

Share ideas Start something good



Your guide to new support
for practical projects
to improve local life



THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF
KENSINGTON
AND CHELSEA

What is City Living Local Life?

It's a new initiative where local people like you, other community members and your Councillors identify local issues that matter and find practical ways to make your area a better place to live. The programme gives small amounts of money and lots of practical support to the best ideas.

This programme is your chance to make a difference to your street, your estate, your neighbourhood – your local life.

How does City Living Local Life work?

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea is divided into 18 'wards'. Each ward has on average 10,000 people who elect three Councillors to represent them. Councillors are leading City Living Local Life activities by working together with local people and community groups in their ward.

The aim of City Living Local Life is to understand the most important local issues and opportunities and find practical solutions to address them.

Councillors work with all those interested to develop a range of projects - from trying out new schemes to building on projects that have already worked well.

Each ward that takes part in the initiative has a budget of £20,000 per year to help make projects a reality. This money isn't intended to meet the full costs of the project, but it's there to help get projects going or help secure funding from other sources.

This sounds like a good idea. How can I get involved?

There are a whole range of things you can do to get involved in City Living Local Life, from sharing your project idea to giving an hour or two of your time to support a local event. Let us know what you're interested in on the 'Get Involved' form at the end.

Here are some ideas why not share yours?



Community kitchen gardens

Turn unused urban spaces into vibrant flowerbeds and plots of tasty home-grown produce

Projects that connect young people and older people

Bring generations together, through initiatives such as teaching each other new skills



Local festivals

Community events to support neighbourhood shops, feature local music and provide lots of family activities

Community safety and parking projects

New ideas or improvements to make your area safer



Support local businesses

Promote independent local shops with creative ideas



Public space improvements

Installing benches, improving parks, fixing neglected areas



Frequently asked questions

How can I find out who my local Councillors are?

Each ward has three local representatives or Councillors. You can find out who represents you by visiting www.rbkc.gov.uk/councillors or by calling 020 7361 3000.

I have an idea for a project. Who should I contact?

To make City Living Local Life a success we need people like you to help generate ideas that will work. You can tell us your idea by completing the form on this leaflet, or by telling your local Councillor directly.

Is my ward included?

It is hoped all wards will be part of City Living Local Life by Summer 2012. Each ward will be doing very different things so contact us to find out more.

Are there things that the money can't be spent on?

A project can be supported so long as: it meets an identified need and is based on consultation with local people; it isn't at odds with council policies and practices; and it is consistent with rules on spending public money.

How can I find out if this initiative is a success?

Information will be available through an annual report and public event; reports at Council meetings; and regular information on budget spend and projects on www.citylivinglocallife.org and in the Royal Borough newspaper. We also encourage you to contact us to find out more.



Information from this document can be made available in alternative formats and in different languages. If you require further assistance please contact us.

Get involved!

Stay in touch – Complete this page and then send it to the freepost address at the end of this pdf. We'll always keep your details private and use them only to contact you based on the options you've ticked.

Your details:

Name

Address

Phone

Email

Use twitter? Tell us your username or add us (@kclocallife)

When people ask you where in London you live, what do you usually say?

Tell us how you'd like to get involved. Please tick as many as apply:

- ☐ I want to receive updates about local community news and events
- ☐ I'm interested in volunteering in this initiative
- ☐ I want to be part of making new local projects happen
- ☐ I want to know more about what local groups, resident associations or neighbourhood watches currently exist in my area
- ☐ I have an idea and I want to explore having it funded or supported

If so, please briefly describe your idea:

Any other comments or ideas? Use the space below to tell us.

Thank you for letting us know your interest – we'll be in touch soon!

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How to contact us

We'd like to hear from you.
You can contact us in the following ways:

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