



Chairman's Latest BID Update - July 2017

Dear Partner,

Parking update

The Cabinet Member has made numerous visits to Sidcup and listened very carefully to our views. Many businesses understood the need for Borough wide consistency in Parking Restrictions but the Cabinet Member indicated that he is mindful of the issues that businesses face in Sidcup.

With this in mind and given the strength of feeling expressed to him, Councillor Sawyer will be taking a final decision on whether to bring in parking charges in Sidcup after reviews of other major town centres have also taken place. The Cabinet Member has indicated that he is happy to update us on progress but for the foreseeable future no payment Parking will be introduced in Sidcup.

Fly Posting

You may have noticed that the town was obliterated with large posters promoting two separate events at Flamingo Park. The perpetrators where asked to stop and only place the posters in shops where they had been given permission. Despite the request they continued to fly post. Myself and Cheryl removed as many as we could and have made a formal complaint to the Council asking them to follow this up.

Police Update

Our local Police officer Kirsty has mentioned concerns over some recent criminal damage including a rise in graffiti. Please report anything you see so it can be recorded.

Sidcup Partners Website / Vinyl

The website is now up and running and we have already supplied businesses with vinyl stickers to proudly display in their window. If you don't already have one and would like to display one please let us know. We are keen to drive as many people to visit the web site as possible and view the directory which lists businesses within the BID area.

Cost Savings For Businesses.

We have engaged a company called Meerkats to visit businesses to help reduce their operating costs, they will begin working in Sidcup from September. If you have concerns that you are paying too much for your utilities for instance please get in touch so we can arrange for the consultant to visit you as a priority.



Businesses

We are delighted to welcome two new businesses to the high street. It is good to see unique independent businesses choosing Sidcup as their preferred location.



Violets Vintage Tea Room

Has been bustling since opening, it is a vintage tea room inspired by 1940's Britain.



TDH Media

You've found the dream dress, hired the perfect venue and bought the rings. Now you need the ultimate recording solution to capture your big day! TDH media provides a range of services including Marryoke and corporate videos. Visit their web site for more information. www.tdhmedia.co.uk

Store 21 - Unfortunately the company has gone into liquidation and all stores nationally have closed.

Blockbusters - has now exchanged updates to follow...

Poppies

We have ordered 100 large poppies from the British legion that we will be displaying during the lead up to armistice day.

Preparation For Christmas

We have begun planning for our big event please let us know if you have any thoughts or ideas that you would like us to consider. The web site will be regularly updated with information as planning progresses. The lights will be switched on will on the 1st December and the Christmas event will be the 9th December.



Please contact us with any concerns and good news stories that we can share.

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Many Thanks,
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