

Southwark Stands Together (SST)

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LGA Seminar

The role of local government in supporting economic inclusion

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- SST is about how we take positive action as a council to work with Southwark's communities and the council's staff to tackle racism, injustice and inequality.
- Eight workstreams with priority recommendations, based on feedback from community



Employment and Business

Our residents from diverse backgrounds are accessing quality jobs and locally inspired Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic-led Small Business are thriving backed by accessible and effective business support



Education

Our young Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic young people participating fully and meaningfully in a revived environment where their heritage is reflected in teaching as well as receiving exposure to new opportunities and excellent support for their transition into the world of work.



Health

Harnessing the passion and commitment of our Black, Asian, and Ethnic Minority communities to address health inequalities; hearing their views on effective health and care and working with a fully mobilised health sector.



Culture

Greater opportunities for our Southwark based Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic artists to receive support in the development of new product and the showcasing of their work amongst increasingly diverse and supportive organisations.

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Communities

Heard, increasingly engaged and active Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities playing key roles in shaping their services, supporting their neighbours, creating together spaces that are vibrant warm and welcoming, and sharing equally in local resources.



Interaction with policing

A community that can celebrate good news stories where Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic residents are working closely with the police and developing increasing levels of trust and confidence through positive engagement models.



Renewing the public realm

Our Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic residents in Southwark are collaborating in developing a diverse and inclusive public realm that establishes best practice standards, shapes key policies and celebrates our communities.



Council workforce

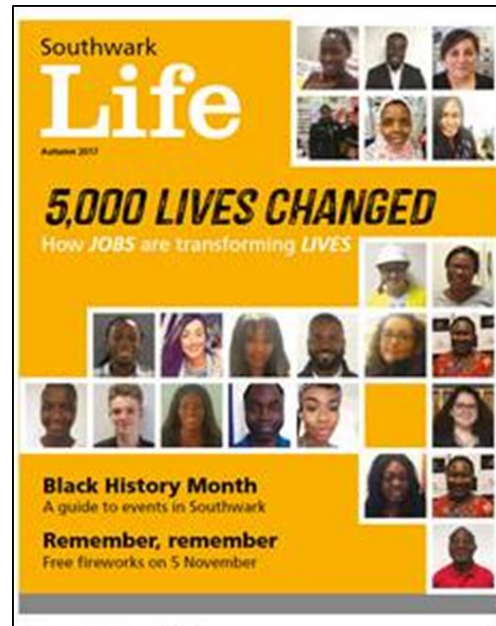
Creating a culture where everyone can be themselves at work and are supported to achieve their full potential in an organisation that is representative of the community and that has pledged to become an anti-racist organisation

Council Delivery Plan

Headline Commitments

- Support 2,500 residents into work
- Create 2,000 green jobs
- Create 2,000 apprenticeships
- Create 250 paid internships
- Support residents to start business and social enterprises
- Support Thriving High Streets
- Develop Town Centre Action Plans
- Double number of employers paying London Living Wage

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Business Support



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