

# Burgess Park Food Group

## Newsletter no 2.

Finally, after months of planning and reseach, we have been awarded our grant of approx £46,100 from Community Spaces, a national Lottery award. The grant is going to pay for fencing to secure the site, raised beds, a polytunnel, soil, soil and more soil!

We have the challenging task of creating a garden entirely above ground.

We're not going to let this phase us, and will develop the project over time -the funding is going to pay for the 'bones' of our project.

We hope to develop the site as a permaculture Land Learning site, and use 'hugelkulture' or growing mounds to maximise growing space, trial new ideas and become an inspiration for other local Southwark food growers and gardeners.

Wildlife will be an important element as well as foraging and natural beekeeping.

We also want to rename the project - ideas so far include Spence's Plan, the Wharf, The Peckham Market Garden, The Food Project.

What do you think? We want your suggestions asap.....

## Winter workdays

### Sunday, 12th Feb 1 - 3pm

We'll be clearing vegetation in preparation for the landscape work.

We won't be removing everything on site, just where we will be installing growing mounds, raised beds and other features. We hope to reuse all material on site in some way.

Bring secateurs and loppers if you have them.

### Sunday, 11th March 1 - 3pm

We have over a hundred saplings of native trees and shrubs to plant. The mix will be planted as a hedge, and contains elder, blackthorn, hawthorn, rose and otehr edibles.

Everybody welcome, bring a flask of tea, gloves, wear stout shoes and dress for the weather. Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

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