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EASTENDERS ON THE SOUTH BANK TALENT GATHERS AT AGENCY PARTY

Famous names including Emma Barton, Rita Simons, Samantha Womack, Rachel Stevens and Arlene Phillips (above, from left, with talent manager Jonathan Shalit) made the most of the early summer sunshine at glamorous rooftop drinks last week.

The TV, music and West End stars were invited to the tenth birthday party of talent agency Cole Kitchenn, which is part of Jonathan's Roar Global group as was Pixie Lott. Other actors invited to the National Theatre's Deck bar in London included former EastEnders stars Louisa Lytton and Sid Owen.

Sparking speculation of a role on the BBC1 soap, former S Club 7 star Rachel was seen chatting to Samantha, who plays Ronnie Mitchell.

"There's been talks about EastEnders in the past, which would be really fun to do a cameo role in," Rachel has said. "EastEnders is my local. It's around the corner so it would be perfect."