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Haringey's 50th year has been packed with highlights – from our fantastic golden anniversary celebrations to the launch of some truly exciting and innovative projects across the borough.

You can read about some of these highlights, such as the launch of Chicken Town and our birthday festivities, in this edition of Haringey People. Other projects, including the official launch of the Fashion Technology Academy; progress on some of our regeneration ambitions, and approval for

exciting restoration plans at Alexandra Palace have given us much to feel positive about.

Despite this, there's no doubt that these are challenging times across local government and Haringey is no exception, with Government cuts already leaving us having to make £70million savings up to 2018. While we're still assessing the impact on Haringey of the government's recent spending review announcements, it is clear that there are many more challenges ahead as budgets continue to be squeezed.

However, I remain determined that the scale of the challenge must not dampen the scale of our ambition – which is why the changes we're making to some services are driven as much by a determination to further improve Haringey as by the need to reduce costs.

Haringey is changing fast and it's essential that we continue to adapt and keep pace with that change. That means focusing on adult services that can support more people to live independently for longer. It means introducing better early support for children and families to prevent issues from escalating. It means doing everything we can to draw investment into the borough – such as through our innovative development partnership and pioneering approach to business rates – so that we can create the jobs and homes we need.

And it means working more closely than ever with all of you to ensure that we make the most of the talent, expertise and enthusiasm on offer in the borough and in our communities.

Everyone who lives and works in Haringey knows that it's a borough packed with passion, creativity, authenticity and charm. It's already a great place to be and it's a borough with a fantastic future.

By building on Haringey's rich heritage; celebrating our communities; teaming up with our residents; being confident about our strengths and confronting our weaknesses; working in partnership with local organisations from the police to the NHS; bringing in major investment in housing and employment, and continuing to strive for excellence in all we do, I'm confident that we can build on our successes and deliver even more for Haringey in 2016.

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Get involved with Wood Green's Future

Exciting ideas to secure Wood Green's future as one of London's best places to live and work have been unveiled, with residents invited to have their say.

The Wood Green's Future consultation sets out a range of ideas Haringey Council is exploring to bring long-term regeneration to the area.

The different options show how regeneration could bring new high-quality homes, additional jobs, a brighter town centre and improved transport links.

Local people and traders are at the heart of regeneration plans, with the council committed to involving the community at every step of the proposals.

Initial feedback from consultation events earlier this year showed that residents were concerned about safety, shopping facilities and tired public spaces, while independent research has shown that Wood Green's economy is not performing as well as its counterparts across the capital.

The proposals that have been drawn up should help address these issues and bring a boost to the area.

To view the ideas and have your say, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/wood-green-regeneration

In Brief

Supporting Haringey's future – new business rates proposals

Pioneering proposals to place Haringey at the heart of London's growing economy and generate new jobs by offering greater backing to fledgling firms have been unveiled by the council.

Consultation on a new business rates policy, geared towards removing barriers to new businesses setting up shop in the borough, is now open.

Proposals include:

- A fixed-term discount scheme for new and converted work spaces, to encourage more start-up and creative industry and boost employment
- Business rates relief for organisations looking to run temporary "meanwhile" activities, such as pop-up markets and retail units, at regeneration sites
- A clearer idea of the social benefits of offering discounts to organisations such as charity shops, community groups and voluntary-aided schools

The proposed changes also come as the government prepares to give local councils more power to keep a greater share of the local business rates they collect. It is hoped that supporting new businesses will help to generate greater local business rates income in the future as companies flourish in Haringey.

For more information and to have your say on the proposals, visit:

www.haringey.gov.uk/businessrates before January 28.

Mental health award

Haringey's Adolescent Outreach Team, Park View School, Youth on Youth and the deep: black project have scooped a prestigious Health Service Journal Innovation in Mental Health award.

The accolade is in recognition of the Time 2 Talk project, which uses drama, film-making, teaching and peer support to tackle issues relating to mental health and emotional wellbeing.

The project has seen real-life case studies used for drama workshops, theatre performance and the production of a film, while Park View has also developed a robust mental health policy for the entire school.



Red card for blue badge fraudsters

Blue badge fraudsters who flouted match day parking restrictions around Spurs' White Hart Lane Stadium scored an own goal when they were rumbled by Haringey Council.

The council seized seven badges that were being falsely used by football fans aiming to get closer to the stadium.

Blue badges allow disabled car users to park in some restricted areas, but can only be used by the badge holder and never given or loaned to anyone else.

To report illegal parking in your area, email parking@haringey.gov.uk

New housing deal

Homes for Haringey will continue to manage council homes in the borough – including repairs, maintenance and customer service – until at least 2026.

The arms length management organisation has been given a new 10-year contract by Haringey Council.

The agreement follows a nine-month review led by tenants and councillors to consider a range of options for the future management of council homes.

More information about Homes for Haringey is available at www.homesforharingey.org

Welbourne Primary wins award

Welbourne Primary School has earned a prestigious award from the Bullying Intervention Group in recognition of its excellent anti-bullying work.

The Tottenham school is the first in Haringey, and one of just a handful in London, to win the accolade.

Headteacher Parveen Duggal said they were "thrilled" with the award, adding: "This means that bullying is taken seriously. Parents and pupils have confidence in our approach to bullying and its management and this makes children at our school feel safe, secure and cared for."

Queen's Wood flies the flag

Celebrations continued at Muswell Hill's ancient Queen's Wood as the friends group officially hoisted their recently awarded Green Flag.

The friends were joined by park users and the Mayor of Haringey, Cllr Jennifer Mann, to raise the flag and tuck into a specially baked tree stump cake.

Green Flags are a marker of high quality facilities and maintenance and are only awarded to parks and green spaces that meet strict criteria.

Chair of the Friends of Queen's Wood, John Dorken, said they were "delighted" to celebrate the accolade, adding:

"Displaying all its magnificent autumn colours, the wood showed just what a worthy recipient of Green Flag status it is, and proved the benefits of all the hard work that has been put into its management by all who care for it."

www.haringey.gov.uk/parks

Precariously perched fly-tip



A mattress found abandoned on the ROOF of a car park topped the list of bizarre dumped items collected by Haringey Council.

The mattress was among several items cleared from Stoneleigh Road Car Park as the council took tough action against fly-tippers.

A local shopkeeper stepped in to help the council's enforcement team haul the mattress away.

A fridge freezer, bags of rubbish, overflowing bins and discarded cardboard boxes were also cleared as part of Operation Twilight, which saw the council and waste contractor Veolia team up to crackdown on fly-tipping hotspots.

Many of the discarded items were traced to nearby businesses, with one clocking up five fixed penalty notices.

Operation Twilight also saw clear-ups in West Green Road, Seven Sisters Road, Turnpike Lane, Green Lanes and Bruce Grove. A total of 41 fixed penalty notices were issued and 10 businesses were ordered to clear up or face court action.

To report a fly-tip or provide evidence of fly-tipping, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/report-it or download the Our Haringey smartphone app.



West Green's Rising Star

The hard work of traders and residents who have helped to revamp one of Tottenham's most popular shopping streets has been rewarded in a national high street competition.

West Green Road was hailed one of the UK's 'rising stars' in the Great British High Street Competition 2015 – recognising a series of improvements led by Haringey Council in partnership with businesses and local people.

Modernised shop fronts, a tropical pocket park, public art displays and steps to tackle fly-tipping and anti-social behaviour have seen West Green Road become a bustling destination for independent specialist shops, bars and restaurants.

The Great British High Street Competition saw 230 applicants from across the UK, with West Green Road one of just 13 areas to scoop a Rising Star award – which comes with £1,000 funding for further local upgrades.

Improvements during the last two years were part of a £100,000 project to improve the appearance of the street's public spaces to make it more welcoming for residents and visitors, with local people deciding how the money should be spent.

Law-breaking landlord pays price

A rogue landlord who illegally converted one Stroud Green house into nine flats was handed a maximum £20,000 fine after being prosecuted by Haringey Council.

Andreas Stavrou Antoniadis, 74, ignored repeated demands from council enforcement officers to stop using the property in Woodstock Road as separate flats, raking in an estimated £9,000 a month in rent.

A repeat offender, Mr. Antoniadis had already been found guilty of a similar offence three years ago when he received a hefty £13,500 fine.

At Tottenham Magistrates' Court, he was ordered to pay a fine of £20,000 – the maximum magistrates can impose – as well as paying another £1,500 in costs and charges after pleading guilty to non-compliance with an enforcement notice.

Haringey Council is committed to taking tough action against rogue landlords and those who breach planning laws.

To report a suspected breach of planning rules, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/report-it

Tracking ambition – check out our performance record

Progress against a series of ambitious targets to make Haringey an even better borough has been published.

The no-holds-barred performance indicators detail how the council and partners are achieving against key priorities set out in Building a Stronger Haringey Together, the council's three-year corporate plan.

Presented in a series of simple-to-follow wheels, the online reports allow residents to track progress against a raft of detailed targets and highlight where improvements have been made and where performance is not yet up to scratch.

Updates focus on five priority areas:

- Enabling every child to have the best start in life – ensuring schools are good or outstanding and providing young people and families with the support they need
- Enabling all adults to live healthy, long and fulfilling lives – promoting healthier lifestyles and improving community support

- A clean, well maintained and safe borough where people are proud to live and work
- Driving growth and employment from which everyone can benefit – ushering in new investment for jobs, skills and housing
- Creating homes and communities where people choose to live and are able to thrive – building more affordable homes and improving housing

Performance data, which will be updated quarterly, can be viewed at www.haringey.gov.uk/strongerharingey



Breaking the mould for supported living

The final brick in a multi-million pound development that will empower more older people to live independently in their own homes has been laid.

Protheroe House, Chestnut Road, Tottenham, will be home to 50 flats uniquely designed to enable independent living with a safety net of specialist on-site personal care and support for residents.

The £9million development, delivered by Haringey Council and Season – One Housing's senior living arm – will be home to 36 one-bed and 14 two-bed apartments, replacing the previous 1960s sheltered housing scheme at the site.

It will boast first-class facilities including a medical and wellbeing centre, landscaped gardens, a roof terrace and dining area.

Each of the 50 homes will be arranged around a south facing central courtyard and community garden, and a guest suite for visitors is also planned.

Protheroe House is one of two extra-care schemes being built in Haringey. Nearby Pretoria Road will see a further 52 homes, including eight specially designed for people with dementia. Work on both schemes is due to be completed during 2016.

Serving ban for building site takeaway

A rubble-strewn takeaway was closed down after equipment and ingredients coated in building dust and debris were discovered by Haringey Council.

Environmental health officers unearthed the grime during a routine inspection of New Wang's, High Road, Tottenham.

Major building works were going on, including walls being partially demolished and bare brickwork and timber. A basin for staff to wash their hands in had been removed, while a sink used for food preparation was coated in dust.

The store was told it must remain closed until it no longer poses a risk to public health.

Illegal tobacco trade burns out

An illegal cigarette trade was stubbed out following a crackdown by Haringey Council.

Nish Shawkat, of Stoke Newington, was made to fork out more than £1,500 after being found guilty of trading without a licence.

He was one of four suspected illegal traders arrested during a series of crackdowns outside Seven Sisters Tube, which saw more than 150 packets of cigarettes and tobacco seized.

New GP practice

A new NHS GP practice will open in Tottenham Hale in early 2016 following months of behind the scenes work by Haringey Council, Healthwatch Haringey, Haringey CCG and NHS England.

The Hale Village practice will offer more than 1,800 nearby residents the opportunity to register with a GP.

Its arrival comes after a study found a shortage of GP provision in Tottenham Hale.

Further details of the surgery, including its exact location and contact details, will be made available soon.



Having a ball at the new sports courts

Sporty students and residents have been shooting hoops at Haringey's newest swish sports facilities, recently unveiled at Finsbury Park.

Ageing equipment has been replaced with brand new state-of-the-art courts, available for free use to park visitors.

The courts boast:

- Eight basketball hoops
- Three volleyball courts
- Two netball courts
- A badminton court
- Outdoor table tennis tables

New fencing has also been installed, and the floor of the courts levelled, drained and resurfaced to make for the best possible playing conditions.

Students from Hornsey's Greig City Academy were first to shoot hoops on the new courts when they teamed up with the Friends of Finsbury Park, Haringey Council and park users for the official opening.

Greig's Head of PE, Dan Bowmaker, said: "It's great to have a new facility in the borough. Any chance for students to spend more time working on their individual skills and playing extra basketball will support our aims to enhance the physical wellbeing of students and produce more championship athletes."

Basketball coach and former pro player Andrew Bailey said the new courts could see Finsbury Park producing the "next generation" of basketball stars, adding: "Having grown up spending hours playing on derelict courts as a youngster, it's a joy to see the young players get a chance to practice on these high quality courts."

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Precious Adediran, a member of Greig's National Championship winning girls' team, said: "Playing outside is great for us. Although we're national champions, nobody really knows how we play so we love coming down and beating the boys' teams, they soon learn and we keep winning!"

Boys' team player George Davis said the courts would give them the chance to practice more and play during holidays, adding: "These courts are great and I know we are going to find some good games against tough competition next summer."

Improvements were made possible through income from holding major events – such as summer concerts and festivals – in the park, with some additional funding from the London Marathon Trust.

Further information is available at www.haringey.gov.uk/parks



Daphne Broni

Inside Haringey's 'School of Rock'

From the outside, 199 Eade Road looks like any other of the industrial units and warehouses that make up much of Haringey's manufacturing district.

But peek inside, and you'll find some of the borough's finest fledgling young musical talent honing their skills in state-of-the-art studios – backed by one of the industry's biggest independent record labels.

"The idea with the rehearsal rooms is that it's possible for young people to learn instruments, but also here they can learn to be in a band," says Ellis Gardiner, who runs New River Studios. "It's like Haringey's version of Rock School."

The dozen teenagers who visit weekly – some of whom couldn't play an instrument before they joined the project – have access to tutors, two practice rooms and a recording suite, and have even seen megastar artist Emeli Sandé and music mogul Martin Mills drop in to listen.

That's because Beggar's Group – Mills' label that has launched careers from Adele and The Strokes to Dizzee Rascal and Vampire Weekend – has funded the Rehearsal Rooms venture alongside Haringey Council and industry body UK Music to give more youngsters the chance to play.

Ben Jones, who together with fellow 16-year-olds Dante Williams and Tiy Page make up Amongst Animals, started at New River Studios a year ago after the group's potential was spotted by teachers at Park View School.

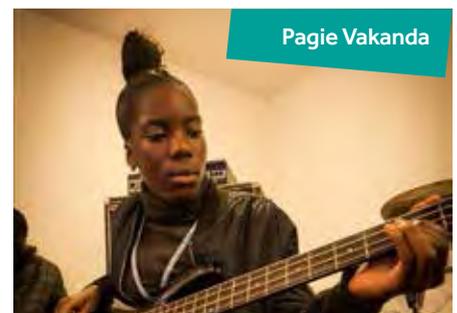
He said: "In London, there's a real problem finding affordable rehearsal space, so this place is amazing."

Every Monday and Wednesday evening, youngsters can take part and earn special arts awards in music production and performance – as well as simply having fun.

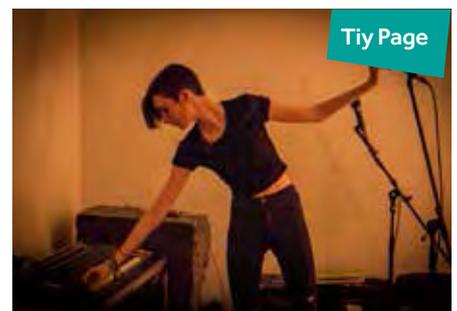
In its first year, the project helped five bands develop their skills, culminating in a special performance earlier this year.

Gladesmore Community School pupil Ayesha Abdul-Raheem earned a workshop with Tottenham rapper Wretch 32 after wowing judges at the Haringey@50 In The Park competition at Bruce Castle Park in the summer.

It's really good and we get all the help and support we need from the tutors.



Pagie Vakanda



Tiy Page

The 15-year-old, who is now putting her stunning voice to work on a music video for her debut song, said: "Music is a passion for me – it's just a great stress relief and an escape from everything else. I come here every Thursday after school, and I really enjoy it."

Rehearsal Rooms is open to all Haringey residents aged 14-19, and in many cases up to 25. Places are available now, for info email: rehearsalrooms@newriverstudios.com, or call 07794 450127.



Good running

Meet the Haringey group turning exercise into a good deed

Anyone for a 5k run followed by a spot of manual labour? A novel new way of combining fitness and community spirit is taking Haringey by storm.

Good Gym challenges its participants to take part in exercise, usually a run, followed by physical work such as gardening, painting and cleaning.

"We start out at Tottenham Green Leisure Centre and then run to the site where we'll be carrying out this week's task," explains Varon Lewis, leader of the Haringey group.

"It could be the home or garden of an elderly resident, a community centre or public space – somewhere there is work that needs doing that will make a real difference."

If all of that isn't enough to wear you out, the group stops off at a park on the way home for some circuit training.

"We get people of all abilities, so there are lots of different challenges and people can go at their own pace," says Varon.

Good Gym was the brainchild of founder Ivo Gormley, who used to run to the home of a housebound family friend where he would help out with chores. The not-for-profit

organisation already has a keen following in Hackney, Tower Hamlets and Lambeth, as well as Liverpool and Bristol, and support is growing in Haringey.

"Sometimes when we are running we hear people clapping and shouting support," says Varon. "It's a great feeling to know that people have seen you, taken the time to find out what you're about and come out to support you."

Varon is a qualified fitness coach and has combined his passion for getting fit with his desire to do good in his community.

"When you go the gym you're helping yourself but you could use that energy in a better way, by helping those around you. People in Haringey are being really enthusiastic about it. It's inspiring to see that people are willing to get up off their sofas and give up their time to do good in their community."



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Good Gym Haringey has so far helped a number of local causes, including the Irish Centre, Lordship Rec and Kori Community Centre and is always on the lookout for people and places it can help.

For more information on how to sign up or suggest a good cause, visit:

www.goodgym.org

Cluckin' brilliant – healthy fast food comes to Haringey

If you're a fan of finger-licking fried chicken but not of its calorific content, a new Tottenham restaurant cooking up favourites with a healthy twist might be worth a visit.

Chicken Town opened in the beautiful old Tottenham Green fire station in November, serving free-range chicken that is steamed before flash frying to cut out the fat – packing just a third of the traditional high street equivalent.

All profits from evening munching are reinvested into a cut-price £2 lunch deal for local youngsters in a bid to turn them away from the dozens of unhealthy takeaways on their doorstep – which can serve up to 68 per cent of a fully-grown adult's calories in three pieces of chicken, large fries and a large drink.

The idea is the brainchild of Hadrian Garrard, director of not-for-profit charity Create London, who says he is passionate about introducing some "healthy competition" to the high street.

He adds: "This project isn't about banning fast food, it is about doing something positive and transforming it.

"It's a restaurant that gives young people a positive incentive to eat healthy food. People can come and eat here in the evening, have a really good time and the money they spend will be used to offer healthy, junior specials to young people at lunchtime."

Staff will also work with local schools to help teach children where their food comes from by supplying roomy coops so pupils can keep their own chickens and harvest eggs – as well as organising visits to farms to see agriculture in action.

The social enterprise, which is backed by funding from Haringey Council, will also create 40 jobs and apprenticeships and train young people to embrace their inner cordon bleu – with top chefs from across the capital popping in to offer tips and placements in premier restaurants.

Hadrian, who lives locally, says: "The food industry in London is one of the fastest-growing areas of the economy, and we think there's a real, positive career opportunity for the young people starting work here."

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Chicken Town is open 11am-11pm, Monday to Saturday, and 11am-5pm on Sundays. Visit www.chicken-town.co.uk for more information.

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Secure future for Muswell Hill's pioneering specialist school

Children at one of the capital's leading specialist schools are set for state-of-the-art new facilities after the centre agreed a deal with Haringey Council.

Subject to planning permission, The London Centre for Children with Cerebral Palsy (LCCCP) will develop a permanent modern campus at their current temporary site in Coppetts Road, with a new hydrotherapy pool and outdoor learning space for pupils.

The council's Cabinet agreed to sell the land in Coppetts Road to the centre in exchange for the lease in a new development on the site of the former Green Man pub in Muswell Hill, where six new shared ownership homes are among proposals.

LCCCP offers education for three to 11-year-olds, after-school groups for children and young people with dyspraxia and hemiplegia, early intervention services and training for parents and professionals.

Jo Honigmann, Chief Executive of LCCCP, said: "We are so excited about the opportunity this presents for our children and their families.

"Having a building that is set far back from the road, and with the option to expand further as need demands, allows us every opportunity to increase our reach and work with more children who can benefit from our services".

Without this initial boost, the incredible opportunity that we now have would never have been possible.

Samantha Hyde, director of the centre's funding campaign, said: "The generosity of the developers, who gifted us the original building, has got this journey off the ground.

"Without this initial boost, the incredible opportunity that we now have would never have been possible. We are very grateful to SaS Investments, the developers, and Haringey Council for all their support."

LCCCP has launched a fundraising drive to help meet costs of the new facilities, as well as help the centre to run on a day-to-day basis. More than £1.5million has been raised so far.



For more information, visit www.cplondon.org.uk

To make a donation, visit www.justgiving.com/lcccp



Glancing back at Haringey's golden year

Fifty years of London's best borough was celebrated in style during 2015 as Haringey marked its golden anniversary.

A packed year of festivities saw the fun-filled Haringey @50 In the Park event; a Voices of Tomorrow talent search; the Haringey @50 short film competition and anniversary film, and the launch of a new-look for the borough.

Around 4,000 revellers enjoyed the Haringey @50 In the Park festivities, taking part in activities from dancing the Macarena to having a go at African drumming as well as being dazzled by entertainment from some of Haringey's brightest young talent.

The Voices of Tomorrow talent search showcased Haringey's performance pedigree, turning the spotlight on six singers in with a shout of being the borough's next big success story.

The young starlets enjoyed a music master class with Tottenham rap star Wretch 32 before taking to the stage.

Voices of Tomorrow winner Ayesha Chaieb, who sang Adele's Make You Feel my love in front of a packed audience at the In the Park festival, is now working on her first single release – watch this space!



Our hunt for the best budding directors also drew a tremendous response, with a stunning selection of short films flooding in.

Movie makers were asked to showcase what Haringey means to them, with short documentary 'A Warm Day in Haringey' taking first prize for its poignant and witty reflection of life of the borough.

The Haringey @50 official documentary delved into the past, present and future of Haringey through the eyes of the community – capturing the lessons, triumphs and troubles of living and working in the borough.

Directed by local tutor and film maker Colin Hills, Haringey at 5ifty features interviews with a host of local people and celebrates the culture, history diversity and harmony that help to make Haringey London's best borough.

You can see more images from Haringey's 50th year at:

www.facebook.com/haringey50

and view the Haringey at 5ifty film at

youtube.com/haringeycouncil



Wretch 32 gave a music masterclass



Thanks to everyone who helped celebrate Haringey's 50th birthday!

Exploring Haringey's hidden gems





There's no shortage of history, culture and architectural wow factor in Haringey, often to be found where you least expect it. This year's Open House London weekend saw the doors thrown open on a host of local venues, but you don't need to wait for a special occasion to check out what your borough has to offer.

Haringey Everyman Cinema, Muswell Hill

This Art Deco stunner has plenty of elegance to draw your eyes away from the screen for a while to soak in your surroundings.

Revamped by indie chain Everyman when they took ownership from Odeon earlier this year, the cinema's foyer remains resplendent with 1930s aesthetics, while the stairs climb to an upper rotunda and through a streamlined inner foyer to the main auditorium, which is complete with dramatic lighting.

The cinema has seen some changes over the years, not least the introduction of two additional screens in 1974, but a knack for preserving nostalgia has helped to ensure that visitors can enjoy a trip into the past as well as a night at the pictures.

Markfield Park Beam Engine and Museum, Tottenham

Standing proudly in Markfield Park, the 100 horsepower Beam Engine opened in 1888 and powered the sewage treatment works for Tottenham.

The engine's two pumps were capable of moving two million gallons each a day and the engine would have consumed 200 kilos of coal per hour. In 1905, the engine was relegated to standby duty for storm water pumping.

Other major features of the sewerage works, which remained in operation until 1964, can be found in Markfield Park, including the concrete walls of the original settlement tanks and the filter beds.

The engine opens to visitors a few times each year, check www.mbeam.org for info.

Noel Park Estate, Wood Green

Great for a stroll, the Noel Park Estate was developed as one of the first garden suburbs in the world and formally opened in 1883. With homes boasting similar elegant brickwork, windows and doors, the "village in a city" feel is protected by its conservation area status.

Hornsey Church Tower

Sitting in the historic churchyard of St Mary's Church, Hornsey Church Tower is a building steeped in history – its lower section dating back to Mediaeval times. The tower was abandoned and fell derelict, but recent efforts by the Friends of Hornsey Church Tower are seeing it preserved and funds raised for its restoration. The Friends host occasional tours of the tower, while its atmospheric setting makes for a special venue for occasional events such as carol concerts and one-off performances.

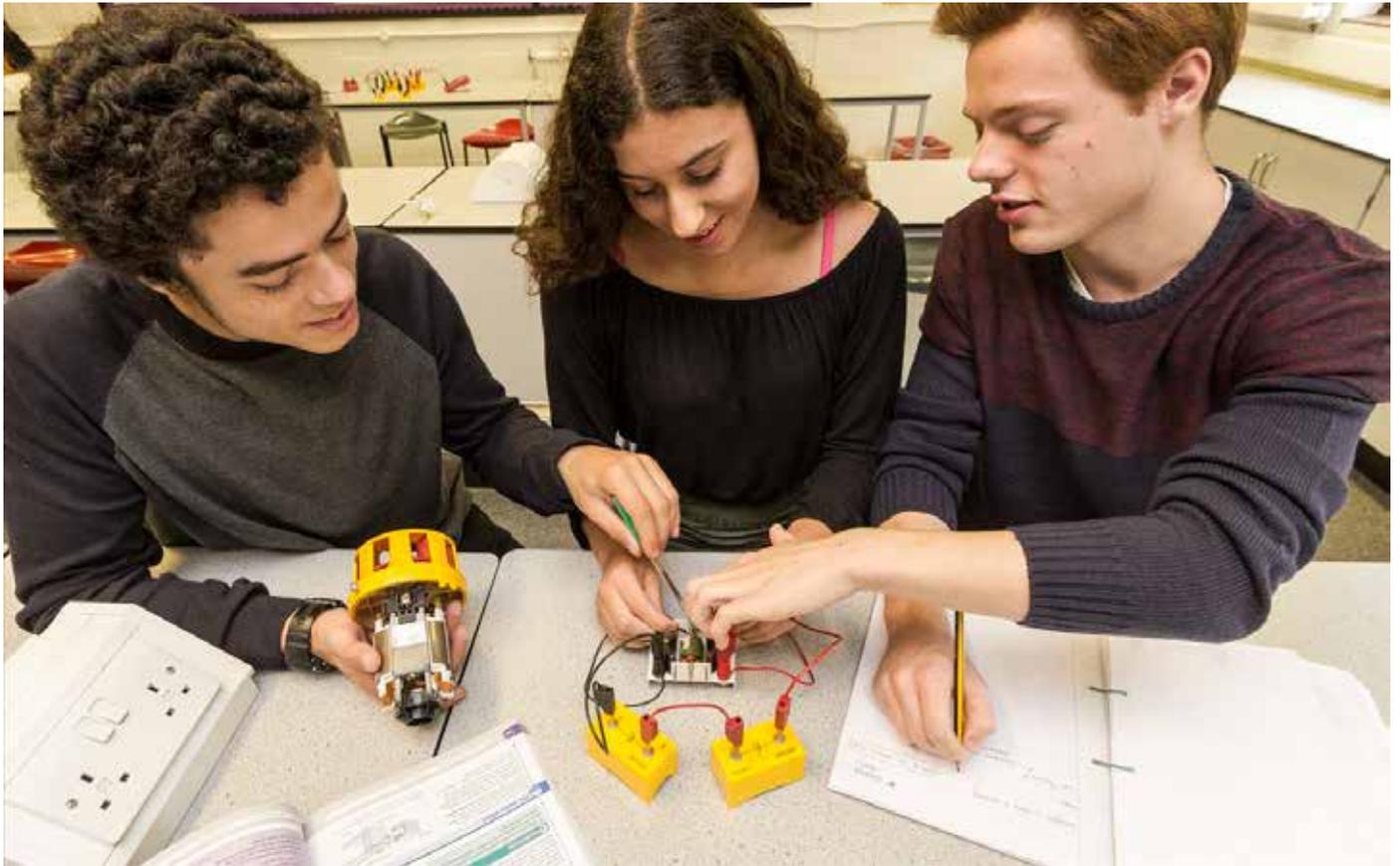
For more information, visit the Friends' website at

www.hornseychurchtower.com

Just some of Haringey's other hidden gems:

- Hornsey Town Hall, N8
- The Eco Hub, Lordship Rec, N17
- The Old School House, Tottenham Lane, N8
- Tottenham Town Hall, N15
- Tower Gardens Estate, N17

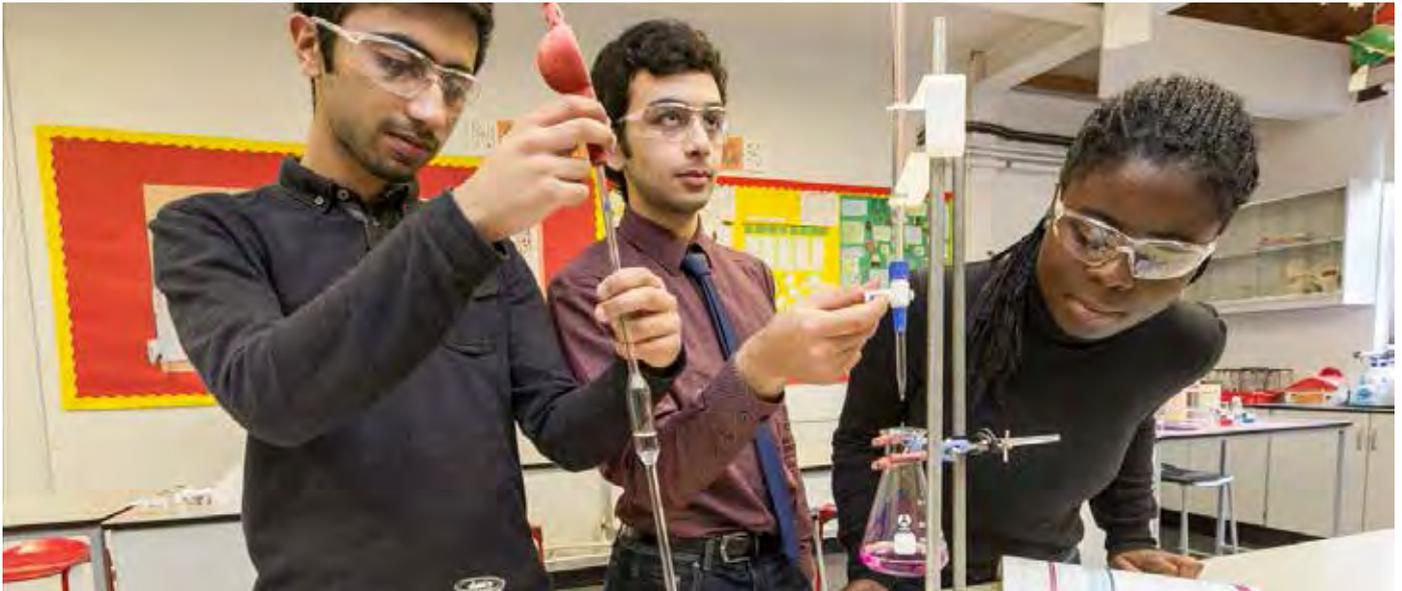
For information on Haringey hidden gems and places to visit, check out: www.haringey.gov.uk/visitingharingey



Stem-sational: Great minds help Haringey capitalise on the hi-tech revolution



A team of experts, including journalist Robert Peston and former Tomorrow's World presenter and Teen Tech CEO Maggie Philbin, is helping Haringey think about ways to support more school children to achieve better results in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).



The independent Haringey STEM Commission launched in September and recently issued a call for evidence, inviting residents and experts to put forward their ideas on how attainment in STEM subjects and access to STEM jobs can be increased.

Baroness Sally Morgan, Chair of the Commission, highlighted some of the obstacles the commission will be striving to overcome. "We know that at school level and beyond, STEM subjects are not as popular as they should be," she said.

"Girls in particular are much less likely to pursue a STEM education and pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds tend to perform less well than their counterparts.

"We want to address this to ensure all of Haringey's young people are able to take advantage of the wide range of career choices out there."

Fellow commissioner Michael McKenzie, headteacher of Alexandra Park Secondary School, said: "Haringey's greatest resource is its reservoir of bright, enthusiastic young people eager to learn, striving to achieve and ready to make their mark on the world.

"We are delighted to have witnessed a huge take-up in STEM subjects at GCSE, BTEC and A-level."

There are close to three million jobs in the UK that demand STEM skills, yet a shortage of qualified candidates leaves employers struggling to fill around 50 per cent of vacancies.

The Haringey STEM Commission will consider what can be done locally and nationally to tackle this problem and open up opportunities to more people in Haringey.

The STEM Commission follows the success of the Outstanding for All Commission, which launched in 2012 and made recommendations for driving forward school improvement across the borough.



Now we must capitalise on students' ambitions and teachers' inspiration to ensure that the next generation of scientists, doctors, engineers and mathematicians is nurtured in the heart of Haringey.



For more information, including details of how you can support the work of the commission, visit stemcommission.org.uk

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If your child was born between **1 September 2011** and **31 August 2012**, you need to apply by **15 January 2016**.

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www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions
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Taking pride in overcoming addiction

The extraordinary achievements of those who have defeated drug and alcohol addiction were celebrated at the Haringey Recovery Pride Awards.

More than 400 people – including recovering addicts and their friends and family – packed into Haringey’s Cypriot Centre for the event organised by the council, Haringey Recovery Service and local partners including St Mungo’s Broadway, HAGA (Haringey Advisory Group on Alcohol), Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Mental Health Trust and peer support organisation BUBIC (Bringing Unity Back into the Community).

Awards were given to people who have completed or begun the challenging recovery process.

Award winner Paul said: “I used to drink every day, lose days at a time, shout at people in the street. I used to blame others and shout about things, punch walls when I got angry. Then I came to HAGA. I’m now three months without alcohol, three months sober... I see a light in the future.”

Another winner, Janus, added: “Since being involved with the Haringey Recovery Service I was able to continue with my abstinence goal and keep myself motivated with life, finding employment and working on projects and issues. I wish everyone good luck in their own recovery journey.”

This year, Haringey’s drug and alcohol recovery services have helped a record number of service users to make the transition into recovery and begin to turn their lives around.

Alex, a service user involvement officer at the Haringey Recovery Service, said: “The impact of putting on Recovery Pride has been huge, it ensures our service users can take pride in their journey to recovery and showcase their talents and skills.

“There is a strong recovery community in Haringey but it’s often hidden and sometimes stigmatised. This annual event brings us out of the shadows and into the light of the community in celebrating the struggles and success of people in recovery.”

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If you’d like to find out more about the support available to people recovering from drug and alcohol addiction in Haringey, contact the Haringey Recovery Service on **020 8801 3999** or email **haringeyrecovery@mungosbroadway.org.uk**



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or visit:

www.haringey.gov.uk/hlp

or

www.haringey.gov.uk/sexualhealth



Living well with HIV

Haringey People looks at support on offer in the borough

When Donald discovered he was HIV positive, he gave up on his dreams of starting a relationship and becoming a father.

"I thought I had lost my chance," he said. "I felt as if something had been pulled from under my feet."

But after he started attending support groups for people living with HIV, Donald learned about ways to live well and healthily with his condition, as well as getting to grips with the realities – and myths – surrounding the virus.

Six years after meeting his partner, who also has HIV, they now have a daughter. "Our daughter has given us so much joy, says David. "She is a testament to how things have changed so much in the world of HIV.

"If anyone had told me five years ago I would be a father to a daughter who is HIV negative, I wouldn't have believed it.

"I think many people are unaware that it is possible to have children who do not have HIV if the parents have the virus.

"The only message I have for everyone out there is, get tested and get onto treatment as soon as you need to if you do have HIV."

Embrace UK Community Support Centre offers HIV testing, advice and prevention services for ethnic minority groups in Haringey and Enfield.

Health services manager Mesfin Ali said: "Testing for HIV is very important. It not only encourages people to live healthily and lets them know when they need to seek expert advice and medical support, but it also helps to prevent late diagnosis."

People who are diagnosed with HIV earlier live with fewer complex health issues than those diagnosed later and have a life expectancy much closer to the average. In Haringey, rates of late diagnosis are higher than the London average, with more than half of Haringey's HIV positive population coming from African or Caribbean backgrounds.

People can get tested for HIV through Embrace UK Point of Care Testing, by using self-testing kits or by visiting any one of six accredited pharmacies in Haringey.

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Image by:
Terrance Higgins Trust

Find pharmacy listings at
www.haringey.gov.uk/hlp

Embrace UK Community Support Centre
can be contacted on **020 8801 9224**

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Supporting Haringey's homeless with All People All Places

Local charity All People All Places was unveiled this year as the Mayor of Haringey's charity for 2015/16.

The Hornsey-based organisation describes itself as a "small" charity, but the impact it makes on the lives of some of the borough's most vulnerable people is anything but.

Formed in 2010 following the huge success of the first ever Haringey Winter Shelter, the charity works to break the cycle of homelessness and enable clients to improve their lives and reintegrate into mainstream society.

With a clear commitment to "looking after the overlooked", All People All Places offers not just warmth and shelter but also the advocacy, confidence building and support with accessing services and accommodation that can make a real difference to people's lives.

The past five years have seen more than 400 volunteers get involved in delivering All People All Places, with helpers drawn from across local faith and community groups. Providing a Winter Shelter to support people during the coldest months of the year has remained a core focus of the charity's work.

All People All Places has a Christian ethos, but prides itself on being an inclusive charity with staff and volunteers from people of all faiths and none.

Mayor of Haringey Cllr Jennifer Mann said: "It's an honour for me to support All People All Places throughout my Mayoral year. They are a fantastic local charity and do a tremendous job supporting people who may otherwise have nowhere else to turn.

"There are many people in our borough who need a helping hand, and I am hugely impressed by the compassion shown by All People All Places, and by the practical solutions and support they offer."

This month will see the charity's annual Winter Shelter and fundraising drive, geared towards raising awareness of rough sleeping and offering extra support as the weather turns colder.



There are many people in our borough who need a helping hand.



For more information or to help out, search for All People All Places on Facebook. To donate to the Mayor of Haringey's charitable fund, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/mayor, email mayors.office@haringey.gov.uk or call 020 8489 2962

Independent Person – Haringey Council

Are you interested in promoting high ethical standards in Haringey Council?

Haringey Council has a statutory duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct for your elected councillors and co-opted members. We take this responsibility seriously and have a Code of Conduct, which sets out the key obligations that must be observed.

If an allegation is made that a member or co-opted member has failed to comply with the Code of Conduct we want someone whose views can be sought (either by the Council Standards Committee, Monitoring Officer or the member concerned) before a decision is made about what to do. This Independent Person position is a requirement created by the Localism Act 2011.

In addition, new regulations in 2015 require an Independent Person to be involved in making recommendations to the council where the council is considering dismissing its key statutory officers.

We are looking for applicants who:

- Can offer the profile and experience that the community would recognise and respect as bringing an independent and informed perspective to the consideration of complaints about member conduct
- Are familiar with ethical questions and the development and interpretation of codes of conduct
- Have good analytical and interpersonal skills
- Have experience of decision making skills involving sensitive issues
- Are objective, impartial and have a high level of integrity
- Are independent of any political party

To ensure your voice is truly independent, the law rules you out for this role if you are currently a member, co-opted member or employee of Haringey Council, or you are a relative or close friend of anyone who is, or if in the past five years you were a member, co-opted member or employee of Haringey Council.

The post carries an allowance of £1,250 per annum for the primary appointment with £250 for any deputy appointed. The appointments will be for four years.

If you would like to have an informal discussion about this role, please contact Bernie Ryan, the council's Assistant Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer on 020 8489 3974 or email: Bernie.Ryan@haringey.gov.uk.

An application form and information pack can be obtained on the council's website at www.haringey.gov.uk/independentperson or from Clifford Hart, Democratic Services Manager on 020 8489 2920 or email: Clifford.hart@haringey.gov.uk.

The closing date for applications is 7 January 2016.

Interviews are to be held in the evening during the weeks commencing 18 or 25 January 2016.

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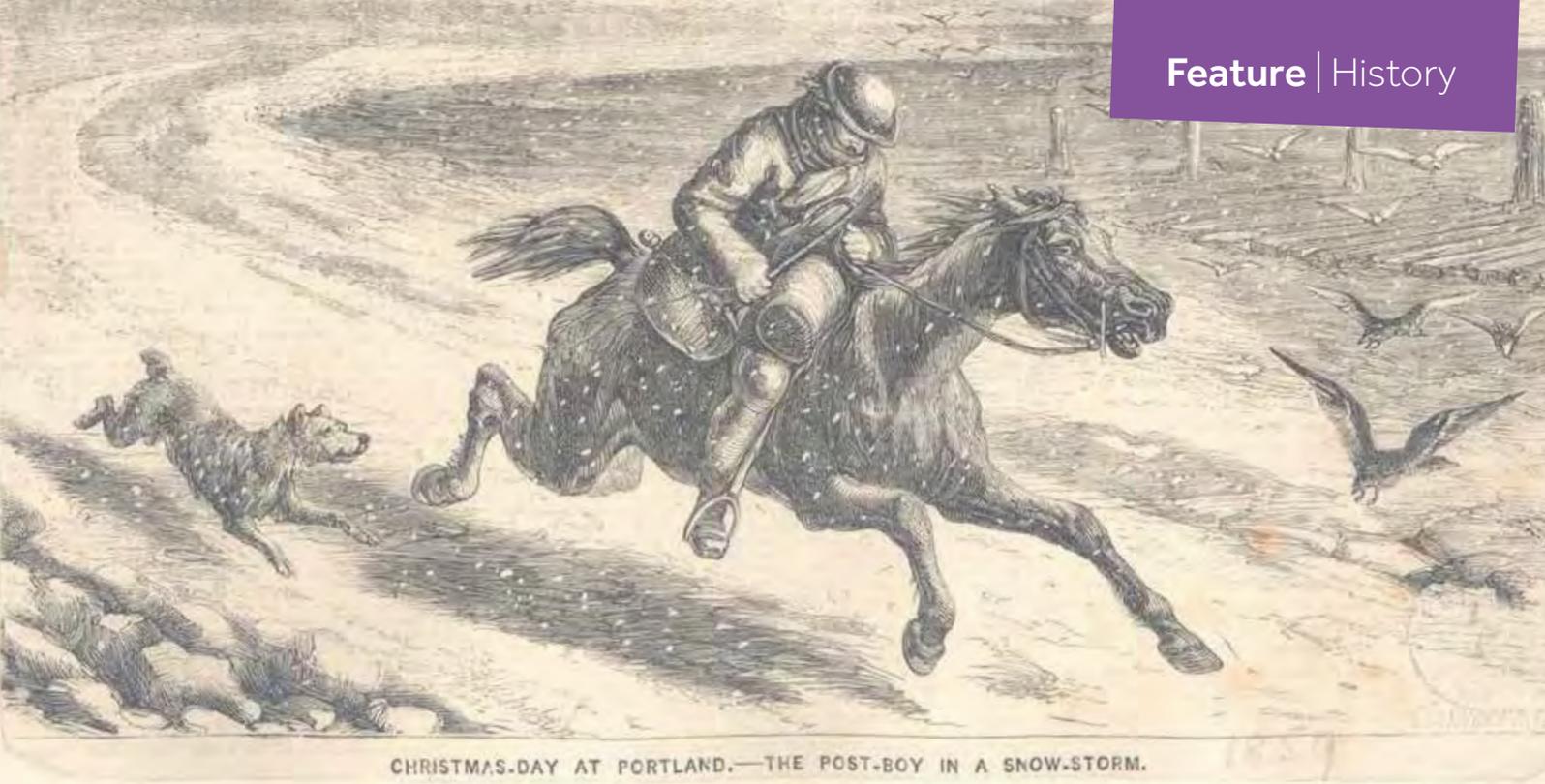
Free for 2s is good for your child's social, physical and mental development and prepares them for school.

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Free places also available
for 3 and 4 year olds



CHRISTMAS-DAY AT PORTLAND.—THE POST-BOY IN A SNOW-STORM.

Celebrating Haringey's special stamp on history

When you're getting set to send letters to Santa or Christmas cards to loved ones this month, spare a thought for Haringey's starring role in the history of the British postal service.

It's 175 years since the Penny Post revolutionised communication – opening up the previously elite postal service to people of all walks of life.

This year has seen anniversary celebrations hailing the impact of the Penny Post – a flat-fee "one price goes anywhere" service that allowed mail to be easily sent the length and breadth of the country.

The brain behind the dawn of the Penny Post was Rowland Hill, owner of Tottenham's Bruce Castle, where he and his family set up the progressive Bruce Castle School in 1827, and where he worked as headmaster.

A passionate social and political reformer, Rowland's commitment to opening up opportunities to others saw him continue to focus on modernisation after handing leadership of the school to his brother, Arthur.

Rowland's attention turned in 1836 to the idea of a "uniform" postal rate system, and he devoted many months to perfecting his "Post Office Reform: its Importance and Practicability" pamphlet.

Rowland argued that a low pre-paid postage rate – scrapping the need to pay per written sheet or to receive a letter – would remove injustice, encourage education and enable the working classes to keep in touch with relatives and friends.

Debate continued until the Postal Reform Bill was passed in 1839 and Rowland was appointed to the Treasury to oversee the introduction of the system. The Penny Post was implemented in 1840 – with the first stamps going on sale that May. Rowland Hill was knighted in 1860 and died in 1879, aged 84.

In 1927, Bruce Castle Museum became the new home for a major collection of postal history. A new book published this year for Chinese readers features a host of material from the archives – bringing the history of Rowland Hill, Bruce Castle and the Penny Post to a wider audience than ever before, and becoming the first book about the Penny Black to be published in China.

For information or to access the collection at Bruce Castle, email museum.services@haringey.gov.uk or call 020 8808 8772.



Haringey councillors, council meetings and Members of Parliament

**Haringey has 57
elected councillors,
across 19 different
wards – and your
local councillors will
depend on where in
the borough you live.**

Ward councillors are there to offer you advice, guidance and support on issues you may have in the borough, and most ward councillors hold regular "surgery" sessions where you can come along to meet them and discuss concerns in person.

To find out who your ward councillors are, use the ward search at www.haringey.gov.uk/ward-search or call **020 8489 1000**.

You can contact your local councillors by writing to them c/o River Park House, 225 High Road, N22 8HQ or email them using the format **firstname.lastname@haringey.gov.uk**



Watch

If you can't come along to a meeting and you have internet access, you can watch main council meetings held at the Civic Centre through the council's website, live or at a later date.

See www.haringey.gov.uk/webcasts for more details

Council Meetings

Council meetings are normally held in the Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green N22 and are open to the public. Meeting times, dates and locations can change, check www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings for the latest information.

Council Meetings

December

Cabinet

Tuesday 15, 6.30pm

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 17, 7pm

Licensing Sub-committee

Monday 21, 7pm

January

Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

Tuesday 5, 6.30pm

Planning Sub-committee

Monday 11, 7pm

Community Safety Partnership

Thursday 14, 1pm

Haringey Schools' Forum

Thursday 14, 4pm

Licensing Sub-committee

Thursday 14, 7pm

Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel

Monday 18, 6.30pm

Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel

Monday 18, 6.30pm

Housing & Regeneration Scrutiny Panel

Monday 18, 6.30pm

Cabinet

Tuesday 19, 6.30pm

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Monday 25, 7pm

Planning Sub-committee

Thursday 28, 7pm

Enfield and Haringey London Assembly Member

Joanne McCartney (Labour)

020 7983 4402

joanne.mccartney@london.gov.uk

[@joanmccartney](https://twitter.com/joanmccartney)

Surgery last Friday of each month, 6.30-7.30pm
28 Middle Lane, N8

Write to:

Joanne McCarney,
GLA, City Hall,
The Queen's Walk,
London SE1 2AA

Hornsey and Wood Green MP

Catherine West (Labour)

020 7219 6141

catherine.west.mp@parliament.uk

[@parliament.uk](https://twitter.com/cwestmp)

Write to:

Catherine West MP
House of Commons
London SW1A 0AA

Tottenham MP

David Lammy (Labour)

020 7219 0767

mail@davidlammy.co.uk

Write to:

David Lammy MP
House of Commons
London SW1 0AA

What's On

Bruce Castle Museum

Lordship Lane,
Tottenham N17
Open Wednesday to Sunday,
1-5pm

[www.haringey.gov.uk/
brucecastlemuseum](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/brucecastlemuseum)
020 8808 8772

museum.services@haringey.gov.uk

Events are FREE unless stated

Events

Family art and craft activities

Sundays
2-4pm

A variety of activities for children aged 5-13. Under-eights must be accompanied by an adult – and no adults admitted without an accompanying child.

Little Explorers - Storytime Craft: The Jolly Christmas Postman

Sunday, December 13
12.30-1.20pm

Hear the story of the Jolly Postman and make a card to send to Santa.

History on the Move

Tuesday, December 15
2-4pm

Join Pat and Barbara from History on the Move and celebrate the festive season with Christmas music, a cuppa and mince pies. Facilitated by local historian Christine Protz.

Exhibitions

Hidden Heroes – Soldiers from the Empire

Until March 27

Eastside Community Heritage and Middlesex University present a previously unexplored history of the Middlesex Regiment's contribution to the First World War. Through tracing their descendants, the stories of the regiment's brave black and Asian soldiers reveal an alternative narrative of the First World War.

Alexandra Palace

Alexandra Palace Way, N22
www.alexandrapalace.com

Events

Disclosure

December 1-3
7pm (Doors 6.30pm)

Music duo Disclosure return to Alexandra Palace to perform tracks from their latest album, Caracal. Support from Eats Everything.

IACF Antiques & Collectors Fair

Sunday, December 6
9.30am-4.30pm

Enjoy the Antiques and Vintage pop up fair at Ally Pally with lots of hidden gems to be found. The fair is full of hand-picked, quality, vintage traders offering a wide range of genuine vintage and antique goods.

Admission £6

Highlights



Crouch End Players present: Shakespeare's Twelfth Night

January 27-30

Following on from the stellar success of 2014's As You Like It in Priory Park, the Crouch End Players revisit their talent for Shakespeare with this production of much-loved comedy Twelfth Night.

The beautiful Hornsey Town Hall, at the heart of Crouch End, will be the setting for this very special production, which will see some of N8's finest acting talent take to the stage.

Crouch End Players is a friendly community theatre group, which often uses local venues to host productions, and has a keen focus on making performances accessible to the local community.

For further information, visit www.crouchendplayers.co.uk

Alexandra Palace Events continued

Cinderella on Ice Pantomime

December 14-21
Times vary

Watch a magical recreation of the classic fairy tale Cinderella. The perfect way for the whole family to get into the festive spirit, this enchanting tale will be brought to life on the ice with songs and fantastic choreographed routines.

Tickets £10-£12 (£10 concessions)

World Snooker – The Masters

January 10-17
Session times: 1pm & 7pm

Snooker's biggest invitation event, the Dafabet Masters, returns to Alexandra Palace in January, with 16 of the world's top stars battling for the prestigious title.

Tickets £15-£70

London Model Engineering Exhibition

January 15-17
10am-5pm

The South's Largest Model Engineering & Modelling Exhibition where you can see the full spectrum of modelling from traditional model engineering, through to the more modern gadgets and robots.

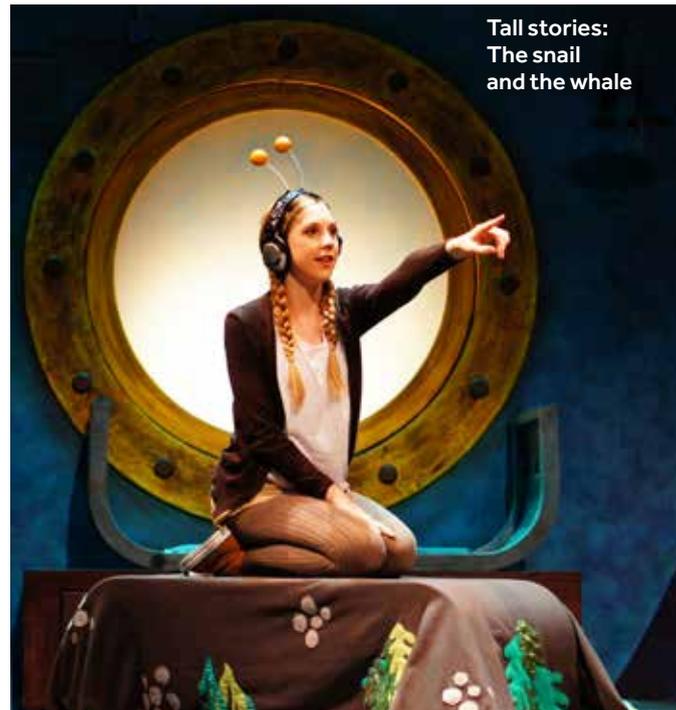
Tickets £3-£11

World Championship of Ping Pong

January 22-24
6pm

This year the event expands to three days and features 64 players from all over the world, headed by defending champion Andrew Baggaley of England.

Tickets £15 (£10 concessions)



**Tall stories:
The snail
and the whale**

Jacksons Lane

Archway Road, N6
(opposite Highgate tube)

www.jacksonslane.org.uk
020 8341 4421

Ben Hopper: Transfiguration Until December 31

This exhibition by contemporary circus photographer Ben Hopper features renowned international and contemporary circus artists and dancers – showcasing their unique physicality and exploring the spirit of the performer.

Images are on display throughout the Jacksons Lane foyer.

FREE

Tall stories: The snail and the whale

December 5 - January 3

The Snail and the Whale mixes storytelling, lots of laughs and fantastic new music played live on stage – in a show for everyone aged 4 and up. Follow the tiny snail's exciting journey, as seen through the eyes of an adventurous young girl and her seafaring father

Tickets £12.95

Bernie Grant Arts Centre

Town Hall Approach Road,
Tottenham Green, N15

www.berniegrantcentre.co.uk
020 8365 5450

Cinderella

December 9-19
Times vary

A new take on the Cinderella story, performed by award winning drama college MTA, sees the familiar story set in Russia.



**British Ghanaians:
Lost in Translation**

British Ghanaians: Lost in Translation

Saturday, December 12
7pm

British Ghanaian TV presenter Ortis Deley (The Gadget Show, Channel 5) is on a quest to discover the root causes of dying Ghanaian languages within the British Ghanaian community, in London.

Tickets £9

A State Affair

December 17-19
Times vary

A hard hitting show directed by Paul Foster, looking at the Bradford underclass of 2000.

Not suitable for Children

Tickets £10 (£5 concessions)

Markets

There are a range of markets on offer in Haringey – with stalls including local traders, food and drink direct from suppliers and arts and crafts.

Alexandra Palace Farmers' Market

Sundays
10am-3pm

Muswell Hill entrance, foot of Muswell Hill, N10

Chestnuts Market

Sundays
11am-3pm

Chestnuts Primary School, Black Boy Lane, N15

Tottenham Green Market

One Saturday each month
10am-4pm

Tottenham Green, Town Hall Approach Road, N15

Noel Park Market

Sundays
10am-4pm

Noel Park Primary School, Gladstone Avenue, N22

Hornsey Town Hall Arts Centre

Hornsey Town Hall
The Broadway, N8

www.hthartscentre.co.uk

A series of interim events and activities at Crouch End's best loved landmark

Xmas swing party with Angie A's Juke Joint Joe's band

Wednesday, December 9
7.30pm

Christmas with the Twits & Guests

Thursday, December 11
7.30pm

Let's go to the Movies

Friday, December 12
1pm

North London YMCA's Harringay Club presents this fantastic children's performance showcase.



Hornsey Town Hall Arts Centre

HLSI Highgate Film Society

Highgate Literary and Scientific Institution
11 South Grove, N6

Much Ado About Nothing

Thursday, January 21
7.30pm

Kenneth Branagh's Shakespearian movie, starring himself, Emma Thompson and Keanu Reeves.

Free to Film Society members, £8 for guests. For membership info, visit www.hlsi.net/film.aspx



Libraries

There are events of all kinds in Haringey libraries, from under-fives' messy mornings to poetry readings, author events, concerts and health and wellbeing sessions. Check your local library for details.

Alexandra Park

Alexandra Park Road
Wood Green, N22 4UJ
T 020 8489 8770

Coombes Croft

Tottenham High Road
N17 8AG
T 020 8489 8771

Highgate

Shepherd's Hill
Highgate, N6 5QT
T 020 8489 8772

Hornsey

Haringey Park, N8 9JA
T 020 8489 1118

Muswell Hill

Queen's Avenue
N10 3PE
T 020 8489 8773

Marcus Garvey

Temporarily closed for improvement works.

St Ann's

Cissbury Road
Tottenham, N15 5PU
T 020 8489 8775

Stroud Green

Quernmore Road
N4 4QR
T 020 8489 8776

Wood Green

High Road
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