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Barnet General 020 8216 4000
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Finchley Memorial 020 8349 6300
Oak Lane Clinic 020 8346 9343
Royal Free 020 7794 0500
St Luke's 020 8219 1800
Whittington 020 7272 3070
Western Eye Hosp. 020 7886 6666

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Finchley Police 020 8442 1212
Crime Stoppers 0800 555111
Victim Support 0845 303 0900
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Immigration Advice.

Tuesdays: 7pm - 8pm by appointment only.

Legal Advice.

Tuesdays: 7pm - 8pm.

Councillors' Surgery.

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Community Services

❖ Credit Union, Green Man Community Centre 020 8883 4916
❖ Careers advice, Green Man, Community Centre 020 8883 4916
❖ Toy library, Muswell Hill 020 8444 0244/ 8489 8774

Face lift for Barnet's parking service

By John Dearing

Barnet Council is proposing major changes to its parking service with the intention of making it more user-friendly. At the Council Meeting on 28 June, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, Councillor Matthew Offord outlined a number of key changes he wished to see. These are:

- To address residents' concerns over continued increases in the cost of resident parking permits year after year.
- To make available £5 of visitor vouchers free for every household with a resident parking permit.
- To review all CPZs by consulting with residents and businesses.
- To review giving drivers a 'grace' period after their pay and display ticket has expired.
- To introduce an observation period for loading or unloading in areas where this is allowed, to assist local businesses with their deliveries.
- To introduce the "Moovit" scheme which allows drivers of vehicles loading or unloading to be paged if away from their vehicle.
- To appoint a customer care manager as the first point of contact for customer correspondence and appeals.

Recognising criticism

The council will now investigate each of these proposals in detail and bring forward a report to the Cabinet for their consideration in September.

Councillor Offord said: "Barnet, along with many other local councils, has received a lot of criticism about its parking service, which we are no longer prepared to tolerate."

Phone mast blocked

By Martin O'Donnell

Residents of Strawberry Vale celebrated after Barnet's planners refused an application by Vodaphone to install a phone mast next to the Green Man Community Centre.

Oestein Festoe, from the Strawberry Vale Residents' Association, led a campaign of opposition to the phone mast. He gathered support from other residents, the Green Man Users' Committee, Barnet College and The Peabody Trust.

Barnet's planners cited the detrimental visual impact the installation would have had and the cluttered effect of too much street furniture. Residents will remain on guard, however, as Vodaphone may choose to appeal against the decision.

Mugged for phone

By John Dearing

Two 17-year-old males had their mobile phones stolen in a street mugging on Sunday 10 July at 6.20pm in Dickens Avenue, N3.

The victims were approached by three males, two of whom pulled flick knives and asked the victims for their mobiles.

Fearing for their safety, the two friends handed over their mobiles and all three muggers then walked off towards Queens Avenue.

The first suspect is described as a white male, aged 20, 6ft, of stocky build. He was wearing a light blue vest and navy blue shorts.

The second suspect is described as a white male, aged 18, 5ft 11ins, wearing a black t-shirt and dark blue jeans.

The third suspect is described as a white male, aged 18, 5ft 11ins, wearing a grey baseball cap and grey hooded sweatshirt.

Providing a safe haven

By Craig Johnson

Sanctuary, a project that helps victims of domestic violence and prevents them from becoming homeless, has celebrated a successful first year.

Sanctuary was developed by Barnet Council with the Metropolitan Police, Barnet Domestic Violence Support Service and the Barnet Safer Communities Partnership, with help from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

Evidence of success

Since Sanctuary's inception, there has been a 12% fall in families being made homeless in Barnet as a result of domestic violence. There has also been an impressive 40% decrease in the number of families fleeing domestic violence by going into temporary accommodation.

By taking a few simple steps such as installing extra locks and panic alarms, the families have been able to stay in their own homes and avoid being uprooted from their community and parted from family and friends.

At the launch of the project's first annual report, Barnet's Mayor, Councillor Andreas Tambourides, cut a cake to mark the occasion. Speeches were made by the Leader of the Council Brian Salinger, the council's Homeless Prevention Project Manager Alvin Wade, Bob Lawrence from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and the Borough Commander, Mark Ricketts.

This event was also used to launch the Barnet Domestic Violence resource pack, produced by the Barnet Domestic Violence Forum. The free pack, which will be sent to people working on domestic violence issues in the borough, includes details of the forum, information about criminal law and contact telephone numbers.

Planning Applications

66/68 Brendon Grove, N2
Single storey side/rear extension with erection of wall to provide covered access. Single storey front extensions and conversion of garages to habitable rooms.

111 Abbots Gardens, N2
Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension.

385 - 401 High Road, N2
Submission of details of Condition 12 (landscaping) pursuant to planning permission. CO5629L/05 for erection of a five-storey self-contained storage building.

258 East End Road, N2
Conversion of existing car repair workshops, involving partial demolition and partial reconstruction to form six self-contained flats / maisonettes.

1st Floor Flat, 84 Durham Road, N2
Loft conversion, involving rear dormer window.

10 Cherry Tree Road, N2
Single storey rear extension. Alteration to roof, including rear dormer window to facilitate loft conversion.

87 High Road, N2
External illuminated and fascia signs and projecting sign.

72 Summerlee Avenue, N2
Hip to gable and rear dormer window, to facilitate loft conversion.

80 Bedford Road, N2
Alterations to roof, including rear dormer / infill extension, to facilitate loft conversion.

11 High Road, N2
Change of use from offices (B1) to adult education centre and ancillary offices (D1).

472A Long Lane, N2
Demolition of existing building and erection of a two-storey building with rooms in roofspace, to provide six self-contained flats.

130 Old Farm Road, N2
Installation of timber canopy to balcony.