



Walworth Rd Opportunity Founders Working Group

Walworth Society Update March 2026

What is the Walworth Neighbourhood Food Model?

Background

A neighbourhood food alliance of people who are growing, supplying, cooking and sharing food in Walworth.

Together we are helping to build a more just, sustainable and collaborative food system in Walworth.





Residents who are Food Growers, Business Owners, Cooks and Food Lovers



The impact of local connectivity

Background

Heritage food sharing
and cooking - Walworth
Food Map



Gardening day (kids
gardening at Capucine's) -
Action Learning group 3.0



Cooking exchange -
Walworth Community Chef Pilot

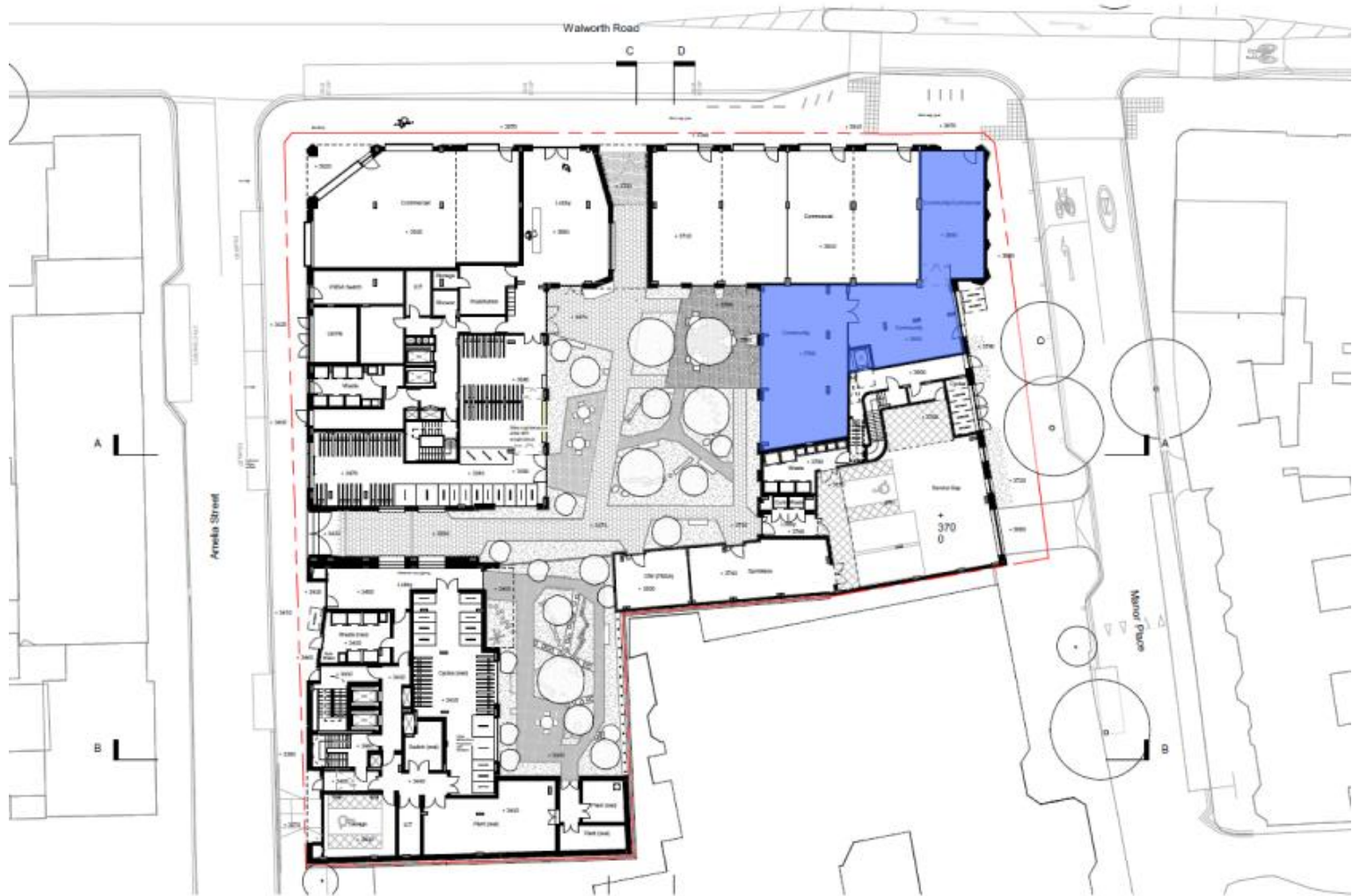


Cooking exchange -
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Walworth Rd - The opportunity



Why a Working Group?

The opportunity

We think this opportunity should be **shared**

We envisage a community business that is owned and run by a wide range of local **people with a stake in Walworth**

We think it is key to **build a vision of the space collectively**, so we can imagine how it could serve different people and roles within our neighbourhood



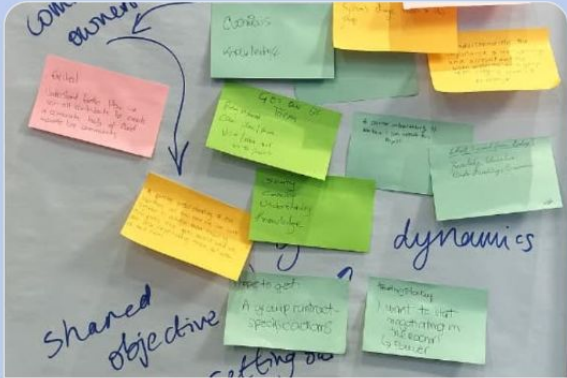
Our process so far - Working Group



Session 0 - Taster Session



Session 1 - Power and Privilege



Session 2 - Group Charter and Systems Thinking



Session 3 - Visit 1: Food markets and community spaces around food



Session 4 - Visit 2: Seven Sisters Market and community spaces around food



Session 5 - Decision Making Methods and Vision Building (Part 1)

Our Journey



Our Journey



HOT DISHES	
CHICKEN CURRY with rice or chips and salad.....	12.99
CHICKEN KEBAB with rice or chips and salad.....	17.49
CHICKEN ESCALOP with rice or chips and salad.....	13.49
CHICKEN with chips and salad.....	13.99
CHICKEN NUGGETS (10PCS) with chips.....	10.50
CHICKEN With potatoes, carrots, cabbage, peas and gravy.....	13.99

Our Vision

On food and love:

primary arts as decolonial practice

ing as all identities:

Why?

We want to change the power dynamics in our food system.

We want our high street to offer distinctive locally produced food that supports our neighbourhood economy rather than extracting from it.



Our Vision

Who?

Founded by a local collective of residents, chefs, food growers, producers and food lovers.

For everyone, whether gathering with friends, on a lunch break, or grabbing a bite to eat after school, study or work.

We invite you to step into Walworth's food culture, learn about food systems, and become part of our community ownership model.



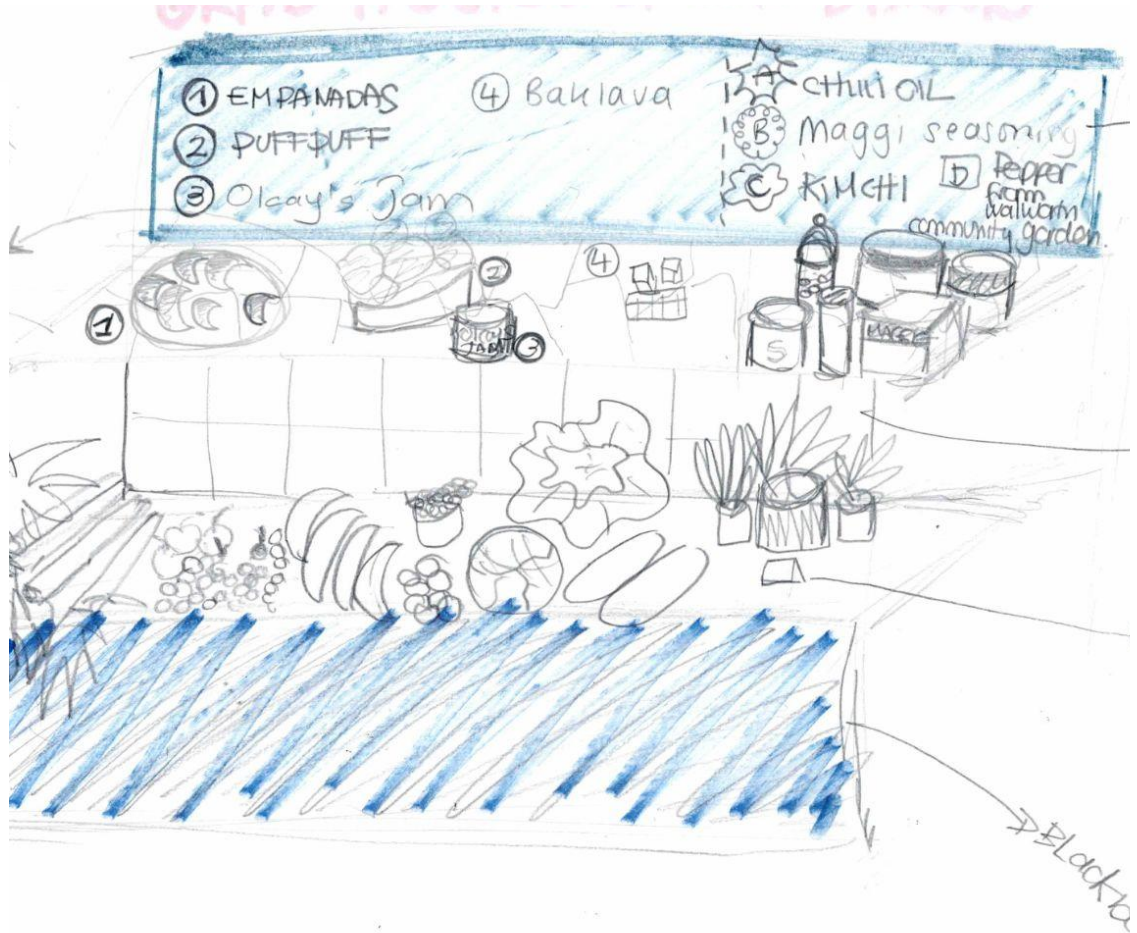
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What?

A high-street hub serving delicious and nutritious hot food that showcases Walworth's diverse food cultures.

A welcoming space for residents old and new, to encounter new flavours, and connect through food.

A platform for local chefs and food businesses that reinvests every pound back into our neighbourhood.



How?

To succeed we'll need to: test as we go, learn from our mistakes, and share knowledge.

Acknowledge the real cost of food to people and planet.

Support diverse food cultures and recognise multiple languages.

Build alliances within the neighbourhood and beyond.

Find ways in which everyone can contribute.

Practise collective decision making. And build collective power.



What is next?

- **Testing our Vision:** on street, & business & community engagement
- **Building Workstreams:** Community, Governance, Site, Food
- **Tasting/engagement events:** Summer 2026
- **Space operational** in 2028



Interested in testing the vision with us?



Questions?

Thanks :)

