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Finchley Police 020 8442 1212
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❖ Careers advice, Green Man, Community Centre 020 8883 4916
❖ Toy library, Muswell Hill 020 8444 0244/ 8489 8774

Safer neighbourhood

The first Safer Neighbourhood Team meeting covering the entire East Finchley ward took place at the Constitutional Club last month.

Organised by Police Sergeant Alex Kaye, the panel's purpose is "to be representative of the local community in managing partnership activity with a view

to improving the quality of life to those who live, work in or visit the ward." Regular public meetings are planned to keep people informed of activities and new initiatives.

Local representatives were given an update on previous priorities set which included an overview of the work of the SNT in dealing with theft from motor

vehicles, patrolling in Cherry Tree Wood and youth anti-social behaviour in the East End Road area. A comparison was made of the main crime statistic figures over the last three months between East Finchley and other wards.

A discussion on current problems followed, with priorities being set for the next four months. These were to focus in specific areas on anti-social behaviour by congregating youths and on uninsured vehicles being used by residents. Progress on these will be given at the next meeting on 1 August.

Lock up your bikes

In the year to March, there were 237 bicycles stolen in Barnet, which is a 38% decrease compared to 381 bikes for the previous policing year.

Good news, but remember it is important to security mark your bike. Ideally this should be clearly visible and allow police to identify the owner.

To make your bike more secure, see the national advice published on the Crime Reduction website at www.crimereduction.gov.uk/vehiclecrime/vehiclecrime063.htm.

Always secure your bike when it is left in a public place or at home in the garage or shed. Always use a strong U lock or padlock and chain to fix your bike's frame and wheels to an immovable object,

even if you're only leaving your bike for a few minutes.

Barnet police highlight an example from 25 March when a resident in Childs Hill witnessed a young boy, who had been going door to door on the pretence of raising money, steal a bike from a garden. He contacted the police and chased the boy. The quick thinking and observation of this 59-year-old man helped to arrest a 14-year-old boy and recover a bike that the owner was not even aware had been stolen. Chief Inspector Halsey said: "Remember: Lock it or lose it."

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Affordable home buying scheme

Council tenants are being given the opportunity to own part of their home, as a scheme to encourage people on to the property ladder is launched in Barnet this month.

Social Homebuy is a government initiative being piloted in Barnet, which gives tenants the opportunity to buy equity shares of between 25% and 75% in their home while continuing to pay rent on the rest.

The scheme is being managed by Barnet Homes on behalf of the council and will allow people unable to get a foothold on the property ladder to become property owners. The minimum share is 25% but more can be bought and, for those able to afford it, the Right to Buy scheme is still available.

Councillor Lynne Hillan, cabinet member for community services, said: "As property prices have increased, council tenants have found it increasingly difficult to exercise the right to buy their property but surveys continue to show that most people want to own their own home".

Applicants must have been secure tenants for at least two years and have a good rent record. Not all properties are eligible, such as regeneration estates and redevelopment areas.

Planning Applications

Barnet

Bald Faced Stag, 69 High Road, N2
Change three windows to folding doors on to the existing front terrace. New level decked area off the main bar into the front terrace. Construct a glazed canopy over the new doors off the front bar area. New trellis screening and decorative pergola frame to divide up the front terrace.

25 Abbots Gardens, N2
Loft conversion incorporating roof extensions

54 Brendon Grove, N2
Single storey extension and conversion of garage into habitable room.

30 Brim Hill, N2
Formation of basement with pavement glazed light to lightwell, side door and new side window, loft conversion and roof extension to include dormer window.

7 Cherry Tree Road, N2
Rear dormer window to facilitate a loft conversion.

104 Church Lane, N2
Loft conversion and roof extension to include hip to gable end and rear dormer window.

93 East End Road, N2
Conversion of property into two flats following loft conversion and roof extension to include rear dormer window.

90-92 High Road, N2
New shop front to existing building.

32 King Street, N2
Single storey rear extension. Creation of a new side entrance to ground floor flat.

50 Kitchener Road, N2
Single storey conservatory

1-169 Old Farm Road, N2
Security works to replace existing door entry phone system and enclosed glazed screens to nine entrance lobby staircase towers with new entry phone system comprising metal gates and railings.

40 Ossulton Way, N2.
Single storey rear extension. New window in side elevation facing 42 Ossulton Way. Removal of chimney stack.

14 Park Hall Road, N2
Conversion of property into three self-contained flats.

42 The Bishops Avenue, N2
Demolition of part of side of the building. Two-storey extension to both sides of the house and extension to the lower ground floor.

Haringey
Land between 27-29 Aylmer Road, N2

Provision of three outdoor lawn tennis courts with a pavilion and six car parking spaces.