



# THE HEART OF GREENSTEAD

## **Edition 2—Partnerships and practicalities...**

The theme for this latest edition of C360's news updates, is focussed on the connections we have been building with different stakeholders and the beginnings of some practical reflections on how groups may be able to use the space within a Health Hub. These activities have started to scope what will be the potential for use of any space, who may wish to join those already based in the area, and what unique features or opportunities they could offer. Whilst this is an early phase of engagement about the physical configuration of space, it has helped to establish important themes that will inform future work.



## **User Needs Surveys—Health Hub**

We have been working with groups based in the Heart of Greenstead, and those who would like to be based there, to better understand the physical requirements of any buildings they would use. These findings assist with developing an introductory briefing paper to support the tender process for architects and provide a foundation upon which further engagement can take place. 14 key partners from health and community sectors have taken part so far but this will not be the only opportunity.

## **Building relationships with students and the University of Essex**

On 21st July, we will be welcoming a paid intern to support our Heart of Greenstead work. A University of Essex student, they will be with us for 10 weeks. We continue to link with the *Democracy in Action* programme and have meetings scheduled this month with the Student Wellbeing and Inclusivity Service and the Director of Research and Enterprise Office to broaden the reach of our engagement with students. We will update further in later editions!



## Spotlight at Taskforce—focus of next meeting

We are now aiming to widen our reach and work with local networks to promote the Taskforce more widely. We also will be taking the opportunity to explore people's views about the potential for the Health Hub, drawing on the responses to the user needs survey, feedback from conversations with local people over the last few weeks and the visit to Bromley-By-Bow. Therefore, we would like to encourage anyone interested in joining the taskforce and existing members to attend this meeting as a priority. If anyone would like to find out more, please contact us. We will be at the Community Centre on the 27th July.


**Plus ...New Member—** the Heart of Greenstead Engagement Group welcomes ESNEFT. ESNEFT would like to support the programme and will be getting more involved!

## New community café raising awareness of crime

<https://cbhomes.org.uk/new-community-cafe-raising-awareness-of-crime/>

The focus of the project will see the various agencies share resources and information to tackle hate crime, cuckooing, violent crime associated with county lines, as well as abuse within relationships of people with learning difficulties and/or autism.

Although there is no age-limit and the café will offer the same services to anyone who uses the centre, the project will focus predominantly on reaching out to vulnerable 18 to 24-year-olds and their families, whilst also offering people with learning disabilities, autism, and mental health conditions opportunities to socialise in a safe environment. **Meets on Thursday 4-8 pm**




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**We meet every Thursday 4pm-8pm at:**



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## Out and About

In the coming weeks, we will be at:

- **Various** —the C360 team will be visiting different locations on an ad hoc basis over the coming month to meet people at different locations
- **22nd July**—Signpost Open Day
- **27th July—3.30 pm**—Heart of Greenstead Taskforce meeting, at Greenstead Community Centre
- **1st August—2 pm**—Walk for Wellbeing, meet at Greenstead Community Centre

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