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USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Councils

| Barnet Council: | |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Admin/Town Hall | 020 8359 2000 |
| Council Tax | 020 8359 2608 |
| Recycling & refuse | 020 8359 4600 |
| Primary Care Trust | 020 8201 4700 |
| Benefits Agency | 020 8258 6500 |
| Employment Service | 020 8258 3900 |
| Haringey Council | |
| | 020 8489 0000 |

Leisure

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| Alexandra Palace | 020 8365 2121 |
| East Finchley Library | 020 8359 3815 |
| Muswell Hill Odeon | 0870 505 0007 |
| Phoenix Cinema | 020 8444 6789 |
| Warner Cinema | 020 8446 9933 |

Transport

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| 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

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| 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

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| AIDSline | 020 8363 2141 |
| Alcoholics Anonymous | 0845 7697555 |
| Barnodoc | 0300 033 3777 |
| Barnet MENCAP | 020 8203 6688 |
| Cancer Support | 020 8202 2211 |
| Drinkline | 0800 917 8282 |
| Drugs Helpline | 0800 776600 |
| MIND | 020 8343 5700 |
| NHS Direct | 0845 4647 |

OAPs' Advice

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| Age UK | 020 820 35040 |
| Contact (N2) | 020 8432 1415 |

Crime

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| Emergency | 999 |
| Barnet Police | 101 |
| CrimeStoppers | 0800 555111 |
| Victim Support | 0845 303 0900 |
| East Finchley Safer | |
| Neighbourhood Team | 020 7161 9014 |

Help & Advice

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|-------------------------|---------------|
| Advice Barnet Project | 0844 826 9336 |
| CAB Money Advice | 020 8201 7727 |
| Carers' Line | 020 8343 9698 |
| Childline | 0800 1111 |
| Disability Info Service | 020 8446 6935 |
| 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 |
| RSPCA animal clinic | 020 8365 3910 |
| Samaritans | 08457 909090 |
| Refuge Crisis Line | 0870 599 5443 |

East Finchley network for all

The East Finchley Altogether Better project (EFAB) is a new initiative designed to connect local people, groups, programmes and the businesses and services in the community.

Local people of all ages can come together to discuss what they are doing now and what they would like to change or improve. EFAB aims to connect neighbours with similar interests and to provide positive opportunities to explore what the community could be.

To hear what might be achieved by pooling knowledge and taking the scheme forward, people who live or work in East Finchley are invited to turn up to EFAB's first one-day conference on Thursday 4 July, from 10am to 3pm at Shree Aden Depala Mitra Mandal Community Centre, 67a Church Lane, N2 8DR. Guests can bring friends, family, neighbours and colleagues.

This will be a proactive event. There will be some presentations with opportunities to

circulate, to explore a variety of topics in groups and to share ideas with other residents, local businesses, and organisations. Refreshments will be provided.

This initiative is a community-led project which has the support of a wide range of organisations, including CommunityBarnet, Finchley Charities, Barnet Council, Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group and Barnet Older People's Assembly.

Feel free to attend, or if you wish to register an interest, get in touch with Roger Chapman, Peter Cragg, Asmina Remtulla and Shirley Rodwell via eastfinchleyaltogetherbetter@gmail.com or write to: Stephen Craker, c/o Finchley Memorial Hospital, Granville Road, Finchley, N12 0JE.

Squat closed down in Leslie Road

By Janet Maitland

A squat in Leslie Road has been closed down by the Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT). Police went to the address on 23 May accompanied by Environmental Health Officers.

"We quickly established that the venue was being used as a squat and that the squatters had bypassed the electric box," said Sergeant Matt Clew. "We arrested six Romanian men on suspicion of abstracting electricity and squatting. I managed to get hold of the owner who agreed to let the local authority board up the property."

The squatters were released and told not to return to the venue to collect their belongings unless they were under police supervision.

For the last few months a group of people working in pairs has been seen going through bins in East Finchley collecting discarded household items, cardboard and other

unwanted rubbish. The squatters are believed to be the same group. "Hopefully now we have closed this squat down, they will move out of the borough," said Sergeant Clew.

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Beware slimming supplements!

An Archer reader has contacted us with a disturbing warning. She recently bought a widely advertised slimming supplement online, but thankfully had second thoughts before actually taking any of it.

When she consulted her local pharmacist, she was told not even to think about trying it. Like other similar supplements, it had not been fully tested and evaluated, and for someone like herself with medical problems the side-effects could have been very serious. Even people without problems could be risking their health by taking untested supplements.

Planning Applications

Barnet Council

48 Bancroft Avenue, N2

Single-storey rear extension.

26 Beresford Road, N2

Roof extension, including hip to gable, three roof lights, and rear window with Juliet balcony, to facilitate loft conversion.

41 Brim Hill, N2

Partial demolition of rear projection. New single-storey side extension. Replacement of garage door with timber doors.

110 Brim Hill, N2

Roof extension, including front and rear dormer windows and removal of Juliet balcony, to facilitate loft conversion. Single-storey side and rear extension.

24A Chandos Road, N2

Single-storey rear extension.

28 Church Lane, N2. Ground floor rear flat.

Change of use from A1 (Commercial) to C3 (Residential): one self-contained unit.

222 Creighton Avenue, N2.

Single-storey rear extension with proposed depth of six

metres and maximum height of 3.6 metres.

42 Hamilton Road, N2

Single-storey rear extension.

119 High Road, N2

Partial change of use of rear room to therapy room (Class D1).

238 High Road, N2

Amendment to previously approved application for three-storey building, to accommodate eight self-contained flats and a ground-floor commercial unit, plus eight car parking spaces, cycle storage, and associated hard and soft landscape. Amendment to include additional roof level window to side elevation.

52 Huntingdon Road, N2

Single-storey side/rear conservatory.

13 Vivian Way, N2

Conversion of garage into habitable room. Replacement of windows and doors. New front door.

Haringey Council

1 Alexandra Mews, N2

Two rear dormers and one side roof light.

Grass verge outside Manor Court, Aylmer Road, N2

New 12.5 m. street furniture telecommunications tower to replace existing one, and three additional equipment cabinets.

1 Church Vale, N2

Certificate of Lawfulness for rear dormer, new front and rear roof lights and rear ground floor extension.

21 Church Vale, N2

Removal of boiler house at rear ground floor level, and new rear ground and first-floor extensions.

124 Creighton Avenue, N2

Reversion from two flats to single dwelling, with rear ground-floor extension and elevation alteration.

13 Fortismere Avenue, N10

Certificate of Lawfulness for rear ground-floor extension.

3 Lauradale Road, N2

Certificate of Lawfulness for roof extension and rear dormer, with four front roof lights and new window to side elevation.

19 Lynmouth Road, N2

Rear single-storey infill extension.

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