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CDT survey results

In the August edition of *THE ARCHER* the CDT asked readers what facilities they would like to see developed in East Finchley.

The replies were very similar to those that were collected by the CDT at the community festival.

New toilets in the High Street and removing graffiti were high priorities, as were improvements to Cherry Tree Wood such as play equipment for older children, improvements to the café, more and better benches, more dustbins and better use of the pavilion.

But new ideas included improving The Walks, revamping the Neighbourhood Community Centre, spending money to reduce crime, CCTV cameras in the High Street, and asking for volunteers to remove graffiti.

The trust says that it is very grateful to those who have responded. All the ideas, including those for which there is not space to mention here, have been listed and circulated to members of the CDT steering committee.

Ideas on transport will be passed on to the Local Agenda 21 Traffic and Transport group.

Further suggestions will be very welcome at the open afternoon from 1-3pm, Saturday 10 November at the Youth Theatre. For more information about the CDT contact Martin O'Donnell on 8883 4916.

Autumn Days

Barnet's over fifties are set to benefit from a month of activities designed to keep them young at heart and fighting fit.

"Autumn Days" is a joint initiative by Barnet Council's Accident Prevention Centre, Age Concern Barnet and Barnet NHS Primary Care Trust, which recognises that the needs and interests of older people are just as varied as those of younger generations.

Catering for all tastes and abilities, Autumn Days encourages older people to become involved in a wide range of community activities such as Tai Chi classes, ten-pin bowling, nature walks and advice sessions on health matters such as osteoporosis.

Cabinet Member for the Environment Cllr Geoff Cooke said: "This month-long cam-

paign celebrates the value of older people as active and effective members of our community. We aim to promote enjoyable ways of remaining physically active, which will have a positive impact on reducing heart disease and strokes, promote accident prevention and contribute to a better quality of life."

Anyone interested in finding out more about the programme can pick up a booklet at any local library or contact Barnet Council's Accident Prevention Centre on 020 8906 8028.

Local litterbugs

A crackdown on litterbugs has seen four people successfully prosecuted by Barnet Council as the authority gets tough in its bid to clean up the Borough.

One of these was Niyazi Ozturk, who was fined £150 for leaving one black rubbish bag, three cardboard boxes and three plastic boxes outside a cafe on East Finchley High Road. Mr Ozturk admitted the charges against him and was ordered to pay £250 costs in addition to his fine.

Any businesses who wish the Council to arrange collection of their waste can do so by contacting the Council's waste service on 020 8359 4232.

Wanted: willing lollipopers

Barnet Council is on the look out for enthusiastic and hardy souls willing to help their community by offering their services as lollipop men or women.

The new school term is now well under way and with darker mornings and evenings, road safety on the school run becomes a concern for every parent, especially if their child walks to school. Fifteen new sites outside primary schools across the Borough have been assessed by the Council's Accident Prevention Unit as suitable for crossing patrols and now the vacant posts need filling.

Cabinet Member for Environment Geoff Cooke said: "Lollipop men and women are on hand to provide a safe crossing point for children on their way to and from school.

We are looking for reliable and confident people to help ensure the Borough's children

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Tuesdays: 7pm - 8pm.
Councillors' Surgery.
Saturdays: 10am - 11.30am

New York Marathon

By Diana Cormack
Last April East Finchley's Robert Moore was all set to run in the London marathon.

Unfortunately, after all his training, he had the misfortune to pull a hamstring the day before.

But a disappointed Robert, who was brought up in Huntingdon Road and worked at the Five Bells in East End Road, was cheered up when the charity he was going to run for suggested he could take part in a future marathon.

Whizz Kids

So he is to raise money for the children's charity Whizz Kids in November's New York marathon, much to the delight of his three daughters.

It will be Robert's first visit to that now devastated city. On his return Robert has said that he will give *THE ARCHER* his impressions of the place.

He is also hoping to collect up to £2,500, which has been pledged to him for his efforts.

Good luck, Robert!

get to school safely. This is an ideal opportunity to help the local community and earn an extra bit of money as well."

Rain check

The job will take an hour or so each day during school term time and applicants will be working in all weathers.

Training and "fetching" rain-gear will be provided. The Council is always looking for recruits and anyone interested can obtain an application form by contacting the Accident Prevention Unit on 020 8906 8028 or by writing to the Accident Prevention Unit, Daws Lane, Mill Hill, London, NW7 4SL.

The rate of pay for the position is £6.31 per hour.