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Dear Neighbour

Welcome to this, our final newsletter to our neighbours in the Olympia area before Christmas.

Introducing the new West Hall

We're finally there! As you will know, since the beginning of this year we have been redeveloping the West Hall behind a restored façade and I am delighted to report that the Hall is now open for business, ready for the London International Horse Show next week. Only minor improvement and remedial works are outstanding and these will be completed before Christmas.

The project has involved redeveloping the West Hall into a two-storey, 90,000 square ft exhibition facility by adding a floor and creating links to the Grand Hall and Olympia 2 behind a newly restored façade. These improvements will make Olympia more flexible and improve connectivity throughout the facility. By enhancing this world-class venue, we will protect our heritage and position the Olympia complex for the future. We look forward to showcasing the new space when we host the 2012 Exhibition News Awards next March, which will celebrate the events industry and highlight the important role Olympia plays in the exhibition community.

On behalf of EC&O Venues, I would like to thank you for your support throughout the year. The redevelopment of the West Hall could not have been achieved without the patience and cooperation of our neighbours, for which we are extremely grateful. As a small token of our appreciation, I would like to offer you a free Dolcetti (coffee and dessert) at Pizza Express, Olympia, W14 8UX. Please show the voucher on the reverse of this newsletter to staff to redeem this offer and enjoy!

Changes to the Weekday District Line Service to Olympia – Update

As many of you will know, Transport for London (TfL) recently announced its decision to cancel weekday District Line Underground services to Olympia tube station following its public consultation on the proposals. As a result of our negotiations, London Underground has agreed to provide a two train per hour shuttle service between High Street Kensington and Olympia via

Earls Court when events at Olympia attract sufficient demand. These trains will run to a scheduled timetable between the hours of 1000 and 2300 at 30 minute intervals. We have now completed negotiations for this shuttle service for the first half of next year and I am pleased to confirm that over twenty shows between January and June 2012 will be supported by this service. Further information about specific dates and times for this service will be advertised in full early next year.

London International Horse Show – traffic measures

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the London International Horse Show takes place between 12 and 20 December and we will once again be implementing a one-way traffic system, effective from Monday 12 December until Tuesday 20 December inclusive. The one way circuit means that there will be no access during this period from Hammersmith Road into Blythe Road and all traffic coming in the area will access via Olympia Way. In addition to this, the single yellow line parking restrictions around the perimeter of the exhibition hall will be extended into the evening. These measures, which are intended to ease traffic congestion, have operated successfully in previous years and we hope you'll bear with us during their operation.

On behalf of EC&O Venues, thank you again for your continued support. We remain committed to engaging with you and will continue to keep you informed about any further development work we intend to undertake. You can find out more from our website www.eco.co.uk/olympia - or by signing up to receive regular e-newsletters by emailing Olympiaresidents@eco.co.uk.

With best wishes,

Rachel

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A thank you from Olympia

This voucher entitles you to a Dolcetti (coffee and dessert) valid from 20 December 2011 – 31 January 2012 inclusive and redeemable at Pizza Express, Olympia, W14 8UX, on the corner of Hammersmith Road and Olympia Way.

Merry Christmas!

Please note that this offer is for a maximum of two people per table and will be valid for the first 100 orders placed. Not valid in conjunction with any other offer.