

FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM

17 JUNE 2010

ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING

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| 1 | <p>Petition from Finchley Church End Residents objecting to the proposal for an improved pedestrian crossing facility on East End Road in close proximity to the junction with Manor View and entrance to The Sternberg Centre – Drawing No 60594 cp 001 – March 2010</p> <p><i>Ms J A Durrant</i></p> | <p>Officers recently had a constructive meeting with Councillor Greenspan and residents to discuss concerns raised and it was subsequently agreed that a further meeting should take place on site to review the proposals and to consider additional points raised by the residents. The meeting will be arranged once utility works in the area have been completed which is expected to be by the second week of July.</p> <p><i>Neil Richardson – Acting Highways Manager – Traffic and Development</i></p> |
| 2 | <p>Barnet Website</p> <p>The Barnet Website used to have a section called 'Halls for Hire' where local organisations could give details of halls or rooms that could be hired by the public. Golders Green Unitarians in Hoop Lane had an entry.</p> <p>When I looked on the website recently I could not find this section. Has the information been removed, and, if so, what was the reason.</p> <p><i>Andrew Tucker</i></p> | <p>The Council website has not carried this information for approximately four years. This list was duplicating a more up to date list provided by Barnet Voluntary Services Council (now CommUnity Barnet). It was considered a poor use of taxpayers money to duplicate a service better provided by another body.</p> <p><i>Chris Palmer Assistant Director – Barnet Communications</i></p> |

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| 3 | <p>Licensing Issues</p> <p>Alcohol Related Crime has dropped significantly (25%) in the Tally Ho Area of North Finchley from 2006 to 2009.</p> <p>Nationally no one is reporting a reduction in Alcohol Related Crime.</p> <p>This Crime Reduction has been achieved by effective action by Barnet Council, Barnet Police and residents.</p> <p><i>Ian Murphy</i></p> | <p>There has been a 54% fall in recorded serious violence offences in the Tally Ho area between 2006 – 2009.</p> <p><i>Paul Lamb - Community Protection Group Manager Environment and Operations</i></p> |
| 4. | <p>The pavement verge on Claremont Road between the Millennium Green and Brent Terrace is particularly dirty. We think that the undergrowth needs clearing so that it doesn't attract all the litter, as it does at the moment. Also the pavement around the bins by the shop at the corner of Claremont Road and Brent Terrace is strewn with litter. We would be very grateful if this matter could be looked into as soon as possible.</p> <p><i>Pauline McKinnell Cricklewood Community Forum</i></p> | <p>This location is subject to the Scheduled, Neighbourhood Sweep, Signature Service Cleanse, on a 4 weekly rotation. It is included in Beat 514 and contained within the 'Week 2' schedules. Which were last carried out during the Week start 31/5/10 – this will be repeated during Week start 28/6/10.</p> <p>The location is serviced by Town centre support team 3 and is also classified as a Litter Hotspot, receiving additional resources by Hotspot team 5 throughout the week (but not weekends since April) – The location suffers from detritus build-up due to the Transfer Station adjacent (this is being monitored by The Environment Agency & LBB).</p> <p>The recent footway relay (relaying of paving slabs) along Claremont Road required Shrubs and grass verges to be cut back & redefined - Grounds Maintenance have been asked to carry out works on 'Responsive maintenance'.</p> <p>Additional resources are placed at peak periods to minimise the affect of litter/wind blown detritus.</p> <p><i>Dave Ward – Street Cleansing & Ancillary Manager</i></p> |

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| 5. | <p>11 Mountfield Road – N3 3ND Property let out to DHS tenants. House in disrepair, overgrown garden, bedding and trash in garden. Cigarette ends and used condoms thrown into neighbours garden.</p> | <p>Officers from the Council’s Temporary Accommodation Service have discovered that the company which owns the property is in receivership. The Temporary Accommodation Service has placements in three of the flats and the rest are occupied by private tenants now managed by the Receivers - Chart Property Partnership.</p> <p>The managing agents have been contacted and they will attend to rubbish in the front and back gardens tomorrow, and cut the grass on Saturday.</p> <p>Appropriate letters have been sent by the Council to the residents in temporary accommodation. Information about antisocial behaviour complaints has been sent to the Receivers to address with the private tenants.</p> <p><i>Sente Masemola – Temporary Accommodation Service</i></p> |

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| 6. | <p>Question for Area Forum from CLAN Residents' Association</p> <p>The business at 58 Crewys Road in Childs Hill (called Pangaea) throws out far more rubbish than will fit in its bin. By Friday afternoon, just one day after the bins are emptied, its bin is overflowing. By the following bin collection day, garbage is heaped on the ground beside the bin. Some is left loose, while sometimes the rubbish bags are torn open by animals. The rubbish scatters across the pavement and works its way all down the street. In addition, Pangaea throw out items that cannot be collected by the weekly collection, such as large plastic drums in which chemicals have been delivered and even an old washbasin, which have been left there for weeks. Could the council arrange for Pangaea to have all its waste properly removed?</p> <p><i>Geraldine Dunham</i></p> | <p>The Public Health Team District Officer will contact the business at 58 Crewys Road to properly dispose of their refuse.</p> <p>The Trade Waste Team have been advised and may contact the business if they have not got adequate bins.</p> <p>If inert refuse is overflowing on the site, the Public Health Team would not have enforcement powers to deal with this problem formally.</p> <p>If there is evidence of food waste or soft furnishings not being stored in bins properly after the District Officer has visited in the forthcoming week, please contact us again as this may attract pests.</p> <p>Waste like the wash basin and drums, if not leaking or empty, can be classified as inert. The owners will be asked to clear them, however officers may not have formal powers to get these removed.</p> <p>If you have further queries please at the first stage contact the district officer or ring 0208 359 7995</p> <p><i>Ralph Haynes, Group Manager Noise, Nuisance and Public Health, Environmental Health</i></p> <p>The site has been visited and the owner has been contacted with regards to the issues raised – The 1100lt bin was upgraded last year to accommodate trade waste produced. The owner confirms that an attack on the waste by foxes had caused some waste to affect the Highways but this was cleared by staff promptly – Waste on site was contained within the bin, at the time of the visit but a small quantity of black bags</p> |

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| | | <p>were placed next to the doorway – The Refuse collection is carried out by R1 on Thursday (tomorrow) so the full bin would be understandable (The owner, will arrange for these to be secured, from foxes) The wash basin mentioned was at the location, but the owner, states that this will be taken to the local tip by his building contractor on completion of works at the address. Priority Intervention Team officers have visited the address on previous occasions, in the last few months, in respect of Cigarette litter, (unfounded/Measures in place/No evidence found at time of visits) reported by a local resident. No concerns for Trade Waste capacity or EPA infringements have been highlighted by either department. The owner is undergoing a review of waste for the company, in respect to recycling and is looking at issues in general. – From the information provided by site visits, historic evidence & departmental comments, I feel that the Company are conforming with their ‘Duty of Care’ under the EPA 1990.</p> <p><i>Dave Ward – Street Cleansing & Ancillary Manager</i></p> |