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Mitcham Community Forum

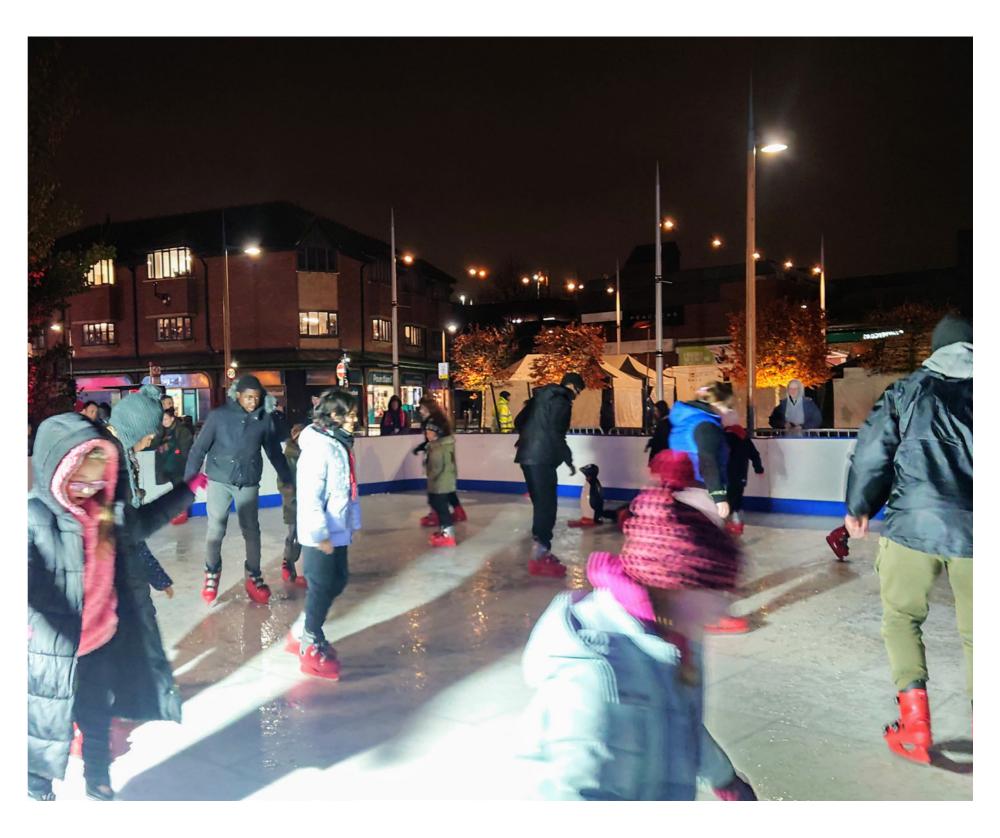
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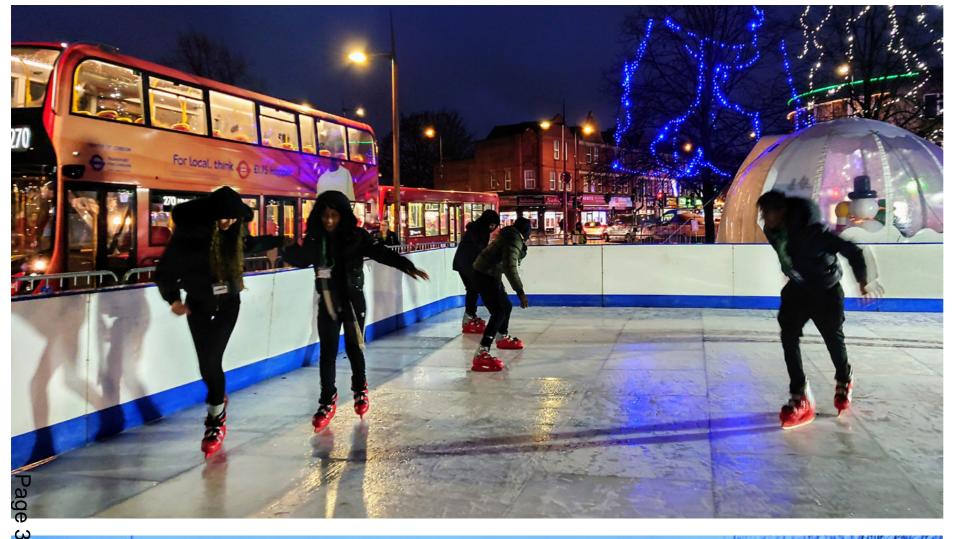
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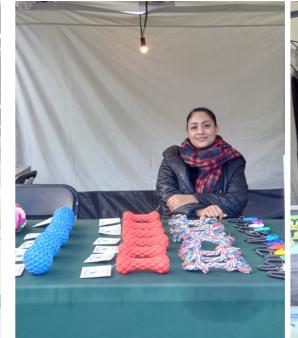
Mitcham Winter Weekend

- bringing people back into the town centre with an estimated c. 2000 visitors
- supporting small businesses with Saturday Makers Market
- just under 700 tickets used for the ice rink





















Lots of positive feedback from residents

Some market traders surprised at spending power in Mitcham

Some local businesses increased sales over the event time

Increased footfall with many who say they avoid the town centre usually

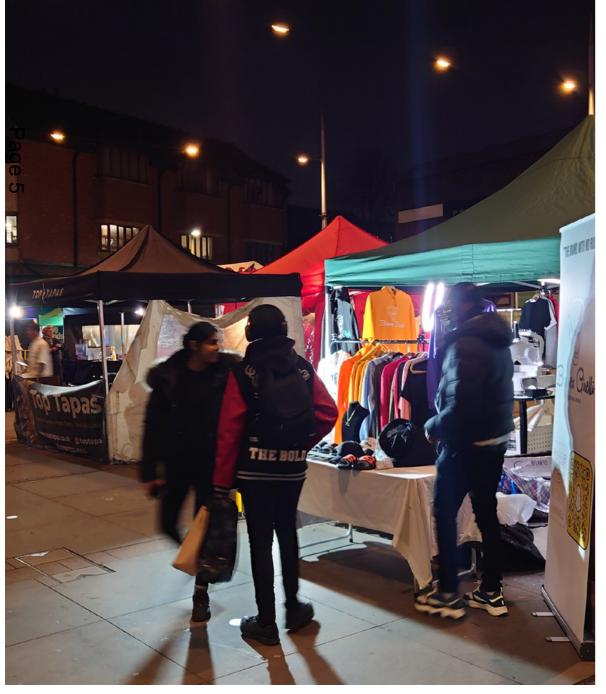
Fantastic way to bring the local community together

Mitcham needs events like this

I love that Mitcham had the opportunity to host this and that the town centre was given some love. More please to increase footfall and build the town centre up

Food and Crafts Market

- a pilot food and crafts market during half term
- supported small businesses
- ambition to grow this with the new market manager into consistent market









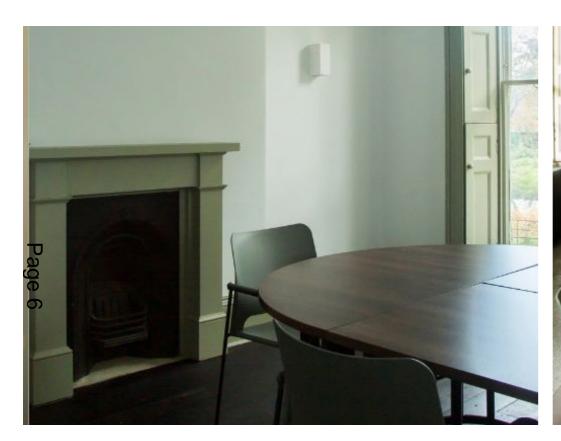






Canons House and Grounds

- workspace / room hire now open!
- coming soon:
- free use of Canons House for community groups on the last Monday of every month
- exhibition space launch end of April
- preloved studio has space for more textile reuse start-ups: contact thewheel@sustainablemerton.org
- enquiries to canons.house@merton.gov.uk / 020 8274 5330













Vestry Hall

- Grow London offering free drop in business support March 25th 2-4pm
- Easter Crafts by Mitcham Arts Collective
- Volunteers for garden Chris Frost Memorial Garden needed, please contact julie.noel@merton.gov.uk



SGN Gas Works

- urgent repair work on gas infrastructure
- SGN engaging with residents and businesses
- · more info here: www.sgn.co.uk/our-gas-works/major-planned-projects/mitcham-london-road



February 2024 Project ref: 15839

Dear Resident

Update regarding our gas pipe replacement work in London Road, Mitcham

I am writing to update you on the progress of our project to replace the old gas pipe network in London Road, Mitcham. This urgent work will replace the existing metal pipe with plastic (PE) pipe to ensure that you will continue to receive a safe and reliable gas supply.

SGN has invested £2 million to replace this pipe now to prevent future disruption caused by the unplanned, urgent repair work that your community has experienced in the last twelve months.

Our contractor Forefront Utilities started work at the junction of Locks Lane on Monday 22 January. This first phase of the project is on schedule to finish within the six weeks forecast. At this point, we will be able to remove the temporary lights on London Road and reopen Locks Lane to motorists.

I mentioned in my previous communication that we would need to move the work along the road and, I can share the plans for the work with you. The work will be completed in the following phases.

Please note that these phases may change dependent on the work progress. Any changes will be updated on https://www.sgn.co.uk/our-gas-works/major-planned-projects/mitcham-london-road Signs will also be displayed to advise of future work locations and dates.

Phase two (A) – Sunday 3 March for three weeks

Our engineers will be working along the northbound carriageway of London Road between its junctions with Eveline Road and Poplar Avenue. To ensure everyone's safety, London Road will be closed to all northbound traffic. A signed diversion route will be in place for affected motorists.

Lavender Road access will be maintained to and from the southbound lane of London Road.

London Road's northbound bus lane will also be shut between Bond Road and Eveline Road.

Phase two (B) - Monday 25 March for four weeks

We'll be working from the junction of 172 London Road to the junction of Upper Green West. A rolling bus lane closure will be in place as we progress between these locations.

What does this mean for me?

- · Please check your bus timetable to see if our work has affected the bus stop, route or time
- Please advise delivery companies and visitors they may need to use the diversion route
- Please allow additional time for your journeys

Phase three - Monday 22 April for thirteen weeks

We'll then be working between Mitcham Town Centre and Locks Lane for approximately 13 weeks. During this time, London Road will be closed between these locations to northbound motorists.

Vehicles travelling from Bond Road will be unable to access London Road northbound and will be diverted via Western Road, Christchurch Road, Priory Road, High Street Colliers Wood, Tooting High Street, Mitcham Road and London Road. Access to St Mark's Car Park will remain.

London Road will remain open for southbound motorists.

From 1 July for two weeks, we'll need to close Bond Road at its junction with London Road. This will mean no access in and out of Bond Road onto London Road. A signed diversion will be in place for motorists.

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Phase four - Monday 15 July for two weeks

Our engineers will be returning to London Road's junction with Locks Lane for two weeks. Temporary lights will be in operation around our work area to manage traffic flow in both directions. Locks Lane will be shut to motorists at this junction and affected residents should follow the signed diversion.

Phases five and six

These phases of work in London Road are currently being planned. I will update you on our plans once they've been confirmed. The project is expected to be fully completed in November.

We understand that people can get frustrated by roadworks, and therefore we only use traffic management that we feel is efficient enough to complete these works safely for everyone.

We apologise for any inconvenience this work causes. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with our Customer Service team by calling 0800 975 1818 or via email to customer@sgn.co.uk

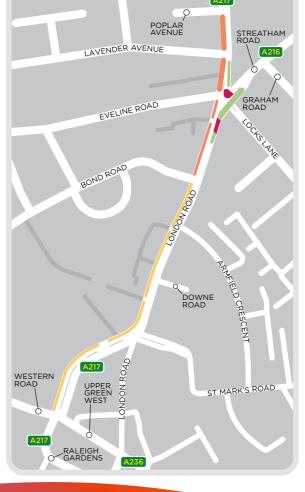
Yours faithfully.

Dean Newell

Project Manager







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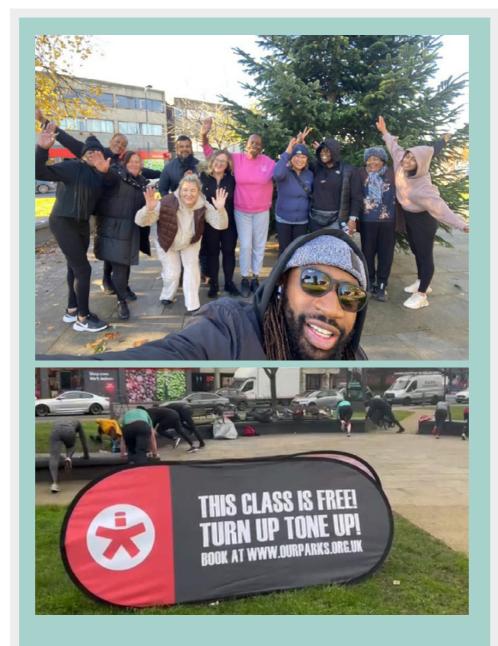
What's new in the Town Centre?





Community coffee mornings at the Royal British Legion

Every Wednesday morning 11.30am - 3.30pm



Free 60 minute exercise classes on Fair Green

Every Saturday 10.00-11.00am Every Tuesday 9.30-10.30am



New businesses

T Shack: burgers & deserts

Malinowa Chmurka:
supermarket

Pawelek: Polish restaurant & cafe

What next...

- Ongoing SGN gas works. More information here: https://sgn.co.uk/our-gas-works/majorplanned-projects/mitcham-london-road
- 'Mitcham Matters' consultation. Recently completed a study with circa 100 under 25's.
 Draft report being prepared.

Market manager to start in Spring.





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