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AIDSline 020 8363 2141
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Barnet MENCAP 020 8203 6688
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❖ **Careers advice**, Green Man, Community Centre 020 8883 4916
❖ **Toy library**, Muswell Hill 020 8444 0244/ 8489 8774

Planning Applications

Barnet Council

46 Bancroft Avenue, N2
Single storey rear extension.

3 Brim Hill, N2

Replacement of front door, garage door and side door. Insertion of door and windows to rear elevation to replace existing rear window. Insertion of roof light to rear. Alterations to front garden.

42 Church Lane, N2 (East Finchley Advice Service)

Conversion of existing offices on 1st & 2nd floors and rear ground floor to five residential units with associated extension at basement level and formation of bin enclosure. Access fronting King Street.

59 Church Lane, N2 (La Rugoletta)

Retention of rear extension with alterations to roof overhang.

152 East End Road, N2

Change of use from bookmakers/betting office (Class A2) to hot food takeaway (Class A5). Alterations to rear including insertion of two new air grilles, an air conditioner condenser unit and relocation of rear door.

111 High Road, N2 (Cochin Restaurant)

Alterations to existing flue to rear.

Land adjacent to 320 High Road, N2

Amendment to appeal decision APP/N5090/A/09/2114802 dated 23/02/10 for the erection of a three-storey block of flats containing six

self-contained flats. Amendments include a proposed two-storey side extension to accommodate two additional studio flats.

23 Howard Walk, N2

Extension to roof including rear dormer window to facilitate a loft conversion.

Ground floor flat, 78 Leicester Road, N2

Erection of a single storey side/rear extension.

20 Summerlee Avenue, N2

Single storey rear extension and raised patio to rear.

Haringey Council

1 Beech Drive, N2

Erection of front dormer and alterations to side and rear fenestration at roof level.

111-113 Fortis Green, N2

Conversion of rear ground floor ancillary commercial storage area into single one-bed studio flat including a side extension to accommodate a communal residential entrance lobby/access way.

12 Lynmouth Road, N2

Erection of rear dormer.

16 Springcroft Avenue, N2

Erection of first-floor rear extension over existing rear closet wing, and erection of glazed infill rear ground floor extension.

19 Twyford Avenue, N2

Certificate of Lawfulness for roof conversion with rear and side gables and rear and side dormers.

Confusion over library consultation

By Daphne Chamberlain

As inevitable cutbacks approach, library users eager to say what they want from the service in East Finchley are feeling angry and dismayed. Last month we reported that Barnet Council had delayed issuing paper consultation forms for a month, in case the public confused them with national questionnaires about provision for youth.

When the forms eventually arrived, notices were not immediately put up in the library. There are small notices up now but the paper forms are not on display. Staff say that they are under instructions only to give them out on request.

There is also confusion about dates. When the survey was launched, the closing date was given as the end of November and this is still the time period given online. The

end date on library notices, however, which actually start by talking about the online survey, is 17 December.

Typical of the comments around East Finchley has been: "If they don't get enough replies, they'll say we're not interested and will close the library down". This, of course, makes it all the more vital to get those responses in fast. Don't forget yours.

THE ARCHER asked Barnet for an explanation but none was available at the time of going to press.

Older assembly

Barnet now has an Older People's Assembly to help people over 55 make their voices heard on issues that affect them, including health and social services.

Anyone over the age of 55 is invited to join, even if they are not already active in any other group. BOPA is especially looking for representatives from "harder to reach" groups, such as ethnic minorities, and those who are not normally able to attend meetings.

To find out more about how you can get involved, call the Barnet 55+ Forum on 020 8447 0379 or 020 8931 3795.

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