

STREATHAM HUB DEVELOPMENT Newsletter

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Streatham Ice & Leisure Centre

The official opening of the Streatham Ice & Leisure Centre was held on 10th December 2013, almost two years to the day that the old, ice rink closed. Beth Tweddle MBE, the Dancing on Ice star and Olympic medallist, was guest of honour at the opening, which was also attended by local MP Chuka Umunna and the Mayor of Lambeth Cllr Mark Bennett.

The Leader of Lambeth council, Cllr Lib Peck unveiled a plaque to mark the opening and said 'At last, Streatham has its ice rink back. I know how much this new rink and leisure centre means, not just to Streatham but to South London. It's been a long and sometimes hard road to get here but worth the wait to have this first class centre which will give years of pleasure to so many people'.

Local people, skating, swimming and ice hockey club members and representatives from Tesco and Vinci joined the official guests for tours of the centre and watched demonstrations by local children.



Opening of Tesco Store



The Tesco Extra store opened on 18th November 2013, on the same day as the Leisure Centre. The opening was attended by the Leader of Lambeth Council, Cllr Lib Peck and Streatham MP, Chuka Umunna.

Following a tour of the leisure centre John Williams, Store Manager of the Tesco Extra, presented a £1000 cheque to Anne MacArthur from the Streatham Youth and Community Trust which provides a wide range of activities focusing on education and training, personal development, support for disadvantaged groups, sport and the arts for local young people.

Mr Williams said: 'We have an exceptional team that has been working hard to get our new store ready for customers. We are thrilled to finally open our doors and be a part of the Streatham community. The fantastic new ice rink and leisure facility and our store will add new life to the area and a destination for people in the borough.'

The overall development will have provided almost a thousand jobs during the construction phase and afterwards, including over 300 at the Tesco store, around 70 of these are long term unemployed people.

Progress

The opening of the leisure centre and retail store signalled the culmination of an intensive period of activity on the project, which included works to Streatham High Road. The laying of the ice pad and filling of the swimming pool were the two final technical challenges that were successfully completed in October.

The remaining sections are the residential buildings above the store which are scheduled for completion in May 2014.

The completion of the landscaping on the development, including around Streatham United Reform Church, is also underway and due to be completed at the end of January.



Public Footpath from Ellora & Hambro Roads to Streatham High Road

We have received a number of queries concerning the new public footpath that is being constructed from the corner of Ellora Road and Hambro Road through to Streatham High Road. This will be completed in April 2014 and thereafter will be open in line with the planning approval for the development.

Ellora & Hambro Roads

The opening of the Leisure Centre and Tesco Store has meant that access for the remaining construction areas can only be achieved via the gate at the corner of Ellora and Hambro Road. This has unfortunately introduced additional pedestrian and vehicle traffic to the Ferrer's Triangle. We have introduced an enhanced delivery management system with a holding area near Streatham Common, and our traffic marshals control access and manage traffic in the area, as well as gatemen and site security. We have also reinforced the message that our operatives should not park on these public roads.

We are working hard with our subcontractors to ensure that the operatives on the project respect the local neighbourhood.

Historic Streatham retained in Leisure Centre



Local residents were concerned at the start of the project about the potential loss of the rooflights and art deco panels, which were valued elements of the old Swimming Baths and Ice Rink.

We are pleased that we have been able to incorporate these into the new Leisure Centre, where they will continue to give enjoyment and will prompt memories of historic Streatham.



Residential Apartments



Works are continuing to finish the residential apartments which are the final areas of the project to be completed. There will be 250 apartments on the development, split into 1- and 2-bedroom units, with a mix of private sale, shared-ownership and affordable units.

The first phase of these were eagerly sought by potential buyers and sold out quickly. Further phases will be released shortly. If you are interested in these properties, private buyers can register interest at www.streathampark.co.uk or for the shared ownership scheme contact Wandle Housing Association at lambethandsouthwark@wandle.com.

Queries, Concerns or Suggestions

We recognise that construction works are unsettling to the general public, and we would repeat our assurance that we will take every opportunity to minimise any disruption or nuisance. If you have any queries or concerns about our works at any time, Peter Muncaster, our Stakeholder Manager, or I can be contacted on the telephone numbers or e-mail address below.

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The exciting new Streatham Hub development includes a new leisure centre for the residents of Lambeth, featuring a 25m, 6-lane swimming pool and 13m learner pool, 4-court sports hall, full size ice rink and a health and fitness suite. The remainder of the development comprises a retail store, new TfL bus stand adjacent to Streatham railway station and a mix of private, shared ownership and affordable residential accommodation, all served by an underground car park. Public space will be created around the Streatham United Reform Church.

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