



Cordwainer

Cordwainer Ward welcomes the new Cheapside Business Alliance

Our Summer Issue broke the news of the massive vote by our businesses for the creation of the Cheapside Business Improvement District which encompasses our entire Ward – not just Cheapside – but Bow Lane, Watling Street, Queen Victoria Street and Cannon Street right to the Bank.

The City of London Corporation has now endorsed the transformation of the BID to the **Cheapside Business Alliance**.



Ruth Duston

Ruth Duston, who led the Cheapside ballot campaign and has now been contracted by the City of London to run the Business Alliance with her executive team member Claire Dumontier-Marriage said, "This is a historic moment for the City of London. The role of the modern day BID is not just about 'improving' areas, but increasingly they are powerful business alliances focused on CSR, the socio-economic agenda, community engagement, matching skills and training to jobs, and opportunities such as joint procurement. This recent addition to the London BID platform is a clear example of businesses working collectively."



Claire Dumontier-Marriage

The new Business Alliance will build on the momentum already achieved by the delivery of the Cheapside Area Strategy which has seen such a transformation in the business and retail environment in the Cheapside area. A Board has been

constituted with steering groups for each of the agreed strategic projects funded by the rate levy:-

- Local Employment, Enterprise & Training
- Environment, Signage & Way Finding
- Tourism & Culture Marketing & Promotion
- Business Awareness/Networking Opportunities

If readers want to learn more or contribute ideas contact Claire.dumontier-marriage@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Cheapside Privilege Card

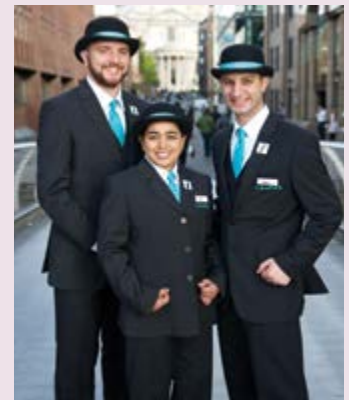
Free to everyone in our Ward, business staff and residents alike, the Card provides great offers and discounts on eating, drinking, shopping, leisure and health opportunities – in particular from One New Change and Royal Exchange. www.cheapsideprivilegecard.co.uk. If outside the CBA footprint, businesses and individuals can purchase the card for just £10 via the www.cheapside.com website.



The Cheapside Welcome Ambassadors

Look out for the new Welcome Ambassadors now working in our Ward closely with the City Corporation. They are watching public safety & security, street-based issues such as rough sleeping, begging, busking, cleanliness etc.

The team also offer customer service and ambassadorial/promotional duties for the Business Alliance and its members. For example, they will assist new companies and residents to relate to their wider setting and neighbouring surroundings through a programme of walking tours, talks and seminars delivered in partnership with the City of London Corporation.



Bow Bells Association

Featured in our December 2014 issue, the Bow Bells Association continues to attract new members as it seeks to promote the retail offer in Bow Lane and Watling Street in particular. Once again a Jazz Combo roved the streets in the summer and, in Bow Churchyard on a sunny June evening a great performance by The Kansas Smitty's Jazz Band was organised by the City Music Foundation and St Mary le Bow Church with the generous sponsorship of Aberdeen Asset Management.



Businesses have recognised the likely growth in pedestrian footfall as Watling Street regains its link through Bloomberg Place to Cannon Street station in 2017 with the opening of a new Leon café/ restaurant at 28 Watling Street and the doubling in size of the popular Enoteca da Luca Restaurant at 21 Watling Street – both pictured here.

We welcomed the Lady Mayoress, Juliet, the Lady Mountevens (accompanied by the Lord Mayor!) to Bow Lane on November 19th to switch on the Christmas Lights and visit several of our shops and restaurants in traditional fashion, led by Chairman Brigham Blackburn of Bow Wine Vaults.

**HAVE
YOUR
SAY!**

There's still time to register

It's not too late for organisations that have received an electoral registration form from the City of London Corporation to return it and get your workers on the register.

It is important for you and your organisation to have a say on the services it provides, and the way it provides them, by exercising your right to vote in City local elections. It's also important for the City Corporation that as many people as possible are registered to vote so it can be truly representative of the Square Mile it supports and promotes.

The people nominated to vote must also reflect the make-up of your organisation as a whole – from the chief executive to entry level employees and even regular contractors. They should reflect

the diversity of your firm's employees, including gender, ethnicity and seniority.

The City Corporation would also encourage organisations, where possible, to use your full voting entitlement.

The absolute deadline is Wednesday 16 December. If you've misplaced your form or are new to the registration process and aren't sure what to do, then please get in touch with the team at Guildhall as soon as possible. They will talk you through what you need to do.

Call them on 0800 587 5537 or email them at electoralservices@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

You can also find out more at www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/workervote and follow @CityVote.



In March 2016, annual ward meetings known as Wardnotes will be taking place in each of the City's 25 Wards.

Electors are invited to attend the meeting in their ward, which are conducted with an element of City tradition in the way that they are ceremonially opened and closed. More importantly they provide an opportunity for electors to meet their elected representatives (Alderman and Common Councilmen) and raise any issues they have with them.

Details of all the meetings are shown below, and are also on the City of London website www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/voting.

If the arrangements for any of the meetings change, updated information will appear on the website.

Invitations to the meetings will also be sent to all electors in February. If you have any queries regarding the meeting in your Ward please contact the Electoral Services Office on 0800 587 5537, electoralservices@cityoflondon.gov.uk or via the website www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/voting.

Aldgate - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Church Hall, St Katharine Cree,
86 Leadenhall Street, London,
EC3A 3DH

Aldersgate - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Ironmongers Hall, Shaffesbury Place,
Barbican, London, EC2Y 8AA

Bassishaw - Tuesday 1 March, 12.15pm
Basinghall Suite, Guildhall Yard, London,
EC2P 2EJ

Billingsgate - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Waterman's Hall, 18 St-Mary-at-Hill, London,
EC3R 8EF

Bishopsgate - Wednesday 16 March,
5.30pm
Parish Hall, Parish and Ward Church of St
Botolph without Bishopsgate, Bishopsgate,
London, EC2M 3TL

Bread Street - Monday 14 March, 12 noon
St Nicholas Cole Abbey, 114 Queen
Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4BJ

Bridge and Bridge Without -
Tuesday 15 March, 12 noon
Fishmongers' Hall, London Bridge,
London, EC4R 9EL

Broad Street - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue,
London, EC2N 2DQ

Candlewick - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Church of St Clement Eastcheap,
Clement's Lane, London, EC4N 7HB

Castle Baynard - Thursday 17 March,
6pm
St Bride Foundation, Bride Lane, off Fleet
Street, London, EC3Y 8EQ

Cheap - Monday 21 March, 12 noon
Saddlers' Hall, 40 Gutter Lane, London,
EC2V 6BR

Coleman Street - Wednesday 23 March,
5.30pm
Armourers' Hall, 81 Coleman Street,
London, EC2R 5BJ

Cordwainer - Wednesday 23 March,
11.45am
St Mary Aldermary, Watling Street, London,
EC4M 9BW

Cornhill - Wednesday 16 March,
12 noon
Vestry, St Michael's Cornhill, St Michael's
Alley, London, EC3V 9DS

Cripplegate - Wednesday 16 March,
7.30pm
Barber-Surgeons Hall, Monkwell Square,
London, EC2Y 5BL

Dowgate - Wednesday 16 March,
12 noon, Skinners' Hall, 8 Dowgate Hill,
London, EC4R 2SP

Farringdon Within - Wednesday 16 March,
12.30pm
Court Room, Cutlers' Hall, Warwick Lane,
London, EC4M 7BR

Farringdon Without - Wednesday 16 March,
12 noon
Haberdashers' Hall, 18 West Smithfield,
London, EC1A 9HQ

Langbourn - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
St Mary Woolnoth, Lombard Street, London,
EC3V 9AN

Lime Street - Wednesday 16 March, 5pm
Old Library, Lloyd's Building, 1 Lime Street,
London, EC3M 7HA

Portsoken - Wednesday 9 March, 5pm
Artizan Street Library and Community
Centre, 1 Artizan Street, London, E1 7AF

Queenhithe - Wednesday 16 March,
12 noon, Painter's Hall, Little Trinity Lane,
London, EC4V 2AD

Tower - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
St Olave's Church, 8 Hart Street, London,
EC3R 7NB

Vintry - Wednesday 16 March, 12 noon
Parish Room, Church of St James
Garlickhythe, Garlick Hill, London, EC4V 2AL

Walbrook - Thursday 17 March, 12.30pm
The Long Parlour, Mansion House, London,
EC4M 8PH

New Cycle Superhighways coming soon to the Square Mile

Work to build two East-West and North-South Cycle Superhighways through central London is well underway and completed sections are expected to open in December.

Parts of both routes are opening as they are completed, including sections on Victoria Embankment towards Westminster Bridge (see image) and Blackfriars Road.

The section on Upper Thames Street, between Fish Street Hill and Great Tower Street is also due to be completed in the lead up to Christmas.

Major work is currently underway at three key locations: Blackfriars Bridge, Upper Thames Street between Lambeth Hill and Queen Street Place and Tower Hill.

As work continues, please take extra care and follow signage indicating changes to pedestrian paths. Travel advice assistants will be on hand at key locations to help people in the area.

Completion of the East-West and North-South routes is scheduled for summer and spring 2016 respectively.



The East-West and North-South Cycle Superhighways form part of Transport for London's Road Modernisation Plan. £4bn is being invested as part of the plan to transform junctions, bridges, tunnels and public spaces. As well as segregated cycle lanes to separate cyclists from other traffic, a number of other innovative approaches will also be used to improve safety, such as dedicated traffic signals for cyclists.

The improvements for pedestrians in the City include new signalised crossings at Trinity Square and across Tower Hill. Existing crossings will also be simplified at the Minories junction, and two existing crossings at Trinity Square Gardens and Minories will be widened.

The improvements will continue into next year and people are being advised to plan journeys through the areas in advance.

Visit tfl.gov.uk/roadtraveladvice for the latest information on these projects and travel advice and www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/highways for details of other transport-related work going on in the City.

Another step forward for superfast broadband in the City

The word "wayleave" might not necessarily mean much but this legal agreement permits the installation of broadband – an essential for any company – so that it can reach the offices and businesses that need it.

At present, each connection requires a new agreement, and SME tenants, of which there are over 13,000 in the Square Mile alone, have to negotiate each time they want a connection. This can take months, involve expensive fees, can result in unnecessary delays, and in some cases can mean lost work.

In other instances, offices are ready for occupation and the lease has begun before broadband is installed – meaning that businesses cannot move in under those circumstances.

For the past few months, the City Corporation has been driving a project with London's main developers, landlords, broadband operators and property managers to produce a wayleave agreement



template to resolve delays and speed up the delivery of superfast broadband.

To do this, it has been working closely with the British Standards Institution, Central London Forward, and the City of London Law Society to get this template agreed.

The template wayleave should be adopted by all parties and it has

already gained support from trade associations such as the British Property Federation and the UK Competitive Telecoms Association. It has the potential to reach out across the telecoms and property industries.

Look out for more news on the rollout of superfast broadband in your own ward in future issues.



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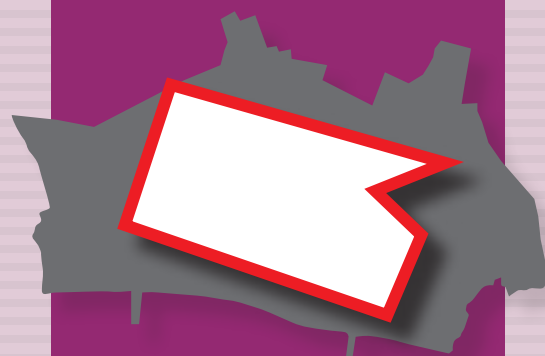
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We are always happy to talk to workers and residents within the Ward about any issues you may wish to raise. Please contact us if you would like to arrange a meeting.

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Major Development Progress

Bloomberg Place: September 17th was a big day for our Ward as the iconic new European Headquarters for Bloomberg was topped out by the their Chairman and former Mayor of New York, Michael Bloomberg, together with world famous architect, Norman Foster. Several hundred invited City guests, including our Alderman Sir Roger Gifford and Councilman George Gillon witnessed the traditional ceremony. The new buildings amount to 1.1million square feet on 2.3 acres heading towards occupation by several thousand employees in mid 2017; prior to that, a new Underground entrance with direct escalators and lifts to the "Drain" platforms will be opened after a temporary closure of the Waterloo and City passageway until August 2016.



14,000 artifacts dating from 43 AD have been discovered at the site where the Roman Temple of Mithras will return to its original locus.

45 Cannon Street: The lift cores and much of the steelwork are now in place at the Cannon Street/Bow Lane corner. 45 Cannon Street is a significant new office development being undertaken by Morgan Capital Partners and London Watling Court BV. This Fletcher Priest designed scheme will provide 84,600 sq ft of modern offices, 6,000 sq ft of new retail units, and a new entrance in Bow Lane to the Mansion House subway.



Due to complete by the end 2016, typical office floors will provide up to 14,517 sq ft of virtually column free space with excellent natural light on all sides and levels five, six and seven provide expansive terraces and uninterrupted views of St Paul's Cathedral.

Cordwainer Ward Club Annual Luncheon: Friday 11th December

The beautiful 450 year-old Stationers' Hall in Ave Maria Lane is the venue for our Lunch with the newly elected Lord Mayor Lord Mountevans, Alderman for adjoining Ward of Cheap, who will



Lord Mayor Jeffrey Evans and
Lloyd Dorfman CBE

be accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and Sheriff Charles Bowman and his wife, Samantha. Our Guest Speaker will be the prominent entrepreneur and philanthropist, Lloyd Dorfman CBE. He created Travellex, the world's leading foreign exchange specialist before moving on to M&C Saatchi as a non – executive director, school governorship at St Paul's, Vice President of the Roundhouse, Board Member of the National Theatre and most recently Chairman of the Prince's Trust.

Not surprisingly, this is the highlight of the Ward Club Calendar, a great opportunity to entertain guests in spectacular surroundings with our official guests and speakers, so contact Ward Club Secretary, Tom Moore, as soon as possible – tmoore@kingston.smith.co.uk or phone 020 7566 3755