

Your community news from



Belgravia Bulletin

FOREWORD



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Dear all,

We are delighted to share our first edition of the Belgravia Bulletin, a new update from Grosvenor on all of our community matters in and around Belgravia. We hope you will find this useful, as in response to feedback, we want to keep you all more regularly informed of Grosvenor's events, retail news and openings, community ventures, development and works updates, environmental efforts and lots more.

Importantly, we will also be publishing details of local development consultations. Your feedback and first-hand experience of the area is vital in ensuring that our investments deliver the results that you would like to see, so we would encourage you to participate and let us know your thoughts.

We would welcome any feedback you have around this new newsletter and thank you in advance for taking the time to read it.

Best wishes,
Douglas Crichton and Paul O'Grady

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FLOWER POWER

Residents are encouraged to play their part in this year's Belgravia in Bloom extravaganza by creating their own colourful displays.

You can participate in the popular annual event by transforming your window boxes or decorating your front door with a splash of colour, with a prize awarded for Best Floral Display.

More than 50 vibrant installations will transform the streets of Belgravia in May with 'The Language of Flowers' a central theme of this year's festival.

Must-see floral displays will bloom outside Peggy Porschen, Les Senteurs, Neill Strain Floral Couture and restaurants and hotels including Jones Family Kitchen and The Hari hotel.

Pierre Herme is entering into the spirit by creating floral macarons for the occasion and there will be two immersive installations and workshops spaces in Eccleston Yards - home to a Botanic Identity Bar - and the Halkin Arcade, which will be transformed into floral mood gardens.

It runs from May 20 to 25. If you would like to be involved, email belgravia.marketing@grosvenor.com to register.

RETAIL NEWS

Motcomb Street

We are pleased to announce that **Violante Nessi** opened at 14 Motcomb Street at the end of February for up to 6 months. violantenessi.com

The Pantechnicon will reopen by late summer and we look forward to telling you more about this exciting new development very soon. The refurbishment of the **Halkin Arcade** is nearing completion and will be fully open to public in early April. By June, we will have increased the level of seating for all to enjoy this new open space.

Kinnerton Street

After almost 35 years trading as **Jay's Newsagent**, Mr and Mrs Majeed have decided to retire and Grosvenor will be taking on the property. It currently comprises a shop with the family flat above, and we will be retaining the shop, and creating a separate, self-contained flat above. We know how much they will be missed and it has been a pleasure dealing with Mr and Mrs Majeed.

Eccleston Yards

@ecclestonyards
We are delighted to announce that **Ole & Steen**, the Danish bakery, will be opening at 31 Eccleston Place on the corner of Eccleston Street this spring. olenandsteen.co.uk
HotPod Yoga hotpodyoga.com and **Batonnage** the wine bar barbatonnagewines.com opened in Eccleston Yards earlier this

year. Please come down and try them out.
Tart London has opened the café and deli areas of its long-awaited '**Wild by Tart**' concept restaurant at Eccleston Yards and we look forward to the main restaurant opening shortly. tart-london.com

Elizabeth Street

Prima Lashes has opened at 145 Ebury Street, next door to London Grace nail bar, adding to the beauty and neighbourhood offering for the area.

primalashes.com

NRBY, a new clothing brand, have opened up in our pop-up shop at 73 Elizabeth Street for 3 months. Please do take a look.

Pimlico Road

We are pleased to welcome two great design names to the Pimlico Road Design District. **SCP** will open at 57 Pimlico Road prior to starting works on Newson's Yard.

scp.co.uk

We are also delighted to welcome **Hilary Batsone** at 84 Bourne Street for 6 months.

hilarybatstone.com

We are sorry to see **R Chocolate** leave the street and hope to welcome them back to Belgravia very soon. **Ochre** have reopened at 24 Pimlico Road, having relocated from no. 57. ochre.net

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

Launched in 2016, Future Gardeners is an innovative

training and work experience scheme, giving participants the core skills to gain entry level jobs in the horticulture industry without having any previous experience or specialist education. Bankside Open Spaces Trust has teamed up with Grosvenor to deliver the programme set to run for five years. bost.org.uk/future-gardeners-1

Grosvenor Landscape Management (GLM) continue to run a weekly after school gardening club at St Barnabas School working with the school on lessons in the gardens covering biodiversity, habitats and maths. GLM are also helping create fun activities for the schools within the gardens for the Easter period.

We are pleased that according to official statistics, Belgravia is one of the safest areas of London. However, we will be hosting a security briefing for all retailers across the Grosvenor Belgravia Estate on the evening of 16th April. The local police offices will be attendance and will provide our retailers with useful advice on how they can make their shops more secure. Hopefully you will have received your invitation. If not, please speak to your Property Manager if you would like to attend.

DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTATIONS

27 Eccleston Place

Grosvenor is currently consulting on the reconfiguration of 27 Eccleston

Place with near neighbours. Please do come along to an open drop-in event on Thursday 28th March from 15.30 - 19.30 in 27 Eccleston Place to discuss our plans. Following that we will then review your comments and feedback with a view to progressing to a planning submission later this year. Thank you to all those who have contributed.

Cundy Street Quarter

We recently announced proposals for the Cundy Street Quarter.

Our proposals cover an area bordered by Ebury Street, Cundy Street and Pimlico Road. The existing buildings are subject to lease expiries from 2021, providing a rare opportunity to invest substantially in the area. Our ambition is to create a mixed-use neighbourhood that can complement and enhance facilities for local residents and the wider public, as well as deliver a significant number of new homes.

We believe that a comprehensive but sensitive redevelopment can unlock substantial long-term benefits for the local community. These include more homes (including more affordable homes) across a range of sizes and tenures; vital uses that are currently lacking in the area such as senior living and more retail, leisure and community spaces.

In addition, we believe there is an opportunity to craft a more welcoming and inclusive environment for residents, workers and visitors through

EVENTS AND SAVE THE DATES

Easter Egg Hunt

Motcomb Street (by Sue Liberman and the MSTA) 30 March

Daily Dress Edit

6-7 Motcomb Street 9-22 May

Belgravia in Bloom

Throughout Belgravia 20-25 May

London Craft Week

Pimlico Road 8-12 May

May Fair

St Peter's Church, Eaton Square 11 May, noon-4pm

Open Gardens Squares Weekend

Throughout Belgravia 8-9 June

Belgravia Barbecue

Belgrave Square Gardens 20 June

Belgravia Dog Show

Belgrave Square Gardens 22 June

Belgravia Classic Car Show

Belgrave Square Gardens 23 June

mayfairandbelgravia.com

the creation of new amenities, better public spaces and more greening, alongside investment in the surrounding streets and squares, particularly Orange Square, Ebury Square and Pimlico Road.

We recognise that this is a substantial investment in the area and are keen to consult widely to ensure that a broad range of views can be considered early on in the design process.

From 3 April, we will begin a listening exercise to help us fully understand what benefits you want to see brought forward through our investment. We will use this information to inform our initial designs.

Please do come to our drop-in sessions, which will take place at 198 Ebury Street on the following dates:
Wednesday 3 April: 12-8pm
Thursday 4 April: 11am-3pm
Saturday 6 April: 9am-3pm

GROSVENOR WORKS

Grosvenor is carrying out the following external repairs and redecorations across Belgravia during the next three months. Your Property Manager will have been in contact with you to discuss these and will provide further communications before these works commence. Whilst we appreciate these works and particularly scaffolding can cause some disturbance, it is necessary that these works take place to maintain the building fabric and retain the beauty of the Belgravia estate. We will aim to keep the impact of these works to a minimum, if you require any further information, please contact your Property Manager who will be able to assist.

| Address | Anticipated Start Date |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 9 Chester Square Mews | 01/04/2019 |
| 14/17 Eaton Square | 01/04/2019 |
| 75/77 Elizabeth Street | 01/05/2019 |
| 63/63A Elizabeth Street | 01/05/2019 |
| 19 Cliveden Place | 01/05/2019 |
| 20 Cliveden Place | 01/05/2019 |
| 21 Ebury Street | 01/06/2019 |
| 85/88 Eaton Square | 01/06/2019 |
| 28 Eaton Mews South | 03/06/2019 |
| 72/72A Elizabeth Street | 01/07/2019 |
| 30 Eaton Place | 01/07/2019 |
| 3 Eaton Place | 01/07/2019 |
| 90 Eaton Place | 01/07/2019 |
| 69 Kinnerton Street | 15/07/2019 |

For further information or to leave additional feedback, please see our website cundystreetquarter.com and we hope to see you there.

SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Grosvenor teamed up with the Sustainable Restaurant Association (SRA) in 2018 to support delis, restaurants and cafes in Mayfair and Belgravia to tackle important environmental issues, like single-use plastic, food waste and sustainable sourcing to create delicious solutions.

The project commenced with a One Planet Plate cooking demonstration and panel discussion at Grosvenor's Summer in the Square. Subsequently, it has included visits to Grosvenor tenants/customers conducting surveys on their sustainability practices.

Following this, Grosvenor and SRA have decided to continue their focus on food waste and single-use plastics, forming an ambitious project spanning 2019, to support Grosvenor's longer-term goal of eliminating food waste on the London Estate by 2023 and be single use plastic free on the estate by 2023.

The project will place an emphasis on education and tenant engagement through workshops, site level support, events and knowledge sharing.

St Peter's School has received funding from the GLA for the next phase of greening

to help improve air quality and the look and feel of the playground. Grosvenor is very pleased to have contributed £5,000 towards these improvements.

GARDENS

Grosvenor will be issuing the annual membership renewals for the Garden Squares over the course of March. Where applicable, these memberships include the following

- Tennis Court Membership
- Dog Registration
- Belgrave Square Membership

For more information please contact

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Belgrave Square Tennis Court

The court may only be booked out by a member.

(Open for use 7am- 11pm)

Book online:

belgravesquaregarden.clubsolution.co.uk
Or call on 020 7730 7788 (Lines open Monday to Friday 9.30am-4.30pm)

PROSPECTIVE CUSTOMERS

Residential Lettings

020 7312 6444
residential.lettings@grosvenor.com

Commercial Lettings

020 7312 6442
commercial.lettings@grosvenor.com



PEOPLE

At the end of March, Nigel Hughes retired as Grosvenor's Estate Surveyor. Nigel has worked tirelessly for the Estate for over three decades, championing improvements throughout Belgravia from protecting its unique heritage for generations to come, to pioneering public realm investments such as Elizabeth Street and Motcomb Street.

Nigel was awarded the Lifetime Service Award this year at the Belgravia Awards and was awarded an MBE in the 2016 New Year Honours for his services to the business community in London. He will be sorely missed by all his colleagues at Grosvenor and by many in the local community.

COUNCILLORS

News and views from your Knightsbridge and Belgravia ward councillors

Belgravia's residents and businesspeople bring a real sense of community to the area. The Belgravia Society and the Belgravia Residents Association must be congratulated for the work they do. They are on the front line, scrutinising all aspects of proposed changes to the area.

The Belgravia Neighbourhood Forum has begun work on the neighbourhood plan, which will help guide local planning decisions. The forum recently surveyed hundreds of residents and businesses for their views on Belgravia.

Our traders' associations deserve our thanks for ensuring a thriving retail climate. We will miss Grace Belgravia, which sadly closed last month, but we must continue to support our other local businesses through the economic highs and lows.

When councillors and community work together, that is when we can achieve real success. Westminster City Council has made changes to the planning process, with greater pre-application consultation and public speaking rights at planning committee meetings to allow greater community involvement.

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Calling all toddlers! St Peter's Church in Eaton Square needs you.

A "Poppets" toddler group runs in the parish hall every Monday and Friday, from 9.30am until 11am.

Children under the age of four have the chance to play with lots of new, creative toys and the opportunity to use their creative side with Play-Doh, colouring and crafts.

"St Peter's Poppets has a distinctly international flavour which adds to the creativity and fun," says the Revd Julie Khovacs. "Parents and carers frequently comment on how they enjoy seeing their child play while they spend needed time chatting with new friends.

"If you have a toddler and would like to find a peaceful and beautiful space for them to play please do drop in." To find out more, email julie.khovacs@stpeteratonsquare.co.uk or visit the church's website at stpeteratonsquare.co.uk



POPPETS SEEKS TODDLERS!



Grosvenor is offering a convenient way to manage your account and connect with the local community.

You can now register and log in at grosvenorconnect.com to manage your account finances, request and track maintenance (if the property is

maintained by Grosvenor), connect with community events and access exclusive offers across Mayfair and Belgravia.

If you have not yet registered, please contact customerenquiries@grosvenor.com and the team will provide you with an authorisation code.

Farewell to Grace

"The last seven years have been an amazing journey of learning and experience for Dr Tim and I, and we have met and worked with so many inspirational people. One of the things I will miss most about running Grace is the support and kindness that you, my friends in the local business community, have shown to us." Kate Percival



Grosvenor has become the first private sector organisation to join the London Air Quality Network (LAQN), Europe's most sophisticated urban air quality monitoring network that is run by King's College London.

The LAQN uses King's specialist knowledge to determine the impact of air pollution on health. It also works closely with those responsible for air quality management to support policies and actions to minimise pollution.

The scale of the urban air quality problem requires action from all sectors of society, both public and private.

For Grosvenor's part, the company is commissioning two new permanent air quality monitors on the London estate, after modelling by the college in 2013 indicated that all

QUIZ CHAMPS

The third Monday night Belgravia pub quiz took place at the Star Tavern, and began with a cheque presentation to the Children's Trust for £1,000. The charity helps children and young people with brain injuries, and was chosen by previous winners The Hari hotel.

Competing for the winning trophy were teams from Errol Douglas, The Hari, Grosvenor, Waitrose, Westminster councillors, The Lanesborough, Child & Child, The Peninsula London Project and Grosvenor Place. After two lively rounds of quiz questions, and fuelled by snacks provided by the Star's manager Ollie Coulombeau, it was a tie for first place between Grosvenor and returning champs The Hari, with the hotel winning on a bonus question.



IMPROVING LOCAL AIR QUALITY

Grosvenor is determined to reduce air pollution in Belgravia

of Mayfair and Belgravia are above the UK limit for nitrogen dioxide levels.

Emily Hamilton, the senior sustainability manager at Grosvenor, said the firm is "deeply invested in the health of London. We want to make a positive difference for the tens of thousands of people on our estate every day.



Foil fellow

A talented teenager from Belgravia has been selected to fence for his country.

Ethan Zazo, 15, has been picked for the under-15 England fencing squad and will duel in the international competition Challenge Wroslava in Poland at the end of this month. He is a member of the FCL (Fencing Club London).

CASH FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Students and teachers at Quest Professional have raised £19,400 for a children's charity.

The business college, based in Grosvenor Gardens, raised the cash through a sky dive, an obstacle endurance course, charity runs and two major fundraising events.

Action for A-T is a charity for children who have Ataxia-telangiectasia, a condition leading to the deterioration of motor skills that impacts eye movement and speech.

With no cure or treatment for the condition, children are confined to a wheelchair by the second decade of their life and need assistance with everyday tasks.

