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Copers Cope Area Residents' Association

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BECKENHAM TOILET BUILDING TO BE SOLD



Bromley Council has confirmed their intention to dispose of the old Beckenham Toilet block at Thornton's Corner.

We asked the Council for the exact particulars of what will be sold and they have advised that the "the exact demise and rights of way have not been finalised yet... details will be made clear in the sales particulars that will also be sent to any eligible

community group interested in bidding. However the demise is unlikely to include the raised flower beds at the front of the building and a pedestrian right of way to the building will be included."

The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association successfully registered the building as an Asset of Community Value. This means the Council has to offer the community the right to buy/make a bid on the building to the community before selling commercially.

An intention to bid by a community group must be made to the Council by 14 August 2015. Those that have bid then have 6 months to actually arrange and make the bid. During the 6 month period the Council cannot sell or dispose of the building other than to a community group that have bid under the right to buy scheme. After the six month period the Council will choose which bid to accept, this does not have to be the community bid.

In order to make a bid under the right to buy scheme you have to be either:

- (a) A charity
- (b) A community interest company
- (c) A company limited by guarantee that is non profit distributing
- (d) An industrial and provident society that is non profit distributing

Unincorporated community groups such as the Copers Cope Area Resident's Association cannot make a bid, but if you have a great idea for the building don't let that put you off as it's pretty simple to set up a community interest company, see www.gov.uk/set-up-a-social-enterprise

Potential bidders should contact the Council for further information, email communityrighttobid@bromley.gov.uk. Please get in touch with us at chairman@coperscope.org.uk, as we would love to help changing this building into something great for the community.

352 AND 354 SUNDAY BUS SERVICE



The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association have been working closely with the organisers of the '354 on a Sunday Campaign', as well as jointly, with West Beckenham Residents' Association setting up a '352 on a Sunday Petition' and lobbying James Cleverly (Greater London Authority) for a Sunday service. TfL have responded to months of lobbying and are proposing the introduction a Sunday service on both routes in September 2105. At the time of going to print the TfL official consultation on the Sunday services was ending, let's hope local feedback was resounding in favour.

BECKENHAM TOWN CENTRE TEAM (TCT)



The TCT (chaired by the Copers Cope Area Residents' Association) has its AGM on 30 June. The guest speaker was Angus Culverwell, Road Safety, Bromley Council.

Short Term Improvements on Beckenham Green

The TCT is working with the Council to secure a water tap with drainage, storage unit, improved electricity and stage cover. This will allow community groups to host a wider variety of events on the green no matter the weather (cinema, proms on the green, theatre, pop up restaurants and of course markets). Progress is slow on this project as it is tied in with the Major Scheme. Ideally we would like the Major Scheme to install the stage cover, as we know local people will want a well designed stage cover that fits in with the surrounding area and is an inspired centrepiece for the green. Such bespoke designs cost more than the short-term improvement budget will allow. Planning permission is being sought for the storage unit and a survey for the water and drainage underway.

Major Scheme for Beckenham Town Centre Improvements

An update on the progress on the scheme can be found in a separate article. The TCT continue to ensure the project includes points that local people value including:

- Improving the public space outside Sainsbury's and Lidl.
- Improving access to The Mews.
- Beckenham Green replacement bins and dog litter bins.
- Planting more trees in the town centre.
- Clean up, remove surrounding wall, landscape and put a bench on the War Memorial Roundabout. Options for a direct crossing to the War Memorial should be investigated.
- Step free access to shops.
- More benches around the High Street.
- Markers for the Heritage Trail.

The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association is championing the idea of a living wall opposite the Cricket shop in Sainsbury's forecourt and a street piano with small performance space in Lidl forecourt.



Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ)

The TCT has been engaging the Council on a number of parking issues around the town centre, unfortunately the Council's Portfolio Holders response was not encouraging and none of the CPZs will be reviewed.

Beckenham Beacon - we asked that the CPZ by the Beacon be reviewed to allow people to park during the morning for medical appointments, the restriction to stop commuter parking perhaps moved to the afternoon. Portfolio Holder advised that they not believe the roads by the Beacon were empty during the day and suggested Sainsbury's car park as suitable alternative for Beacon patients. The TCT advised that Sainsbury's was not suitable for Beacon patients.

Burnhill Road and Fairfield Road – we asked that the number of resident only bays be reviewed, as they are often empty bays whilst people struggle to find parking in the Lidl car parks. The Portfolio Holder advised that they believe there was a problem here, but that the single yellow lines on Burnhill Road by the side of the car park could be converted to pay and display bays. The TCT asked how many residents' permits have been sold in this CPZ to see if there are more resident's bays than required. The Council have not provided this information so the TCT have made a formal freedom of information request to see how many residents permits have been issued in all Beckenham's CPZ's.

Sainsbury's Car Park – the TCT suggested that this car park could be used for a Business/Trader parking scheme, as the top floor is often empty or for staff parking for the Beacon freeing up more spaces for patients. Some good news is that the Portfolio Holder has agreed to talk to the Beacon about using Sainsbury's for staff parking.

If you are affected by any of this CPZ issues we encourage you to write to the Portfolio Holder directly, email colin.smith@bromley.gov.au, post: Cllr C Smith, c/o Members' Room, Bromley Civic Centre, Stockwell Close, Bromley, BR1 3UH

Amenity of the Town Centre

The TCT have raised and requested the Council resolve a number of safety, accessibility, and streetscape issues in the town over the past year.

- Thanks to pressure from the TCT to maintain the Odeon Cinema, the Council's Heritage Officer and The Odeon agreed on a program of works to redecorate the frontage and made some substantial improvements
- The Council has endorsed the zero tolerance on litter for Beckenham and has agreed to send litter enforcement officers, we have yet to see any and continue to raise the issue with the Council.
- There has been some success in dealing poorly maintained party walls between shop premises. West Beckenham Residents' Association asked that a condition be put on the permission for the change of shop front at Kos Restaurant to ensure the pillar between Kos and Villagers Sausages was included in the improvements. It has now been painted in keeping with the shop front.

- Council enforcement officers have agreed to tackling pavement obstruction by shop A-boards, stock and tables & chairs on-street. However to date they have taken a soft approach with little difference noticed by local people. The TCT continue to keep up pressure on pavement obstructions and encourage local people to report them on line via “Fix My Street”.
- The Council decided not to prosecute the companies that litter the town centre with unsightly and unlawful shutter stickers, however as local people keep taking them down the companies have decided to leave Beckenham alone. Lets hope local people power can discourage illegal flyposting for funfairs and housing developments.

Purple Flag Award

The Copers Cope Area Residents’ Association is working with our Town Centre Manager on behalf TCT to gain the prestigious Purple Flag Award for Beckenham. The flag status is for town centres that meet or surpass the standards of excellence in managing the evening and night-time economy (litter, security, safe travel home etc.). The Purple Flag assessors have been to Beckenham and were pleased with how the TCT was working together to improve the night-time economy. It is unusual to have residents, businesses and the Council working in such a strong partnership and this makes our prospects at attaining the status strong.

The project has already reaped benefits, at Christmas anti-social behaviors was down significantly in Beckenham (by close to 50%) while the rest of the borough saw in an increase. The TCT was able to work with late night pubs, bridge taxi firm and kebab shop on crowd management and marshaling that resulted in getting revelers home directly. There is still plenty of work to do before we submit our application for the Purple Flag in October, promotion of Beckenham’s bid for Purple Flag will start soon.

ROAD SAFETY



Angus Culverwell head of Road Safety from Bromley Council and Copers Cope Ward Police answered questions in regard to road safety at the Town Centre Team AGM. Important points are noted below.

Budget is limited for Road Safety and Bromley is one of the few Councils in London still to have a road safety team. Money is directed to areas where it will save lives or prevent serious accidents. Thus areas with high incidents of minor road accidents may not get funding.

Kingshall Road will have yellow lines put in by the refuse to stop parking obstructions.

The Kent House Road junction by the school is being reviewed by Council traffic engineers.

Kent House Station Parking is under utilised, commuters still parking on surrounding roads. Council will look at reducing price of parking at station if station car park does not start to fill up; they want to encourage less on street parking.

Burnhill Road is often blocked up by the Lidl delivery lorry causing much congestion in the High Street. Council confirms this is already on their list to deal with.

Wide junction mouths that are difficult for pedestrians to cross, it was confirmed that this is something the Council can look to rectify. These junctions were designed to stop cars having to slow to turn the corner; the result is double the distance for pedestrians to cross at the mouth of the junction coupled with fast cars turning. The TCT have suggested the Council review the following junctions – Rectory Road/Blakeney Road, Park Road/Copers Cope Road, Park Road/Copers Cope Road and Foxgrove Road/Foxgrove Avenue.

20 mile hour speed limits in residential areas cannot be enforced by the Police thus the Council will not spend money introducing them in the borough.

Police Speed checks are now regularly being conducted on Copers Cope Road and Worsley Bridge Road Areas. Police confirm that there has been speeding but it has not been excessive (eg 37mph and above).

Motorbike and quadbike problem on Copers Cope Road has not been resolved by Police yet as they have not been able to catch them in the act. Call local police on 020 8721 2772 or email coperscope.snt@met.police.uk as soon as you hear them and hopefully the local ward police can get there in time to catch them.

An advanced cycle stop lane is being considered at the Manor Road/Bromley Road/Wickham Road junction. The TCT also requested that the traffic light phasing be reviewed.

The junction at Copers Cope Road/Lawn Road/Bridge Road was also discussed, please see the next article.

NEW JUNCTION PLANNED FOR COPERS COPE ROAD AND BRIDGE ROAD ACCIDENT HOTSPOT

The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association asked Angus Culverwell, head of Road Safety how the Council will redesign the junction of Bridge Road and Copers Cope Road/Bridge Road/Lawn Road following recent fatality. In May a motorcyclist was killed at this junction, as we understand the motorcyclist was speeding, however local people know that this junction is a accident hotspot and that speeding is rife along Copers Cope and surrounding roads.



Mr Culverwell was able to take us through all the designs for the junction redesign. It turns out the Council have been working on this for some time. Traffic modeling ruled out many of the designs which included, 2 min roundabouts (similar to Kings Hall Road and Kent House Road), one mini round about and traffic lights (which would have worked but are not as cost effective as the final design that will achieve the same result,

The winning design, which is still subject to Council sign off, is to leave the junction almost the same with possible minor adjustments to curb lines. The whole junction will be re-tarmaced with coloured anti-skid covering – giving a visual warning to slow and a bumpy ride if you do not slow too much, plus the surface gives extra grip when braking which should help avoid collisions Warning speed signs will be placed either side of the junction on Copers Cope Road, advising drivers to slow down. The Council is investigating using 2 sets of warning signs, the first Most of the designs had to be rules out

ALLEYWAY PROJECT - DO UP OUR ALLEY

Since the last AGM the naming of alleyways Project has progressed names for all 15 have been chosen, most with a historical connection. Thank you to the Beckenham Society for undertaking the naming project for the Town Team.

The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association on behalf of the Beckenham Town Centre Team submitted a bid to the Mayor's High Street Fund to get some money to clear up the alleyways. The Mayor's fund has awarded Beckenham £20,000 for the Do Up Our Alley Project which will name, sign, clean up and improve the maintenance of the alleyways in Beckenham Town Centre.

We need to know what local people think of the current state of the alleyways. If you use or work/live near any of the alleyways off of the High Street please complete this survey.

Survey link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/P923BXS



We like this design for the alleyway name signs. Instead of a tree we can have icons representing the name of each alley.

Some examples may be:

Coach Crier Alley – Coach Crier Icon

Church Hill Alley - lych gate icon

Stable Doors Close - auctioneers gavel icon

Thornton's Alley - newspaper icon

Gordon Alley – Gordon House icon

Wood House Alley – icon of the old Wood House

Leather Alley - leather boot icon

BECKENHAM TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS



The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association continues to attend the Council-led Working Party to represent residents. The concept designs are still largely the same whilst the survey (utility survey, topographical surveys and detailed traffic modeling) results are due to come in.

At the last meeting of the Working Group on 08 July we expressed local peoples frustration at how long the scheme is taking. The Council confirmed that although there have been delays doing the surveys they are still on schedule to start work in 2016.

The cost of the scheme has come in over budget by nearly £2 million and Bromley Council is in communication with TfL regarding extra funding. Extra funding from TfL will also mean extra match funding from Bromley Council. The Council expects to know about the funding in September 2015. In the mean time the Council have asked the Working Group to think about priorities if the scheme has to be cut back. Let us know your thoughts, email chairman@coperscope.org.uk.

The outcome of the traffic modeling supported all the changes proposed in the Town Centre (location of parking/loading bays, junction redesigns, changes in curb lines etc.) except one... the **War Memorial Roundabout**. The roundabout will be left as it is and as the Copers Cope Residents' Association has been lobbying for since the project started, the roundabout and surrounds will be smarted up.

The Rectory Road, South End Road, Albemarle Road Junction works have been delayed due to services that needed to be relocated under the road. The Council asked the Working Group whether they should start the redesign works now or wait for the major scheme. If we start now we will most likely have temporary traffic lights for longer as the final fittings will be installed when the major scheme starts. The group was unanimous that the Council should just get on and start the work as soon as possible. The work will likely be the most disruptive and it would be preferable to have this done before the major scheme.

The Town Centre Conservation Area was endorsed by the Council. The High Street is now in a Conservation Area effective from 27 June 2015. The Council and Working Group are now working on a shop front policy for Beckenham. The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association is

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considering proposing a ban on A-boards in the conservation area. A-boards often cause and obstruction, clutter the pavement and detract from the attractiveness of the High Street. On the other hand A-boards promote local business and let us know of deals and offers. We are interested in your views email us at chairman@coperscope.org.uk.

The alleyway name sign designs and suggested improvements for the **Do Up Our Project** being undertaken by the Copers Cope Area Residents' Association (see previous article) was endorsed by the Working Group.

Feedback from the consultation in March 2015 was presented to the Working Group. This is what people said:

What people most liked about the plans:

- Improving Beckenham Green and adjacent Albemarle Road/High Street junction.
- Fewer lorries in the High Street due to the Rectory Road/South End Road, Albemarle Road Junction works that will allow lorries to go down Rectory Road.
- Feature lighting in special places along the High Street.
- Enhanced pedestrian experience due to wider pavements and de-cluttering and safer crossings.
- Investment into the War Memorial roundabout and surrounds, as a gateway to the town it needs much improvement

What people do not like about the plans:

- Pedestrian access to the War Memorial roundabout.
- Contemporary lighting on Beckenham Green, heritage lighting should be retained.
- Removal of beds/boundary between Beckenham Green and High Street could increase noise on green and be less safe for children (being able to run into the road).
- The lack of cycling provision in scheme.
- Shared space between pedestrian and and motorists in loading bay along the High Street.

You prioritized the elements of the scheme as follows:

1. Beckenham Junction and Green
2. War Memorial

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3. Lighting
4. Parking and loading bays
5. Bromley Road junction (by Natwest)
6. Street furniture
7. Thornton's Corner
8. Kelsey Square.

Beckenham Junction Station Improvements



There has been no further news from Network Rail about the improvements they agreed to make at Beckenham Junction Station. They would like to increase the size of the foyer area by building a brick and glass extension on to the front of the station to give a larger ticket hall, improved shops, and somewhere to wait for a pickup inside from the rain.

GARDEN COLLECTIONS FOR BUSY BECKENHAM RESIDENTS

Summer is here, simply getting out in the garden to water plants or pull up a few weeds together is time well spent. Although it's always a chore to dispose of your garden waste afterwards – especially if it involves a trip to one of the waste sites and a long wait queuing.

As a member, for an annual fee of £60 you will receive a large 240 litre wheelie bin. Our dedicated waste services team will make regular scheduled visits to your home to collect all types of garden waste.

Members of the all year-round service receive fortnightly collections from March to November, then monthly from December until February.

For membership and full details of the Green Garden Waste Collection Scheme, go to: www.bromley.gov.uk/gardencollections or telephone 0300 30 38658.

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WHAT'S NEW IN THE HIGH STREET



Kelsey House Bar & Grill, Coffee shop, British restaurant (75 High Street) has a stylish interior and a tasty menu specialising in tasty bites and classic dishes that are freshly cooked and well presented.



Andrea's Boutique (34 High Street) is a chic and contemporary women's clothing store selling smart and casual attire both day to evening wear, available in store and online.



Kos Restaurant formerly Dos Amigos (87-89 High Street), offers mouth watering dishes of mostly the heritage of Ottoman cuisine in-house and by takeaway menu.



The **Grand Cru Company** (9 Kelsey Park Road) has just opened in Beckenham selling premium wine. It offers wine tastings and a wine investment service.

A new charity shop for the **Salvation Army** has opened at 250 High Street.

Clarks shoes are relocating to get bigger premises and will be taking over Aladdin's Cave. We do not know what will be going in to the current Clarks. Starbucks have been recruiting staff for their Beckenham branch, we have no idea which empty shop they are taking over.

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PLANNING AND LICENSING UPDATE

Dylon International Site, Lower Sydenham

Eight years after plans were first drawn up, the residential development at the Dylon site near Lower Sydenham Station, off Worsley Bridge Road, have finally been granted planning approval.

The developer's architects began work on a redevelopment scheme in 2007 and since then the proposals have been the subject of numerous applications, planning refusals, appeals, a Public Enquiry and a High Court Appeal. The developer now has permission to build 223 residential units on the site.

83 Copers Cope Road, Light industrial site next to the railway line by New Beckenham Station

Oakwood Development's scheme to demolish the existing buildings and develop eight 5-bedroom houses on the site was the subject of an appeal hearing in May, after a Council planning committee deferred a decision earlier this year. Local residents who attended reported that proceedings took more than eight hours and very strong representations were made by the developer. The decision is to be announced in July.

Marqueen House, Ironstone House and Provident House

Three 1960s office buildings all situated on Burrell Row at the western end of the High Street, had planning applications submitted under the "temporary" permitted development right of change of use from offices to residential. The Council has limited powers to refuse, but has done so on grounds of lack of parking provision.

56 Copers Cope Road

An application has been submitted to demolish the existing late 19th-century house and replace it with a five-storey block of ten flats, including basement. The Council is currently considering the application.

Royce House, 56a Copers Cope Road

An outline planning application has recently been made to demolish the existing houses and replace them with five, three-storey, four-bedroom houses.

Tudor House, Beckenham Place Park

A second application has been submitted to demolish the existing house and build three houses on the site, after the first application was refused. The Council is currently considering the scheme.

Church Motor Company, Bromley Road

CMC are under threat of possible closure following an application by the landlord to change the use class of the premise to storage use. Situated in buildings off Bromley Road, next to Beckenham Methodist Church, CMC employs four staff and has served the town's car-owners for eleven years. During that time it has built a reputation in Beckenham for high quality service, borne out by its broad base of local customers. CMC's mechanics are specialists of German and Italian cars although the company repairs and services any make of car. It also has a sister site at Lewes Road in Bromley. Beckenham Methodist Church, who owns the building, made a planning application to change the use of the purpose-built garage workshop (use class B1[c]) to church use (use class D1) last year. The church has stated they intend to use the space for storage, equipment and letting for community use. Bromley Council refused the application, citing an unacceptable loss of a business unit as their principle reason. The Church has appealed to the Planning Inspectorate against that decision. CMC and the garage are have been locked in a dispute over the lease, which has been the subject of a court case.

2-4 Fairfield Road

The Beckenham Club, opposite Christchurch Halls, closed last year and consent has recently been granted at appeal to convert it to 214 / Two One Four Indian Restaurant and Bar.

UNRESTRICTED CONVERSIONS FROM OFFICE SPACE TO RESIDENTIAL KILLING OFF BECKENHAM HIGH STREET?



The Government introduced a 3-year permitted development right in Spring 2013 that allows landlords to make conversions from office to residential without permission from Councils (only prior approval in respect of transport and highways, contamination and flooding risks needs to be sought through the planning process). It was designed and intended to allow empty office space to be turned into homes

without the red tape thereby boosting the creation of new homes. Unfortunately it is mainly being used in locations that deliver the highest returns on investment for landlords, despite the high demand for

office space. So in town centres like Beckenham where housing prices/rents are soaring ahead of office space, local businesses are being pushed out. Since 2013 the following offices have, or are, in the process of changing from office to residential:

- Above 24 High Street from office space to 1 x 2 bedroom and 1 x 1 bedroom flats
- Above 30 High Street from office space to 15 x studio flats
- Above 52 High Street from office space to a 5 bedroom house of multiple occupation.
- Above 86-90 High Street from office space to 2 x one bed flats
- Above 130 High Street from office space to 2 self-contained flats
- Above 134 High Street
- Above 145-151 High Street from office space to 2 x studio flats and 1 x one bedroom flat
- Above 173a High Street from office space to 1 x 2 bedroom flat
- Above 177a High Street from office space to 1 x 1 bedroom flat
- Above 179a High Street from office space to 2 x 2 bedroom flats
- Above 242 High Street from office space to 2 x 1 bedroom flats
- Duncan House, Burnhill Road from office space to 1 x 1 bedroom flat and 9 x 2 bedroom flats
- Marqueen House, 215 High Street, application in currently to change from office space to 18 x 1 bedroom flats
- Ironstone House, 205-213 High Street, application in currently to change from office space to 18 x 1 bedroom flats
- Provident House 6-20 Burrell Row, application in currently to change from office space to 18 x 1 and 2 x 2 bedroom flats
- St Georges House, 2 Bromley Road, from office space to 3 x 1 bedroom flats.

In Beckenham we are now at the point where offices that are fully occupied by small and medium-size businesses are going to be emptied out to create flats. Often these new flats are small, the developments too dense, some even becoming Houses of Multiple Occupation. If all the offices go in Beckenham it will devastate the daytime economy on the High Street. Take out the workers and we will see a change in the mix of shops, and we are fearful more independent shops will be lost, the only replacements to be chains and charity shops, changing the vibrancy of our town centre.

The government wants to make this permitted right permanent. We have asked our MP Bob Stewart to lobby for this permitted right to be scrapped and to reinstate Council approval for such conversions. Local people and Councils can then have a say in whether Beckenham needs office space more than flats. You can also help by contacting your local



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ALTERNATIVE HOUSING FOR OLDER PEOPLE

There are three Abbeyfield Houses in Beckenham. They are safe affordable homes for older people supported by a housekeeper and staff who provide main meals, with shared sitting and dining rooms, laundry, guest bedrooms, central heating and gardens.

The private bedrooms with ensuite and catering facilities can be furnished with your own belongings. Residents have their own keys and need to be able to attend to their own room and needs.

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CONSULTATION RESULTS OF THE BAKERLOO EXTENSION TO BECKENHAM

The consultation report is now available online. Chapter 9 refers to extending to Beckenham Junction and Hayes. See www.tfl.gov.uk/bakerloo-extension.

TfL find that a majority of 56% support extending the Bakerloo to Beckenham Junction and Hayes and have summarised the feedback as follows:

- There were 14,022 closed responses to Question 15, where respondents were asked to state their level of support, ranging from strongly support to strongly oppose, for the proposal to terminate the line at Hayes and Beckenham Junction. A total of 56% either support or strongly support the option of terminating the line at Hayes and Beckenham Junction, while 11% either oppose or strongly oppose. Over 30% of respondents neither support nor oppose the proposal.
- In total 3,453 respondents provided a valid response to Question 16, where respondents were asked to provide further views or comments. This equates to 25% of all Question 15 respondents. Of the 3,453 responses to Question 16, 62% stated that they either support or strongly support the proposal to terminate at Hayes and Beckenham Junction, while 21% either oppose or strongly oppose and 16% of respondents neither support nor oppose.
- Of the supporting responses, the comment most frequently mentioned is that ‘the further the line goes, the better / better to go beyond Lewisham as it is already well served’ comment, as stated by 16% of respondents. The proposed extension to Hayes and Beckenham Junction is considered ‘much needed, useful and beneficial’ to 8% of respondents, while the lack of London Underground access in southeast London is also stated as a reason for support by 8% of respondents. The role of the extension in regeneration and attracting new business is stated by 8% of supportive respondents.
- Of the comments opposing the Hayes and Beckenham Junction terminus option, 17% do so because they perceive that the Bakerloo line definitely needs to go to Bromley, while 13% oppose the proposal if it means the loss of direct connections to London rail termini. Eight percent of respondents expressed that the line needs to go further than Hayes and Beckenham Junction.
- Of the respondents who neither support nor oppose, 9% stated that the line needs to reach Bromley in addition to Hayes, and that failure to do so would be a missed opportunity.



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Children's activities on Sunday mornings – crèche for pre-schoolers;

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Men's and Ladies Groups – BBQ

Wednesday 8th July, 7pm for 7.30pm
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(Please contact Church Office)

Summer Tea Party

Saturday 11th July, 2 - 5 pm

in the Church gardens.

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Harvest

We will be celebrating Harvest
on Sunday 27th September. The
Church will also be open on
Saturday 26th September to view
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Morning Prayer. St Paul's is open Mon – Thurs 9.30 – 10.00am. There is a time
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*For further information please contact our Administrator (Office hours: Mon – Thurs
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COPERS COPE AREA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION HISTORY - WE NEED YOUR MEMORIES

Local historian and author Pat Manning is currently researching the history of our Association right back to its origins as the Copers Cope Ratepayers' Association established in 1935 to stop factory encroachment at the Worsley Bridge end of Copers Cope Road. If you have any memories, stories, documents or photos about the Association we would love to hear from you, email chairman@coperscope.org.uk, call 020 8650 6239 or post to 14 Parkwood, Beckenham BR3 1TR.

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