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Open meeting about the future of Crystal Palace Overground Festival

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When: 12 December 2012, 7:30 – 9:30pm
Where: Salvation Army Community Hall, Westow Street, SE19

The Crystal Palace Overground Festival is now entering its 7th year and the current committee would like to invite the local community to get involved in helping set the direction of the festival and join in organizing this very popular event in June 2013 and going forward.

Festival highlights have included performing arts, crafts, sports and kids' activities, gourmet food and drink stalls and a wide range of great bands on the main music stage in Westow Park. Around the Crystal Palace Triangle, local bars have hosted stalls, gigs and DJs, and there has been shopping and music events in local markets, Church Road and Haynes Lane, with an art market in Victory Place.

The festival has delivered a great day out for the local community each year, absolutely free of charge, staffed entirely by volunteers who live in the area. The festival has been funded by sponsorship and advertising from local businesses and stalls in the Westow Park hub.

Noreen Meehan, festival chair said "The festival continues to go from strength to strength and provides a much needed boost to the diverse independent businesses, the fantastic creative people, musicians and artists of the area. We are very excited about the future of the festival and want to invite our local community, from interested individuals, venue owners/managers, local traders, creative artistes to community group representatives, to

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come along and decide the aims, objectives and priorities for the festival going forward. We also need new blood on our committee and hope that volunteers will come forward to take up roles for the 2013 festival and the coming years.”

Last year, the festival attracted approximately 4,500 people to Crystal Palace but the festival committee anticipate that this could grow with a influx of new skills and volunteers, organising a festival which truly meets the need of the local community and traders.

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About the Crystal Palace Overground Festival

Now in its 7th year, The Crystal Palace Overground Festival has gone from strength to strength with around 4,500 people attending last year's event.

The 4-day free family friendly festival aims to create a platform for the many creative and diverse people, musicians, traders and artists of Crystal Palace, and will showcase all that is great about Crystal Palace to visitors from across London, and beyond!

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