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East and New Barnet Local Agenda 21 Partnership

**The guiding principle of
Local Agenda 21
is
sustainable development
meeting the needs of current generations....
while protecting the environment which future generations
will depend upon.**

THINK GLOBALLY, ACT LOCALLY

East and New Barnet Local Agenda 21 Partnership is working to:

- raise awareness of environmental and community issues
- encourage development and implementation of environmentally friendly practices
- increase community involvement in Council decisions which will affect our area.

Membership is open to residents, businesses and community groups within the partnership area.

We need active local help from everyone — men, women, and children! If you have a specific interest and have ideas for a project please phone Nigel Picken (Vice-chair) for further details on 020 8447 0497, or e-mail eastnewbarnetla21@fsmail.net. Grants can be applied for to aid projects, but a little hard work and enthusiasm from individuals is often all that is needed.

Our group is supported by the LA21 Team at London Borough of Barnet, Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London N11 1NP (telephone 020 8359 7435 or email la21@barnet.gov.uk), who you may contact for further information. You can also visit <http://www.barnet.gov.uk> and search for Local Agenda 21. Other useful contacts include www.wasteconnect.co.uk and www.wastewatch.org.uk (or phone 020 7253 6266).

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INTRODUCTION

Each household in Barnet produces on average one tonne of waste per year and about 80% of this is buried in landfill sites in the surrounding countryside, using up valuable land and adding to pollution problems.

Barnet Council spent £3.2 million on waste disposal in 2000, but as waste increases by 3% each year countrywide, this figure is likely to grow. Only 13% of the Borough's household waste was recycled in November 2002.

THIS COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH MORE!

YOU CAN TAKE ACTION BY:

REDUCING!

- Buy products that have minimal packaging (33% of household waste is packaging)
- Use less paper (e.g. double sided printing/copying)
- Stop junk mail (see 'Recyclable Waste')
- Start composting your vegetable waste
- Buy products that will last
- Buy drinks in recyclable bottles

RE-USING!

- Return milk bottles
- Re-use shopping bags (or take your own and buy 'Bags for Life')
- Sell on bulky items or donate them (see 'Recyclable Waste')
- Use rechargeable batteries
- Open envelopes carefully and use re-use labels

REPAIRING!

- New products need energy and resources to produce. Investigate local repair agents

IF ALL ELSE FAILS, RECYCLE IT!

Prevent it ending up in landfill or an incinerator

BE PROUD OF YOUR LEAN AND MEAN WHEELY BIN!

REMEMBER TO BUY RECYCLED & RECYCLABLE GOODS

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RECYCLABLE WASTE

Items marked * may be collected weekly from outside your home by the Council's Recycling from Home kerbside service. Call the Recycling Box Hotline on 020 8371 3670.

*ALUMINIUM

Aluminium drinks cans, ring pulls and foil can be put in the Council's Recycling Banks, in kerbside collection boxes, or taken to Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre. Kitchen utensils can also be taken to Summers Lane.

*BATTERIES

Watch and calculator batteries are taken by most jewellers upon replacement. Take old vehicle batteries to Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre. The kerbside recycling scheme also collects all types of battery.

BOOKS

Most charity shops will accept books. There are also book recycling banks at some Bank Sites, including Lodge Lane car park, N12.

CARDS

Old greeting cards are useful for handicrafts and use as gift tags. Your local playgroup or school may be able to make use of them and some shops collect them. The front of old cards could be cut off for use in making new ones.

CARS

Try to keep your car for longer and look after it! If your car is no longer roadworthy and you want to dispose of it contact Barnet Council's 'Clean Up Hotline' on 8359 6035.

CHINA

Most charity shops will be happy to take undamaged china.

*CLOTHES

Most local charity shops will take clean clothing in good condition. You could also put them in the Council's textile banks, your kerbside collection scheme or take them to the Summer's Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre.

COINS

Take to charity shops or to high street banks.

COMMUNITY FRONT GARDEN SALES

Residents can organise sales to promote re-use of unwanted books, toys and gifts, computer equipment, sports goods and other accumulated paraphernalia. Such goods sold on to others could raise funds for charity, and the event itself will encourage residents to get to know their neighbours. Also, the pollution associated with car boot sales is avoided!

COMPOST

Start a compost bin. About 30% of household waste is organic and can be recycled into compost. The cheapest soil improver available, compost will enrich and improve the soil's structure, essential for London Clay. Compostable materials include vegetable waste and fruit peelings, tea bags or leaves, dead annual flowers and weeds, apple cores, crushed egg shells, autumn leaves, grass cuttings, and small quantities of newspaper, brown paper and cardboard. You can also include 'woody' waste, but remember: **SIZE MATTERS** if you want quicker results. Barnet Council offers a range of bins at greatly reduced prices and with instructions on 020 8359 7475. Alternatively, build your own out of old pallets or floorboards! The earth inside the bin should be covered with a layer of twiggy material to allow air to circulate. Continue to build on this with layers of different materials, including newspaper and cardboard, and about every 10 cm put in some activator such as animal manure, comfrey leaves, or a brand of herbal compost maker if you wish. Cover the bin with a piece of old carpet or sacking to keep the heat in and the rain out, but add water if it becomes too dry. Depending on the time of year, the compost should look like soil after a few months. Digging it over regularly speeds the process. Green waste can also be taken to Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre, where it is collected and sent off-site for composting.

COMPUTERS

Unwanted computers can be left at the Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre, for refurbishment and re-use where possible.

North London IteC collect, refurbish and redistribute PCs to community organisations free of charge. Contact Joe Okoli at North London IteC on 020 8457 4848, or visit HiTech House, 193 The Broadway, Hendon NW9.

Computer Aid International accept IBM compatible PCs for use in schools and communities in developing countries, and provide training/work experience in computer repair to people from socially excluded communities in the UK. Donate computers online at www.computer-aid.org or call 020 7281 0091.

ELECTRICAL GOODS

Can be left at Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre. They will be refurbished and re-used where possible.

ENVELOPES

Open your post carefully so that the envelope can be re-used. Many organisations now sell re-use labels which, as well as saving paper, help publicise their cause.

FLOWER POTS

Can be useful for new cuttings or seedlings or for potting on. Clay pots are best for plants requiring good drainage. Why not grow cuttings for sale by local charities?

FURNITURE

Furniture 4 U collects unwanted furniture for those on low incomes or benefits. Call 020 8205 2000, or visit them at 8 The Concourse, Hendon NW9 5XB.

Moxon Street Enterprises, an organisation that provides training and work experience for people with mental health problems in Barnet, may collect unwanted wooden furniture free of charge. Ring them on 020 8364 8466.

Other local charities collecting furniture:

Leukaemia Fund will collect old furniture. Phone 020 7249 5368.

Victoria House (supports Haringey Mencap) on 020 8880 9034, 8808 8401, 8881 5943

U-Aid on 020 8207 0313

Kings Cross Furniture Project on 020 8493 0900

Oxfam specialist furniture shops on 0845 3000 311

Solid wood furniture can also be left at Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre, who offer it to furniture projects throughout London.

FRIDGES/FREEZERS (hazardous waste)

Take to Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre for CFC extraction and recycling.

JUNK MAIL

Help to cut down on the avalanche of unwanted direct mail that comes through your letter box by subscribing to the **Mailing Preference Service** at Freepost 22, London, W1E 7EZ (for application form), or visit www.the-dma.org/consumers.

MAGAZINES

Offer to local hospitals, clinics, doctors' and dental surgeries.

*MATERIAL (TEXTILES)

Some schools or playgroups will take fabric remnants for collages or school drama production etc. Textiles can also be collected from kerbside boxes or taken to the council's textile banks or to Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre.

MILK BOTTLES

Do not put in bottle banks. Please return to milk delivery services.

MOBILE PHONES

Donate to **British Red Cross Society** on 01372 824263 (freepost). The hand set must be free from any contract or other financial arrangements, be a GSM model (with SIM card), and if possible have its battery and charger.

If you don't have a SIM card consider **Samaritan's Purse** who collect all mobile phones with or without SIM cards. Freephone 0800 0832103 or send your phone to: Samaritan's Purse mobilerecycle, FREEPOST MID 23462, Burton-on-Trent, DE14 1BR.

Tesco will take mobile phones and give £5 to charity, and Clubcard points!

NAPPIES

Opt for re-usable cotton nappies over disposables for everyday use. They save energy and resources, and are not as polluting. Contact the National Association of Nappy Services for information on 0121 693 4949, or 01992 713665 for laundering at 'No.1 for nappies'.

*OIL

Waste oil is contaminated with a whole range of chemicals which could pollute the water supply. It is illegal to pour waste engine oil down the drain. Your local garage might accept it for recycling, and used engine oil will also be taken by the Kerbside Recycling Service, or the Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre. There is also an **Oil Bank at B&Q** in Whetstone, N20.

PLASTICS

Try to re-use any plastic containers you do collect, and opt for recyclable containers when possible. Deposit for recycling at Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre.

Bags/film - send to **Polyprint Mailing Films**. Tel: 01603 721807, or Email:

jneville@polyprint.co.uk.

*SHOES (paired please)

Can be put into the Council's Textile Banks, left for kerbside collection, or taken to the Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre.

There are also collection bins outside some local shoe and shoe repair shops, including **Shoemasters** at 254 East Barnet Road, East Barnet, EN4.

SPECTACLES

Your local charity shop, optician or optometrist might take them. These are sent to the Third World, whether intact or broken.

STAMPS

Leave stamp on paper with a margin of about ½ cm all round. **Oxfam shops** accept stamps, as does **East Barnet Health Centre**, 149 East Barnet Road, New Barnet, EN4 8RB.

TIMBER OFFCUTS

Ask your local schools' Craft, Design and Technology Departments, or take to Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre

TONER CARTRIDGES

Donate to **Scope** (020 7609 7239) or take to the Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre, or return to a branch of **Ryman the Stationer** if that is where you bought them. Refilling cartridges with a refill kit is much cheaper.

TOOLS

Tools and small electrical machines, in reasonable condition, will be refurbished and sent to African Self Help Projects - contact **WORKAID** for more information on 01494 765506 or Email: workaid@btclick.com

TREE SEEDLINGS

Barnet Countryside Centre, Byng Road, will nurture and grow on tree seedlings of native species in the Community Tree Nursery. When ready they are used by local schools and community tree projects, or offered for sale. Contact Eddie Bellman (020 8449 1344) for further information.

TYRES

Old tyres which are of good quality can be re-treaded and reused, Otherwise, take to Summers Lane Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre.

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LOCAL CHARITY SHOPS

Charity shops in East Barnet, New Barnet and neighbouring areas collect a wide range of items for resale, generating an income for good causes.

Please take your items to the charity shop during opening hours ONLY

Help the Aged

6 Western Parade, Gt North Road, EN5

☺ 9am-5pm, Mon-Sat

☎ 020 8364 8600

Imperial Cancer Research Fund

276 East Barnet Road, East Barnet, EN4

90 Chase Side, Southgate, N14

☺ 9am-5pm, Mon-Sat

☎ 020 8449 0850

☎ 020 8882 7969

Marie Curie Cancer Care

80 East Barnet Road, New Barnet, EN4

59 Chase Side, Southgate, N14

☺ 9.30am-5pm, Mon-Sat

☎ 020 8440 0387

☎ 020 8886 5433

Check for further shops in "Yellow Pages" (under Charity shops)

THE BARNET SCRAP BARN

Supporting Children's Recreation, Art and Play, at The Old Barn Community Centre, Tarling Road N2 (tel: 020 8371 0281). Open on Thursday's 10.30am to 7pm. They will collect.

Will accept: Cotton reels, thread, wool, string, rolls of fabric, fabric scraps and sample books, remnants of felt, sequined and fur fabric, buttons and beads, cardboard rolls (from carpets and fabric), coloured card, shredded paper, tissue paper, typing paper, and paper plates, telephone directories and yellow pages, Christmas cards, postage stamps and envelopes, mosaic and mirror tiles, rolls of foil, decorations and tinsel, theatrical props and costumes, blocks of wax, candles, wire and tools, art and craft books, clean or unused plastic drinking cups, yoghurt pots, margarine tubs, plastic plant pots, foam pieces, children's audio and video cassettes, storage containers, by-products from the display and graphics industries, film canisters, computer games, **and anything else that would be safe and suitable for children to use.**

FREE MATERIALS — available for community projects

Are you in need of materials that B+Q no longer have use for, such as broken tiles, timber, end-of-range paints, etc, for your community project? If so, complete a waste donation application at your local **B+Q**.

RECYCLING COLLECTION SITES (by post code)

G = Glass Jars/Bottles N = Newspapers & Magazines
 C = Cans of all types T = Textiles - Soft Toys - Paired Shoes
 B = Books

AREA	POST CODE	ADDRESS	MATERIALS
East Barnet	EN4	Victoria Recreation Ground	G N T
	EN4	Oak Hill Park car park, off Parkside Gardens	G N T C
New Barnet	EN4	Mount Pleasant Roundabout, Grove Road lay-by	G N
	EN5	Sainsbury's car park, Approach Road	G N T C
High Barnet	EN5	Stapylton Road car park	G N T C
	EN5	Victors Lane car park - Moxon Street	G N T
	EN5	Ye Olde Mitre Pub car park	G N
Barnet Underhill	EN5	Barnet Lane (by playing fields)	G N
	EN5	Dollis Valley bus stop	G N C
	EN5	Great North Road, by railway bridge	G N T C
Brunswick Park	N11	Brunswick Park Road	G N
Friern Barnet	N11	Bethune Recreation Ground car park	G N C
	N11	Beaconsfield Road	G N
	N11	Friern Barnet Library	G N C
New Southgate	N11	Carlisle Place car park	G N
	N11	The Turrets Pub	G
Southgate	N11	Osidge Lane car park	G N T C
Friern Barnet	N12	Tesco car park, Colney Hatch Lane	G N T C
North Finchley	N12	Lodge Lane car park	G N T C B
	N12	Waitrose car park, Ballards Lane	G T C
	N12	Woodside Park Station	G N
	N12	Outside Telephone Exchange, 879 High Road	G N T
	N12	Stanhope Road car park	G
Whetstone	N20	Cavalier Public House, Russell Lane	G N C
	N20	Waitrose car park, Totteridge Lane	G N C
Friern Barnet	N20	Friary Park, Friary Road	G
Brent Cross	NW2	Tesco's car park, Tilling Road	G N T C
	NW2	Safeway's car park, Tilling Road	G N T C
	NW4	Brent Cross, Approach Road	G N
Hendon	NW4	Town Hall, The Boroughs	G N C

RECYCLING SERVICES

▪ **Recycling Banks**

The London Borough of Barnet has established over 80 banks for recycling *newspaper, magazines, white paper, tin cans, glass and textiles*. (see previous page for those in or near the partnership area)

▪ **Recycling From Home**

Recycle from Home is a weekly multi-materials kerbside collection service run by ECT Recycling for Barnet residents. Materials collected by the easy-to-use service (marked * in the Directory) include: *paper (newspapers, magazines, junk mail & telephone directories); glass (green, brown & clear); food tins & drink cans; textiles & shoes; aluminium foil & trays; car & household batteries; and engine oil (must be labelled in a sealed container)*. To order an extra box, or to check whether an item can or cannot be recycled, call 020 8371 3670.

A service for residents in high-rise buildings collects *Paper, glass (green, brown and clear) and cans* from communal pick-up points on estates. If you would like your estate to be served call 020 8371 3670.

For more information call 020 8371 3670, surf www.ectrecycling.co.uk or email info@ectrecycling.co.uk.

▪ **Summers Lane Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre**

The Centre allows you to dispose of or recycle a greater range of household waste. The facility - run by ECT Recycling on behalf of Barnet Council will take *batteries, books, bicycles, cans, card, electrical items, fluorescent tubes, foil, fridges, furniture, gas bottles, general waste, glass (green, brown & clear), green waste, used engine oil, paint, mobile phones, paper, plastic bottles, scrap metal, shoes, textiles, toner cartridges, tyres, wood, yellow pages*.

Civic Amenity & Recycling Centre, Summers Lane, London N12 0ED Opening hours: 08.00 - 16.00 Mon to Sat & 09.00 - 16.00 Sundays and Bank Holidays. Trade waste is strictly prohibited.

For more information call 020 8362 0752

Are you a local business? Minimising your waste will save you money! Find out more in Barnet Council's FREE 'Green Guide for Business'. Call 020 8359 7435 for a copy. Why not join Waste Watch Business Network Barnet and Harrow. Contact David James on 020 8424 1358 for more information.