought. An update was provided on the community feedback received and progress to date.
- Ongoing utilities programme update, with a focus on programme changes to Eversholt Street works.
- Discussions on wayfinding and signage improvements around construction sites, in particular Regent's Park Estate.
- Discussions on Granby Terrace Bridge and the use of the haul road.
- Cycle strategy.

- **Air Quality and Trees**

- No meetings held during this reporting timeframe.

- **Ongoing Design Development**

- No meetings held during this reporting timeframe.

Complaints and Enquiries

- **Complaints included:**
 - Parking suspensions– resident was referred to Camden Council regarding receiving a parking ticket. Resident advised of programme of works.
 - Against the proposed construction traffic routes and engagement on the proposals – resident was advised of the Schedule 17 planning process.
 - Noise disruption – complaints were investigated and advised that works are in line with approved thresholds.
 - Dust complaints – works were stopped pending investigation. Water sprays were adjusted before works continued. Explained methodology for managing dust.
 - Vibration – explained current works and advised that no vibration triggers have been received.
- **Enquiries included:** (including those received at the HS2 in Camden information centre)
 - Request for a work placement – Camden Community Engagement team met with the student to discuss their activities.
 - General enquiries about the project and recent works.
 - Interest in the proposed haul road and construction traffic routes.
 - Works planned on Hampstead Road
 - Enquiries about noise insulation.
 - Queries about the vehicle holding area.
 - Enquiries about the drop-ins.