

Old Kent Road

Southwark Council would like to invite you to the next Old Kent Road Forum. It is an opportunity for local people to discuss questions, comments and concerns around plans for the Old Kent Road.

Date: Saturday 17th November

Time: 11am to 1pm

Address: Christ Church Peckham, 676 - 680 Old Kent Road, SE15 1JF

Theme: Employment and workspace

Agenda:

11am - 12pm:

- Drop-in session on workspace and employment in Old Kent Road including Area Action Plan proposals and workspace survey.

12pm – 1pm:

- Presentation on employment strategy and update of business survey by We Made That, followed by Q&A.
- Workshops led by ward councillors Evelyn Akoto and Richard Livingstone on creative economy, workspaces and employment for local people.

Follow up from Old Kent Road Forum: October 2018

The Old Kent Road Forum is an opportunity for local people to discuss questions, comments and concerns around the plans for the Old Kent Road.

We are very keen to engage and communicate regularly with local people.

Approximately 60 residents attended the second Old Kent Road forum and a number of issues were raised including:

- Concerns about the loss of No.53 and No.172 bus routes and the introduction of additional routes (being proposed in Transport for London (TfL) bus consultation).
- Bakerloo line extension:
 - Ensuring that funding sources for the extension are transparent;
 - How the new stations will affect residents close to proposed stations in terms of noise and vibrations;
 - The extent of disruption to local business owners during the delivery of proposals;
 - How the delivery of the Bakerloo line extension will affect existing large retailers.
- Open space and air quality – need to ensure new developments address pollution.
- Improvements to public realm, air quality and highway at Bricklayers Arms.
- Bringing residents together to discuss how the public realm can be improved for cyclists and pedestrians.
- The need to improve communications between TfL and adjoining boroughs.
- The need for high speed broadband to improve connectivity.

There were a number of actions coming out of the previous meetings which we have followed up:

You said...	We did...
<p>It is unclear what support is provided for local small business owners.</p>	<p>We have set up an Old Kent Road Business Network which is an online survey. We will use the network to ensure that businesses have up-to-date information about the Old Kent Road opportunity area.</p> <p>Feedback from the Network will be used to better understand the requirements and aspirations of existing businesses in the area and inform the types of new business space that are built. It will be used to help create a database of businesses that would be interested in occupying new space in existing or new developments.</p>
<p>There will be a number of changes to bus routes. How do we find out more and have our say?</p>	<p>'Save the date' email sent to subscribers on 2nd November 2018 provided links to TfL's consultation and proposal pages.</p> <p>The Council has specifically raised the issues relating to the proposed changes on Old Kent Road as part of its response to the TfL bus route change consultation.</p> <p>Further information is available here: https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/buses/central-london/</p>
<p>We want to be involved in public/open space development.</p>	<p>We are aiming to deliver a forum that will provide the opportunities to discuss things that local people would like to see in their open spaces and in the public realm.</p>
<p>We need an accurate phasing plan so people can prepare for transport related works.</p>	<p>We have provided this information in the Bakerloo line extension document (pages 8 – 9). This gives a predicted timeline for phasing and delivery.</p> <p>As per the TfL consultation website, if it is decided the proposed changes to buses are to go ahead, then they will be introduced in Spring 2019.</p> <p>With regards to highway works both TfL and Southwark Council are in the early stages of working towards a strategy.</p>