

Keeping the harbour water tidy

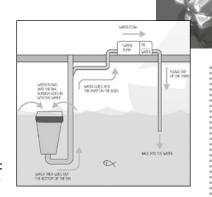
A Crowd-funder campaign was launched by '**Seabin for Bristol**' that aimed to raise £3k for the cost of one of these devices that clean water in harbours. In the end the campaign raised £6k, so they now hope to deploy two of the bins in the harbour to help clean junk and oil from the water. They should to be installed and working soon. For more information, visit: www.facebook.com/seabinforbristol

A Seabin can catch;

- 90,000 plastic bags/pieces of debris a year
- An estimated 1.5 Kgs of floating debris per day (depending on weather and debris volumes)
- Microplastics up to 2mm small!

Funds are now being raised towards the waste management system that will support the first Seabins. The waste management system will take care of rubbish, plastic and oils collected and make more Seabins a distinct possibility by effectively managing them all year round.

Clean-Up Bristol Harbour also run monthly volunteer sessions that clear tons of junk and rubbish out of the harbour. To find out more visit: www.facebook.com/CleanUpBristolHarbour



DON'T FORGET! SPRING CLEAN 2018 Saturday 7th April

It's time to give Mechant's Landing a wash 'n' brush up. If you'd like to unleash your inner Womble and fancy lending a hand with a general tidy and litter pick-up, please assemble at: I I am on Saturday 7th April on the corner of Merchants Quay and Trin Mills (opposite The Ostritch harbourside beer garden). If possible please bring along brushes, brooms, dust pans and bin liners. High-Vis



jackets might not be a bad idea either. Maybe we can reward ourselves with a refreshing shandy or small sherry at the aforementioned hostelry in the afternoon (weather permitting)

saveourboatyard.co.uk



Ships and boats have been built and repaired on the site of Bristol Marina Boatyard for the last 200 years. Bristol's fortunes and worldwide reputation have been built on its maritime industries.

Unfortunately, changes to the lease proposed by Bristol City Council could mean that the boat maintenance yard is no longer viable as part of the overall business.

To help save this important business please sign the petition at the Coffee & Crepe Cabin or the online petition at:

saveourboatyard.co.uk

<u>DEVELOPMENT</u> developments

Just a quick update to keep you informed about what's been happening around Merchants Landing:

- Merchant's House South It's now believed that the speculation regarding the conversion of Merchant's House South to residential appartments has been unfounded. It now transpires that the office block will remain as a commercial business/office spaces.
- The Wapping Road end of the **Prince Street Cycleway** is due to begin construction this month, running through to July. The work will start at the M-Shed end of Wapping Road. Local councillor, Paul Smith, says that he has been told that Phase Two of Wapping Wharf (buildings D and E along Cumberland Road) will now start this April/May.
- A gated community? Opinion is still being sought regarding the suggested installation of gates to help reduce anti-social issues around the development comments to the relevant committee reps please ■

Wapping Wharf news

Following the completion of Cargo I & 2, the latest proposal is for the plot on the corner of Wapping Road, near the Louisiana

Pub, which was formerly occupied by the J S Fry Warehouse.

The plan is to restore and retain the existing listed walls and inside to build a further



Cargo style development of shipping containers. The front part of the development, facing Wapping Road, will consist of containers providing inexpensive rented accommodation for 16 city-centre key workers, such as hospital staff, teachers and emergency services personnel. Behind will be further containers for co-worker employment space.

Works are expecting to begin in mid-May. One of the first works will be the construction of a foul water drain on Wapping Wharf land behind the pavement from the J S Fry building down towards the main entrance of the car park ■

ROOM TO CARE APPEAL

One of our residents, Gordon Gray a volounteer with St Peter's Hospice

recently brought their Room to Care Appeal to my attention.

This Bristol charity



Building a 21st Century Hospice for Bristol that cares for adults

with life-limiting illnesses believe that patients should be treated with dignity and compassion, and be close to those they love, especially during their final days and hours. The Room to Care Appeal was launched to develop an Inpatient Unit that will allow them to care for 6,250 patients over the next 20 years, and will include:

- Private enlarged patient bedrooms all with a private garden terrace
- Modern bathrooms all ensuite to patient rooms
- Improved nursing visibility
- More rooms with bariatric facilities

For more information please visit: roomtocare.stpetershospice.org.uk

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION & ML(A)Ltd UPDATES

MLRA NEWS

As you may remember the Pub Quiz had to be postponed. This will hopefully be reschedule some time in the not too distant future

The next MLRA event will be the garden party on the 2nd June. Please put a date in your diary. After the success of last year's boat trip, another excursion is being planned for September 2nd (TBC). This time heading up stream to Hanham Lock ■

ML(A) Ltd NEWS

The next ML(A) Directors meeting is on the 10th April, if any shareholder would like to add items to the agenda please contact Roger Bryan at Bristol Leasehold Management. There is still a vacancy for an "A" Director. If any house owner on the development is interested and would like further information please contact any of the existing Directors or the Managing Agent, Roger Bryan

ARENA - TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

The Bristol Arena debate rages on. Councillors recently debated the Green Party's motion, 'Build Bristol Arena at Temple Meads not at Filton'. This motion was passed with overwhelming support, with 34 councillors in favour, I I against and 17 abstaining. All Green and Lib Dem councillors voted in favour of the motion. 17 Labour councillors voted for the motion, II voted against and 5 abstained, so a clear majority of voting Labour councillors supported the building of the arena at Temple Meads. Sending a strong message to the Mayor, Marvin Rees. However, this vote of the councillors is



not legally binding on the elected Mayor nor on the Council. There is a long, long way to go before the Council commits to building the Arena at either Temple Meads or at Filton airfield site

WHAT'S ON?

SAT 7 APRIL Merchant's **Landing Spring** Clean

UNTIL 8 APRIL Wildlife Photographer of the

Year M-Shed **SAT 2 JUNE** MLRA's **Summer**

Garden Party 30 JUNE - I JULY **GRILLSTOCK**

2 JULY - 2 SEPT **GROMIT UNLEASHED 2** 20 - 22 JULY

BRISTOL HARBOUR FESTIVAL

9 - 12 AUG **BRISTOL**

INTERNATIONAL **BALLOON FIESTA** 2 SEPT

BRISTOL OPEN DOORS

The Merchants Landing Residents' Association Committee:

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