



Space to be found for up to 100 new homes on Grange

By Janet Maitland

Barnet Homes plans to demolish a nursery, the surrounding trees, and a row of garages in order to build a four-storey block of new homes. The new housing on Red Lion Hill, N2, will be made up of two maisonettes and six flats and there are plans for an orchard and walkway between the block and Garden House.

A nursery space will be created on the ground floor of the new block with its own private walled garden. In the meantime the existing nursery will have to be relocated.

The proposals are part of a redevelopment project encompassing the whole of the Grange estate, plus Brownswell Road and Tarling Road. A planning application will be submitted in the autumn.

Gains and losses

Sixty four new council homes are proposed in order to tackle the housing shortage, a third of which will be on the Grange estate. If it is structurally feasible, additional storeys may also be built on Oak House and Garden House, taking the total number of new homes to around 100.

However, the majority of the 64 homes proposed so far would be built on Brownswell Green, where three homes that house 21 people would be demolished to make way for a five storey block of 38 flats, as we reported in last month's *Archer*. Tarling Road will also lose green space to create room for three new homes.

Residents mobilise

At the time of going to press, 676 residents had signed a petition to save the Brownswell Green playing area and prevent the demolition of the homes. Resident Associations have been formed at both these sites to register their green spaces as community assets in order to protect them.



Going: The nursery building on Red Lion Hill will be demolished

Consultation

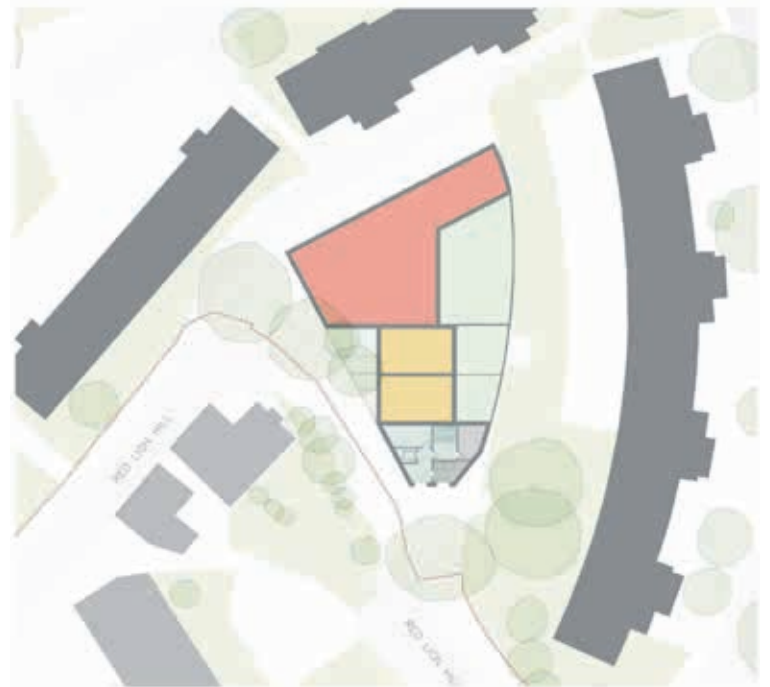
NewmanFrancis, the engagement agency contracted by Barnet Homes, stepped up their consultation in May to include knocking on doors and zoom surgeries, as well as newsletters and monthly meetings with a small Resident Interest Group. At the same time, they also corrected

their inadvertent omission of Brownswell Road and Tarling Road from the consultation process, which began back in September.

The proposals can be viewed in full at www.givemyview.com/grangeestate. Alternatively ring 0800 644 6040 or email grangeestate@newmanfrancis.org



Going: A row of garages are also earmarked for demolition.



New build: A four-storey block will occupy the triangle of land on Red Lion Hill, with a new nursery (in red) on ground level. The orange blocks are three-bedroom homes. The rest of the new block will be one and two-bedroom homes.



New build: A five-storey block will be built on land off Brownswell Road, currently occupied by three homes and a playing area. An existing oak tree will be protected and new trees planted.



New build: Three three-bedroom homes will be built on green spaces in Tarling Road. Car parking will be provided adjacent and opposite. All diagrams taken from the Newman Francis consultation document available for viewing at: www.givemyview.com/grangeestate

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