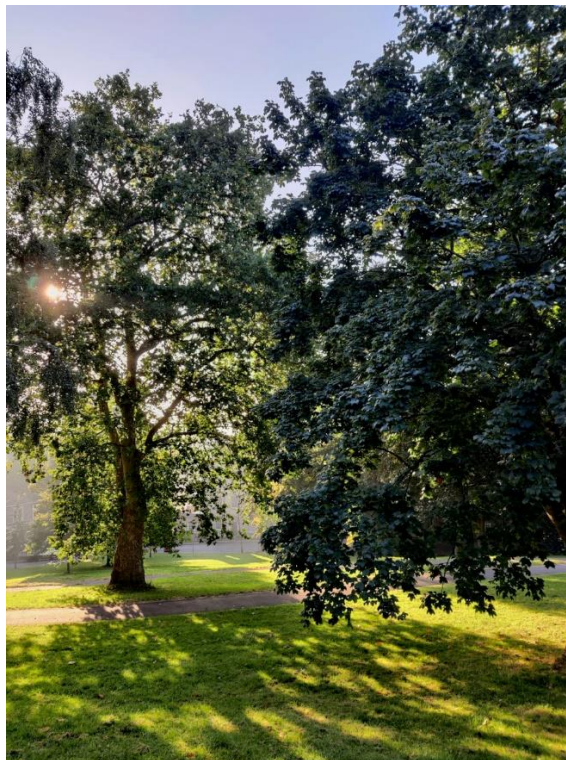


## Hotwells and Cliftonwood Community Association – Newsletter October 2021

Dear Neighbour

Welcome to the Bulletin for October 2021.

Keats liked Autumn. He preferred it to the 'chilly green of the spring'. I wonder what he would make of the chilly and wet Autumn we find ourselves trapped in. Weather patterns have changed so drastically in the last decade that poets today might think it prudent to stay clear of making any references at all, if they hope to make any sense to future readers.



One of our rare sunny days

Should you wish to raise any local issues/matters of interest, we can always be contacted at the following:

[admin@hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk](mailto:admin@hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk)

or leave a message on 01179 291 833.

If there is anything you have written and would like to add to the next Bulletin – please send it to this email [hccabulletin@gmail.com](mailto:hccabulletin@gmail.com)

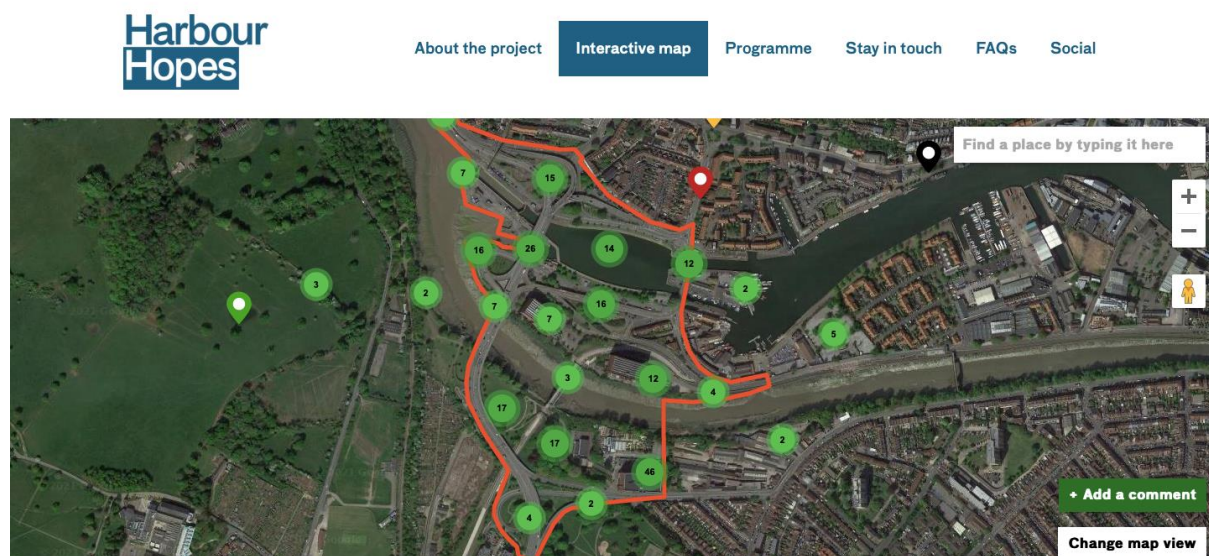
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## 1. Cumberland Basin/Western Harbour.

Last month we were waiting to hear from Turner Works and encouraging you to get in touch with them. Now the engagement process has started in earnest. It is clear that this is an engagement process not a consultation as there is as yet nothing to consult on. So, this relies on as many people as possible contributing in whatever way you can.

We can now direct you to the [Harbour Hopes website](#). Here you will find details of the project, an interactive map upon which you can provide comments- general or specific to a location, details of the programme of engagement and how to stay in touch by signing up to receive news. You can also find answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and engage with their Instagram page. We want to encourage as many people as possible to get involved and take the opportunity that is there to let your views be known. This is a hugely important development prospect in our area. Please contribute.



Interactive Map for Comments  
(Image Source: Harbour Hopes Website)

HCCA were invited to attend the Listening Lab session held online on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of September. Members of your committee attended these two sessions, which unfortunately were not well attended by other organisations. The committee expressed the views obtained from the Community Survey conducted in Autumn 2020 and their knowledge of talking with friends, colleagues and neighbours. We know that not everyone will share the same views, but we have also submitted our thoughts to the 'Place Bureau' and 'Turner Works', the two organisations behind Harbour Hopes.

If you are keen on attending a fun, interactive workshop, you can register for the next one [here](#). The online workshop which will take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October, is one of the engagement activities planned for people to contribute creatively to the vision for the Western Harbour development.

## **2. Baltic Wharf – Planned Development of the Caravan site:**

The developer on this site has made some marginal adjustments to their plans. You can find the revised plans [here](#) using the application number 21/01331/F. The updated papers are those dated 27<sup>th</sup> September. You will see that there is no change to the height or density proposed. The chance to provide further comment to the Planning application remains. We would encourage you to give your views to help in the final decision-making process. We understand that comments can be submitted up to 14<sup>th</sup> October.

## **3. Diary Note for AGM**

Our AGM will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November and, all being well, we look forward to welcoming you in person at Holy Trinity Church. Doors will open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

In light of Covid-19 we have decided that numbers must be limited to 41 and details about registering your interest to attend will follow in a special E-bulletin. We can also confirm that safety procedures will be put in place during the event.

We will be advertising the event across our community notice boards, on the website and Facebook but if you would like to put a note in your diary and spread the word that would be appreciated.

This year we will continue to publish all reports online prior to the meeting, which will be accessible via our website.

Our speaker, after the formal business is completed, will be Geoff Wallis, an engineering conservator. Geoff has over 30 years of practical experience in the conservation of architectural and structural metalwork and historic machinery. He will give us an overview about the industrial and maritime features of the Cumberland Basin/Western Harbour area and tell us about the work he has carried out to the swivel bridge also known as Brunel's other bridge.

Refreshments will be served.

## **4. Antique, Vintage & Collectables Fair**

Make your way to Ashton Court Mansion House on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October between 10 am and 3:30 pm. An Aladdin's Cave of fine jewellery & china, retro items, kitchenware, militaria, furniture, pictures, lamps, antique clocks, vintage clothing & toys and lots more inside Georgian lounges.

A vintage café will be serving teas, coffees, cakes & cream teas.

There is an entry fee of £2.00 (under 16s free). Masks must be worn except in café. Car Park: Kennel Lodge entrance (A370/A369).

For further details you can contact Annie at [anniehawksley@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:anniehawksley@blueyonder.co.uk)



### 5. Hotwells Festival (HotFest, 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> October)

HCCA are pleased to support this inaugural festival to be called Hotwells Festival and wish them every success for the event.

This festival is a celebration of words in all their forms, along with comedy, music, song and dance, taking place in and around Hotwells historic dockside over the weekend of Fri 15<sup>th</sup>, Sat 16<sup>th</sup> & Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. A festival marquee will be set up on the quayside outside the iconic Nova Scotia pub overlooking the historic dockside. Events will take place in iconic pubs including The Nova Scotia, Merchants Arms, Underfall Café (formerly Pickle Café), and 'up the hill' at Eldon House in Clifton. The festival is being organised on a shoestring by a team of local friends and volunteers and is a way of bringing new audiences, live performance and much-needed trade back into local pubs. Some events will be pass-the-hat-round and some ticketed – please see individual events for details. Bring your friends & family along and enjoy what's on offer.

Details about the events during the festival can be found on their website: <https://hotwellsfestival.com/>.

## **6. Walking and E-scooting: A Shared Future?**

Bristol Walking Alliance (BWA) are hosting an online event titled 'Walking and e-scooting: can we share the future?'. The event will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 7.30-9.00 pm.

It is likely the e-scooter trial in the West of England Combined Authority (WECA) area, which includes Bristol, will be extended until the end of March 2022. What have we learned since the trial began in October last year? What are the benefits and drawbacks of e-scooters, especially for the pedestrian environment?

At this online meeting (via Zoom) BWA will hear the views of those involved with the trial, as well as provide an opportunity for you to give your opinion on whether walking and e-scooting can share a happy future together!

You can register for the event [here](#).

## **7. Sex-Establishment Policy Consultation**

Bristol City Council is reviewing its Sex-Establishment Policy which sets out the council's policy for licensing and regulating sex establishments. The consultation will run from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 19<sup>th</sup> December. The results of the consultation will be reviewed by the working group. Amendments will be made to the draft Sex Establishment Policy as necessary, and it will then be presented to the Full Licensing Committee for a final decision.

You can take part in the consultation using [this link](#). Please also forward the consultation on to anyone who you feel may be interested in having a say.

## 8. Future of Bristol's Leisure Facilities

The consultation on Bristol's draft Leisure Facilities Investment Strategy is now open.

The nine council-owned leisure facilities are currently operated and managed by two leisure contractors. The council's proposed approach is to make improvements across the sites which serve the highest number of users and serve the areas of greatest deprivation in Bristol, helping to ensure that all Bristol citizens have the encouragement, opportunity, and environment they need to lead active, healthy, and fulfilling lives.

In the draft strategy, the council proposes to continue to operate seven of the nine sites it operates, investing in improvements in up to three, while ceasing to operate Jubilee Swimming Pool and Kingsdown Sports Centre. While the council proposes to stop operating these facilities, it is open to transferring them to another commercial operator or for them to be run by the community (known as Community Asset Transfer (CAT)). If this does not happen, the council proposes that these facilities will close.

The consultation is open from Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November. For more information on the proposals and to complete the survey, visit [this page](#).

Responses to this consultation will help inform the investment decisions and the procurement framework for a leisure centre operator when the current contract expires in March 2022.



Jubilee Pool in Knowle

*Image Source: Bristol City Council*

## **9. Bristol City Council Covid-19 Update**

Bristol's current rate of infection is 232 cases per 100,000 population. The England average is currently 330 per 100,000. There have been 1,083 new cases in Bristol over the last seven days. 336,707 (77 per cent) of all adult Bristol residents aged over 16 have had at least one vaccine dose.