

Students registering to vote prior to the introduction of IER at Goldsmiths Fresher's Fayre. This year students were given information about how to register online along with USB sticks with the registering to vote website address on. Students also provided their email addresses and we have sent an email reminder to them to register online. 216 students signed up for a register to vote reminder by email at the 2014 Goldsmith's Fresher's Fayre. Shown in photo Hélène Pugh (Principal Electoral Services Officer) and Chris Membu (Young Mayor team) and Goldsmith's Student registering.

People's Day



People's Day 2014 (Dami Benbow from the Young Mayor Team shown at the stall). Information about registering to vote and the Young Mayor was given out at People's Day. Electoral Services and the Young Mayor team work together on People's day to promote registering to vote for adult elections and to encourage young people to stand/ vote in the young mayor election.

Young Mayor Election 2014

Get involved!

Arrange a school council meeting
If you want Emmanuel and Titanya and/or the Young Advisors to meet with your school council to talk about a particular issue or if you want to find out what the Young Mayor is up to, get in touch and we can come in. There is also a termly chance for students from different school councils to meet with the Young Mayor and talk about issues affecting young people.

Any ideas for the Young Mayor and Young Advisors?
These are young people who have been nominated by their local community organisations. Anyone who is interested in their local community in whatever way, can be put forward. Young Advisors talk about all sorts of problems and ideas going on in Lewisham, from crime, to healthy eating, to new activities. If you are a member of a group (club, school council etc) and would like to invite the Young Mayor to meet with you, call Malcolm on 020 8314 6354 or 07957 198308 or visit www.lewisham.gov.uk/youngmayor for more info.

Are you 16+? Register to vote
Did you know you can put your name on the electoral register anytime after your 16th birthday so that you don't miss out when you turn 18? Give yourself a voice and get registered by calling 020 8314 6086 for a form.

The Young Citizens' Panel
The YCP gives you a chance to have your say on a wide range of issues with key decision makers from Lewisham and beyond. To keep up to date with all of our events as well as volunteering opportunities, courses and things to do over the holidays, like us on Facebook [facebook.com/LewishamYCP](https://www.facebook.com/LewishamYCP) or follow us on Twitter @LewishamYCP

TNG (The New Generation Centre)
Have you been to the TNG youth centre in Sydenham yet? If not then you're missing out! TNG has just celebrated its first birthday and there are loads of weekly activities you can take part in including girls and boys football (run by Millwall Community Trust), basketball, judo and street dance. There's also a café, a recording studio and a computer suite. The centre will be open six days a week and will be the place to be this summer.

Find out what's happening for young people in Lewisham this summer
www.lewisham.gov.uk/youngpeople

10,000 Hands @ The Jimmy Mizen Foundation
Update: Drive for Peace
This July the Young Mayor's Team and The Jimmy Mizen Foundation will take the Lewisham Covenant and the message of 'Peace, Hope and Change' to every single pupil in Lewisham. The tour around the borough in the 'Release the Peace' car and Millwall's double decker bus will take 10 days and will stop off at 76 primary schools, 15 secondary schools, five pupil referral units as well as services, partners and communities. Representatives from each organisation will be asked to add their handprint in support of the covenant. The Covenant is a large cloth (20m by 10m) with Lewisham's promise to young people written on it. The wording was drafted by the Young Mayor's team, the Young Citizens' Panel and The Jimmy Mizen Young Citizens. At the end of the two weeks, the covenant and the peace cloth will be brought back to Lewisham town Hall for a celebration and party on Jubilee Fields (the old Catford Powerleague sports ground). Email simon.giles@jimmymizen.org for more info.

Young Mayor newsletter, June 2014, showing register to vote message.

Voting for the Young Mayor

- You can make two choices for Young Mayor.
- Vote for your first choice candidate by marking a cross (X) in the first choice column.
- Vote for your second choice candidate by marking a cross (X) in the second choice column.
- If you give the same candidate your first and second choice, only your first choice will be counted.
- You must use your first choice vote or your vote will not be counted. You do not have to vote for a second choice if you do not wish to.

Are you 17 or over?
Remember if you are 17 years old you can register to vote online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote. When you turn 18 you will then be able to vote in local and national elections.

If you would like a paper form or have any questions please contact:
Electoral Services
Laurence House
Catford, SE6 4RU
020 8314 6086
electoral.services@lewisham.gov.uk
www.lewisham.gov.uk

Manifesto October 2014 with registering to vote message including website address.

Young Mayor of Lewisham

Make your mark

15 October 2014 I voted in the Young Mayor elections

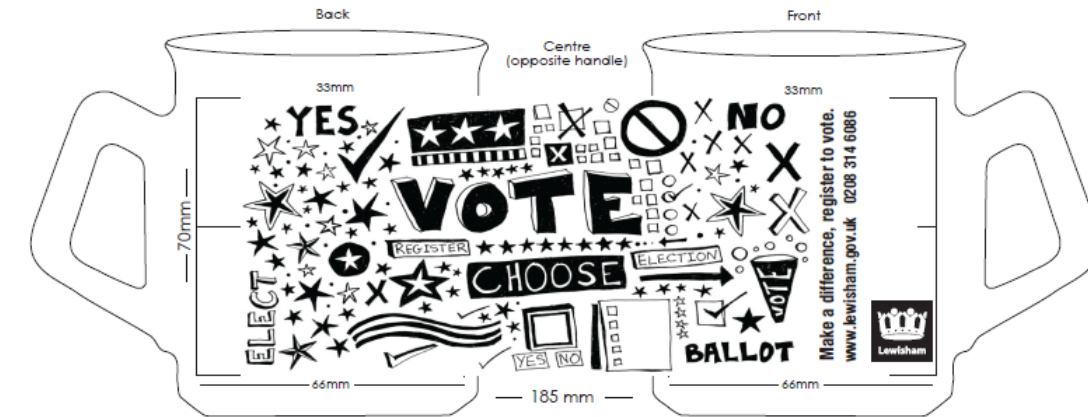
www.lewisham.gov.uk/youngmayor or search 'Lewisham YCP' on Facebook and Twitter

Aged 17 or over? Register online so you can vote in elections www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

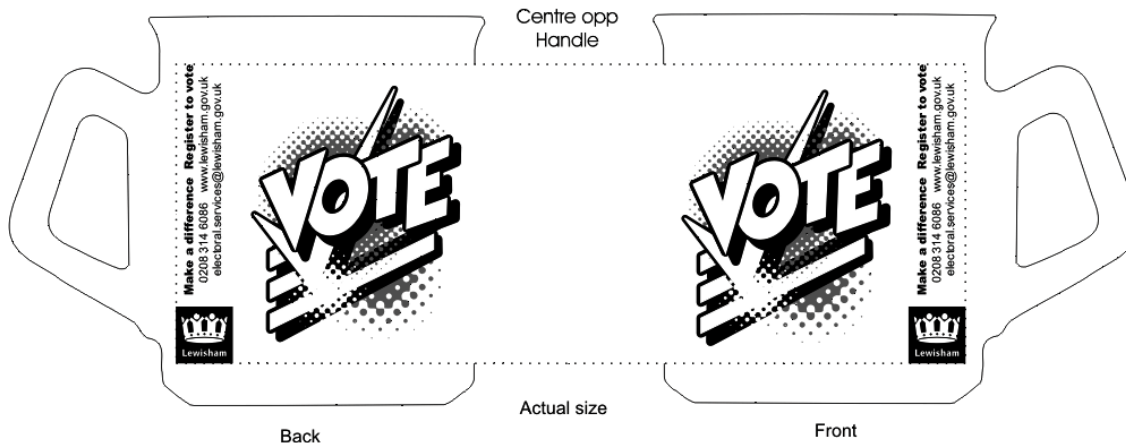
Oyster card holder for young mayor election 2014. Has registering to vote message for 17 year olds and above on bottom left hand corner.

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USB drive with register to vote website address- given to students at Goldsmiths college



Keyring with register to vote website address on in black and white.

Two versions of the registering to vote mug that have been given out at registration events. Both have the contact details for Electoral services and Lewisham Council on. Oyster card holders in the first design were also made.

We have also had oyster card holders and pens at previous events.

Leaflets



Electoral Commission Registering to vote leaflet (from left to right) general version; students; young people and people who are new to the UK, given out at registration events.

the **general
election** is
coming up on
7 May **2015**

to register to vote visit:
www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

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Designed by the Corporate Communications Unit, Wandsworth Council EL.248 (12.14)

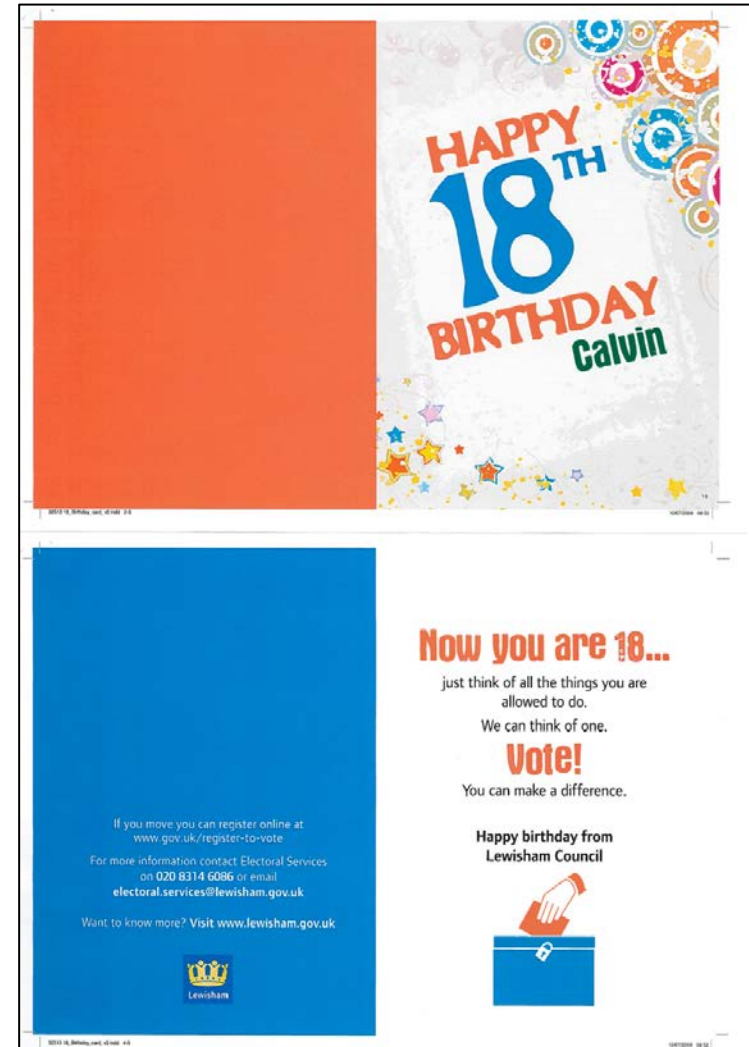


Leaflets and poster used to promote registration re-produced with permission from Wandsworth Council.

Birthday Card



Mayor Steve Bullock shown with Ricky, one of the first birthday card recipients. Left: birthday card with reminder to use online registration system if the recipient moves.



Council Tax Envelope

REGISTER TO VOTE

As well as completing your council tax registration you need to register to vote separately.


You can register online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote


If you would like to be sent a paper form contact Electoral Services on 020 8314 6086 or email electoral.services@lewisham.gov.uk

For further information: www.lewisham.gov.uk

Council tax envelope message with website registration address and registration message.

PLEASE DO NOT RE-USE THIS ENVELOPE

 If undelivered please return to:
London Borough of Lewisham
P.O. Box 51993
London SE6 9GZ

FDM
data print mail 

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED -
Please open urgently.
IF YOU ARE NOT THE ADDRESSEE
PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

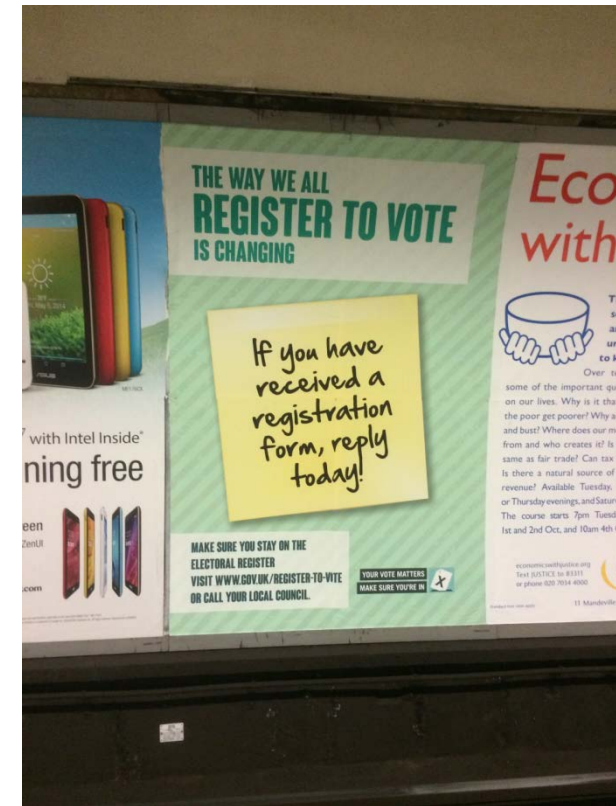
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London Wide IER Advertising Campaign

Metro Advert, September 2014; Poster at Farringdon Tube Station, September 2014; and a list of the media channels that were used in this campaign.



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| Posters at London Rail Tube Interchange Stations | 8/9 to 21/9 |
| Posters at London Rail Broadcast/GD | 8/9 to 21/9 |
| London Rail posters production costs | 8/9 to 21/9 |
| Metro - 1/4 page advert | Monday 8/9 |
| Metro - 1/4 page advert | Tuesday 9/9 |
| Metro - 1/4 page advert | Wednesday 17/9 |
| Metro - 1/4 page advert | Thursday 18/9 |

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| Asian Voice Newspaper. 1/4 page advert | Saturday 13/9 |
| Londra Gazete. Full page advert | Thursday 11/9 |
| Des Pardes. 1/2 page advert | Thursday 11/9 |
| Surma News (Bangladeshi paper). 1/4 page advert | Friday 12/9 |
| Polish Express 1/2 page advert | Friday 12/9 |

community news

Rocket Readers

Year 7 students at Prendergast Ladywell Fields have been rewarded for their progress in reading.

Whenever pupils read a book they receive a star stamp on their 'rocket card', and the most prolific readers were treated to a glitzy award ceremony. Students and their parents arrived on the red carpet and were photographed by the 'paparazzi' before enjoying refreshments, drinks and the opportunity to chat with guest speakers, representatives from Lewisham Library Service and their proud teachers.

Special guests from the literary world, including authors Lydia Syson, Jamie Buxton and Sarah Mussi, presented the students with their reading trophies, and the top 15 prize winners enjoyed a day out at publishing house Hot Key Books, and a visit to the British Library.



Rocket Readers' champion 2014 Somijiah Hashemi with her English teacher Sarah Flinn and librarian Khadijah Shaw

Benefit changes

It is no longer possible to supply evidence for housing benefit or council tax reduction in person at Laurence House in Catford.

The easiest and most convenient way to provide evidence is to use the online form at www.lewisham.gov.uk/benefitchange. This service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you don't have internet access or if you need help you can get support from:

Carers Lewisham, Waldram Place, Forest Hill SE23 2LB on Fridays, 10.30am–12.30pm or 1.30–3.30pm

Advice Lewisham, 49a Hatfield Close, New Cross SE14 5DW on Fridays, 10am–12 noon or 1–3pm.

You can still send photocopies of your evidence to: Housing Benefits, Lewisham Council, PO Box 58996, London SE6 9JD.

Roll change

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Many residents will automatically move onto the new electoral register, but some will need to take action to join or stay on the register:

- If you received an **individual form** to fill in you can complete the form online or fill in the paper form and post it back to the Council.
- If you received a **household enquiry form** please write the names of all the people of voting age on the form and return it to the Council, who will then send

individual forms to all the residents you specify.

- If you are **16–18 years old** and are not already registered to vote, you should register straight away, so you will be able to vote as soon as you turn 18.

- If you are **going away to university** you can register to vote at your university and home address, or just one of them. You can vote in both places in local elections, but only in one place at national elections.

- If you are a **postal or proxy voter**, or wish to act as a proxy for someone else and you are sent a registration form you must complete this to retain your postal or proxy vote.

The next scheduled election is the parliamentary election which takes place on Thursday 7 May 2015.

Send us your community news

Please send your news to lewishamlife@lewisham.gov.uk. The last date to be considered for our winter issue, published at the end of November, is 13 October. Please note that we cannot guarantee any submission will be included.

Article in Autumn Lewisham Life 2014 to promote registration and tell people about IER.



Apprenticeship awards

Two former Lewisham Council apprentices have been recognised at the London final of the National Apprenticeship Awards 2014.

Lauren Ouzman, a former emergency planning apprentice, was highly commended for the Advanced Level Apprentice of the Year award, and Ramel Foster, a former library apprentice in Downham, was highly commended for the Learndirect Intermediate Level Apprentice of the Year award.

Following their apprenticeships, both are now employed by the Council. Lauren now works as an emergency planning assistant, and Ramel is a library assistant.

To find out more about the apprenticeship scheme visit www.lewisham.gov.uk/apprentices or call 020 8314 7621.

Are you registered to vote?

A general election will take place on Thursday 7 May 2015. Now is a good time to make sure you are registered to vote.

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The Council has written to everyone in the borough sending one of three letters. These letters either:

- confirm that you have been transferred to the new electoral register
- invite you to complete a new individual registration form
- ask you to fill in a household enquiry form saying who is living at your address. The Council will then send individual registration

Recycle your real Christmas tree

From Monday 29 December to Sunday 25 January, you can leave your real Christmas tree at any of these collection points for composting.

Hilly Fields, SE4
Hilly Fields Crescent entrance

Deptford Park, SE8
Scawen Road entrance

Telegraph Hill, SE14
Pepys Road/Kitto Road entrance

Talbot Place, SE3

Mountsfield Park, SE13
George Lane entrance

Sydenham Wells Park, SE26
Wells Park Road entrance

Forster Memorial Park, SE6
top of Whitfoot Lane entrance

Northbrook Park, SE12
Baring Road entrance

Mayow Park, SE26
Mayow Road entrance

Chinbrook Meadows, SE12
Amblecote Road

Manor House Gardens, SE13
Old Road entrance


Beckenham Place Park, BR1
Old Bromley Road entrance

Blythe Hill Fields, SE23
Codrington Hill entrance

For more information go to www.lewisham.gov.uk/vote.

Article Lewisham Life Winter 2014 to inform people how to register under IER.

Lewisham Hospital



Lewisham

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GOV.UK
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Web: www.lewisham.gov.uk
Tel: 020 8314 6086

Lewisham and Greenwich **NHS**
NHS Trust

Mealtime Support

Continued


Volunteers can also help by opening sandwich cartons, drinks and yoghurt pots. What is an easy job for us to do may be very hard for patients who have painful hand joints, or if they are weak and unwell or recovering from an operation.

The social aspect is very important and can often help a patient have more interest in the coming meal. Volunteers who help a patient to eat their lunch make a note of the volume that has been consumed for the nursing staff, who can then check what nutrition has been taken.

Volunteers are usually on the ward for approximately 2 - 2 ½ hours and are offered Feeding Support Training. The ward staff are very grateful that their patients are supported in this way.

There are many benefits that this particular initiative brings to patients and mealtimes are much happier and more relaxed since the introduction of this scheme.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this worthwhile and rewarding volunteer role, please do not hesitate to contact the Voluntary Services Department of the hospital in which you would like to volunteer.



18 Thank you to the advertisers

Lewisham and Greenwich - Why Volunteer? 19

'The volunteer magazine', A5 Full page advert; available in Queen Elizabeth and Lewisham Hospitals throughout 2015.

Argos, 99p Stores and Homebase Receipt Advertising Campaign

| Stores | Transactions over 8 weeks |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Homebase, Catford | 77,160 |
| Lewisham, Argos | 51,648 |
| Catford, Argos | 40,888 |
| Peckham, Argos | 47,352 |
| Walworth Road, Argos | 41,816 |
| Lewisham, 99p Store | 61,472 |
| Lewisham FB | 31,096 |
| Catford, 99p Store | 51,752 |
| Depford, 99p Store | 53,760 |
| Peckham, 99p Store | 72,048 |
| Surrey Quays, 99p Store | 38,624 |
| Camberwell, 99p Store | 78,008 |

8 week campaign from February, joint advertising with Southwark, organised by Lewisham. Advert on the back of till receipts in Catford Homebase, Argos and 99p Stores in Lewisham Borough in conjunction with Southwark Council Targets those on lower incomes in under-registered areas. Adverts run from February 2015 for 8 wks to coincide with the registration confirmation letter sent out in February.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

MAKE SURE YOU'RE IN



If you are not on the Register of Electors you will not be able to vote in the Parliamentary General Election on **7 May 2015**

Household Voter Confirmation letters have been sent to all electors on the current register.

If you are not registered go online to:

www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

For more information contact electoral services:



www.lewisham.gov.uk/vote
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phone: 020 8314 6086



www.southwark.gov.uk/elections
email: electoral.enquiries@southwark.gov.uk
phone: 020 7525 7373