



News and updates from the Lambeth Network

Network update

We hope that you remain well and are managing to stay positive. And for those who have been shielding for the past 13 weeks, or have been socially distant from family or friends, that the relaxation of restrictions allows you some relief.

Over the past few weeks, we have kept you updated with developments on the South East London Clinical Commissioning Group (SEL CCG); connected people with local support and encourage people to volunteer. Our staff continue to work from home, but are easily contactable by phone or email.

We have been hearing how many of you remain in contact with your PPGs and practices and continue to share experiences, ideas and news despite not being able to meet face to face.

The development and publication of newsletters, leaflets, letters and online meetings has increased, with some groups producing publications media for the first time to keep in contact with patients.

Practices continue to find novel ways to provide services, from online and telephone consultations to socially distanced appointments within the surgery. We salute all practice staff for continuing to provide as comprehensive a service as possible at this time, even if the 'doors are closed'.

Lambeth Council have produced a report on everything that has happened in Lambeth and are keen to hear local peoples' views. This was discussed at a recent Overview and Scrutiny committee meeting.

This month has seen a number of online meetings including the SEL CCG governing body meeting, the Primary Care Commissioning Committee meeting and Lambeth Together Strategic Board (i.e. Lambeth's borough based board). The next one is the [Health & Wellbeing Board](#), on 2nd July, 5pm and they are keen to hear people's views.

Our Future

Earlier this year we informed you that due to our funding position, the organisation was likely to close later in the year. With the onset of the Covid-19 and the

subsequent social and economic changes, we are sorry that we have not been able to have meetings in the normal way, but we are inviting you to a zoom meeting to feed back on the next round of discussions on engagement and decide what we together see as the priorities. We want to put forward your views until we have to close, probably at the end of August.



Team Lambeth Volunteers

Nearly 1500 local residents signed

up to Team Lambeth Volunteers, who support day-to-day activities.

The volunteers come from a range of backgrounds but all are linked into volunteering opportunities within the borough through regular weekly communication.

If you, your group or an individual require volunteer support requests for help can be submitted to Team Lambeth by clicking [here](#).

healthwatch Lambeth Healthwatch Lambeth Covid-19 Research

Healthwatch Lambeth would like to hear from Lambeth people to understand the impact of Covid-19 on their health and wellbeing, how it has changed their needs, the support they get or don't get, and how

they are able to cope (or not).

The research runs until the end of July, so Healthwatch Lambeth are keen to interview people as part of this research. For more detail click [here](#).



Lambeth Carers Card

Working in partnership, Carers' Hub Lambeth and My Social are developing the

Lambeth Carers Card scheme.

Local carers are being offered early access to the online resources and information, which may be of particular help during this difficult time.

The scheme is open to unpaid carers aged 18 +, living in or caring for someone who lives in Lambeth. A carer is someone who cares, unpaid, for a friend or family member due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or addiction.

For more information about the scheme and how to access the card click [here](#).

Activities for carers



Carers4carers have a range of free activities and online events for carers running during June and July.

- [Outdoor fitness classes](#)
- [Activities in June & July](#)

- [Self Care & Wellbeing for Carers](#)

(<https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/>) has a lot of information and you can record your decision online.

Whatever your decision we would encourage you to discuss your wishes with your family.



Become a raising-awareness champion

Help empower people to record their future care wishes

Do you believe that people have the right to make their own decisions about the treatment and care they receive?

Are you passionate about ensuring that everyone's wishes are respected?

Do you enjoy talking with people?

Why not become an Advance Care Planning Champion.

For more information click [here](#).



Organ Donation - a change in the law

At the end of May 2020 the law on organ donation in England changed.

Organ donation in England has moved to an 'opt out' system. This means that all adults in England will be considered to have agreed to be an organ donor when they die, unless they have recorded a decision not to donate or are in one of the excluded groups.

The organ donation website



Virtual Lambeth Country Show 18 & 19 July 2020

The Virtual Lambeth Country Show is coming to your homes on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 July.

We may not be able to do the real thing this year, but we have decided to keep the Lambeth Country Show spirit alive with a virtual event to entertain you.

There will be plenty to get involved with as little or as much as you like all from the comfort of your own homes.

For more details go to <https://lambethcountryshow.co.uk/>



Dates for your diary

Lambeth Health & Wellbeing Board

2 July 2020, 5pm (on MS Teams)

For meeting details go to

<https://moderngov.lambeth.gov.uk/> and see the enclosed meeting agenda.

South East London CCG

Governing Body meeting

16 July 2020, 1.30pm

For meeting details and papers go to

<https://selondonccg.nhs.uk/events/governing-body-meeting/>

Primary Care Commissioning Committee

Meeting details TBC. Go to

<https://selondonccg.nhs.uk/about-us/our-primary-care-commissioning-committee> for more information

Lambeth Together Strategic Board

September 2020, details TBC