

LIME STREET

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The Jewel in Lime Street Ward's Crown

Leadenhall Market, in the heart of Lime Street Ward, is a thriving retail centre where you can buy everything from food to designer clothes and find a wide range of bars and restaurants. Its cobbled walkways and glass roof make it a haven from the bustle of the modern City.

HISTORY

Hidden away south of Leadenhall Street, between Gracechurch Street and Lime Street, there has been a market here since the 14th century.

The Lord Mayor, Dick Whittington, took over the leasehold in 1408, and the City of London obtained the freehold in 1411. The Market has operated continuously ever since, but the buildings have been replaced many times, notably after the Great Fire of 1666, with the present market structures dating from 1881.

TODAY'S MARKET

Today, the Market sells a wider range of goods than ever in its history and hosts a full schedule of public festivals.

May brought the 2007 Debrett's Classic Car Rally. From here, a convoy of beautiful old cars began their two day jaunt to Paris.

Early on 8th July, Transport for London launches the London leg of the world famous Tour de France. The first stage of the Tour passes through the City when a carnival of vehicles, floats and performers will parade down the route before the cyclists set off.

From July 23rd to 27th, the Market will celebrate the launch of the "Sax in the City" Jazz Festival. Some of the City's top young musicians will be there to entertain you.

SUMMER IN THE CITY OF LONDON

- JULY 8th – Start of London Leg – Tour de France
- JULY 23-27th – **Sax in the City** Jazz Festival – Leadenhall Market
- SEPTEMBER 17-21 – City of London Food Fair – Leadenhall Market



September 17th to 21st, will find gourmets converging on the Market for the City of London Food Fair.

At the end of November, the festive Leadenhall Christmas Lights will be switched on by the Lord Mayor with an evening of choral music, accompanied by mulled wine and mince pies.

And don't forget, Leadenhall Market also plays host to many private corporate events. No wonder it is the jewel in Lime Street Ward's crown.

In Memoriam – John Mirfield Cohen

We are sorry to let you know of the death of John Mirfield Cohen, husband of Lime Street Ward's Deputy, Christine Cohen OBE on 3rd May.

John served on the Court of Common Council from 1980 until 1986, representing the Ward of Queenhithe.

John was an active member of the Lime Street Ward Club, a familiar figure in the streets of Lime Street Ward and a great supporter of the Court of Common Council. He will be greatly missed. Our sincere condolences are sent to Deputy Christine Cohen and her family.



keeping the City moving

Improving the environment for pedestrians, promoting cycling for City workers and championing rail link upgrades – these are just some of the reasons why the City of London Corporation has been named Transport Borough of the Year.

Judges at the London Transport Awards were unanimous in their choice of the City which also won the Cycling Award and a commendation in the Transport Partnership Project category.

The London Transport Awards recognise and reward transport planners and providers who have made a real difference to the transport system and the people that use it.

Commenting on the awards, the City's Policy & Resources Chairman Michael Snyder said: "Although not directly responsible for transport, the City of London does have a responsibility to provide the highest quality local government services and to support the business city. As part of this we manage

the highway network and improve road safety and the environment. We also support and promote schemes that would improve the transport infrastructure – especially the Crossrail project which we believe is vital to the Square Mile's position as the destination of choice for business. Receiving these awards is extremely gratifying and means we are moving in the right direction!"

The judges were particularly impressed by the targeted investment in improving the environment for pedestrians and



the big question

A major exercise to judge how well the City of London Corporation is performing is about to take place.

This year, the City Corporation's annual Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA), which assesses how well local service providers are performing, will include a Corporate Assessment. This looks at how the City Corporation as a whole performs, rather than at specific services. Though it is an integral part of CPA, a Corporate Assessment is only carried out periodically - the City's last such assessment was in 2002.

Within the assessment residents, workers, businesses and City partners will be asked how well they believe the City Corporation performs in all areas – from support and promotion of the business city, to high quality local government services and extra services for the benefit of London and the nation as a whole. It is due to take place in September and the Audit Commission will publish the results by year end.

City Policy & Resources Chairman Michael Snyder said: "This is important to the City Corporation because it's



another indication of how well we serve the City and the quality of services we provide. It also reaches all of our many stakeholders so will give a broader picture of how we are seen."

resident results

cyclists. There has been a large take up of cycling among City workers, with cycles now accounting for 10% of vehicles in the Square Mile. And up to October 2006, some 44 Street Scene Challenge schemes have been completed at a cost of £10.7m, with a further 25 either under construction or approved.

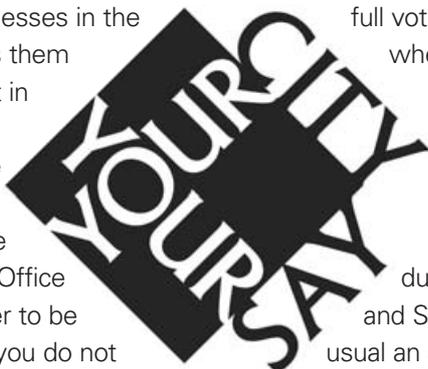
More information
www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/transport



are you registered?

It's almost that time of year again when the City of London contacts all residents and businesses in the Square Mile and asks them to register to take part in City elections.

It is important that the forms which are sent out are returned to the Electoral Registration Office for an accurate register to be compiled and so that you do not



The results of the latest resident satisfaction survey are in and show very positive results for the City of London Corporation.

Almost 80% of residents are satisfied with the City's performance and a third believes that things have improved since the last survey was carried out in 2003.

More than 1,300 residents responded to the survey, carried out by independent researchers Ipsos MORI last year. It is a statutory survey for all local authorities to assess service delivery. Among London authorities the City Corporation was ranked first and satisfaction, in most cases, is increasing and is higher than the London average. In particular, environmental services, such as waste collection and cleanliness, and cultural services, including museums and galleries, libraries (pictured below), and theatres/concert halls were rated highly.



lose your right to vote. Businesses are also encouraged to use their full voting entitlement wherever possible.

Registration forms and leaflets reminding people of the procedures are due to go out in August and September, and as usual an early reply is

However, the survey did highlight areas in which the City Corporation needs to improve further - sports and leisure facilities and parks and open spaces satisfaction levels were 49% and 64% respectively. Also 44% of residents feel that the City Corporation is remote and impersonal, around half do not feel well informed about whether it is delivering on its promises, and about two-thirds do not feel well informed about what it is doing to tackle anti-social behaviour.

City Policy Chairman Michael Snyder commented: "Obviously we are very pleased with the overall findings of the survey but the results also highlight where we need to improve so we will be focusing our efforts in those areas in the future."

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ALL THE COUNCILMEN IN THE WARD ARE READILY AVAILABLE AND WELCOME CONTACT WITH ALL WHO WORK IN LIME STREET WARD. THEY ARE HAPPY TO GIVE PRESENTATIONS ON THE CITY OF LONDON CORPORATION AND ITS WORKINGS.

LIME STREET WARD ELECTORS TOUR THE MANSION HOUSE



The electors of Lime Street Ward were invited for a tour of the Mansion House by their Alderman, John Stuttard, the Rt Hon the Lord Mayor of the City of London. Both the Lord

Mayor and Lady Mayoress were on hand to entertain the electors and their guests on 20th March with a talk about their experiences during their first four months in their elegant Georgian town palace and their visits abroad, representing the City of London and the UK. This was followed by a tour of the Mansion House.

In appreciation, the group made a generous donation to the Lord Mayor's Appeal. This year, the Appeal will benefit VSO (Voluntary Service Overseas), the Mansion House Scholarship Scheme, which brings talented overseas students to study in the UK, King Edward's School, Witley, a boarding school for underprivileged children and the Guild of Educators, a new guild which promotes excellence in teaching. Anyone wishing to make a donation to these worthy causes should contact www.thelordmayorsappeal.org

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

You may recall this television programme in which celebrities traced their family history. In one episode the entertainer Stephen Fry went to the London Metropolitan Archives (LMA), part of the City of London Corporation and discovered that his forebears had been in a Lewisham work house.

The archive of the City of London is one of the oldest, most complete and wide ranging civic archives in the world. Dating from 1067, with a Charter of William I, the collection traces the history of the City through a thousand years of governing the Square Mile, encompassing periods of civil war and national unrest, the Great Fire of London, and the growth of metropolitan London.

Facts about the London Metropolitan Archives:

- It is the largest archive in the UK after the National Archives
- It has over 79 kilometres of records covering 1000 years of London history
- It holds records of businesses going back to 1560 including those for Lloyd's of London
- It contains one of the contemporary copies of the Magna Carta
- It includes a section devoted to family sources from 1538

The London Metropolitan Archives sponsors events throughout the year, relating to national campaigns. In June, A Slave History Walk was held which explored locations in and around the City of London linked to the slave trade and the Londoners involved it. Also briefings are given to people who, like Stephen Fry, wish to explore their own family tree. The next one is 11th July and will last about 45 minutes.

To trace your family tree, go to www.lma.gov.uk for more information, or visit the office in person at London Metropolitan Archives, 40 Northampton Road, London EC1R 0HB.