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Wayfinding

A broad plan for this initiative has now been completed and it is to be discussed with the two local councils, LB Merton and LB Sutton, to get their support and cooperation to enable us to progress this proposal.

As a result of some early talks, it has been agreed by LB Sutton that a sign will be installed in Carshalton Road by Mill Green, to advise drivers that they will need to turn right into Goat Road to access the Willow Lane Estate. The cost of the sign is to be paid for by Willow BID.

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Website

With the grant funding now in place, the BID Board are in the process of selecting a website design company that can assist us with the development of this project.

It has been agreed by the board that all companies are to be contacted to encourage them to

CCTV Signs

It has been agreed by the BID Board that individual CCTV signs will be offered to all the businesses on the estate for them to put up on their premises. This will highlight the fact that the estate and the businesses are covered by CCTV and should go some way to deter any unlawful acts taking place. play a part in giving their company details and profile for the website to make it more meaningful and hopefully encourage inter estate and other trading links. This Business

Directory will also be included in the LB Merton's directory.



Bridge

Network Rail, the owners of the bridge, believe they have met their legal obligations re. weight limit of the bridge, as the legislation that applies to the construction relates to the 1960s when a 3 ton limit was in place. Current legislation requires a 40 ton limit. The Council is continuing to progress this issue to bring the bridge back into use at a safe level and are seeking funds from London Bridges Engineering Group, part of TfL. The estimate for the work is £150k-£200k which would include the resurfacing of the road, cutting back the trees, installing a footpath and a 7ft width restriction at the entrance.

New Estate Co-oordinator



Graham Willins is now working 2 days a week for Willow BID alongside Maurice to familiarise himself

with the BID, and will be taking over the role at the end of September when Maurice O'Connell retires. Graham previously worked for LB Sutton as a Business Engagement Manager, delivering business support activities and working closely with Sutton Chamber.

Additionally, he has freelanced on a variety of projects and has had experience in the insurance and marketing sectors. With the experience, knowledge and skills of working in business and local government, Graham will have a lot to offer for the benefit of the BID and its members. He already has in depth knowledge and experience in the BID sector, helping establish Kimpton Park Industrial Estate BID and was a key player in the Sutton Town Centre BID campaign.

> Contact Graham Willins on 07736 338051 graham@willowlane.org.uk



GreenWorks working with EDES (UK) Ltd

GreenWorks is a social enterprise and part of London Re-Use Ltd. Its aim as an environmental organisation is to divert as much redundant office and educational furniture and equipment away from landfill as possible.

Over many years, Ede's (UK) Ltd., a specialist move management and business relocations company, have provided the logistics for clients' office clearances. These include Deutsche Bank and Royal Bank of Scotland, among others.

GreenWorks focuses on the re-use of furniture making it available at hugely reduced costs to other businesses, including start-ups, charities, schools and community groups, etc., who may not have the budgets to buy new. GreenWorks has also donated thousands of

tons of furniture to much needed schools organisations and in developing countries around the world. It only recycles what cannot be repurposed.

From the Ede's site in Osier Way, GreenWorks is now able to make this used but good quality furniture available to the local community. So whether you require 1 or 20 office workstations, we may have just what you need. All neighbouring businesses and community groups are welcome to visit to view current stock, and can also organise the collection or reception of redundant furniture for re-use or recycling at extremely cost effective rates.

To make arrangements to visit the warehouse in Osier Way or get a quote for your redundant furniture please call 0845 230 2231.

Crown Tools & Fixings

Crown Tools & Fixings invite you to visit our Trade Counter & Warehouse where you will receive a warm welcome. We are behind the bakery on Grace Business Centre.

Established in 1988 in Hackbridge. we moved to the estate in 2006. We stock industrial power tools, hand and cutting tools for wood and abrasives, tools. metals. site compressors and generators. А comprehensive range of bolts and nuts, steel and stainless screws, building fixings, concrete anchor ladders, access equipment, safety and protective wear and more.

Call us on 020 8648 3000 or email david@crowntools.co.uk or errol@crowntools.co.uk

Connecting Merton Businesses with the Community

Merton Chamber of Commerce has recently recruited a Business Engagement Manger to strengthen the bridge between local businesses and the Community. Raymond Kinsella takes on the position with a primary role of facilitating stronger links between Merton businesses and the Community.

Raymond said, "As a local resident, I'm aware of some of the fantastic support that businesses are already providing to the community and that there is an appetite to do more. I am keen to hear from businesses that are already supporting the community so we can celebrate and promote their good work and inspire others to get involved. There is a compelling business case for businesses to be more active in the community."

So, if you are a local business with an interest in what happens in your community and would like to share your good practice, frustrations or good ideas, Raymond would be delighted to hear from you.

Email ray@mertonchamber.co.uk or call him on 07720 637304.



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Merton Chamber Events

Fire Warden/Marshal Training – 12 Sep For those with a key role in the management of fire and safety in the workplace

Emergency First Aid at Work – 3 Oct For smaller workplaces that have few health and safety risks.



