

NEWS

FROM THE BAKER STREET QUARTER PARTNERSHIP



BAKER STREET TWO WAY PROJECT – SECOND ROUND OF CONSULTATION

This important TfL and Westminster City Council project aims to reduce the dominance of traffic in the area and make it a more pleasant environment for pedestrians and everyone living, working and visiting the area. There was a great response to the first round of consultation which identified that the proposals for a small number of junctions were causing concern to local people. Following a review and discussions with local amenity groups, the second round of consultation puts forward proposals to address these concerns. We urge you to take a look at the proposed modifications online and submit your comments. There are also two exhibitions where you can view plans and submit any questions.

Visit www.bakerstreettwo-way.co.uk.

The consultation runs from 22 February to 20 March and exhibitions are at St Cyprian's Church Clarence Gate, Glentworth Street on 27 February, 12:00 – 16:00 and at the Park Plaza Sherlock Holmes Hotel at 108 Baker Street on Wednesday 9 March, 13:00 – 19:00.

IN JANUARY WE WERE DELIGHTED TO UNVEIL THE LATEST ADDITION TO THE QUARTER – THE WONDERPASS.

The once dank and dingy Marylebone Road Subway outside Baker Street Station has been completely transformed into a vibrant and welcoming alternative to the busy over ground crossing space, celebrating the history and attractions of the Marylebone area. As well as its dramatic facelift, the facility has undergone significant structural repairs and improvements to lighting and drainage. To keep it looking pristine the Wonderpass is locked from 20:30 – 06:00 with a full clean nightly. Heralded "The best thing to hit Marylebone for ages" by Marylebone Online, the Wonderpass is a great example of a true partnership project with Transport for London (TfL) funding our idea and Westminster City Council's local Ward Councillors also contributing to turn our initial concepts into the stunning reality we can all enjoy today. We hope you enjoy using it.

WHAT'S ON IN THE QUARTER

There's always so much going on in our vibrant Quarter, we want you to make the most of it so here's a snapshot of our forthcoming clubs and events, with full details and dates on our website:

FOOD MARKET

Do pop along to our fabulous Food Market on the second Wednesday of every month. Come and enjoy hot and cold food from a variety of popular street food traders. Our Food Market is from 11:00 – 15:00 at 55 Baker Street most months and at Portman Square Garden in the summer.

NETBALL CLUB

A free club, open to anyone, male, female, of any standard, every Tuesday evening in the beautiful Portman Square Garden – booking is essential.

BAKERSTREETQ CHOIR

A wonderful opportunity to exercise your vocal chords and sing your heart out! Our Choir is free and returning to the Quarter in April – look out for more details on our website soon.

WALKS

We have a regular programme of professionally guided walks, the majority of which are free to attend with no need to book.

SUMMER IN THE SQUARE

We're working on an exciting line-up of events this summer in Portman Square Garden, from Wimbledon and cinema screenings to our Summer Festival and more.



NEWS FROM THE MARYLEBONE FORUM

The first Annual General Meeting of the Marylebone Forum took place on 28 January 2016. The Forum came into existence after two years of preparatory work and provides the first opportunity for all those living and working in the area – residents, businesses, estates, faith groups, to work together to produce a plan aimed at both maintaining the character of the neighbourhood while improving the amenities and environment in Marylebone.

If you would like to play a part in this exciting new development, visit the website at www.maryleboneforum.org



PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Here in the Quarter we're so lucky to have a vast array of dining and shopping right on our doorstep. But if you're running a business, it can be tough to stand out. Our Baker Street Regulars programme can help you promote your business to local workers and residents. If you would like to feature an exclusive offer for our audience we will promote it in our weekly newsletter, our website and to thousands on social media. We offer this service to you at no charge so do get in touch to find out more.

ABOUT US

Baker Street Quarter Partnership (BakerStreetQ) is a Business Improvement District or 'BID'. We're a not-for-profit organisation, funded by the larger businesses in the Baker Street and Marylebone area to make this part of London even more wonderful for everyone. On our website you can view a map of the area that we care for. Whether you're a local resident, worker, business owner or visiting for the first time our activities are for the benefit of all (not just those kind enough to fund us!).

From our large scale area improvements such as the Wonderpass, the Baker Street Two Way and work to reduce traffic and tackle poor air quality, right through to our community events and activities, our work is very varied and wide-reaching. We're proud of our great relationships with local charities and groups, and how we facilitate our members to support them. We're equally proud of our Ambassadors (who you may

have spotted wearing bowler hats) who do a fine job of keeping an eye on, reporting and resolving issues in our area. We are now working to reduce delivery traffic in the area by consolidating the number of vehicles carrying deliveries to the larger, multi-tenanted office buildings in the vicinity.

For full details of BakerStreetQ, our projects, events and activities visit our website, www.bakerstreetq.co.uk. If you would like a weekly update from us by email you can register online for our *What's on in the Quarter* email newsletter which is sent every Monday.