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## WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE NEWS

## KIDBROOKE VILLAGE

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### KIDBROOKE SUMMER FETE SET FOR SATURDAY 15 JULY

On the 15 July Berkeley Homes will be holding its summer fete in Cator Park at Kidbrooke Village from 12-5pm.



This year, residents and visitors from the surrounding area will be able to meet some traditional farm animals such as Peter the rabbit, Larry the sheep and Zippy the alpaca, courtesy of The Mini Farm and birds of prey will also be sweeping into the fete courtesy of the London Wildlife Trust.



In addition to the animal attractions, there will be a traditional carousel for young children to enjoy, whilst a small stage will feature live music.



For those feeling competitive, a number of special games will also be taking place during the course of the fete which will test agility, strength and speed. More details of which will be announced on the day.

Other games will include the ever-popular hook-a-duck and a coconut shy stand.

Visitors will also be able to tuck into food from an array of stalls. On site café

Albi's will be dishing up some culinary delights at the fete, and will be joined by a number of stalls from the Kidbrooke Village and Royal Arsenal Riverside Farmers Markets.

Ahead of Youngs opening its pub in the Village Centre in 2019, the popular pub chain will be on hand to serve a range of alcoholic beverages for adults to enjoy Berkeley Homes East Thames Divisional Managing Director Karl Whiteman said:

"I hope that the summer fete in Cator Park will offer residents from the surrounding area the chance to come together and enjoy the many activities on offer."



For more information about the Kidbrooke Fete why not join:  
Facebook: **Kidbrooke Village Community**  
Or follow us on Twitter: @\_Kidbrooke





## LOCAL NEWS

### BERKELEY TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BLACKHEATH RUGBY CLUB

Berkeley Homes is pleased to announce a partnership with the oldest open rugby club in the world, Blackheath Rugby Club which has been around since 1858.

The club rightfully takes its place in the history books as both a founding member of the Football Association and the Rugby Football Union - one of only seven founding members to have survived to this day.

The Club (as it is known throughout the World) is proud to boast sides from 1st XV through to 5th XV. The Club also has a veterans' side as well as two women's teams and junior squads from under six through to its under 18.

More recently in its history, the Club has established a very successful Rugby Academy. It hopes both to be promoted to the championship and raise the profile of the grass roots of rugby.

Last season the club moved its 1st XV games from the Rectory Field in Charlton

Blackheath Rugby Club has invested money to make sure its new home can host both community and national league rugby and respond to higher levels of participation.

Improvements include a new Premiership-quality pitch, new players' facilities, a new spectator's stand with adjoining bar and catering facilities as well as state of the art LED floodlighting



The Blackheath 1st XV team plays rugby in National League One – the RFU third tier competition behind the Premiership and Championship. Last season was the first year the team played National League rugby at Well



Hall, and they were delighted with the progress they made playing in their new home. In the 2016/17 season the move to Well Hall saw the club increase its membership and the average crowd size increased too with up to 1,200 fans through the turnstiles.

In the forthcoming 2017/2018 season Blackheath Rugby is looking forward to continuing the success of the 2016/17 season and are looking to expand its local membership base.

#### Club 7s Tournament

On the 8th July Blackheath Rugby Club is holding its inaugural Club 7s tournament. The day will begin with the Lions Test on TV, followed by the over 30s men's and women's teams competing across four tournaments from 10am. This shortened, fast-moving game is sure to be a great summer's day out. Entry is just £8.

#### Other Games

- 19th August: Blackheath v Richmond, in a re-run of the world's oldest club rugby fixture.
- 26th August: Blackheath v Bedford Blues

These games are against opposition from within the Championship – the league which Blackheath is striving to reach.

Entry is free and it's an excellent chance to come and see Blackheath Rugby Club's new home that Blackheath in Eltham

National League One opening matches:

- 2 September: Blackheath v Plymouth Albion
- 16 September: Blackheath v Amptill
- 23 September Blackheath v Hull Ionians

Entry to League matches is just £15 for non-members and free to members, under 16s, members of the armed forces.

#### Get Involved

Further information on tickets and membership to the club can be found at [www.blackheathrugby.co.uk/](http://www.blackheathrugby.co.uk/)



This new partnership will see both organisations work together on a range of promotions and events.

Divisional Managing Director of Berkeley Homes Karl Whiteman said: "We are incredibly pleased to have established a partnership with Blackheath Rugby Club and I look forward to this relationship developing over the coming months and years."

Club Chairman Russell Ticehurst said: "It's very exciting for us to partner with Berkeley Homes and we look forward to working together for the foreseeable future."

You can follow Blackheath Rugby Club on Instagram and Twitter via Blackheath\_1858 or Facebook by searching for Blackheath Rugby Club.

Pictures courtesy of Helen Watson and Felix Ursell



LOCAL NEWS

PLANNING EXHIBITION

Berkeley Homes held a planning exhibition in May to update the community on our plans for the permanent Village Centre and the revised proposals for Phase 2 of the Blackheath Quarter at Kidbrooke Village.

Over 200 visitors attended the exhibition and provided a range of ideas on what commercial and community facilities could be introduced at the heart of Kidbrooke Village.

The latest proposals for Phase 2 of the Blackheath Quarter aim to deliver a greater mix of housing types to meet local needs. We received lots of helpful feedback on the plans and we will be submitting a planning application to the Royal Borough of Greenwich in due course.

Thank you to all those who attended.

LOCAL NEWS

KIDBROOKE TRAIN STATION

A new, larger Kidbrooke train station is targeted to open in 2018. Once completed, the fully accessible, step-free station will have modern facilities for customers and will better accommodate passenger demand, providing an improved journey experience at Kidbrooke.

You can find more information about the proposed changes and ways to respond at: [www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-of-south-eastern-rail-services](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-of-south-eastern-rail-services)

PICTURES

AERIAL PICTURES TAKEN OF KIDBROOKE VILLAGE

