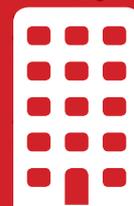


# ELTHORNE PRIDE: THE LOCAL FOCUS

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Autumn/Winter 2017



## Welcome

Welcome to our Autumn/Winter supporters' newsletter – it's packed with stories and information about recent activities in the ELTHORNE PRIDE area and the achievements of amazing supporters like you.

Since our AGM in OCTOBER 2016, I am pleased to say we have been really overwhelmed with the positive support residents have been showing ELTHORNE PRIDE. On behalf of the ELTHORNE PRIDE Partnership Board, we all urge you as residents to get involved



to help make our community one to be proud of. The funding is for YOU to help make a difference to those around you.

Looking forward, we know there are a lot of challenges faced by the young, elderly and vulnerable members of our community, but with your help and support we can use funding from the BIG LOCAL to develop innovative and exciting initiatives to realise their potential. We therefore welcome your ideas on how we can make this happen.

I am pleased to announce the first ELTHORNE PRIDE family and friends festive get together this year – a **FREE** daytrip to the Christmas Market in BATH on SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER – this will be a great time to get to know your neighbours.

Please accept my thanks as always for everyone who has helped in this journey to drive our ambitions further, we look forward to sharing more successes.

**Sandi Phillips, CHAIR**

## Elthorne Pride Big Local Receives More Funding!

The Big Local Trust has decided to grant Big Local areas more funding and Elthorne Pride will receive an additional £105k which will be added to the balance of our area's £1m pot upon completion of our next plan review. This is in alignment with our steps towards legacy building, ensuring that all the projects we undertake will have a long lasting impact for

residents in the area. We will be submitting our plans to the Big Local Community, who will assess it and endorse it in line with their normal processes. We need to hear from local residents and volunteers in terms of what their vision of legacy is and how we can ensure that Elthorne Pride makes an impact.

Email us on [info@elthornepride.org.uk](mailto:info@elthornepride.org.uk) with your



thoughts and comments.

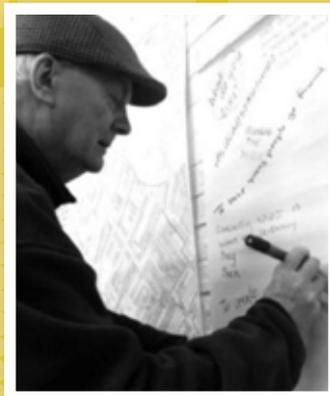
Look out for details about our local focus meeting in January.

# The Creative Art of Elthorne Pride

It's been a busy year for the Handicraft group, with crafts such as Shibori dyeing, jewellery enamelling, silk painting and ceramics with Living Space Art School. We rounded the programme off with our annual Handicraft Exhibition, showcasing all the hard work and wonderful creations made throughout the year by local residents. Each week we see more new members joining, and have already started our new programme that will run from September 2017 – September 2018. This will have some new highlights, such as bead looming, stone carving and batik, and of course some old favourites like sewing, knitting and jewellery making.

We'd like to thank all the local residents (our artists!) for their continued enthusiasm and creativity, our partnered organisations and our tireless volunteers. We are always looking for new crafts to get into, and new volunteers – especially local people with a talent!

The Handicraft Group is part of the Lifestyle Tuesdays initiative, it runs every Tuesday 11am - 1pm in the Café at Caxton House Community Centre.



## Big local

Look out for leaflets coming  
down your way

With news of live events any day;

How to get funding,  
start a new scheme;

Turn thoughts into action  
and fulfil your dream;

Whether it's fretwork,  
art or pottery,

The moneys there from the  
national lottery

Tired of going along a groove?  
Welcome a new day and make  
things move.

Watch out on your block for  
dates and meetings

Good luck in your efforts –  
fraternal greetings

**Tim Bleach (big local resident)**



## Enterprising Elthorne

We recently launched Elthorne in the Market, an initiative with Archway Market, which aims to help get business ideas off the ground with free advice and grants. Do you have a business idea that you want to launch? Do you make things that you think you could sell? If you are a resident who is interested in starting your own business or you simply have an idea that you want to get off the ground don't hesitate to get in touch.

Email [info@elthornepride.org.uk](mailto:info@elthornepride.org.uk)

# The Community Chest Fund

Local residents and community groups can apply.

Do you have a community project idea which could improve the lives of local residents?

Funding available for training!

Apply for a grant of up to £500!



First round applications are open for the Elthorne Pride Community Chest Fund. If you would like to apply for funding of up to £500 to run a project, deliver an activity or attend a programme that would have a positive benefit to your community - we would like to hear from you.

Apply now

Email [grants@elthornepride.org.uk](mailto:grants@elthornepride.org.uk)  
[www.elthornepride.org.uk/contact-us](http://www.elthornepride.org.uk/contact-us)



## Pop Up at Elthorne

Octopus Communities hosted their second Pop Up Park beside St John's Way on the Elthorne Estate on a beautiful sunny morning in September. The team offered their Sow to Go kits - small cartons that carry two take-away soup containers which can be sown with herbs, salad leaves and edible flowers to take away. There was a herbalist there who had things to taste: hibiscus and ginger tea, sweet-potato flapjacks and parsley and rocket pesto, as well as generally telling people about herbs and their magical properties and lavender bags were made with the children. The new garden at Partington Close was also discussed, it has been planted up with some ferns and shrubs as a temporary measure to make it look attractive, but over time these will be moved to the periphery of the garden, to improve its appearance but also to free up the beds to enable the community to grow food, herbs and flowers. We know that Elthorne Pride residents are keen to garden so they will be given the opportunity to join a gardening club soon.

[www.octopuscommunities.org.uk](http://www.octopuscommunities.org.uk)



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## Valuing Volunteers Offline!

Members of Elthorne Pride attended the Offline Festival organised by Project Dirt between the 15 -17 Sep 2017. The Offline Festival is a 3 day event designed to "unearth the power of community" through hands-on learning, skill-building, epic stories, friends-for-life, friends-for-life & tools for accelerated personal growth! It was a great event which made an impact on one of our core themes of "Valuing Volunteers".

# Summer Fun at The Hillrise Festival

The Hillrise summer festival supported by Elthorne Pride took place on August 5th 2017. It was a fantastic day in which Hillrise Ward Councillors, local community groups and Elthorne Pride came together. Iyoub and Kate from Petit Miracles hosted a great upcycling demonstration which gave residents an insight into upcycling their furniture. We also encouraged our volunteers to work with the younger residents as part of our youth engagement activities.



Cllr Dave Poyser, Mayor Una O'Halloran, Cllr Marian Spall, Sandi Phillips (Chair) and Cllr Michelline Safi Ngongo



## Dates for your Diary

Free Events for Residents Held at Caxton House

### "Creating a Presence on YouTube" – A beginners guide to setting up a channel.

**Saturday 18 November, 11am -3pm**

All ages welcome.

YouTube is a powerful online video platform, which allows anyone anywhere to upload video content of their own. You don't need to be on TV to be on the screen anymore. Learn how to use YouTube to showcase your skills, talents and hobbies. Email [events@elthornepride.org.uk](mailto:events@elthornepride.org.uk)

Refreshments and transport included. Coaches leave at 830am from Caxton House and return to Caxton House by 7.30pm.

### Brought to you by up-cycling experts - Petite Miracle

#### Up-cycling Made Easy Part 1

**Thursday 7 December, 12pm-4pm**

Learn how to use the right tools to help create up cycling miracles.

#### Friends & Family day trip to Bath

**Saturday 2 December, 8.30am-7.30pm**

RSVP to [events@elthornepride.org.uk](mailto:events@elthornepride.org.uk)  
FREE Friends and Family day trip to Bath

Meet your friends and neighbours at this free day trip to Bath. All local residents are welcome.

#### Up-cycling Made Easy Part 2

**Thursday 14 December, 12pm-4pm**

How to Create Something for Nothing. Breathe new life into old furniture by attending this workshop and leave with great gift ideas.

All tools and equipment provided.

Visit [elthornepride.org.uk](http://elthornepride.org.uk) for more updates

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