

Barnet Homes appoints New Community Partnership Worker

Barnet Homes has recently appointed Naseem Kadri as their Community Partnership Worker. Naseem comes to West Hendon with a vast experience of working with local residents and getting them involved within the day-to-day housing services and community projects.

Over the coming months Naseem will be putting in place new and creative ways to reach out to all residents as well as encouraging them to attend Neighbourhood



Panel meetings where they will see the benefits of their involvement.

If you have any ideas or suggestions on how this can best be achieved Naseem is here to listen on 020 8359 2912

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To be part of the September 26th gig at Royal Albert Hall that includes hip hop artist Busta Rhymes, sign up at www.orangerockcorps.co.uk

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To find out more about the regeneration you can contact :

Metropolitan Housing Trust on 020 8976 1171 or

Email: westhendon@mht.co.uk

London Borough of Barnet on 020 8359 7188

Barnet Homes: 0208 359 5410

For independent advice contact Aine Hayes or Rob Williams your Independent Advisors from Solon Community Network.

They can be contacted free of charge on free-phone 0800 169 4406 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday. If you call in the evening or at weekends you can leave a message and they will phone you back.

You can email at info@solon.org.uk or Visit their website at www.solontp.org.uk

Residents' Regeneration Group AGM

Thursday 16th October at 7.00pm
West Hendon Community Centre

The Residents Regeneration Group would like to invite all residents living on the West Hendon estate to the next RRG meeting to be held on 16th October 2008 at 7.00pm in the West Hendon Community Centre, Marsh Drive. This will be an open meeting as well as the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Refreshments will be served at the start of the meeting.



West Hendon

NEWS

www.westhendon.com

- A newsletter for the residents of **West Hendon Estate** and **Ramsey Close**

West Hendon Community Fayre

SATURDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 11.00 TO 3.00
at THE MARQUIN CENTRE, MARSH DRIVE

- Meet your local Fire Brigade ● Prize Draw
- Indian head Massage ● Face Painting
- Bouncy Castle ● Games Room
- Free Food and Drink

And much more including:

- The chance to meet your local repairs contractor
- Meet the West Hendon Community Group
- Sign up for a course with Barnet College or North London ITeCh
- Sign up to take part in a film project
- Meet the Youth Workers

Youth Activities in West Hendon

The opening of the West Hendon Youth Club is drawing nearer with the appointment of youth workers and volunteers. The workers will be on the estate over the next few weeks to find out what young people want from a youth club. They will also be available at the Community Fayre in the Marquin Centre on Saturday 13th September. If you are a young person aged between 11 and 18 make sure you have your say.

Recruitment for the film project will be taking place at the Community Fayre. To take part you must be aged between 13 and 17. The project will give young people an opportunity to have their views on the regeneration heard through a short film. They will also be able to work towards achieving an accredited award.

Ball Park Re-opens

After a couple of months of closure the ball park area is now re-opened. To ensure there is no long-term disruption with the development at Lakeview, the play area was slightly relocated with new markings for both football and basketball.

Over the October half term there are plans to offer basketball coaching sessions. Any person interested who would like to be involved should contact Tim Blanc at Barnet Homes, 215 The Broadway or call 020 8359 5410





Scheme Update

As is widely reported at the moment, the credit crunch is reducing house values and causing difficulties for some people and companies to borrow money. This is affecting all housing developments across the country and the regeneration project at West Hendon is no exception.

It is expected that the current delays will be short-lived and as the overall project is due to take 15 years to be completed the Barratt Metropolitan LLP and the Council are confident that the regeneration can be delivered. We are working together to find the best way of starting the project as soon as possible with the development of the first houses on the Lakeview Children's Centre site and houses and flats on the site at Rosemead and part of Warner Close.

Following consultation on the design of this first significant phase of the development, an application for planning consent is due to be submitted by Barratt Metropolitan within the next few weeks. At the same time, applications are being made to the government for additional funding to improve the viability of this first phase.

The Council and Barratt Metropolitan LLP are committed to finding the best way to start the regeneration project and residents will be kept informed of progress.

West Hendon Estate Work Update

The regeneration estates works strategy has identified improvement works for the Council's four regeneration estates, which includes the West Hendon estate.

Work identified for the West Hendon estate are window replacement to the rear elevations of blocks 1-192 & 193-232 Marsh Drive, 11-98 Marriotts Close & 11-72 Warner Close. A pilot of the window replacement was successfully completed in a property on Marsh Drive in July 2008.

At the same time Barnet Homes will be installing a fully integrated tv reception system to all the flats in these blocks which means that they will be provided with digital reception through an upgraded aerial. Work on the upgraded aerial will begin before the scaffolding is erected to limit disruption to residents.

Properties in Tyrell Way will also be receiving a digital aerial upgrade this financial year.

In addition to these works there will be an overhaul and upgrade of communal electrics and lighting across the estate and an overhaul of some of the pram sheds and refuse stores which will improve security and improve the appearance of the estate.

Leaseholder consultation began in August 2008.

As some of the works are subject to planning permission an application has been made to the Planning Department. If planning consent is granted it is anticipated that work will begin in September 2008.



Neighbourhood Panel Housing Meetings

Neighbourhood Panel meetings were established earlier this year to provide West Hendon residents with an opportunity to meet staff from Barnet Homes and comment on the day-to-day housing services they receive.

Residents are provided with performance reports on caretaking, repairs, antisocial behaviour and other services. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 25th September at 7.00pm in the Community Centre.**

To receive a copy of performance information from the last meeting, contact **Tim Blanc, 020 8359 5410**

Feedback from the RRG Meeting on 17th July

About 40 residents attended the meeting on 17th July where staff from Barratt Metropolitan LLP gave an update on the estate regeneration. This included:

- The demolition of Lakeview Children and Family Centre
- Signing the Section 106 Agreement which details the planning obligations
- Issuing the outline planning permission
- Work on the amendments to the Principal Development Agreement
- Continuing work on the design of the next phase of the development.

A presentation also took place on the energy strategy and the development of the combined heat and power system. This will be discussed in more detail at a specific design workshop.

The next meeting is on **16th October at 7.00pm in the Community Centre** when the issue of parking will be on the agenda. This will also be the AGM.



Estate Wardens Service

In response to local residents' concerns Barnet Homes carried out a short trial in July using Neighbourhood Wardens on West Hendon.

The wardens were present on the estate 7 days a week between 4pm and 12 midnight, providing a highly visible, uniformed, semi official presence with the aim of reducing crime and deterring

anti social behaviour

As part of the trial, Barnet Homes now need to hear your views on the service. If you have received a survey form it's important that you complete and return it to support a business case to have the service return in the near future.

For a copy of the survey contact **Cameron Finnie, 020 8359 5407**

Save Money & Energy In Your Home!

We have got 600 'DIY Planet Repairs Tool Kits' from the Mayor of London to give away free to West Hendon residents. The tips and goodies in the kits will help to remind everyone in your household to save energy where they can, helping you to save money on bills and help the environment!

Each kit contains: a booklet packed with simple money saving ideas; a four minute shower timer to help you take shorter showers, saving both water and energy; stickers to put up around the house to help remind you to unplug switch off and turn down; a window sticker and badge to show your commitment and encourage your neighbours to do the same and a DIY planet repairs mug with a reminder to only boil the amount of water you need when making a cuppa!

If you would like a DIY Planet Repairs Tool Kit for your home pop in to 189 West Hendon Broadway on Fridays between 11am - 3pm or if you can't get out call us on 0208 976 1162 or email westhendon@mht.co.uk and we'll drop one off at your place.