## Let's make...

# LEWISHAM BOROUGH of LITERATURE

Spread the Word has a big, bold vision to see Lewisham declared as the UK's first Borough of Literature. We are launching a campaign to bring this to life – **do you want to be part of it?** 

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#### Be part of the campaign to make Lewisham the UK's first Borough of Literature

### Why?

Did you know that Lewisham is already...

- Rich with word-related creative activities.
- Home to some of London's best new writers and famous authors.
- Home to many arts charities working with words, stories, and poetry, and many more that include creative writing, publishing, spoken word and other art forms like film-making and music.

Being Borough of Literature would give our borough recognition, would drive funding towards word-related activities in the area, give existing and new, talented writers more opportunities to share their work and reach a bigger audience. And more children, young people and communities would have the opportunity to explore what it means to be a writer and develop their creativity.

#### What's next?

We want to create our Borough of Literature for and with participation from all of Lewisham's community, from school children to elders, community groups to businesses, open green spaces to public buildings. Whoever and wherever, **we would like you to be involved**.

Throughout 2024, Spread the Word will be hosting Open Houses (public meetings) with local communities like schools, writers and creatives, businesses, charities, community groups, to find out: **what would a Borough of Literature mean to you? And why is it important for Lewisham?** We have some ideas, but we want to hear yours!

We are also recruiting an Advisory Group who can co-create the activities, partnerships, promotions, programmes, and impact of a Lewisham Borough of Literature. We will do a call out for participants for the Advisory Group in the coming months so if this piques your interest, please keep an eye out for further news.

### Get involved!

We would love to talk to you about our ideas and yours for the Borough of Literature, and how the project will roll out. Follow us on social media and keep up to date with **#BoroughOfLiterature** 

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