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USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Councils	Help & Advice	Drinkline	0800 917 8282		
Barnet	Childline	0800 1111	Drugs Helpline	0800 776600	
Admin/Town Hall	020 8359 2000	Citizens Advice Barnet	0300 4568365	Health Info Service	0800 665544
Council Tax	020 8359 2608	Cruse Bereavement Care	0870 167 1677	MIND	020 8343 5700
Recycling & refuse	020 8359 4600	Disability Info Service	020 8359 7637	National Blood Centre	0845 7711 7711
Primary Care Trust	020 8201 4700	EF Advice Service	0300 4568365	Crime	
Benefits Agency	020 8258 6500	Lone Parent Centre	020 7021 4146	Emergency	999
Employment Service	020 8258 3900	Missing Persons Helpline	0500 700700	Police non-emergency	101
Haringey Council	020 8489 0000	National Debt Line	0808 808 4000	CrimeStoppers	0800 555111
Leisure		NSPCC	0800 800500	Victim Support	0845 303 0900
Alexandra Palace	020 8365 2121	Rape & Sexual Abuse helpline	020 8683 3300	Hospitals	
East Finchley Library	020 8359 3815	Relate	020 8447 8101	NHS	111
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City Airport	020 7646 0088	Cancer Support	020 8202 2211	OAP's Advice	
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National Express	08705 808080			Independent Age	0800 319 6789
Heathrow Airport	0870 000 0123			Age UK (general advice line)	0800 169 2081

Advice for EU nationals in the UK after Brexit

If you are an EU National and have questions about your status after Brexit, a group advice session will be held by Citizens Advice Barnet and Grange Big Local to explain your rights and your residency options.

The free session will be held from 7-9pm on Monday 4 December at Martin Primary School, Plane Tree Walk, N2, with entry via the last entrance on Plane Tree Walk. Everyone is welcome. Any queries can be directed to info@grangebiglocal.org or 020 8364 8400, ext 241.

Planning Applications

Barnet Council

27 Abbots Gardens, N2

Changes to first-floor side windows. Enlargement of existing two dormer windows to create one larger dormer to rear.

42 Brendon Grove, N2

Two-storey rear extension, following demolition of existing conservatory. New side window.

26A Church Lane, N2

Erection of two-storey dwelling. Associated refuse and recycling store, cycle storage.

56 Durham Road, N2

Replacement of existing windows with UPVC. Replacement of existing backdoor.

48 Hamilton Road, N2

Single-storey rear extension. Depth 4.2m, eaves height and maximum height 3m.

70 High Road, N2

One internally illuminated fascia sign and one internally illuminated projection sign.

132-134 High Road, N2

Partial demolition of first-floor outrigger. Conversion of upper floors of no 132 from one to three self-contained flats. Balustrades, replacement windows, and new rear external staircase to first floor of no. 132. Associated cycle storage, refuse and recycling store.

136 High Road, N2

Change of use from A1 to A5 (hot food takeaway). Installation of

extraction system and flue to rear.

Flat 4, 330 High Road, N2

Roof extension with three rear dormer windows and one front roof light, to facilitate loft conversion.

24 Lankaster Gardens, N2

Single-storey rear extension, following partial demolition of existing one. Alterations to access steps.

Ferris Lodge, 62 Lankaster Gardens, N2

Change of use from Use Class B1 (office) to Class C3 (residential), to provide 2 Units.

21-25 Viceroy Parade, High Road, N2

Installation of one refrigerated container, one storage container and plant equipment to the rear of the store (retrospective permission).

Haringey Council

The Lodge, Manor Court, Aylmer Road, N2

Roof extensions and alteration incorporating a hip to gable, two dormers on the north side, one on the south side, and one front roof light, in conjunction with a single-storey south side extension and conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation, with garage door altered to window and entrance door.

22 Fortis Green Avenue, N2

Single-storey rear extension.

Fate of the Oasis restaurant and shisha smoking still uncertain

By Janet Maitland

The latest developments at the Oasis restaurant on Church Lane, N2, have deeply divided local people. One resident said: "I've lived in this street for over 40 years and seen many businesses come and go, but never has one upset residents like this one."

In May, when Barnet Council finally refused permission for a restaurant with facilities for smoking shisha, it seemed the fate of the Oasis was finally settled, nearly three years after it had opened on the site of the former Alexandra pub. But that was not the end of the story.

First appeal

The council then issued an enforcement notice that required the owner Mr El Khalil Jelbaoui to stop the shisha use and to demolish the canopy structure over the smoking area. However, Mr Jelbaoui not only appealed against the notice, which means its requirements are suspended until the appeal is resolved, but submitted a further planning application in July.

Some local people have objected to the Oasis from the start, mainly because of concerns about the dangers of shisha smoke drift. Others see the restaurant as a welcome asset to the neighbourhood. Those objecting were infuriated that the owner was allowed to operate for so long without permission, especially as the council has campaigned generally against shisha smoking.

When permission was refused in May, the council said that not enough information had been provided about

ventilation methods to protect against the odour from shisha use and, in the absence of this, and because of the siting, proximity and scale of the use, it was considered to cause "demonstrable harm to the amenities of neighbouring occupiers and future occupiers of the former Esso petrol station site".

Latest application

Forty five local people have told the council that they object to the new application while 20 say they support it. Eight of those objecting stressed that they had no problem with the restaurant, just the shisha smoking.

The latest application is in fact only seeking permission to convert the pub into a restaurant, which some people commenting may not have realised. Shisha smoking is not mentioned. Nevertheless, the designs still include the canopy structure where smoking takes place. One Leopold Road resident claimed the changed application was "just a back door route to creating an ad hoc shisha smoking venue without permission".

We were informed that Mr Jelbaoui was unavailable for comment as he was out of the country.

Welcome to Probus!

Convivial Probus Lunch Club with talks for semi- or fully-retired PROfessional & BUSIness men and women on third Wednesday each month at Stephens House East End Road N3. Next meeting writer historian **Flora Fraser** talks about Nelson's beloved Emma Hamilton 15 November Details from Eric (8449 0566).

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