

FARANews

Members' Newsletter

Early Spring 2012



Proposed expansion of Davies Lane School

The council is proposing that many schools across the south of the borough are expanded, in order to fulfil the demand for extra places.

They have proposed that Davies Lane School is expanded from 2 forms of entry to 4 forms of entry.

In order to provide space for this, the council proposes extending the School into the Pastures Youth Centre site.

AGM - advance notice

This year our AGM will be held in May – in the hope of being warmer than our previous February meetings!

Look out for notice of the date and venue on a flyer coming through your door in May. There was an initial consultation in January, to which FARA responded. If the results from this are positive, then the council will conduct a more detailed consultation in March. FARA will be asking its members for their views both on its website and by email, so that we can best represent what you think. So please join or renew your membership for 2012 (form on the back of this newsletter) and let us have your details so you can be involved.

Some of the issues which have come up so far include: traffic and staff parking; location of playgrounds and noise; and continuation of family fun days in the Pastures grounds.

We hope that the March consultation will provide more detailed plans and look forward to representing your views.

Since the last newsletter, FARA has done the following...

- Cleared snow from our streets as part of the council's "Snow Angel" scheme
- Responded to the council's initial consultation on expanding Davies Lane School.
- Nominated neighbours & local businesspeople for the council's "Love your Borough" awards
- Continued liaison with CBHA regarding the former Lincolns, Single Homeless Project regarding Edward House, and the Council planning department regarding the Chillout Lounge.
- Police liaison / supporting FARA members to report local issues, and acting as a go-between when people do not feel able to contact police directly.

Crime prevention advice

- Don't leave anything on show in your car anything at all! Thefts from cars in our area last year included a book, and an old pair of jeans.
- Don't use your mobile phone in the street.
- Do lock your front door securely if you have a uPVC door lift the handle up to lock it. If you have a Yale lock, push down the button so the handle cannot be flipped (there have been burglaries where a stick was pushed through the letterbox to lever open Yale locks).

Crime and Neighbourhood Watch

From 20 October 2011 to 17 January 2012 the following crimes were recorded in our area:

- Theft of Moped (Cotton Close) and attempted theft of Moped (Malvern Road)
- Burglary (Ferndale Road)
- Robbery (junction of Ferndale Road & High Road)
- Motor vehicles broken into (Davies Lane) and theft from motor vehicles (Malvern Road)
- There were no reported crimes in our part of Montague Road

Police priorities, set by residents at quarterly Ward Panel meetings, are currently as follows:

LEYTONSTONE (Davies Lane even numbers):

Alcohol-related anti-social behaviour * Burglary *
Anti-social behaviour by motorists

CANN HALL (covers the rest of FARA area):

Anti-social behaviour by groups of youths * Burglary * Motor vehicle crime

If you see a crime in progress, or in an emergency, you should call 999. Otherwise you can call 101, or contact your local Safer Neighbourhood team directly:

Cann Hall: 020 8721 2036 Leytonstone: 020 8721 2874

'Gifts': a review

I would like to recommend the little shop at 712 High Road, Leytonstone almost next door to the NatWest bank and opposite MacDonalds. It is a family business run by designer Daiva Mikuckiene. They do tailoring and repairs as well as gifts, such as handmade fabric flower brooches for £5 or £10. A replacement zip cost just £5, a buttonhole £3 and culottes were lined for £15. They are happy to make clothes too.

Review by Gail Smart - December 2011

'Red Lion' - updated

If you haven't popped into the Red Lion lately, it's worth a go! They now serve food (very tasty when we tried it) and have a DJ on Saturday nights with jazz or acoustic music on Sunday afternoons. The Lion still has a great range of real ales and bottled beers and ciders for all tastes. They have also got some drapes in the window now so it's easier to hear a conversation!

Updated by Flash Bristow - Feb 2012

Please help update our members' discount scheme

We're looking for volunteers to help liaise with local businesses for the FARA discount scheme. This involves contacting those already on the list and also contacting new businesses to see if they'd like to be involved. You'll be part of a small team and get loads of support. To volunteer or get more info, drop a note to Flash at 1 Davies Lane or email flash@fara-leytonstone.org.uk.

What's On

FEBRUARY

Outlines at the Stone Space Gallery (by Leytonstone Library), 16-26 Feb. Gallery opening times Thur, Fri 2-6pm, Sat 12-5pm, Sun 12-4pm. Free entry.

FARA Committee Meeting 7.30 to 9pm on Tuesday 21 February at Leytonstone Social Club. FARA members are welcome to attend but please inform us in advance. info@.fara-leytonstone.org.uk

Inspiration Sale Sat 18 February 11am-2pm at St Andrews Church, Colworth Road, E11. Crafts, food and secondhand/vintage goods.

Red Lion Market Sat 25 February 10am-4pm outside the Red Lion pub in Leytonstone town centre. A new venture featuring handmade crafts and baked goods by local people.

MARCH

Eden live drawing event at the Stone Space Gallery (by Leytonstone Library), 1-11 March, Remote Cities 15-25 March. Gallery opening times Thur, Fri 2-6pm, Sat 12-5pm, Sun 12-4pm. Free entry.

Double Bill: 'True FM' and 'Bed', 9-10 and 16-17 March, Welsh Church Hall. A comedy about two DJs and a story of seven bedmates. More details at www.woodhouseplayers.co.uk

Leytonstone Film Club: 'Memories of Underdevelopment' Wednesday 7 March at 7.45pm, Leytonstone Library. A classic Cuban film set just after the revolution, made in 1968. £5 (£4 with current FARA membership card).

APRIL

Leytonstone Film Club: 'My Afternoons with Margueritte' Wednesday 4 April at 7.45pm, Leytonstone Library. A moving French film from 2010 starring Gerard Depardieu. .

Money Off For FARA Members!

Shop locally to get some great savings and support businesses in our area. We have negotiated discounts with the following local businesses:

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Artistry Loyal, 9 Church Lane5% off wash/cut/blowdry
Ayesha's, Hair & Beauty Salon, 767 High Road
Babysitting by qualified career nanny , CRB, 1st aid, great referees, contact Nicola – nextoutrage@yahoo.co.uk, 07944 897483£8 / hour
Barbara Lond , Professional coaching psychologist who will help you understand yourself - email occpsych2002@aol.com10% off
Being Sound, 698 High Road10% off
Computer Guru , PC specialist with over 18 years experience. Contact Roger - 020 8530 5656 roger@gann.com10% off first hour
DC Interiors, Flooring, 725 High Road10% off
GNR Motors, Rear of 1 Lister Road
Golden Orient, 639 High Road 10% off food (eat in) Mon-Thurs
K Rayner Butchers, 32 Church Lane 10% off over £20
Krypto Security , 560 High Rd10% off in the shop and 10% off call out charge for locksmithing
Leytonstone Pop-up Cinema £1 off normal prices
Luna Lounge, 7 Church Lane 10% off food over £10
Meze Patisserie, 3 Church Lane 10% off over £10
Mudra, 715 High Road 10% off over £10 Sunday-Wednesday
OG Group ,163 Wood Street
Petch Sayam Thai Restaurant, 682 High Road 10% off
Primrose Florist, 741 High Road 10% off
San Marino Coffee, 668 High Road 10% off over £10
Seebo's Restaurant, 761-763 High Road 10% off
Simon Owen , 07973 523237, simonyoga@btinternet.com 10% off yoga when booking a term; £5 off Alexander Technique for 5 sessions
Sunrise Dry Cleaners, 781 High Road 10% off all services
T & S Halal Meat, 765 High Road5% off meat and poultry over £25
The Eatery, 7 Church Lane 10% off food over £10
Touareg Grill, 550 High Road 10% off over £10
UK Appliances, 757 High Road 10% off
Woodhouse Players Free programme & drink at any performance
Zain Cards & Gifts, 48 Church Lane
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You **must** show your membership card in order to get the discount. *Check our website for full details and latest offers: www.fara-leytonstone.org.uk/discounts*

We welcome feedback on the discount scheme, please let us know how it's working for you – contact details are on the back page.

Local news and gossip

- The owners of 20 Davies Lane have applied to turn it into two self-contained flats. The application number 2012/0157 is open for responses until 5 March.
- The Council is taking enforcement action against the Chillout Lounge to make the owners take down the massive extension they built without planning permission.
- CBHA has put in an application to knock down Lincolns pub they propose to demolish it (using "hand held tools") before July 2012. Their application runs through February and they expect to know the outcome at the end of the month.
- Lincolns was used as a set for the forthcoming film "Magnificent Eleven" late last year. This is why it looks like "The Taj" but it is <u>not</u> reopening as a restaurant!

Join our email list - the best way to hear about the latest news & offers for members. Simply send an email to info@fara-leytonstone.org.uk with a request to sign up for FARA emails. You will hear from us about once a month, and if you want to be taken off the list at any time you simply have to tell us.

FARA Committee 2011

- Chair: Flash Bristow (1 Davies Lane)
- Minutes Secretary:
 Mike Bristow (1 Davies Lane)
- Treasurer & Membership Secretary: Vicky Allen (75 Malvern Road)
- Communications Officer:
 Liz Dawson (40 Ferndale Road)
- Planning Officer:
 Kathy Downes (5a Ferndale Road)
- Honorary Chair: Jane Sterland (12 Davies Lane)
- Additional member: Josie Hunt (100 Ferndale Road)

FARA Street Co-ordinators

Street co-ordinators are committee members who should be your first port of call if there are any issues you wish to raise. Also, please let them know if anyone moves into your street - so we can send them a welcome letter!

- Cotton Close Wendy Reilly at number 5
- Davies Lane Simon & Amanda Barker at number 66
- Ferndale Road Joyce Bussey at number 1
- Ferndale Road (additional rep) Brian Madican – at number 3
- Malvern Road June Nicholson at 53 Ferndale Road
- Montague Road Nicholas Russell & Georgina Farrer – at number 129

I/we want to join/rejoin FARA in 2012, and enclose £2 subscription (plus optional donation £). Existing member		
Name(s)		
Address		
Telephone		
Email (if you're happy to be contacted by email)		
I would like FARA to know about		
Please pop this slip and your fee through the door at 1 Davies Lane. You delivered to you shortly (new members also receive a neighbourhood wa		