

# The Brixton Society

Understanding the Past, Looking to the Future  
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## **AGENDA for Annual General Meeting – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010:**

7 pm at the Vida Walsh Centre, 2b Saltoun Road, SW2.

1. Welcome from the Chair.
2. Minutes of our previous AGM, 11 June 2009
3. Secretary's Report – the Annual Report for 2009-10
4. Treasurer's Report – Annual Accounts, year ended 31 March 2010
5. Election of Executive Committee:  
Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary and up to 9 other committee members.  
*The next Committee meeting will be on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July.*
6. National and Regional networks for amenity societies:  
*The Society was registered with the Civic Trust until it went into administration last April. The Committee proposes to maintain our membership of the London Forum of Amenity Societies, but not to join Civic Voice, the new national organisation of amenity societies, at this time.*
7. Review of Membership subscription rates
8. Amendment to Constitution: In Clause 8 (Sub-Committees) replace the final sentence with "There shall be constituted two separate sub-committees entitled:  
- 'The Friends of Tate Library, Brixton' and  
- 'The Friends of Windrush Square'."  
*Although a Friends group has existed in some form for several years, the remodelling of Windrush Square has dominated its meetings. This change allows Library issues to be addressed more fully and for a group to develop around this.*
9. Suggestions for Priorities and Programme for the year ahead.
10. Any other urgent business.

**Light refreshments will be available**

Hon. Secretary, 24.4.10

## Brixton Society Update – May 2010

### Summer Walks List

We are pleased to enclose your copy of the Summer Walks programme published by the Lambeth Local History Forum. This lists all the guided walks in and around Lambeth that are being provided by different amenity societies and history groups. Most walks are free – though donations are always welcome.

Our own contributions are on **Sundays 11 July, 8<sup>th</sup> August and 13 October**. This year, more societies are offering some weekday evening walks in addition to the usual Sunday afternoons.

#### Two extra Walk dates in May:

Each lasting about one and a half hours, part of Lambeth's **Readers and Writers Festival**. To book, phone (020) 7926 1075

#### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 6-30 pm

- **William Blake's Lambeth**

Starting from Waterloo Library, Lower Marsh, SE1, led by John Newman, Lambeth Archivist.

#### Monday 24 May, 6-30 pm

- **John Ruskin's Lambeth**

Starting from Carnegie Library, Herne Hill Road, SE24, again led by Jon Newman.

For the full list of events during the Festival, pick up a programme booklet from any Lambeth library.

### Friends of Brixton Market What's Your Vision for the Market? Workshop and AGM

**Saturday 29th May, 1:00 - 6:00 pm** in the Vida Walsh Centre, 2b Saltoun Road, SW2.

Please see [www.friendsofbrixtonmarket.org](http://www.friendsofbrixtonmarket.org) or call Rosie on 07814935263 for details.

### A Friends Group for Tate Library, Brixton

After two constructive meetings in the library, on 13 March and 24 April, we are moving ahead with a Friends' group focussed on the library and its users. Look out for more news in the next Newsletter.

### Growing in Brixton - Windrush Square

#### Open Garden Squares Weekend 12 & 13 June 2010

We have entered Windrush Square for The Open Garden Squares Weekend organised by



We are organising an event called "Growing in Brixton" in the Square. It will be a celebration of urban gardening in the area. It will encourage the growing of flowers, fruit, herbs, vegetables and trees in everything from window boxes, through gardens and allotments to public spaces. A range of public, charitable and commercial organisations are being invited to "pitch their tents" in the square over the weekend.

We are awaiting the outcome of a funding application to confirm if this event will run on one or both days of the weekend. If you are interested in helping, please contact Bill Linskey at [wjdc@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:wjdcl@globalnet.co.uk) or on (020) 7274 3835.

### Market Arcades Listing

Our April Newsletter had to go to press just before we received confirmation that all three of Brixton's covered market arcades had been included in the Government's official list of buildings of architectural or historic interest. This means that permission is required before any significant changes can take place, and in particular protects them against sudden or wilful demolition.

Thanks must go to the wide range of community activists and interests that lobbied for this over the past couple of years.

### Local Listing

The Council formally adopted its own Local List system in March, so now we have a channel to suggest other buildings worthy of retention – please send suggestions to Alan Piper in the first instance, 020 7207 0347 or at [apiperbrix@aol.com](mailto:apiperbrix@aol.com)