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Planning Applications

Barnet Council

59 Church Lane, N2
Retention of single-storey rear extension to existing restaurant and minor amendments to previously approved roof overhang to incorporate an enclosed area to rear of site at ground floor level.

152 East End Road, N2
Installation of new shop front. Installation of extraction unit to rear elevation.

First floor flat, 228 East End Road, N2
Extension to roof including side and rear dormers, and front roof light to facilitate a loft conversion.

42 Fortis Green, N2
Internal alterations and conversion of existing self contained studio flat into a one-bedroom self contained flat.

111 High Road, N2 (Cochin Restaurant)
Alterations to existing flue to rear.

119 High Road, N2
Aluminium sign tray with individually illuminated letters. One internally illuminated hanging projecting sign.

Haringey Council

51 Fortis Green Avenue, N2
Erection of single-storey rear ground floor extension.

24 Ringwood Avenue, N2
Erection of single-storey rear extension.

20 Twyford Avenue, N2
Alterations to hipped roof into Dutch gable, erection of rear dormer, erection of single-storey rear extension.

Fortis Green history walk

Hornsey Historical Society will lead a local history walk round the streets of Fortis Green, one of the early villages of Hornsey Parish, on **Sunday 10 April**.

It starts at 2.30 pm from the lane beside the United Reform Church Hall very near the junction of Queen's Avenue and Tetherdown. The hall is on the left, as you start going down Tetherdown from the traffic lights. The walk should last around 2.5 hours.

Guides will explain the effects of the Enclosure Act on Fortis Green. Walkers will see the firemen's cottages, and a reminder of the fire station; where the school was, and where the folk-rock group Fairport Convention got their name. Did you know Fortis Green has its own back-to-back cottages? The Brewery, unfortunately has gone, but not the post box where Oscar Wilde posted his postcards home, or the Kinks' Davies brothers' boyhood home.

Check the website before the day, in case of illness, or snow! Tickets are £2. Visit www.hornseyhistorical.org.uk or ring Joy Nichol on 020 8883 8486 for more details.

Burglars target a single road

By Janet Maitland

In the last six months there have been five burglaries and one attempted burglary in Summerlee Avenue. The latest burglary was at 3.30am on 22 February when criminals forced the front door open while the occupants were asleep.

"Two of the recent burglaries took place from the front, but the rest were forced entries through back doors," said Police Constable Eddie Rose from the Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT). "The burglars are only in the house a few seconds; they just grab the nearest things of value and then make off in stolen cars. Part of the problem in this street is a series of ungated alleyways running between the houses."

Police advice

The SNT has stepped up their patrols on the avenue and run a series of street briefings giving crime prevention advice to residents. A property-marking scheme is also planned. Putting up signs that warn would-be burglars that property has been marked can be an effective deterrent.

"Criminals are now using industrial-sized crowbars to prise open doors in seconds," said the constable. "A door chain is no protection as they just ping off when doors are forced. Mortice locks should be locked when you are at home, especially at night. Residents should also use timers so that lights come on when they are out or away on holiday."

For crime prevention advice and help, wherever you live in East Finchley, contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team at 113 East Finchley High Road, N2 8AG. You can phone them on 020 7161 9014 or 07887 632767, email them at EastFinchley.snt@met.police.uk or talk to the Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) you see on patrol.

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