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24th of September 2026

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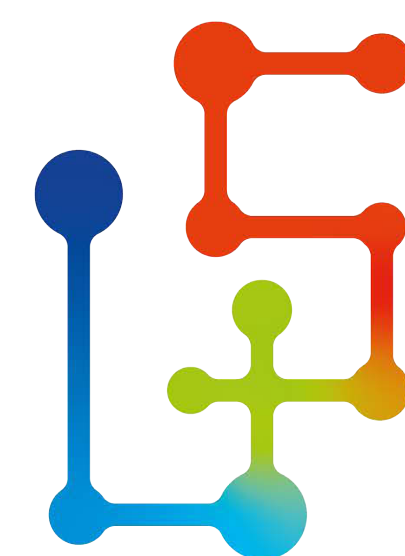
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Leeuw&Sluis: by neighbours, for neighbours

- A neighbourhood platform run by volunteers
- News, events and local initiatives in one place
- Your connection to the municipality



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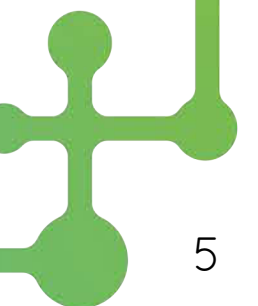
Last time: about 40 neighbours, one full Buurtkamer

What you asked about:

- How the neighbourhood is developing, and what the status is
- Schools, childcare and the parks
- How you can help make things better

What you told us:

- You want to meet people yourself, not only through your kids
- An English page on the website would help
- A group for calls for help where language is no barrier
- Please do this again!



You asked, we listened

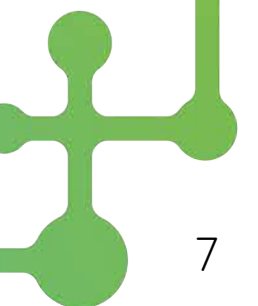
What happened since

- **The website in English:** added soon after by our webmaster Jaap de Wit
- **Meet again:** here we are, the second international evening
- **Your questions:** schools, childcare and parks are all on tonight's programme
- **Neighbourhood drinks:** join the Leeuw&Sluis borrel, on the third Thursday of the month, every two months (next one is: **19 November - 16:00 - 18:00**)



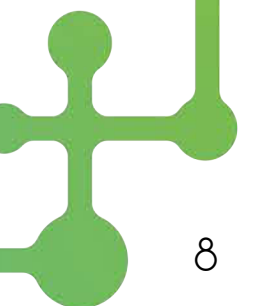
What you told us this time

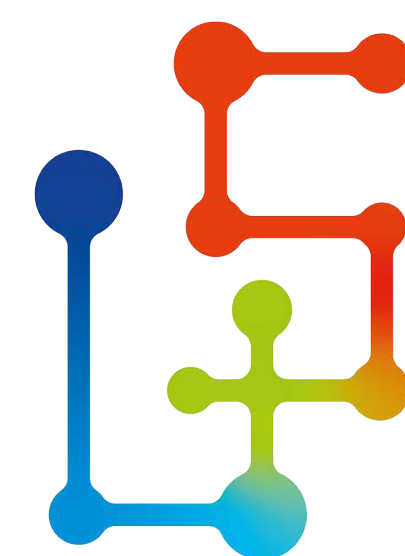
- You want to connect with both Dutch and international neighbours
- You want to hear about Leeuw&Sluis's plans for the future, and how you can contribute
- What matters to you: green public space and road safety, like fat bikes and scooters
- You get your news from the Leeuw&Sluis app/website and WhatsApp groups



What we'll talk about

1. Stay connected
2. Growing up in Weespersluis
3. Green and outdoors
4. Getting around
5. Discover and enjoy
6. Get involved





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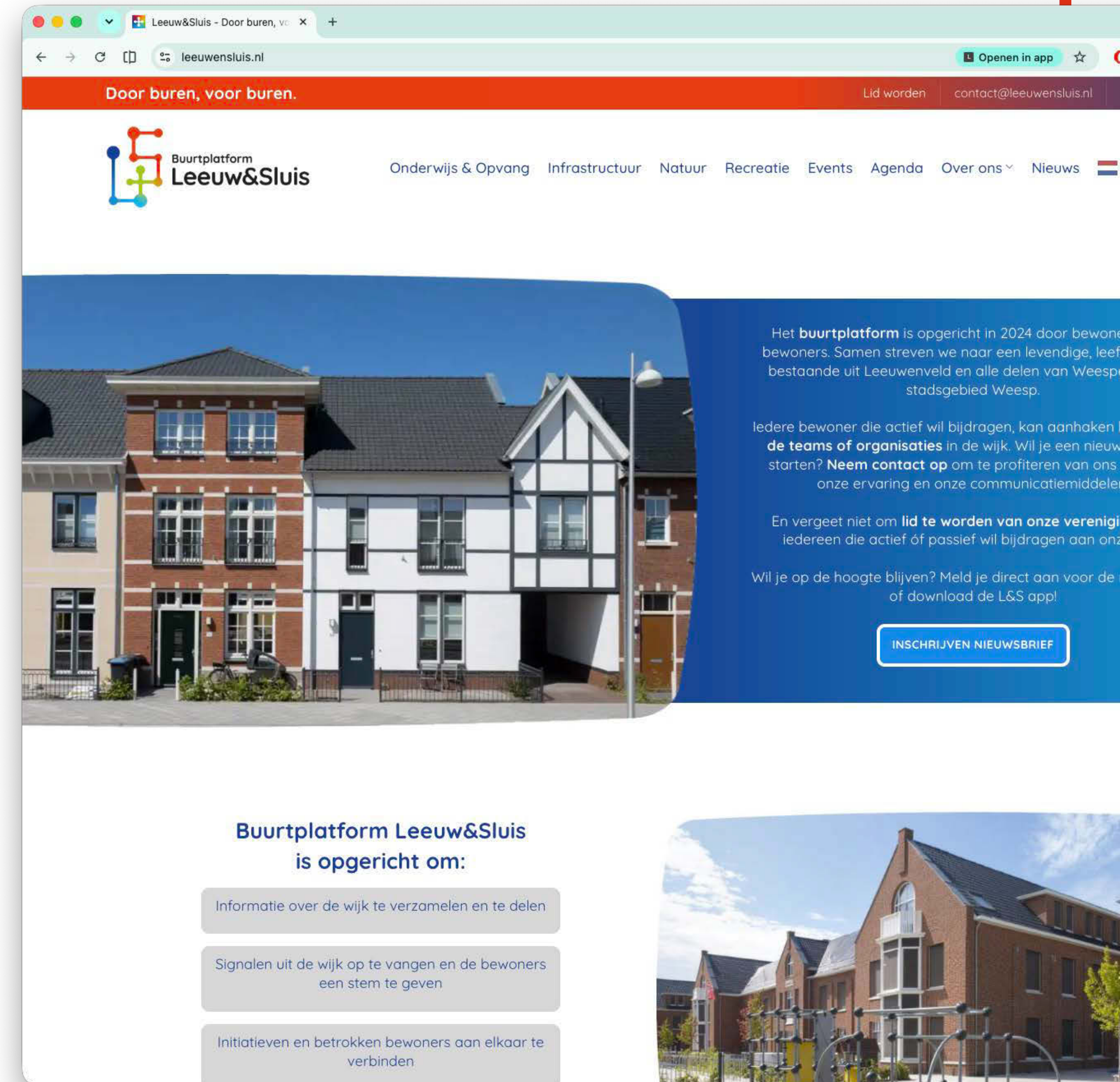
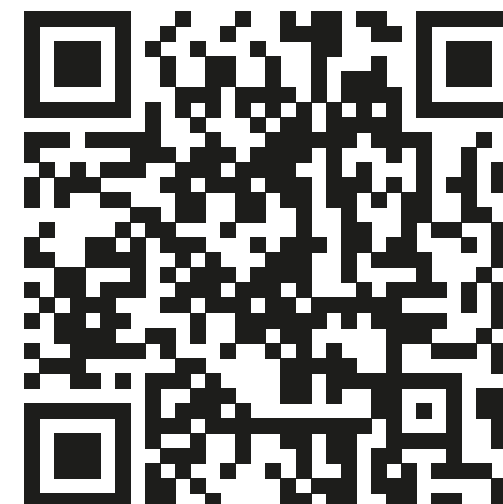
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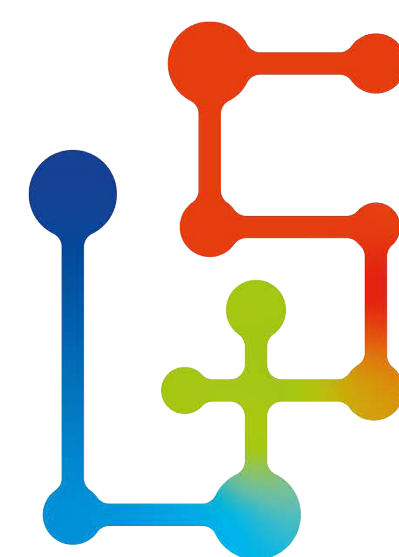
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Where to find us

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- General contact: contact@leeuwensluis.nl
- For events: evenementen@leeuwensluis.nl
- What's on: leeuwensluis.nl/agenda
- Share your own news:
leeuwensluis.nl/nieuwsbericht-indienen
- Add your event to the agenda:
leeuwensluis.nl/evenement-toevoegen
- Subscribe to the Leeuw&Sluis agenda
in your own calendar: scan the QR code >>
- Or download our app:





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Growing up in WeesperSluis

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Childcare

A severe and structural shortage

- **Severe & Structural Shortage:** June 2026 survey (246 responses): 111 households waiting for daycare (KDV), 91 for after-school care (BSO)
- **High Social Impact:** 25% of parents work fewer hours, almost 40% rely on grandparents
- **Space Bottleneck:** providers want to grow, but lack permitted locations and zoning is slow
- **Regietafel Proposal:** De Kleine Weespers and Leeuw&Sluis propose a joint taskforce and temporary modular units
- **Municipality on Board:** memo received in early September, talks on short-term solutions are starting



Primary schools

More room for school children

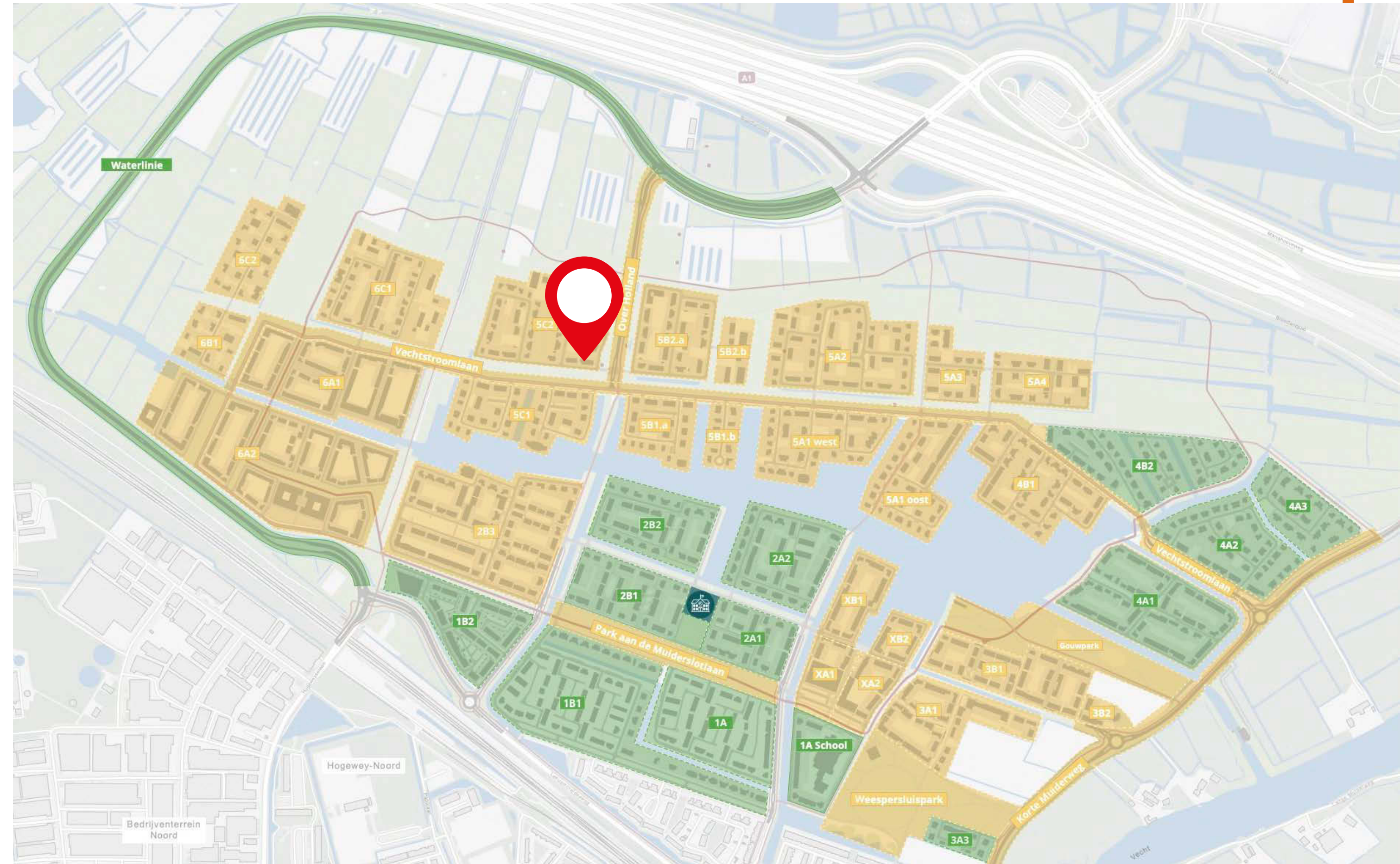
- Brede school Weesperrijk: 6 extra temporary classrooms in the park at Muiderslotlaan
- In use until around 2028, when the permanent schools in deelplan 6 are ready
- But from school year 2027-2028: about 200 more primary school places needed



New temporary classrooms

Advice: Waterrijk-Noordwest

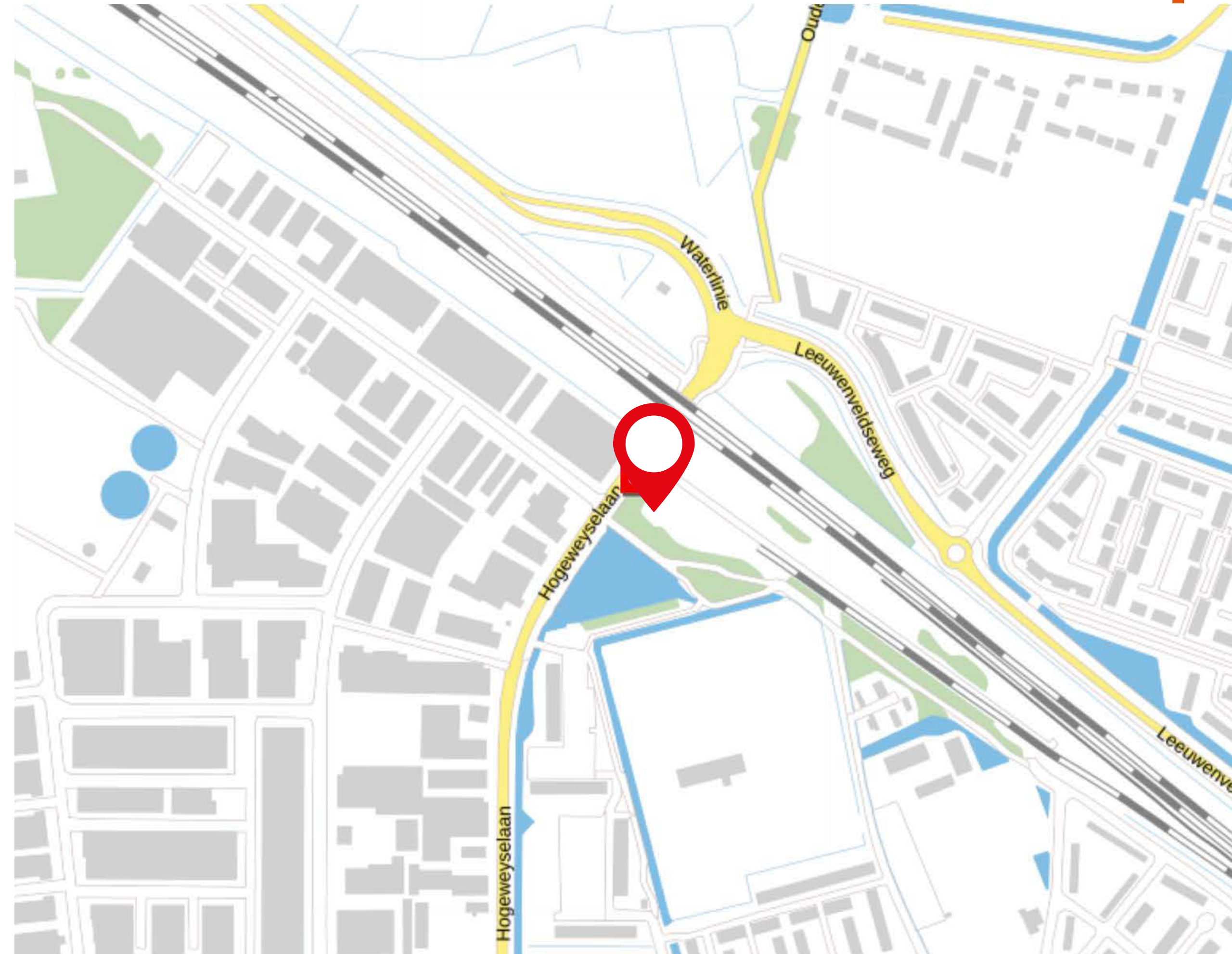
- Residents shared their views at a meeting and in an online survey
- Most important to residents: traffic safety, keeping green spaces, accessibility, spreading schools and traffic, distance to existing schools, no nuisance for neighbours
- Advised location: Waterrijk-Noordwest. No green space lost, easy to build
- Speak at the bestuurscommissie Weesp on Tuesday 6 October. Final decision in October

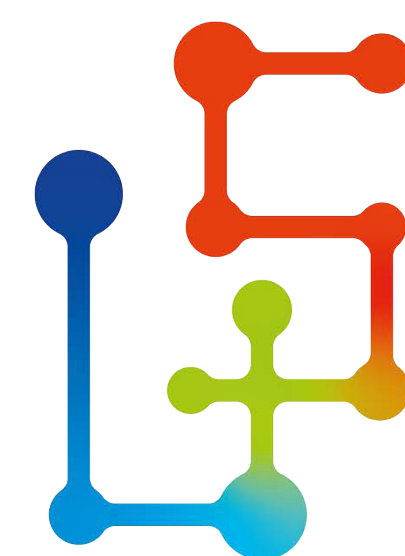


Secondary education

A new secondary school in Weesp: Vechtstede Junior College

- New location of Vechtstede College at the Hogeweyselaan in Weesp
- Room for about 700 students, with a sports hall
- Vechtstede College grows from about 1,300 to 2,000 students
- The outdoor space will be public: for students, sports clubs and neighbours
- Permit expected this autumn (between October and mid-November), then 6 weeks to object
- Also in the works: a parents' initiative for a new primary and secondary school in Muiden, still at an early stage





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Green and outdoors

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Keeping our parks green

Our main challenge: parks should stay parks

- None of the parks have been handed over to the municipality yet: GEM still manages them
- In some places, GEM wants to make green areas smaller to build more homes
- The agreements on green and water (groen en blauw) are in the exploitatieplan, and residents can rely on them
- GEM will share an update on green and water by the end of September



A milestone for our neighbourhood!

Residents win in court: green and facilities back on the agenda

- For years, Stichting Bewonersbelangen Leeuw&Sluis and many residents fought for recreational green and missing facilities, politically and legally
- **Result:** two important rulings, by the Raad van State and the court
- The municipality apologised in the city council (16 September) and alderman Alexander Scholtes wants to talk with us
- **Next:** critical but constructive talks about sports and play facilities and recreational green
- **Expert in sports and play in a neighbourhood?**
Help as a volunteer: stichting@leeuwensluis.nl



A café in the Gouwpark?

- Permit application for regular horeca in the building (bouwkeet) in Gouwpark
- Half the building (90 m) for the café, half for neighbourhood use and water sports
- Proposed hours: restaurant until 22:00, terrace until 20:00
- Review takes 8 to 14 weeks, after that residents can respond

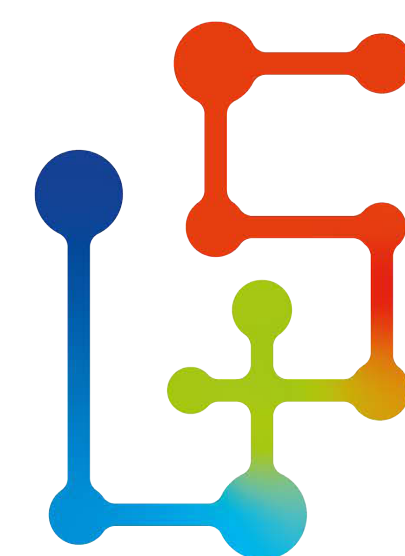


Who to contact?

Something broken? Check the map first

- Weespersluis is still being built, so two parties are responsible for public space:
 - **Municipality of Amsterdam:** finished parts of the neighbourhood
 - **GEM Bloemendalerpolder (the developer):** parts still under construction, including traffic and the layout of public space
- The overview map shows who is responsible for which area, updated every quarter





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Road safety

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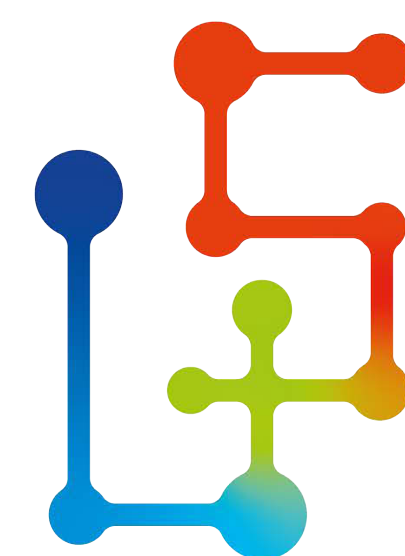
Safe streets for everyone

- One of your main concerns in the survey
- Fat bikes and scooters on paths and in residential streets
- Tell us where it feels unsafe:
verkeersveiligheid@leeuwensluis.nl

Want to help?

Join the neighbours working on road safety at Team Verkeersveiligheid





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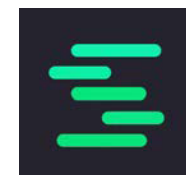
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De Weesper Wandeling

Listen to the story of your neighbourhood

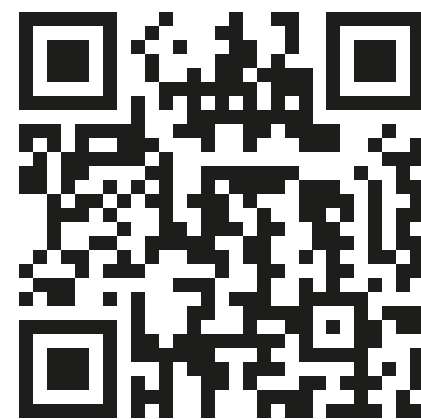
- Podwalk (audio walk) with 10 listening points, just over an hour
- An ancient forest, Romans in the polder and a secret German radar station
- Free on Spotify, Apple Podcasts and Springcast (in Dutch)





The neighbourhood living room of Weespersluis

- **Vibrant meeting place:** bringing neighbours of all ages together
- **Wide range of events:** wine tastings, pub quizzes, creative workshops, toddler theatre-dance
- **Run by local volunteers:** for and by neighbours. This could be you!
- **Welcoming venue:** coffee, new friends, your own initiative or birthday party (small fee)
- **Stay connected:**
buurtkamer-weespersluis.nl
Instagram **@buurtkamerweespersluis** >>



Burendag at the Buurtkamer

Sunday 27 September, 11:00 to 15:00

- **Kids' Activities:** face painting, stone painting, poffertjes and bingo with prizes
- **Live Music & Caricatures:** trio Goed Gestemd and sketch artist Paul Schenk
- **Swaps & Tournaments:** plant swap (11:00 to 13:00), Mario Kart (13:00 to 14:00), toy swap and first aid demos
- **Meet the Board:** the new board introduces itself at 12:00

Programma Burendag

11:00-12:00 Band 'Goed Gestemd' speelt
11:00-13:00 Planten- en stekjesruil
11:00-14:30 Schminken
11:00-14:30 Karikaturist
11:00-14:30 Stenen beschilderen
12:00-12:30 Het nieuwe bestuur stelt zich voor
12:00-12:30 Bingo ronde 1
12:00-15:00 Poffertjes van Happy Honey
12:30-13:00 'Goed Gestemd' speelt
13:00-13:30 Bingo ronde 2
13:00-14:00 Mariokart competitie
13:30-14:30 'Goed Gestemd' speelt
14:30-15:00 Bingo ronde 3

Gedurende de dag zijn er EHBO demonstratiesessies en kun je Diskeyz ruilen.

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Buurtfeest Weespersluis

Our neighbourhood party:

Saturday 7 November, 19:00 to 23:00

- An evening to meet (again), catch up and warm up the neighbourhood for winter
- Music, food and drinks
- For everyone: young and old, new in the neighbourhood or here for years
- We're looking for people to help organise it!
evenementen@leeuwensluis.nl



Coming next summer: **Pret in het Park**

A big family day in the Gouwpark

- **Save the date:**
Sunday 6 June 2027
(to be confirmed)
- An inflatable fun park: bouncy castles, inflatable climbing and obstacle courses
- Local clubs and businesses join in with their own activities
- For all ages, and for all of Weesp

Want to volunteer?

Sign up via evenementen@leeuwensluis.nl





Get involved

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Volunteers wanted

The neighbourhood needs you

- **Coordinator Leeuw&Sluis:**
Around 6 hours a week, volunteer with a monthly allowance (up to €220). Preferably someone from Weespersluis or Leeuwendveld
- **De Buurtkamer:** volunteers and board members wanted, from occasional help to a few hours a week (buurtkamer-weespersluis.nl/vacatures)
- **Events team:** help organise the Buurtfeest on 7 November, Pret in het Park or the next international meet-up



Support Leeuw&Sluis

Together we're stronger

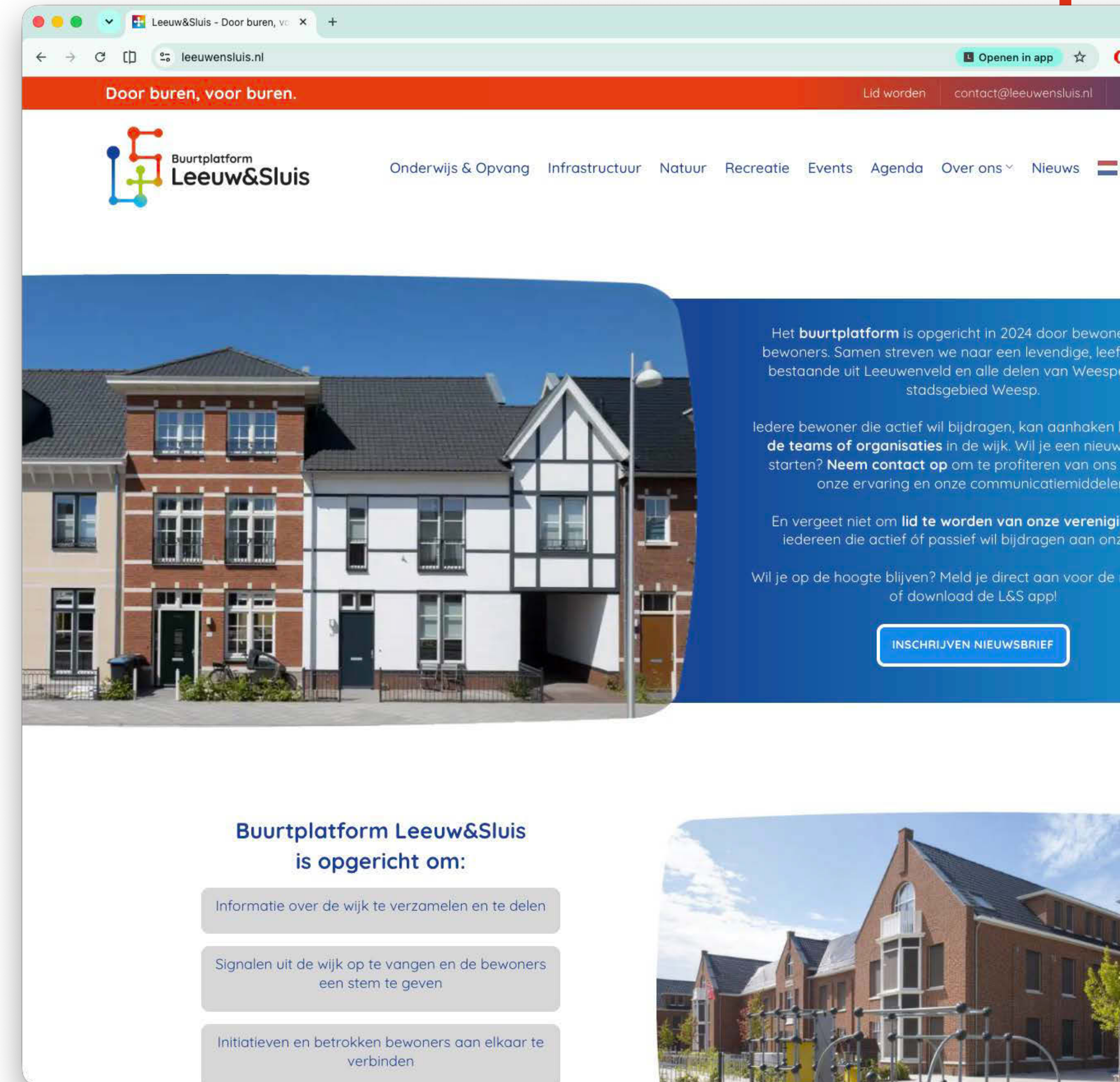
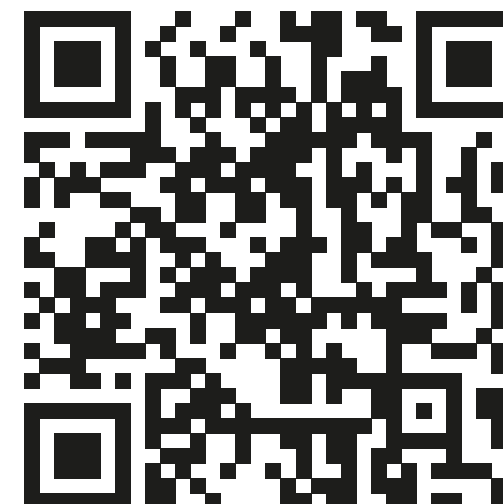
- Become a member from €13.50 a year >>
- **Bank with Rabobank?**
Vote for Leeuw&Sluis in Rabo ClubSupport,
in the Rabo app



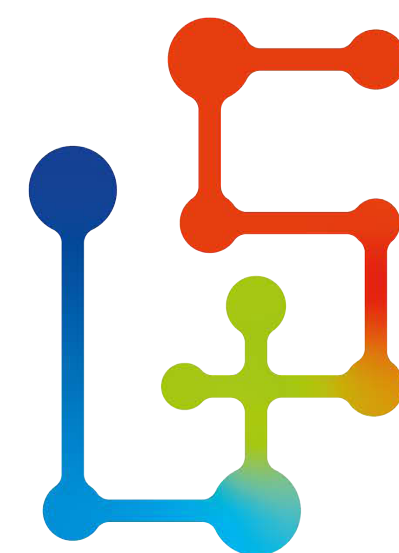
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