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Message from the Leader

As I looked back over the last 12 months, I was extremely proud to be Leader of such a successful and thriving borough – regenerating four major estates, building new primary schools and developing enhanced infrastructure – all highly ambitious and incredibly beneficial projects.

Millions of pounds of funding has been acquired to invest in our impressive portfolio of regeneration – Brent Cross Cricklewood will see £4 billion spent over the next 18 years, totally funded by the developers. Grahame Park has been given £15.5m from the Housing Corporation to build 175 of the 3,000 new homes planned and the Department for Education and Skills has awarded Barnet £6.5m to raise the standard of primary schools.

In addition, we received the third highest Local Authority Business Growth Incentive (LAGBI) grant in London, a reward for growing the local business base, which should give us more freedom and flexibility to deliver economic growth, and £7m from the Communities and Local Government (CLG) growth fund towards improving transport links, in particular two railway bridges across Aerodrome Road in Colindale.

And why are we successful in acquiring all this funding? Because we have a clear vision.

In Barnet, we have a clearly thought out strategy for guiding the future planning, regeneration and development of the borough – the Three Strands Approach – to protect, enhance and grow.

- Protecting natural habitats, the Green Belt and other important open spaces
- Enhancing the quality of the built environment, infrastructure and local public services in some of our established neighbourhoods and historic suburbs
- Growing populations and creating new suburbs in those parts of the borough undergoing regeneration.

Brent Cross Cricklewood, Colindale, Grahame Park, Stonegrove and Spur Road, Mill Hill East and Dollis Valley will all see enormous changes over the next two decades, in addition to new 21st century primary and secondary schools, and more accessible transport links.

But the main message here is that Barnet is held in high esteem – it is trusted and respected, and is now becoming one of the most successful boroughs in one of the world's leading cities.

My responsibility and that of my colleagues is to ensure that when we grow we continue to be a classic suburban borough of exceptional quality and we do not strive to be like inner London – we are aiming to be the voice of all the London suburbs.

Councillor Mike Freer
Leader of the Council



Barnet's vision for the next four years

Barnet's Corporate Plan sets out the council's vision for the organisation. It shows how we will get to where we want to go over the next four years and it looks back at our progress to date.

The Corporate Plan sets out our targets which will be measured against our values and priorities. You can see these below.

You can also view copies of our Corporate Plan online at www.barnet.gov.uk/corporate-plan

Our values

Our values set out our aspirations for Barnet as an organisation and place, serving its residents:

- 1. Barnet – the place**
We want Barnet to play its part on the wider stage as a successful city suburb in a successful London.
- 2. Barnet – the people**
We want run a modern authority, working with our partners to meet the needs of our current and future customers.
- 3. Barnet – the organisation**
We want to provide high quality services at the lowest possible cost.

Our Corporate Priorities

Guided by our values, we have set ourselves six priorities over the next four years:

- 1. A Bright Future for Children and Young People**
Improving the quality of life of all Barnet's children and young people.
- 2. Clean, Green and Safe**
Ensuring that all our neighbourhoods are safe, clean and green place to live.
- 3. Supporting the Vulnerable**
Supporting vulnerable adults to live independent and active lives.
- 4. Strong and Healthy**
Ensuring Barnet has a thriving sense of community and our residents lead a healthy lifestyle.
- 5. A Successful Suburb**
Protecting and enhancing the best of Barnet while growing through successful regeneration and sustainable development.
- 6. More Choice, Better Value**
Providing community leadership, community choice and higher quality services at the lowest possible price.



Clockwise from top left: a bright future for children and young people; strong and healthy; supporting the vulnerable; clean, green and safe

Milestone for huge £500m regeneration scheme

One of Barnet Council's biggest regeneration schemes has reached a major milestone with the signing of an agreement to go ahead with the huge Grahame Park project in Colindale.



The council has gone into partnership with Choices for Grahame Park and PCHA, both members of the Genesis Housing Group, to provide nearly 3,000 high quality new homes.

Among them will be 1,000 affordable homes, 835 of which will be used to rehouse secure council tenants. Almost 2,000 homes will be for sale.

The 1,000-page agreement will enable detailed design work to begin on the first major phase of the scheme around the open space, followed by works at the southern end of the site.

The deal was signed by Councillor Anthony Finn, pictured front left, Cabinet Member for Strategic Development, and Anu Vedi, Chief Executive of Genesis Housing Group. They were joined at a ceremony by residents from Grahame Park.

Councillor Finn said he was delighted the contract had been signed and that the long-planned delivery of the new Grahame Park could now begin.

"Our partnership with Genesis and Choices, who have demonstrated significant expertise and commitment to the project, will bring a major injection of new life to Grahame Park as the regeneration of homes and facilities proceeds," he said.

Anne Dufton, Chief Executive of Choices for Grahame Park, said: "We're delighted to have the green light from the council to deliver the new homes, parks and community buildings that local residents have helped us design. The first homes will be ready for people to move into this autumn."



Spotlight on your ward

Finchley Church End

In this edition of Barnet First we shine the spotlight on Finchley Church End.



Church End was the administrative centre of the old Finchley parish and the church committee met at the Queen's Head inn.

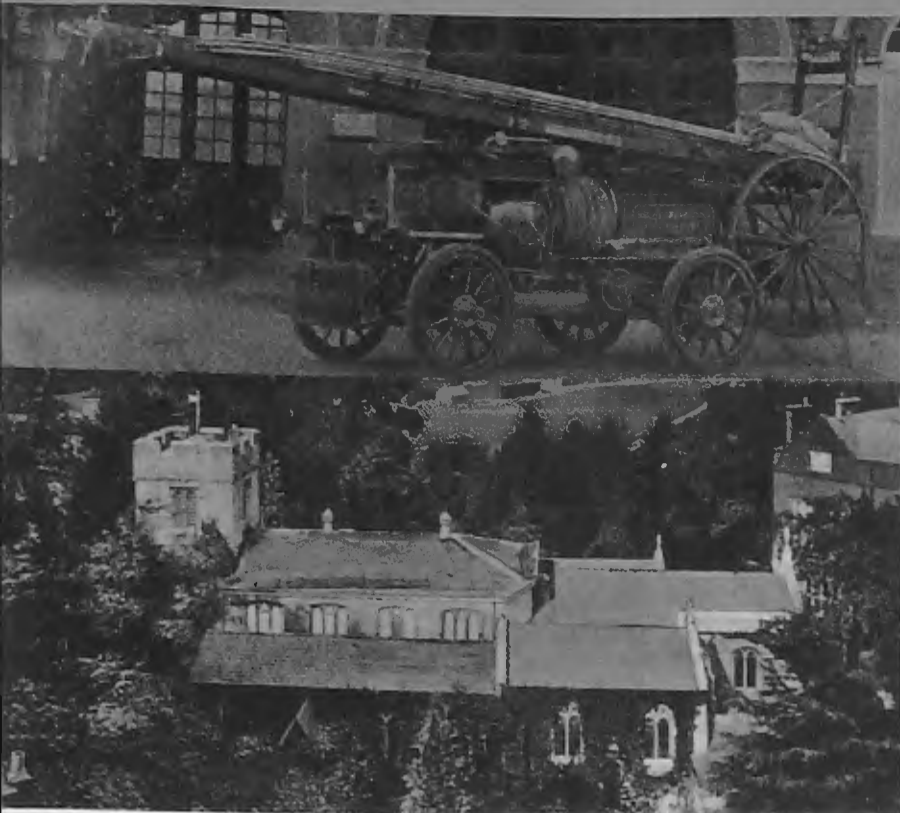
This inn originally stood in Hendon Lane where the library is today. But in May 1836 it was destroyed in a fire, which also killed "Old Jem" (James Smith), a groom. A local man called James Robinson was suspected of the crime and was examined at the Bald Faced Stag in East Finchley. Two of Robinson's drinking companions on the night in question, encouraged by a reward, testified that he had approached them in the Five Bells and asked them to "split", rather than give him up.

In May 1825 a new turnpike road from Marylebone to Tally Ho was announced. Finchley was to be charged £25 a year, a costly sum in those days, for the upkeep of the road between Golders Green and Finchley and locals were to be charged a toll if they travelled above 100 yards of the road's length. A gate was put up at

Nether Street and anyone who wanted to enter or leave Church End had to pay at the gate. By 1829 the road was complete, and the Turnpike's trust (which met at the Old Queen's Head in 1830) agreed to only consider complaints individually. Eventually the hated gate was moved to below the village, near the present Queen's Head in the 1860s, and the turnpike ceased shortly after.

Finchley Hall School opened in 1857, founded by the self-styled "Warden" Rev Thomas Reader White, rector of Finchley. Edward Roberts designed the main building and tower – his initials "ER" are still visible in the brickwork.

In 1861 the school changed its name to Christ's College. An advert in The Times gave details of what was on offer: "The object of this school is to afford a sound and superior education, on terms as moderate as are consistent with a thorough efficient educational establishment in the neighborhood of London."



Did you know?...

- With just under 14,000 residents, Finchley Church End is Barnet's smallest ward
- Just over 37% of residents in the ward own their home outright – the second highest rate in Barnet
- Over a quarter of working residents in Finchley Church End are in the real estate, renting or business activities sector
- Finchley Church End has the smallest number of residents aged under five in the borough.

* Figures taken from the 2001 census.

Images from left to right:

Finchley Congregationalists Chapel shortly after it opened in 1907 – now St Margaret's United Reform Church, it celebrates its 100th anniversary this year.

Christ's College first 15 of 1880-81, Rugby was introduced to the school in 1860s by Ben Allen. Old boy Charles Munroe later introduced the game to New Zealand.

(Top) Finchley's fire engine. In 1904 Finchley obtained the first motorised fire engine in Great Britain, which was kept at Church End. It is now in a collection at the Science Museum.

(Bottom) The Anglican parish church of St Mary's is documented from the 1270s. It was bombed in 1940 which led to the substantial rebuilding of the church in 1953.

The course of instruction comprises of the Holy Scripture, reading, writing, arithmetic, mental ditto, bookkeeping, mathematics, history, geography, natural philosophy, English composition, vocal music, drawing, Latin, Greek, French, German, drilling. Pupils prepared for the Universities. The greatest attention is paid to the religious and moral training of the pupils. They have each a separate bed, and care is taken to provide for their comfort and happiness...12 guineas per term for boys under 12 years of age; 15 guineas for boys above twelve years of age: no extras. Washing, stationary, and the use of books are included."

At the time teachers at the school received "£150 per annum with board and residence".

Among famous old boys are Charles Munroe, the founder of New Zealand's All Blacks rugby team, William Tritton, co-inventor of the tank, and Sir Jonathan Sacks, the present Chief Rabbi. Christ's College, now in East End Road, celebrates its 150th anniversary in 2007/8.

George Barham, of Express Dairies, obtained Sheephouse Farm in 1868. He had it rebuilt by a Fredrick Chancellor as a model dairy farm, renaming it after Christ's College. By the 1900s the company believed that College Farm was not viable as a real farm, so it was decided to adapt it to become a visitor centre in 1909.

The farm did not have an entirely peaceful history. In January 1898 Thomas Webb, foreman of the farm, left home at 9.30pm on an errand. A little later his wife heard a shot and rushed out to find her husband wounded in the throat. His last words were: "Oh Sophie, oh Sophie I am shot." No one knew why Webb was shot, and no-one was ever caught for the crime. The mystery remains.

* The information for this feature was provided by Barnet's Local Studies and Archives Centre, 80 Daws Lane, Mill Hill, NW7 4SL. Tel: 020 8959 6657 or email: library.archives@barnet.gov.uk

What's in Finchley Church End?

Schools

- Chalgrove Primary School, Chalgrove Gardens
- Pardes House Primary School, Hendon Lane
- St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dollis Park
- St Theresa's Roman Catholic Primary School, East End Road

Parks and open spaces

- Dollis Brook
- Finchley Cricket Club
- Wilf Slack Fields
- Windsor Open Space

Libraries

- Church End Library, Hendon Lane

Other services

- Hendon Crematorium
- Avenue House, the Stephens Collection and Park
- The Bothy

Your councillors

As with all of Barnet's 21 wards, Finchley Church End has three elected members, or councillors, who have been elected by the ward's residents to represent them. Councillors stand for four years at a time.

Councillor Mike Freer (Con) is the current Leader of the Council. He has been a ward councillor since 2001 and was a councillor for the St Paul's ward between 1990 and 1994.

Tel: 020 8349 2540 Email: cllr.m.freer@barnet.gov.uk

Councillor Eva Greenspan (Con) has served the ward since 1990. She is the current Mayor of Barnet (until mid-May).

Tel: 020 8203 1598 Email: cllr.e.greenspan@barnet.gov.uk

Councillor Daniel Thomas (Con) was elected in May 2006.

Tel: 020 8455 6459 Email: cllr.d.thomas@barnet.gov.uk

Meet your councillors

Barnet's councillors hold regular advice surgeries to give residents the chance to discuss any topics they wish to raise.

You can meet your Finchley Church End councillors on the first Wednesday of every month between 7.30 and 8.30pm at Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley N3. No appointment is necessary.



Get fit with Barnet's new leisure card

A new membership scheme offering a wide range of benefits and access to all the borough's seven leisure centres has been launched recently.

The Barnet Wellness Leisure Card gives residents a variety of membership options, so there is something for everyone. There are six different categories to choose from:



- Tots Wellness – for under fives
- Kidz Wellness – for children aged five to 10 years
- Active Wellness – for 11 to 15 years
- Wellness Health and Fitness – for people aged 16+ years
- Premier Wellness – offers access to leisure centres across London
- Club Wellness – designed for senior members, offering social events throughout the year

Just one membership card gives access to all Barnet's leisure centres – Barnet Burnt Oak, Barnet Cophall, Finchley Lido, Compton, Queen Elizabeth, Church Farm Swimming Pool and Hendon, which has just undergone a recent £600,000 revamp with a new state-of-the-art 60 station gym, two new dance studios and an upgraded climbing wall.

Residents, of course, do not need to be a member to use any of the leisure centres in Barnet and can just turn up and pay the activity price. But by joining the scheme they stand to gain significant savings, book activity sessions over the telephone and choose from a variety of different payment options.

Councillor Andrew Harper, Cabinet Member for Policy and Performance, said: "I hope the new Barnet Wellness Leisure Card encourages even more people to get fit and healthy by making the most of our excellent leisure centres."

For more information drop in to your nearest leisure centre or visit www.gll.org

High-tech youth club rolls into town

A state-of-the-art single-decker bus has been touring the borough to give Barnet's young people an opportunity to try out some of the multimedia facilities on board the £150,000 'youth club on wheels'.

The bus is packed with facilities that appeal to youngsters, including iPod mixing decks, onboard speakers and microphones, DVD players, laptop computers and games consoles.

The bus – named Rolling Base – was purchased this year through a combination of funding from Barnet Council, Connexions and the Barnet Safer Communities Partnership.

Run by Barnet Community Transport, it is now out and about being enjoyed by the young people of the borough.

Councillor Brian Coleman, Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Community Engagement and chairman of the Safer Communities Partnership, said: "This is a 21st century response to the calls of young people to provide them with enjoyable and accessible activities.



"If young people are not using conventional youth clubs, then we will go to them. I am sure Rolling Base will be a success throughout Barnet."

Rolling Base can be booked by schools, youth groups or community groups, and can be found at various locations around the borough. For information on its whereabouts or to find out more, visit www.rollingbase.co.uk or call 020 8359 5025.

Take Pride in Barnet

Barnet's new anti-litter and graffiti campaign is underway.

Enforcement against litter louts will be stepped up, with offenders liable for fixed penalties of up to £80 for dropping cigarette butts, chewing gum and other litter.

The strategy, Take Pride in Barnet, also incorporates an upgraded street cleaning service to keep our borough clean, green and safe.

Look out for anti-litter roadshows which will be touring the borough this summer.

Bulldogs rise to Youth Challenge

Barnet Bulldogs basketball squad have been crowned the winners of the borough's first ever Youth Challenge competition.

The Bulldogs beat off stiff competition from three other finalists, the Rolling Base Youth Bus, London Academy Music and Gap, to claim the £1,000 prize.

Youth Challenge is the first event of its kind in the borough to champion the activities of 13 to 19 year olds who are developing and running youth projects in their local community.

The projects are funded by the Youth Opportunity Fund – a government initiative set up last year to provide young people from across the UK with things to do and places to go.

Barnet Council administers the fund locally but young people are involved in every step of the funding process through Barnet Youth Bank. They put forward ideas, decide which projects to fund and participate in the projects. Last year over £370,000 was allocated to 25 youth projects and to develop a drop-in centre at Hendon.

And it was the borough's young people who produced and presented Youth Challenge, which was held at Friern Barnet School. The event was an opportunity for them to showcase their exciting projects, which include sport, music, dance, charity, youth clubs, gardening and motorbike maintenance, in front of a specially-invited audience and to compete for the Barnet Youth Challenge prize of £1,000.

The Bulldogs triumphed after being judged by the audience to have had the most impact on their local community.

Councillor Fiona Bulmer, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, said: "I would like to congratulate Barnet Bulldogs on winning Barnet's Youth Challenge competition.

"Since we began funding projects through the Youth Opportunity Fund I have been impressed at the quality of projects being developed by young people and the mature way in which they have acted as project leaders and decision makers. The event was a marvellous showcase of their achievements and hard work."

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Business forum established to plan for emergencies

It's not too late for business owners in Barnet to join the borough's newly established Business Continuity Forum.

Set up earlier this year, it provides a platform for business people, and representatives of voluntary and community groups, to discuss ways to make their organisations more resilient in emergencies and set up mutual assistance networks.

The first meeting of the group was at the council's base at North London Business Park in New Southgate earlier in 2007 and the second gathering was due to take place at Middlesex University at the end of April.

The forum is particularly keen to attract more small businesses. To sign up, or for more information, log onto Barnet Online or call 020 8359 7757.

A better environment for business

Barnet businesses are invited to a conference this summer to develop and share good environmental practice and promote innovation.

High-profile speakers are being lined up, along with workshops on how the council and businesses can work together to ensure high standards of environmental responsibility.

Topics to be covered include improving the trading environment in town centres, recycling and waste minimisation, energy and sustainable design and construction.

Major firms operating in the borough have already signed up and the event promises to be an excellent networking opportunity.

To book a place or request further details, contact Debbie Watson on 020 8359 7248.

Smokefree laws – Carers need support too act now

From 1 July smoking will be banned in workplaces and enclosed public spaces.

Businesses need to prepare for this as they will be responsible for:

- displaying the correct No Smoking signs prominently at all public entrances
- taking steps to make sure that neither staff nor customers smoke within their premises.

To help ensure the new legislation is introduced successfully in the borough, Barnet Council will be running free conferences in May to give businesses all the help they need to comply with the new laws.

Important information will be provided to help all businesses understand what the law means for them, the requirements for signs, implications for work vehicles, planning controls covering smoking shelters and litter bins, exemptions and the penalties for breaching the legislation.

Specific events will be held for pubs and clubs and care homes.
Call 020 8359 7518 to book your place.

More information is available at www.barnet.gov.uk and www.smokefreelondon.com
You can also register to receive an information pack at www.smokefreeengland.co.uk/stayinformed or call their information line on 0800 169 169 7.

Get help to kick the habit

The law is primarily aimed at protecting employees from the dangers of secondhand smoke, but will help reduce the total number of smoking-related deaths.

Evidence from areas which have already gone smokefree shows that many people take the opportunity to kick the habit.

Help is available from the Barnet Stop Smoking Service. With the service's support your chances of stopping – and staying stopped – are 70% more than if you try alone.

In the last two years over 3,000 people have quit with the help of this free service and its specialist advisors.

The service can be accessed in a number of ways including:

- Pharmacy and GP support
- Group support
- Individual sessions
- Specialist service for pregnant women
- Telephone and text message support
- Local hospitals – Edgware Community Hospital, Finchley Memorial Hospital and Barnet Hospital
- Local businesses.

If you think your workplace would benefit from a clinic on-site, or for any further information, call the Barnet Stop Smoking Service free on 0800 32 82 784.

Carers need support too

Are you one of 30,000 carers living in Barnet? Do you provide help and support to a friend or relative who could not manage otherwise? Did you know you could receive support from the council?

Although caring for someone can be rewarding, it can also be emotionally and physically demanding.

You could be entitled to a break from your caring role, help with housework, training, or Direct Payments to help pay for leisure activities or buy equipment.

You can also be put in contact with other carers, and get information and advice.

Barnet Carers Centre also provides a range of services for carers – including a telephone helpline, one-to-one counselling, support groups, welfare benefit surgeries, relaxation days, stressbuster evenings, training and information sessions, respite breaks and daytrips.

Forthcoming events

- Carers Week 2007 – 'My Life as a Carer':
11-15 June 2007

Visit www.barnetcarers.org for information about the activities running

For more information phone Barnet Council on 020 8359 2000 and ask to speak to a social worker, or contact the Barnet Carers Centre on 020 8343 9698, email admin@barnetcarers.org or visit www.barnetcarers.org

Barnet Carers Centre can organise daytrips for carers to take a break



You say we're doing a good job!

Almost three quarters of residents think the council is doing a good job, according to the annual residents survey carried out earlier this year.

The figures, taken from interviews with just over 1,000 people living in Barnet, also showed a large majority of residents (87%) are satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live. And young people are even more satisfied than adults.

The borough ranks better than the London average for refuse collection, recycling, street cleaning, parks, playgrounds and open spaces, as well both primary and secondary education. In fact satisfaction with parks, playgrounds and open spaces has improved strongly, up 10% on last year.

Barnet Council commissions an extensive survey every year to gauge residents' satisfaction with services. We want to know what

we are doing right – and what we need to do better.

General satisfaction with leisure services is below the London average, however satisfaction among actual users of leisure services is above the London average.

The survey also showed that almost half of residents feel that "the council doesn't do enough for people like me". We will be analysing this issue by carrying out further consultation to see how we can address concerns.

Satisfaction with almost all council services is higher among young people than adults. This is the second time the survey was also conducted with young people.

Look for the Scores on the Doors

Have you ever wondered what the kitchens are really like at your favourite restaurant?

From 11 June diners in Barnet will be able to find out at a glance thanks to an innovative new system being trialled across London.

Just look for the Scores on the Doors! Cafes, restaurants, takeaways and shops will be graded under a star rating system, running from zero stars at the worst to five stars for those with the highest standards of hygiene and management. The proprietors will be given official stickers, like the one pictured, displaying their rating. If your favourite restaurant is not displaying a sticker ask them why not!

Only an elite 14 businesses in Barnet are currently eligible for the maximum five stars which indicates total compliance with legal requirements.

The scheme's aim is to drive up standards and push this number up, so that you can be confident that

your food is always being prepared in full compliance with food safety requirements.

You will also be able to check the rating online before you go out. When the scheme is launched visit www.yourlondon.gov.uk

Barnet Council is the lead authority for the project in London. Councillor Melvin Cohen, Cabinet Member for Environmental Protection, said: "This is an extremely good idea and I'm proud that Barnet has been at the forefront of this campaign to raise standards and achieve a consistent scheme across London.

"Businesses with a poor score will have to lift their game because customers will see the ratings and vote with their feet while restaurants with the right attitude towards hygiene will reap the rewards."

The Scores on the Doors scheme pilot is supported by the Food Standards Agency.



Mayor honours residents at Barnet's Oscars!

The Mayor of Barnet, Councillor Eva Greenspan, honoured 43 people who make a difference to life in Barnet at the prestigious annual Civic Awards ceremony earlier this year.

Pictured with the Mayor on the Town Hall's sweeping staircase are all the winners, with the six outstanding people chosen to receive a framed vellum in the foreground. (Left to right) David Smith, Pauline King, Jenny Gridley, the Mayor, Charilaos Kitromilides, Revd Bernd Koschland and Jyoti Shah.



Royal reopening for Frith Manor

The Duke of Gloucester reopened a new-look Frith Manor Primary School in March – almost four and half years after a devastating fire destroyed most of the original building.

Greeted by a sea of flag-waving pupils who were dressed for the occasion in national costumes from around the world, the royal visitor toured the new school and unveiled a commemorative plaque.

Costing in the region of £7m, the school, built on the original site at Lullington Garth, Woodside Park, now boasts 18 new classrooms, a timber-detailed assembly hall, a library, a science room and art room, as well as a new office and administration area. The new building, complete with state-of-the-art computer equipment and interactive whiteboards, has capacity for over 700 pupils. The building's landscaped design includes play areas for all class groups and an impressive amphitheatre.

The Duke spent over an hour at the school and praised all the different parties involved in developing the impressive new building. He also signed a special visitors' book to mark the occasion.

Headteacher Reginald Herring has helped oversee the reconstruction. He was just about to take up his new post at the 1920s-built primary school when the fire almost destroyed it in

“The new building is magnificent and is a credit to all those who have worked so hard to bring this project to such a successful conclusion.”



August 2002. Twelve classrooms were gutted, there was no water, electricity or toilets

and many years worth of teaching materials were lost. All that remained were a couple of classrooms and the gym.

Barnet Council proposed rebuilding the school on the same site and within three weeks a temporary school reopened with 10 classrooms and a computer and staff room.

Mr Herring said: “With the strong support

Duke of Gloucester arriving at Frith Manor of Barnet Council and the school governors we embarked on a four year rebuilding project which has now reached a wonderful end. To teach and learn in our new buildings is a joy for all the community.”

Councillor Fiona Bulmer, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, said: “This truly is a happy ending for Frith Manor Primary School and everyone who has been involved in its reconstruction. The new building is magnificent and is a credit to all those who have worked so hard to bring this project to such a successful conclusion.”

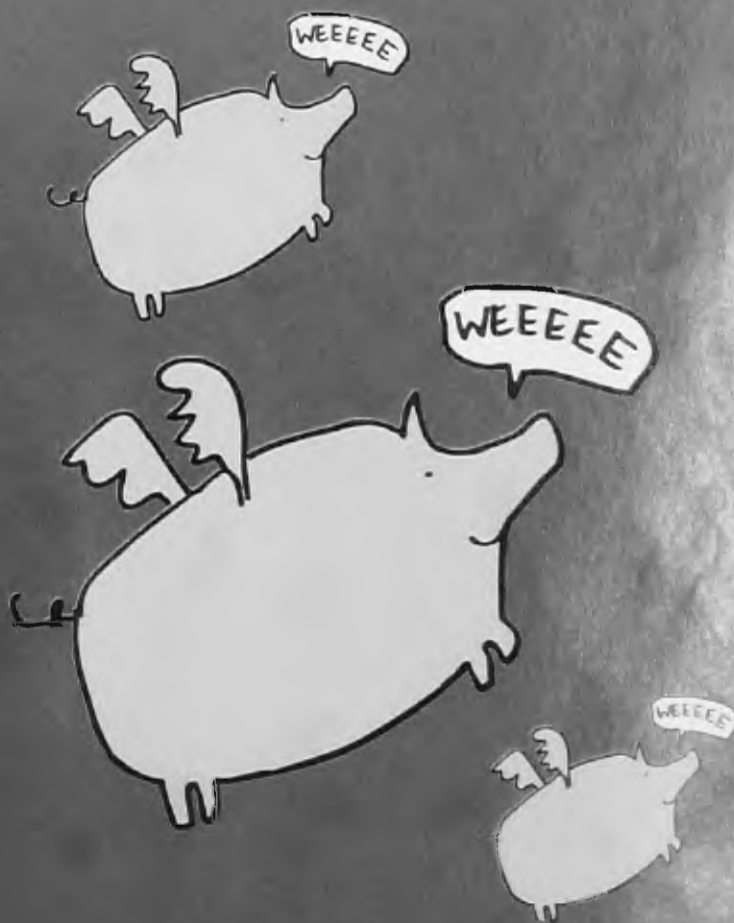
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If you're a Londoner looking to buy your first home, you may be eligible to receive an equity loan of up to 25% of the cost of buying a home on the open market. It's free for 5 years so you don't have to wait for the 2012 Olympics to put yourself in your first place!

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Climate change and recycling

Climate change has been all over the news recently, but what does it mean and how can we help stop it?

Basically the earth's temperature is rising at an unnatural rate.

Very simply, we **MUST** reduce our CO₂ emissions. And by recycling you can help to do this.

Research shows that current UK recycling saves 10-15 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent gases a year – the same as taking 3.5 million cars off the road.

It has also been shown that making one glass bottle from recycled glass rather than virgin glass saves enough energy to power a 100 watt light bulb for almost an hour.

Just one recycled aluminium can saves enough energy to run a television for **three hours!**

So by doing something small and simple like putting a glass bottle into your black recycling box you can have a positive impact on the planet. It really is as easy as that!

If you are not recycling, start today.

You can recycle through the Black Box scheme, or communal recycling facilities if you live in a flat. If you are already recycling, carry on recycling as much as you can and log onto www.barnet.gov.uk/waste-minimisation to see other ways in which you can benefit the planet by reducing the amount of waste you throw away.

To order a FREE Black Box contact ECT Recycling:

Tel: 020 8371 3670

Email: barnet@ectrecycling.co.uk

Web: www.barnet.gov.uk/recycle-from-home



Councillor Matthew Offord with a Black Box showing different materials that can be recycled

Flats campaign a success

A successful flats recycling campaign showing flats residents how to make the most of their recycling facilities has come to a close. The campaign, funded by WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme) was specifically aimed at residents of flats with communal recycling facilities.



During the campaign over 13,500 flats were visited by recycling promoters who gave residents face-to-face advice, provided information leaflets, and placed improved signage on their recycling bins. The recycling promoters also offered residents a free reusable recycling bag to help them store their recyclables before they are taken out to their communal recycling bins.

Following the promotional campaign more flats' residents said that they were aware of and using their recycling facilities. In general, residents were recycling a wider range of materials and 71% said they were now recycling weekly, up nearly 20% from before the start of the campaign. Great news!

If you live in a flat and would like a free reusable bag to store your recyclables before transferring them to your communal bin, pick one up at your local library during May.

Primary schools recycling competition runs again

This summer term a familiar event on the school calendar returns. The annual primary schools recycling competition is back.

Last year over 500 pupils from primary schools across the borough took part in a poster competition. Last year's overall winning poster (pictured), created

by Rebecca Maurer, was displayed across the borough with thousands of people seeing it every day.

For this year's competition we are hoping for even more entries. If you want to take part in the competition look out for details at www.barnet.gov.uk/recycling or ask your school for more information. Teachers can contact the Waste and Sustainability team for more details on 020 8359 7400 or recycling@barnet.gov.uk and look out for information in the schools circular.



Make your borough bloom!

This is the 17th year of Barnet in Bloom and we want everyone who lives or works here to take pride in Barnet and make it London's brightest and most vibrant borough.



(Top) Ron and Miriam Raymond's front garden, Great North Road, Barnet
(Above) Builders Arms, New Barnet

You don't need a large garden or a great deal of gardening expertise to enter the competition – your balcony, floral display, or communal garden could win a prize as well!

As a greener, cleaner borough we care for our environment, with our commitment to recycling, reducing litter and water conservation. This year our judges will take into account the impact your entry has on the environment.

- Do you recycle water or make your own compost instead of buying peat?
- Do you plant drought-resistant and hardy plants?
- Do you keep pests under control by encouraging birds, hedgehogs and ladybirds into your garden, instead of using pesticides?

A trophy and Greenhouse Garden Centre vouchers will be awarded to the top three entries in each of the eight categories and the finalists will go on to represent Barnet in the London in Bloom competition.

So enter now! The entry forms are also available from our sponsor Greenhouse Garden Centre in Kingsbury, from Rosalie Owen, florist, in Whetstone, Barnet libraries, leisure centres and council offices or online at www.barnet.gov.uk

For more information or an entry form contact Jane Bamber, Events Officer, on 020 8359 2493.

All entries must be received by Friday 15 June 2007.

Please send entries to: Jane Bamber, Events Officer, Barnet Council, Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London N11 1NP

Entry Form

I wish to enter (please tick):

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Front Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Communal Gardens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Most Innovative Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Bloomin' Pub or Restaurant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Balcony Display | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Floral Display and/or Garden Outside a Place of Worship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Educational Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Floral Display |

Name (please print) _____

School/organisation (if applicable) _____

If you are awarded a certificate, this is the name (or the name of your school/organisation) that will appear on it.

Address _____

Postcode _____

Telephone/Fax _____

Email _____

I have read and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this competition. Full terms and conditions are available on the entry form or online at www.barnet.gov.uk/bib.

Please note that your entry will not be accepted if you do not agree to the terms and conditions, and if your signature does not appear below.

Signature _____

Date _____

What's on in Barnet during May and June 2007



Leisure/pastimes

The Area in View

23 May 7.45pm

St John's Church Hall, Friern Barnet Lane, N20. Friern Barnet and District Local History Society film show. Light refreshments provided. Cost: members – free, non-members – £2

Calligraphy for adults

9 June 10am – 4pm

Museum of Domestic Design and Architecture, Middlesex University, Cat Hill, East Barnet, EN4. An introductory workshop to allow participants to view the scope and subtleties of hand lettering. Lunch not provided. Cost: £40, concessions £30. To book call 020 8411 4394 or email: moda@mdx.ac.uk

Music

Bach by Eyal Kless

8 May 7.30pm

London Jewish Cultural Centre, Ivy House, North End Road, NW11 7SX. A member of ROSCO Piano Quartet, Professor at the Royal Northern College of Music and Chethams School of Music in Manchester, Eyal Kless performs. For more information call 020 8457 5000 or email: events@ljcc.org.uk

Mozart's Requiem

9 June

St Michael's Church, Flower Lane, Mill Hill, NW7. As part of the Mill Hill Festival, the Mozart Requiem will be performed by the London Pro Arte Choir with professional soloists and instrumentalists. Cost: £12, concessions £10

Arts

Absence and Loss by Marion Davies Until 18 May

London Jewish Cultural Centre, Ivy House, North End Road, NW11 7SX. Photographic exhibition offering a perspective of the Holocaust. For more information call 020 8457 5000 or email: events@ljcc.org.uk. Gallery open Mon – Thurs 11am to 5pm, Fri 11am – 2pm, closed on Wednesdays

Finchley Arts Society Spring Exhibition

5 – 20 May

Trinity Church Centre, Nether Street, N12. Collection of paintings by members of the society for sale. Admission: free

Sport/fitness

Walks weekends

Various starting points

Barnet weekend walks with Paul Baker, City of London guide. Barnet Ghosts, Battle of Barnet, In the Footsteps of the Famous (Pepys, Dickens, Spike Milligan), Historic High Barnet, Georgian Monken Hadley. Telephone 020 8440 6805 for further details. Cost: £6, under 12s: £3.

'Bloom With A View' – Adult Learners Week

19-25 May

Whether you're the next Alan Titchmarsh or just enjoying walking through your local park, there are events to help your interests blossom. Throughout Adult Learners Week, there will be garden and Spring-themed activities to inform and amuse. Look in your local library for more details.

Miscellaneous

Finchley Army Cadet Force

Every Monday and Wednesday

7.30 – 9.30pm

Finchley Cadet Centre, 444 High Road, Finchley, N12 0AE. A national youth organisation for young people aged between 12 and 18 providing challenging, adventurous and fun activities, including military tactics, physical training, first aid and much more. Cost: free.

Barnet Plus Social and Leisure Group

Sunday nights 8.45pm

Upstairs function room, The Bull and Butcher, 1277 High Road, Whetstone. Social and leisure activities for 18 to 35-year-olds. More details: visit www.barnetplus.com or call Mark on 020 8361 2827. Cost: free.

Council meetings – dates for your diary

Meetings are open to the public and are generally held at the Town Hall, Hendon starting at 7pm, unless otherwise stated. The Area Forums (which start at 6.30pm) meet at a variety of venues around the borough, and details can be found online, on our posters or by contacting the Democratic Services team on 020 8359 2031. Members of the public can ask to speak at most meetings subject to prior notice. Further information can be obtained by contacting Democratic Services.

May

- 8 Licensing
- 8 Cabinet
- 9 Planning and Environment Committee
- 14 Cabinet Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 15 Annual Council meeting
- 21 Tackling Crime and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 22 Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee
- 23 Hendon Area Planning Sub-Committee
- 24 Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Sub-Committee
- 29 First Class Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 30 Barnet Area Forum; Finchley Area Forum; Hendon Area Forum
- 31 Supporting the Vulnerable in our Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee

June

- 4 Resources, Performance and Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 5 General Functions; Standards Committee
- 6 Planning and Environment Committee
- 7 Chipping Barnet Area Environment Sub-Committee; Finchley and Golders Green Area Environment Sub-Committee; Hendon Area Environment Sub-Committee
- 12 Cleaner, Greener, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- 18 Cabinet
- 19 Edgware, Burnt Oak and Mill Hill Area Forum; Golders Green and Childs Hill Area Forum; Whetstone Area Forum
- 20 Cabinet Resources Committee
- 25 Cabinet Overview and Scrutiny
- 26 Council
- 27 Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee; Hendon Area Planning Sub-Committee
- 28 Audit; Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Sub-Committee

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Meet... your members

Note: All codes are 020 unless otherwise indicated.

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10 – 11am

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First and third Saturday every
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Colney Hatch Lane, N10
10.30am – 12noon

Other Saturdays, Friern Barnet
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10.30am – 12noon

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Barnet Library, Friern Barnet Road,
N11
10.30am – 12noon

Second Saturday every month,
Hollickwood School, Sydney Road,
N10 1.30pm – 3pm

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Surgery details:
First Saturday of each month, New
Barnet Community Centre, 48-50
Victoria Road, New Barnet, EN4
10.30am – 12noon

Third Saturday of each month,
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Road, East Barnet, EN4
10.30am – 12noon

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10 – 11.30am

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5.30 – 6.30pm

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Surgery details:

Second Sunday every month,
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Green Road, NW11
2.15 – 3.15pm

Fourth Sunday every month,
Hendon Sports Centre, Marble
Drive, Brent Cross, NW2
12noon – 1pm

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Surgery details:

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Library, Hale Lane, Edgware, HA8,
and Mill Hill Library, Hartley
Avenue, NW7 (so 7 September –
MH, 5 October – Edgware)
6 – 7.30pm

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Hendon, NW4
6 – 7pm

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Every Saturday, Chipping Barnet
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3.30 – 5pm

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Surgery details:

Third Saturday every month,
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10.30am – 12noon

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10am – 12noon

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6 – 8pm

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Surgery details:

First Saturday of every month at
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Road, N11 10.30am-12noon

Third Saturday every month,
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Whetstone, N20
10.30am – 12noon

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10.30am – 12noon

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10.30am – 12noon

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Barnet Online enters the UK's Top 20

Your council's revamped website – www.barnet.gov.uk – is officially in the top 20 best sites in the country!

The highly regarded annual survey that rated us as among the leading lights nationwide highlighted the transactions residents can complete online.

Only 17 councils were rated excellent for the usefulness of their website content and Barnet was among these trailblazing authorities.

“The range and quality of the information is truly impressive and we have the potential to keep adding new areas to explore.”

The high level of interaction possible on our website was also highlighted. The Society of Information Technology Managers was impressed that residents can view planning applications online, make online payments, renew library books and use our site to report abandoned vehicles and highways problems quickly and easily.

Leader of the Council Councillor Mike Freer said: “Featuring in the top 20 is a fantastic achievement as 544 councils were assessed.

“More and more people are using our website as their first point of contact with

the council so it is vital that our site continues to be so informative and clear.

“The range and quality of the information is truly impressive and we have the potential to keep adding new areas to explore.

“I strongly recommend everyone to have a look.”

The new-look site went live in December 2005 and has now been recognised as one of the six most improved in the country and picked out as a model of good practice for others to follow.

Currently the top five most visited areas are:

- **Jobs at the council**
- **Online planning applications**
- **Housing**
- **A-Z of services**
- **Contact us (and online forms)**

From 1965 to 2021 – Barnet Planning Online

Barnet's online planning pages are among the most viewed on the council's website.

If you visit www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-applications you will be able to look at details of current planning applications in your area and even submit your comments online.

Not only this, but you can also trawl through the archives in a matter of seconds and look up applications received since 1965.

The latest addition to the site will take you well into the future. Barnet's Unitary Development Plan (UDP) sets out a framework for policies and plans for the borough's land and buildings for the next 15 years.

You can find this at www.barnet.gov.uk/udp-online

As well as information on topics including open spaces, regeneration, transport and employment to name just a handful, you can also use an interactive map to study the whole borough or zoom in to your area.

It is even possible to search by postcode or street name so you can find out what policies are in place to protect or enhance your local neighbourhood.

Cabinet Member for Environment and Planning Councillor Melvin Cohen said: “This map is a fabulous way to let people see how the council is working to make Barnet a successful suburb.

“The UDP is a very comprehensive document but this feature really allows residents to focus on the area that matters most to them – the street where they live.”

An updated summary to Barnet's overall strategy for planning and regeneration which sets out our three guiding principles – Protect, Enhance and Growth – can also be found on the planning pages of www.barnet.gov.uk

The Three Strands Approach document looks at Barnet's unique features as a suburban borough and gives an update on progress with the regeneration projects we are undertaking. It describes how we will continue to preserve all that's best about Barnet while improving areas like town centres.

Step into the past online

Visitors to the Church Farmhouse Museum have for years enjoyed exploring the centuries-old building in Hendon – and now you can do it online.

New for 2007, the council's website Barnet Online now includes a link to a comprehensive virtual panoramic tour of the museum, encompassing the kitchen, laundry room, dining room, shop and exhibition space – as well as images from one of its most successful temporary exhibitions, a Victorian Christmas. It is designed particularly for schoolchildren to use while studying the Victorian era.

Future developments include introducing the capability to click on items of interest and find out their history.

Councillor John Marshall, Cabinet Member for Learning Infrastructure, said: “Church Farmhouse Museum is one of Barnet's gems, and this facility will open it up to the world.

“I hope that visiting the website will attract even more visitors to come and sample the exhibitions on offer here during 2007.”

Browsers can log on to the virtual tour by visiting www.barnet.gov.uk/general-information-museums-galleries

Webwatch

What's new on Barnet Online in May and June?

To find details of CCTV cameras in the borough visit:

www.barnet.gov.uk/cctv

Barnet's Unitary Development Plan sets out the most effective use of the borough's land in the public interest and is used to guide whether planning applications should be approved. To view an electronic version visit:

www.barnet.gov.uk/udp-online

The Choice Adviser helps and supports Barnet parents/carers to make the best and most realistic choice of secondary school for their child. For more information visit:

www.barnet.gov.uk/choice-adviser

Details of the Safeguarding Children's Board and training for children workers can be found at:

www.barnet.gov.uk/safeguarding-children-board