Our Lockleaze, Residents Forum 28/09/19

Notes from people who spoke to give updates at the beginning of the meeting.

**Estella & Gill - Local Councillors**

* Lots of things are happening in Lockleaze, but we need to ensure that there is local input into the decisions. The Secondary School (Trinity Academy) opening in Lockleaze is the most recent example, whilst still in its early days, it will be growing each year in both student numbers and construction has started on the site. .
* We are also excited about plans for the Blake Centre site, which could be turned into 'inter-generational' housing, with added care facilities for some residents.
* There is going to be a lot more construction work, however we are hoping it will be staggered in order to minimise disruption as much as is possible.

**Stacey – Stoke Park Primary PTA**

Stoke Park PTA is working with Lockleaze Neighbourhood Trust and Buzz cafe to put on a Winter celebration event, with stalls, refreshments and fun activities. Contact Stacey if you want to get involved in organising a great event for the whole community friends@stokeparkprimary.org

Follow on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/friendsofstokeparkprimary/) to hear about events.

**Karen – Lockleaze Neighbourhood Trust**

* Continuing to support wellbeing and the community with a number of initiatives
* Have started a new Dementia Friends group, aiming to make Lockleaze (and Bristol) a more dementia friendly place, and start a Memory Cafe, similar to ones elsewhere in the city. ContactKaren if you would like to be involved in this, training will be provided Karen@lockleazent.co.uk
* See [the hub website](https://www.lockleazehub.org.uk/whats-on) for other activities and events.

**Carol & David – Street Goat**

* Have received lots of positive feedback about the goats on Stoke Park Estate, both in person and through the survey that has been online.
* Whilst the goats have been taken elsewhere now, the presence of goats is going to park of the continuing maintenance of the are around the old gun battery.
* They are looking to build a shelter so the goats can be there all year round. Look out for more information and surveys. <https://www.goatgate.com/streetgoat/>

**Andy -Wesport**

* In January Wesport set up the 'Lockleaze Physical Activity & Sport Partnership'.
* They have been looking at gathering information about existing provision and identifying gaps in the provision of activities.
* Will be launching an 'Active Lockleaze' website soon.
* Have secured £10,000 in funding. They plan to use it to establish a Lockleaze Youth Council (likely open to anyone at senior school). The funding will enable the training of the members of the youth council, and directly into provision of sports. The YC will help decide on the priorities for sport in lockleaze and where the rest of the funds will be spent.

**Anna & Jackson – Ecomotive**

* Have taken on the Wordsworth Centre site, which they are expanding with a self build project.
* Get involved if you are interested in skills focusing on self build and renewables. From the planning to the practical.
* Are looking to help build more community led housing, including self built eco 'snug homes'.
* Also have a site at Bridge Farm (near M32), where they currently have a vegetable market on Fridays. They are looking to build 20-35 homes enabling people to live on and work(farm) the land.
* Lots of upcoming events on [their website](http://www.ecomotive.org/),

**Andrea – Yarlington housing provider**

* Yarlington are building the Constable/Crome road housing development. Details available [here](https://www.constablecromeroad.co.uk/) and fliers in the Hub
* Have extended their consultation by a week to allow further input.

**Martin – Development Manager, Bristol City Council**

* Currently working on the planning and construction of housing on three sites; The old Burnel Ford site on Muller Road, Branwhite Close (inc the Gainsborough pub), and Bonnington Walk/Landseer site.
* Aiming to provide a mix of Council Houses, Shared Ownership, and Private Ownership.
* Further consultations will be taking place, various potential options for planning are available to view.
* Some mayhem is inevitable with so much work taking place, but Lockleaze, and Bristol as a whole, is in urgent need of more housing, especially social housing.

**Alex - Lockleaze Neighbourhood Trust & Lockleaze Loves Homes**

* Looking to develop new homes in the area, as a community led project.
* They have received funding for the planning stages, and will soon be taking on an architect.
* [Upcoming event with Ecomotive](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lockleaze-community-led-housing-drop-in-to-find-out-more-tickets-71808078897) for people who want to learn more about local community led housing.
* [Lockleaze Housing Festival](https://www.bristolhousingfestival.org.uk/2019-events/2019/10/26/lockleaze-housing-festival) on Saturday 26th October. For more information contact Alex@lockleazent.co.uk

**John – Bristol Community Land Trust**

* The community land trust is working on the site between Sheldon and the train line, with Muller road the south and Morris to the north.
* 100% affordable housing (mix of tenures) with availability for local residents in need, focusing on 'self finish' properties.
* Working with United Communities
* Looking at ideas for how to use their planned Common House community buildings.

**Amy – The Vench**

* Currently raising money via [crowdfunder](https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/supportthevench) (closes Oct 3rd!)
* Hoping carry out playground improvements, redecorate the playroom, and paint a mural on the outside.
* Also just launched a Lockleaze Foodclub
* **FOODclub at the Vench – launching Tuesday 8th October**
* a new scheme to help families access affordable healthy food via Fareshare throughout the year. £1 annual membership and £3.50 a week, for over £15 worth of goods. The Vench are looking for volunteers on Mondays 1-2pm to sort the Fareshare delivery and Tuesdays 9-11am to distribute food to the families. If you would like to get involved please come to one of the volunteer training sessions on 1st, 3rd, 4th or 10th October. Contact Amy.Walsh@groundwork.org.uk

**Amy – Lockleaze Community Orchard**

* Sowing wildflower seeds
* Building a new rainwater harvesting area
* New people always welcome at the work days. Check [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/groups/LockleazeCommunityOrchard/) for more details or please email lockleazecommunityorchard@gmail.com for more information

**Claire – Bristol City Council Housing**

* Shop shutter murals now complete
* Looking at issues around cyclists travelling too fast and other anti-social behaviour on shared paths around Lockleaze.
* Looking for residents to get involved in community artistic engagement work.

**Grace – We The Curious**

* Looking for an artist who wants to help the community produce a joint work of art. Can be anything from sculpture to film.
* Project will take place in 2020, has £10k of funding. It will be exhibited for four years at We The Curious in the centre, before being returned to Lockleaze.

*Notes were taken quickly, so apologies for any mistakes or missing items! Do look for the websites, facebook groups, and physical flyers from the organisations above for more information - Kieran*

**Other notes from the day**

If you haven't seen a copy already you can also download the [Lockleaze Community Plan as a PDF.](https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5ab3c645620b85ff690eaaa3/t/5ca21ab1419202131e8d8f77/1554127572445/Community%2BPlan%2Bfinal%2Bcompressed%2Bimages%2B%281%29.pdf)  There were a few physical copies remaining as well, which are available from the Hub on Gainsborough Square.

The next Lockleaze Residents Planning meeting is on the 7th November 7pm-9pm at the Cameron Centre. All welcome. We are looking for people who can help organise the group so do say if you can support keeping an eye on all the development happening on behalf of local residents.

English Conversation Club, for people who speak English as a second or additional language and are looking to improve their skills in a relaxed way. 1.30pm-3pm at the Old Library (term times only).

[Free taster groups](https://www.facebook.com/thehublockleaze/photos/a.1057710864304715/2449552215120566/?type=3&theater) being run at the Hub 7-13 October, from exercise, to art, games to mindfulness.

Community Development courses for those who want to work in community groups and improve skills. Contact becca.lloyd@cityofbristol.ac.uk for more information.

Litter picks - Morris & Downman Road, Meet every second Sunday of the month at 10am (outside morris road costcutter).

Lots of regular activities aimed at over 50 speak to the community navigator at North Bristol Advice Centre, on 0117 9515751 extension 231 who can help find a group that interests you.