

## KING STREET PLAN UP FOR GONG



● PLANS for Hammersmith's new £1million public square have been selected for the Mayor of London's Great Spaces award.

The proposals for the new public square in King Street were chosen out of more than 120 applications and earmarked for the prestigious London-wide award. The awards aim to reward projects which revitalise the capital's public spaces, and London Mayor Boris Johnson is expected to spend £225million on up to 50 public spaces over the next three years. **Rob Mansfield**



## A 2-DAY SNOOP PARTY!

● BILLED as the UK's largest open house weekend, December 5 and 6 offers free-for-all visits. An American concept, open house lets buyers view a string of properties, with plenty of options in Hammersmith & Fulham.

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# Beanpole needed for the slimmest home in borough

► Narrowing down your search for a house in the borough? You can't get much narrower than this ultra-thin slice of prime real estate in Goldhawk Road, as **Tim Harrison** discovers

CONJURE up the image of a 24ft kitchen with Aga. Then try to picture the width of the room; just 5ft 6in.

There's nothing ordinary about 110 Goldhawk Road, the narrowest house in the borough, and the second slimmest in the capital.

It's currently seeking a new owner, and would clearly suit a beanpole who doesn't mind stairs and doesn't suffer from claustrophobia.

"Actually we haven't heard a bad word spoken about it," said Simon Beatson, sales broker for Faron Sutaria, which is selling the two-bedroom home for a princely £549,950.

"It's the sort of place people fall in love with, and although the floorplan is hilarious it does get people in to look at it."

Built in the 1870s in a gap next to a grocer's shop, the house has two reception rooms on the ground floor, the long, thin kitchen and dining area on the lower ground, and two bedrooms, a study and two bathrooms on the upper floors.

The top floor has the master bedroom, one end of which is taken up with a giant built-in bed.

There's no hope of shuffling down either side, however. You can only get into bed from the end.

The home of actors, artists and poets in the past, the new owner will be following in the narrow footsteps of German-born fashion photographer Juergen Teller, the snapper credited with creating the gritty realism look of the 1990s.

But wouldn't living in a house where you can touch both walls drive you mad?

"The thing is, it's a long house," said Simon. "If it wasn't so long, it might feel more constricting."

Putting a value on a house with just over 1,000 sq ft isn't simple, but *h&f news* research reveals it last sold in 2006 for £488,500 – so the current asking price is bucking the trend in the recession.

"Parts of it are a bit awkward," conceded Simon. "But for Goldhawk Road it's remarkably quiet inside, and has got heaps of character."

With most rooms 6ft in width, the house is positively spacious compared to the narrowest house in Britain – a tiny home in Millport on the



**LOVE ME SLENDER:** The capital's second skinniest house at 110 Goldhawk Road, Shepherds Bush, is up for sale



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island of Great Cumbrae of the North Ayrshire coast which is just 3ft 11in wide.

And 110 Goldhawk Road does open up a bit towards the back. The dining room is a mighty 10ft wide, and the garden is 13ft 6in at its widest point.

● If you are interested in viewing the house, call Faron Sutaria on 020 8740 7766 or simply drop in over Open House weekend, December 5 and 6.

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