

THE HEART OF GREENSTEAD

Edition 1

Welcome to our new newsletter!

Community360 is pleased to be able to share the first in a fortnightly series of news updates to keep you informed about the progress of engagement related to the Heart of Greenstead programme and any links with the Colchester South Neighbourhood. It will be filled with brief articles on what has been happening, what events and activities are planned and who to contact should you wish to find out more. This newsletter will be shaped by those connecting with the programme, whether formally through the taskforce, or in other ways.



Thank you Greenstead Community Centre!

From 30th May, C360's engagement team have been hosted by Greenstead Community Centre every Monday. We are using an office base from which we visit local groups and residents. We will also be co-ordinating activities there each month. The first of these is a mini Community Marketplace. The event is co-designed with local partners and the Heart of Greenstead Taskforce.

Spotted: Starlings gathering and nesting in the eaves of the Community Centre roof—a prominent early theme in the engagement is how local people want to use and value the outdoor space in the Heart of Greenstead

Greenstead Community Marketplace

20th June—1 pm—5 pm Come and join us! Promote the event through your networks. Organised to provide an opportunity to meet more residents and showcase some of the groups and services available locally and from across the Borough, the event will be the first in a series of showcases. Stallholders will include Signpost, African Families in the UK and Independent Age. The Live Well team will be present and free craft activities will be available for families to take part in.



Meet the Colchester South Neighbourhood Community Connector—Tim Fox

Colchester South is one of three Neighbourhood teams in development across Colchester. The network was launched on the 24th May with an event in Greenstead for members of the emerging Colchester South Live Well Neighbourhood Team (LNT). Tim Fox is the Community Connector for the South and you can **contact Tim at** timothyfox@community360.org.uk or call **01206 505250**



Opportunities—calls for involvement

Growing the Taskforce

Since early May we have engaged with 10 new taskforce members but we want more! We are looking for volunteers to join the Taskforce which meets monthly for open discussions to explore the wants and needs of the community. People who are resident or work in Greenstead are invited to take an active part as long as you can spare a at least 2 hours monthly. Reasonable volunteer expenses will be provided as required.

Essex County Council Community Challenge Fund Open

Individuals and small groups are being invited to apply for grants of between £300-£2000 to kickstart a project to support their local place. Greenstead is a nominated area to receive the funding. For background visit—https://www.essex.gov.uk/news/community-challenge-fund-launches

Contact infomation@community360.org.uk to talk about an idea

Out and About

In the coming weeks, we will be at:

- 15th June—3 pm —Community drop in session with Essex Police, CBH, Eastlight Community Homes and ECFRS
- 20th June—4.30 pm —Eastlight Community Homes Alliance
- 24th June—Ryan, our Social Prescriber, at Hawthorn Avenue Surgery

Plus—don't miss our next community Walking Group



COLCHESTER
WALK FOR WELLBEING

Time to get out and get active! Fun FREE walks for everyone

Next session—
4th July at 2 pm, meet at the Community Centre

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