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### Councils

**Barnet Council:**  
Admin/Town Hall 020 8359 2000  
Council Tax 020 8359 2608  
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Primary Care Trust 020 8201 4700  
Benefits Agency 020 8258 6500  
Employment Service 020 8258 3900  
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**Muswell Hill Odeon** 0870 505 0007  
**Phoenix Cinema** 020 8444 6789  
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### Transport

**Nat. Rail Enquiries** 0845 7484950  
**City Airport** 020 7646 0088  
**London Transport** 020 7222 1234  
**National Express** 08705 808080  
**Heathrow Airport** 0870 000 0123

### Hospitals

**Barnet General** 0845 111 4000  
**Coppetts Wood** 020 8883 9792  
**Finchley Memorial** 020 8349 7500  
**Oak Lane Clinic** 020 8349 7000  
**Royal Free** 020 7794 0500  
**St Luke's** 020 8219 1800  
**Whittington** 020 7272 3070

### Health Advice

**AIDSline** 020 8363 2141  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** 0845 7697555  
**Barnet MENCAP** 020 8203 6688  
**Cancer Support** 020 8202 2211  
**Carers' Line** 0808 808 7777  
**Drinkline** 0800 917 8282  
**Drugs Helpline** 0800 776600  
**MIND** 020 8343 5700  
**NHS Direct** 0845 4647

### OAP's Advice

**Barnet Age Concern** 020 8346 3511  
**Contact (N2)** 020 8444 1162

Help the Aged 0808 800 6565

### Crime

**Emergency** 999  
**Barnet Police** 020 8200 1212  
**Mus. Hill Police Stn.** 020 8808 1212  
**CrimeStoppers** 0800 555111  
**Victim Support** 0845 303 0900  
**East Finchley Safer Neighbourhood Team** 020 7161 9014

### Help & Advice

**Childline** 0800 1111  
**Disability Info Service** 020 8446 6935  
**E.F. Advice Service** 020 8444 6265  
**Gingerbread** 020 8445 4227  
**National Debt Line** 0808 808 4000  
**NSPCC** 0800 800500  
**Rape & Sexual Abuse** 020 8683 3300  
**Relate** 020 8447 8101  
**RSPCA Inspector** 0300 1234 999  
**Samaritans** 08457 909090  
**Refuge Crisis Line** 0870 599 5443



42 Church Lane, London N2 8DT.  
Tel/Fax: 020 8444 6265

**General Advice.**  
Monday to Friday: 10am -  
12.30pm and 1.30pm - 4pm.

**Legal Advice.**  
Tuesdays: 7pm - 8pm.

**Councillors' Surgery.**  
Saturdays: 10am - 11.30am

### 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

## Domestic violence targeted

By Janet Maitland

"Domestic violence is a serious crime and a fundamental abuse of human rights," said Public Protection DCI Mark Roycroft of Barnet police, after six people were arrested in the borough on 26 November. Nine people were arrested in Haringey.

The arrests were part of Operation Athena, now in its ninth year, timed to coincide with White Ribbon Day, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. All 32 London boroughs took part.

"We aim to transfer the fear onto the offender," said a spokesperson from the Metropolitan police. "We want to encourage more victims to come forward and report crimes to the police or go a third party reporting site."

### Where to go

East Finchley has a third party reporting site at Victim Support Barnet, The Flat,

Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley N3 3QE (telephone: 020 8343 4435). Victims of crimes and incidents related to racism, domestic violence, sexual offences, homophobia, faith and disability can go there if they are too frightened to go to a police station.

The National Domestic Violence Helpline (0808 2000 247) provides confidential support to women and children experiencing domestic violence, including access to a place of safety in a refuge. Calls are free and interpreters are available for non-English speaking callers.

## Planning Applications

### Barnet Council

**14 Abbots Gardens, N2**  
Single storey rear extension following demolition of rear conservatory. Roof extension including extension to ridge line to facilitate loft conversion.

**39 Bancroft Avenue, N2**  
Ground floor rear extension following demolition of rear conservatory. Roof extension involving one rear and two side dormer windows to facilitate loft conversion. Addition of three new first floor bay windows on rear elevation.

Enclosure to rear balcony and internal layout alterations.

**15 Bedford Road, N2**  
Erection of side/rear conservatory

**31 Brim Hill, N2**  
Changes to openings to side and rear elevations. Roof lights to flat and sloping roofs. Conversion of garage into habitable room including associated external and internal works.

**215 Creighton Avenue, N2**  
Retention of single storey detached building in the rear garden.

**10 Durham Road, N2**  
Single storey rear extension.  
**180 East End Road, N2**  
Conversion of garage into a habitable room including insertion of window.

**Nanas Villa, 34 The Bishops Avenue, N2**  
New basement roof lights, patio and associated hard and soft landscaping to rear garden. Alterations to rear door side panels.

**Flat 6, Maple Court, 49A The Bishops Avenue, N2**  
Provision of a timber pergola positioned to the side of the extension.

**Haringey Council**  
**10A Annington Road, N2**  
Demolition of existing single storey garage workshop and erection of new two-storey building to provide two two-bed flats.

**5 Fortis Green Cottages, Fortis Green, N2**  
Erection of two-storey side extension.

**Bomarsund, Fortis Green, N2**  
Raising of front wall to 2,100mm and installation of entrance gates.

## Burglary is top priority for police

Burglary is the number one priority for crime fighting in Barnet, said Borough Commander Chief Superintendent Neil Basu in his New Year message.

"Our current challenge is burglary and I foresee that this challenge will follow us into 2010," he said. "Please be assured that burglary is my number one priority and we are all working hard to target the individuals who are committing crime."

"We are also dedicated to helping the residents of Barnet make their homes more secure. I would ask you all to remain vigilant and report suspicious or criminal activity to the police immediately."

Chief Supt Basu said the

Metropolitan Police Service had seen tremendous changes this year with the appointment of the new Commissioner Sir Paul Stephenson and the introduction of the policing pledge which sets out new standards of customer service.

He urged people who live and work in Barnet to get to know the local police officers in their Safer Neighbourhood Teams and to raise community issues with them. In return, officers will be better placed to offer advice and support and to improve the quality of the policing service.

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Wednesdays: 1.05-2.00pm

(Trial session: £5)

at East Finchley Methodist Church, 197 High Road, N2 8AJ.

James Drewe is a qualified teacher and has been practising t'ai chi for 34 years.  
He is Vice-Chairman of the Longfai Taijiquan Association

Other classes (Tottenham Ct. Rd., Westminster, The City): [WWW.taiji.co.uk](http://WWW.taiji.co.uk)  
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