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A new way to recycle all our unwanted stuff

An ambitious new recycling scheme called Bin There, Donate That is launching in East Finchley and it is asking for everyone's support to make it a success. Organisers Emma Frampton and Isabella Barbaro explain how you can help.

Every week we sort our unwanted stuff into 'charity shop', 'recycle', 'rubbish' like so many readers of *The Archer*. But we recently remembered that, as children, we donated ring-can pulls to one charity and tin foil to another, and it got us thinking. Why, when our oceans are full of plastic, and COP26 is telling us we must act, can't we start something similar in East Finchley?

We are a community that wants to support our local trad-

ers, so here's the plan: shops and businesses will become places to donate items. It's happening already to some extent with Amy's collecting Brita filters and Sainsbury's old batteries.

The aim is to extend this to enable us to upcycle, re-use and recycle a lot more than we do now. But what about old glasses, toothbrushes, bras, packaging? Well, it is possible to find new homes for this stuff and in some cases make money for charity too.



Don't bin it: Emma Frampton and Isabella Barbaro are starting the new recycling initiative. Photo Mike Coles.

Volunteers needed

We are just a few people with an idea and need your help, with researching what to send to where for whom. We

know that breast cancer charities take old bras, but how do we get them sent on? Our bins are full of polystyrene; which organisations will take that?

Are you a local business that can offer your shop as a collection point? Why not join the following shops/services already keen to help: The Cherry Tree Café; Oakdale Pharmacy; Stewart Duncan Opticians.

Local charities/playgroups/allotments, do you collect certain items, compost, or bits and bobs for crafting etc.? Are there any other ideas we have missed?

Our email is bintheredonatehat@gmail.com, and website is bintheredonatehat.wixsite.com/reuse. Please get in touch if you would like to help in any way with Bin There, Donate That! Thank you.

Lucky escape for driver as car hits tree

By Janet Maitland

This was the scene after a car collided with a tree in Twyford Avenue, N2, in the early hours of Saturday 2 October.

The London Ambulance were called at 2.18am and treated a man at the scene before taking him to hospital. His injuries were described as not life threatening.

"Leaving the road is obviously very serious at any time, but if that tree hadn't stopped the car it would have run along a normally busy bit of pavement that leads to the cut through by the church onto Durham Road," said a resident who lives close by. Police



Impact: The driver emerged with non life-threatening injuries from this collision in Twyford Avenue. Photo Mike Coles

informed us that there were no reports that the car had been stolen. Twyford Avenue is a 20mph zone for traffic.

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