Muswell Hill & Fortis Green Association

Incorporating Alexandra Ward

BURGLARIES DOWN, SAY POLICE

At the members' meeting in November, the police inspector responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood police teams in the West of our Borough reported that crime across our three wards is DOWN. Sincerely welcomed by Association Chairman John Hajdu, the speakers at the packed meeting at North Bank were Inspector Matt Casey, Sergeant Stuart Randall and Sergeant David Williams.

Inspector Casey reported that, for the three wards of Alexandra, Fortis Green and Muswell Hill, over the last three years (2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14) the total of all reported crimes to police has fallen from 2867 to 2315 per rolling year. During this period, vehicle crime has remained a challenge, with a rise of from 638 to 673 for theft of and theft from motor vehicles. Burglary has fallen substantially though, falling from 406 to 285 offences across the three wards per rolling year (November to November).

In their Neighbourhood Policing Update, the team explained how the local officers prioritise their tasks, and how the plans are implemented. Neighbourhood Policing is currently met by Police officers and Community Support Officers from The West Cluster Neighbourhood Policing Team within Haringey Police. There are nine wards in this area, each with a Dedicated Ward Police officer and Police Community Support officer. In addition to this, there are five teams of Police Officers and Police Community Support Officers, who are tasked with policing and investigating lower level crimes across the nine wards. Each ward has a Ward Panel, made up of members of the community who decide on promises that the police will undertake to tackle local short term policing problems on the ward. A recent example has been tackling begging on Muswell Hill Broadway which has led to two people being subject to Anti Social Behaviour Orders to prevent persistent begging.

The chairperson from the ward panel also attends a panel meeting of the ward chairpersons from across the cluster. Our chairman, John Hajdu, is the chair of the Fortis Green Ward Panel. These ward chairpersons and the police then determine policing priorities across the nine wards as a whole. The priorities are then tasked to the five Neighbourhood policing team officers. An example recently has been the tasking of officers to motor vehicle crime in areas across the west of Haringey including Muswell Hill.

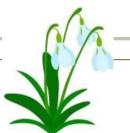
GOOD NEWS

about the Contact Point

Since the closure of Muswell Hill Police Station in 2013 efforts have been made to find a Police Contact Point in Muswell Hill Broadway. Several options were explored and one has now been identified and approved. Planet Organic, 111-117 Muswell Hill Road, London N10 3HS, has agreed to accommodate a contact point commencing 12 January 2014. The opening times will be Wednesdays from 6pm to 8pm, Thursdays from 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. and – a real benefit to those who wanted a daytime contact session - Saturdays from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

To contact your local ward police: Alexandra - Tel: 0208 721 2675 Fortis Green - Tel: 0208 721 2506 Muswell Hill - Tel: 0208 721 2765 Police non emergency number, call 101 Police Emergency Number, call 999

Crime update; follow this link to crime figures across London: http://maps.met.police.uk/index.php?crimetype=3 January/February 2015 Newsletter



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... and a happy New Year!

LENDING A HAND

Heartfelt thanks from the local community for the graffiti-busting skills and ever watchful eyes of Jack Whitehead and Bill Jago (pictured). The council is kept informed about new incidents , but Bill and Jack try personally to erase as much as they can. Bill has made some challenging observations about Broadway



graffiti (see *Letters* on page 4), and is currently researching the various ways of keeping cigarette ends off the streets – the Association and the Council await his future suggestions with keen interest.

'A victory for common sense' 'The proposal is unsympathetic and inappropriate' 'They had clearly got the message' 'The consultation... is deeply flawed'

The MHFGA Committee is working for all of us. Read their reports on page 5.

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Members' Meetings

Wednesday 18 March 7.30 p.m. at North Bank, N10 An Evening with the North London Hospice. See website for details, www.mhfga.org

Wednesday 15 April 7.30 p.m. at North Bank, N10 ALLOTMENTS

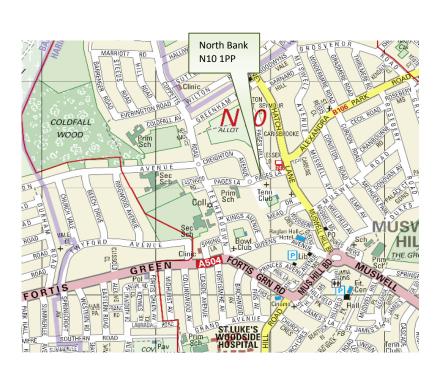
In conjunction with the Muswell Hill & District Horticultural Society, a look at the history and potential of the allotment culture. With their roots back in the Middle Ages, definitely not a short term passion!

Conducted Walk

11.00 a.m. Saturday 20 June Queens Wood walk - a return visit to see five years of progress in this wonderful setting.

Annual General Meeting

8.00 p.m. Wednesday 20 May



Wanted - Meetings Coordinator

Are you working from home, recently retired or at an occasional loose end? Would you be interested in being the MHFGA's meetings coordinator? Working with the Committee, finding speakers and taking notes and photos at our four meetings each year, and contributing to this Newsletter. If you would like to help, please write to John Hajdu, Chairman, at hajdu.clarion@talk21.com.

Have you got a tale to tell? A rags to riches experience? Business venture with a history? A fascinating hobby? Would you like to share your adventure with the Association at a future Members' Meeting? Please write to John Hajdu, Chairman, at hajdu.clarion@talk21.com.

ALEX'S CORNER

Welcome to 2015. I hope you're having a wonderful festive break and may the joys of the season be with you throughout the year.

Welcome to our new members: Jacqui and David Billis, of Cranbourne Road; Fran Bowman, of Twyford Court; Lys de Beaumont, of St. Regis Close; Adam Skeggs, of Windermere Road; Liz May and Roddy McDougall, of Cranbourne Road; and Patricia Lott, of Muswell Avenue.

A Look Back at 2014

2014 was a year of turmoil for trees, roads and gulleys in Muswell Hill, with major works in one street after another culminating in the closure of the Broadway and the upper part of Colney Hatch Lane in October and November. We have been monitoring a number of planning applications, supporting local initiatives and opposition where necessary. We looked at the new shops and restaurants opening in Muswell Hill, not only to keep in check unauthorised fascias, but also to question whether some of the new establishments added local value and, in the case of restaurants, if there is enough accessible parking.

There was much expectation that the Village pub, bought by J.D Wetherspoon, was going to have a grand reopening before the end of the year, but the doors remain tightly shut. Across the roundabout, in front of Boots, we were delighted that the large expanse of pavement near Boots was been improved out of all recognition and could now accommodate the passengers waiting at the new W7 bust stop – for which we had been lobbying for years. Now, the welcome news is that at last also the 144 is stopping there.

And all around the Broadway, the flower boxes and troughs have been freshly replanted with a fine seasonal selection that is lasting well into the new year.

Forums

Are you a local writer or a publisher? Does the idea of local Book Forum appeal to you? David Orme, the MHFGA Newsletter's editor, suggests having a regular column in this Newsletter, and maybe some shameless plugs for your own books! Expressions of interest welcome – write to <u>editor@mhfga.org</u>. If you are not a member, but like the idea of a Book Forum or similar initiatives, no problem. Fill in the membership application form in this Newsletter or download it from our website, http://mhfga.org/?page_id=45 and send with your payment to Jacqueline Servat, The Treasurer, MHFGA, 52 Queen's Avenue, N10 3NU.

My Details

Please send your comments, suggestions and requests to membership@mhfga.org or write to The Membership Secretary, MHFGA, 40 Halliwick Road, London N10 1AA.

Thanks! Alex

... and a prosperous new year to our corporate members!

Ethical Edibles (Donatella Bernstein), Victory Auto Services (Mark Bharadia), Woodland Tree Surgery (Christopher Hill), Excel English Language School (Judy Loren), Feast (Roger Ward CBE), Fortismere School (Helen Anthony), Muswell Hill Bowling Club (Paul Chapman), Muswell Hill Toy Library (Liz Luxmore), Norfolk House School (Samantha Habgood), Odeon Cinema (Dee Neal and Mark Mannix), Robert Linsky Optometrist (Robert Linsky), The John Baird (Keith Nicholas), Tim Moss Furniture (Tim Moss), Toffs of Muswell Hill (George and Costas Georgiou), Tootoomoo (Philip McGuinness), Clissold Arms (George Kyriakos Karageorgis).

LETTERS & COMMENT



Dear MHFGA

After listening for much of the night to the barking of foxes, this morning I woke up to see yet another two mangy foxes strolling in my back garden. These creatures are vermin although, apparently, urban foxes are not legally classed as such despite having all the characteristics necessary. Legally, householders have a right to get rid of foxes on their land by shooting, snaring or trapping them. However, rather than leaving this task to individual householders, I suggest that the assiduousness of our council in hounding motorists be directed towards eliminating foxes. Is it possible for the MHFGA to lobby Haringey Council and our MP to get the law clarified in order to rid Muswell Hill of this unpleasant and increasing blight?

Yours, Robert Coleman Cranbourne Road

According to Haringey and Barnet councils, neither provides a service for the treatment of foxes. They suggest contacting John Bryant from The Fox Project on 01732357355 who may be able to advise. This is the Project's website http://www.foxproject.org.uk

What do you think? Are urban foxes a nuisance? Cute & cuddly? What more can be done? Tell us your experiences or views - write to editor@mhfga.org

Dear MHFGA

GRAFFITI ON BANK PREMISES

This is happening a lot, probably because of their unpopularity. Barclays, HSBC and Nationwide now have graffiti which is at least a couple of weeks old. Most often the graffiti is such that we cannot remove it and have to report it to Haringey. BUT, we are getting more and more reluctant to keep reporting it. We think it should not have to be reported by us and it should not be Haringey that should remove the graffiti from such premises at the public's expense. We think it is reasonable to expect a national organisation such as a bank to take action itself, even if it is only to ask Haringey to help them, but surely it is really their responsibility to keeping their buildings in good order at all times. This an area where we believe the Association and Councillors could make a joint approach to all the banks in the Broadway emphasising the initiatives the Association and Council already take to enhance the appearance of the Broadway, pointing out that they are letting the local community down and asking them to do their bit by arranging for their graffiti to be removed promptly.

Yours, Bill Jago

BEST FOOT FORWARD FOR NORTH LONDON HOSPICE

Despite the cold and rain, around 1,000 walkers joined forces back in April 2014, to walk eight-and-a-half miles across London in aid of North London Hospice.

The Big Fun Walk, the Hospice's biggest annual fundraiser which has been running for twenty years, attracts both young and old with even a number of four-legged companions completing the route.

Participants set off from East Finchley underground station and made their way through many of London's Royal Parks before being welcomed to the finishing point at Storey's Gate in Westminster with a whole host of entertainment including a jazz band and much needed refreshments.

Jo Balkin took part in the Big Fun Walk as part of the 'Angela's Angels' group (photo below). Jo said: 'We are taking part in the walk in memory of my dear friend Angela Moonshine, mother of Sophie and daughter of Betty, who died at the Hospice last Christmas. The care that Angela received at the Hospice was outstanding. It means an enormous amount to us to be here today.



Julia Roberts from Totteridge added: 'Our friend has been wonderfully cared for by the Hospice and we are so pleased to be able to walk to support such an amazing place."

North London chief executive Pam McClinton said she was delighted to see so many people take part in the walk and thanked everyone who turned up.

She said: 'Thanks to everyone who made the event such a success. It was a real team effort involving over a thousand walkers and a team of dedicated volunteers and Hospice staff.

'This is a vital event for the Hospice raising over £110,000 every year. In such a challenging fundraising environment and with more than £7 million needed every year to continue to provide our specialist care, every walker and every penny really counts.'

All money raised will go towards providing specialist care and support to terminally ill patients and their families in the boroughs of Barnet, Enfield and Haringey.

Big Fun Walk is back again in 2015, on Sunday 22 March. Don't miss the opportunity to be a part the biggest fundraising event in the calendar. Walk eight-and-a-half miles through London's beautiful parks, enjoy a complimentary lunch in Regents Park and finish with tea and cake in Storeys Gate, Westminster. Register before the end of January 2015 for £10 instead of £15. For more information and to register, go to: http://www.bigfunwalk.co.uk/.

Ready for the off, at the gate to Cherry Tree Wood



MEMBER IN PROFILE 'Britain's Leading Radical Philosopher'

Ted Honderich is Grote Professor Emeritus of the Philosophy of Mind and Logic at University College London. He has been a visiting professor at Yale, the Graduate Centre of the City University of New York, and Bath University, and has lectured widely in Europe, the East, and elsewhere.



Pictured here at a book festival in Athens, Greece, Ted and his wife Ingrid Coggin Honderich, botanist and teacher of philosophy and German, have lived for seven years between Queens Wood and Highgate Wood in Muswell Hill Road.

Actual Consciousness, Ted's book six years in the writing which gives his developed theory of what being conscious is, has lately been published by Oxford University Press. His earlier books include How Free Are You?, the most translated book on the subject of free will, which is a summary of A Theory of Determinism: The Mind, Neuroscience and Life-Hopes, and the controversial work After the Terror prompted by 9/11. A singlevolume reference work on philosophy edited by him, The Oxford Companion to Philosophy, has sold 150,000 copies. Described in Denmark and elsewhere as Britain's leading radical philosopher, he is also the author of a candid philosophical autobiography, Philosopher: A Kind of Life.

FANCY A DATE?

Can you identify these three local 'structures' just from their dates?



An update from the Committee members working on your behalf

Chris Barker, transport officer, announces a victory for perseverance and common sense. From the middle of December, the 144 bus to Edmonton Green starts from the stand outside Boots The Chemist on the roundabout, following in the, er, footsteps of the W7. This is a real benefit to all those bus users.

Always concerned about road, and pedestrian, safety, Chris has been watching the process of the idea of a 20 mph speed limit throughout the borough. The council acknowledges the feedback received and compliance issues that may arise, and recommends not to proceed with a 20 mph limit on our main roads at the present time. Chris points out that the proposals exclude main roads **except** in town centres. The council is keeping an open mind for future possible changes.

Brian Livingston, environmental officer, and John Hajdu met with Haringey Council's Lewis Taylor (head of the Parks Department – West) to explain to him what we do and how we can work together to improve the green spaces in Muswell Hill.

The meeting took place on 28 November. Also in attendance were Tony Healey of the Parks Department and Sarah Jones (responsible for Public Relations & Partnerships). Brian says, 'We spent over an hour walking through Muswell Hill from the Colney Hatch Lane beds to Blaenavon on Fortis Green discussing the various green areas and debating what work needs to be done and how we can work together. They had clearly got the message that we have not been happy with the Parks' engagement over the past few years and at previous meetings with the department.

'Hopefully the items of work they have agreed to carry out (mostly a year old) will be undertaken'.

The flower boxes and the trough on the Broadway were restocked with new plants at the beginning of October. Unfortunately the two boxes outside the Nat West bank have been nearly emptied of plants due to theft, and the one outside Hamptons is also missing a few plants. The Muswell Hill Sustainability Group have donated £150 towards the cost of the replanting. Thank you.

Elsewhere on the roundabout, Nick Barr, planning officer, reports that things have gone quiet on the plans for the Mossy Well pub, formerly the Village. Although owners J D Wetherspoon are still in discussion with the planning and licensing departments, the company has yet to reveal final design, opening hours and staffing opportunities. Meanwhile, it continues to be an eyesore.

At the bottom of the hill a disused building is subject to an application, writes Nick, to convert a 1930s electricity substation into five flats. It is in a sensitive location, at the entrance to Alexandra Park from Priory Road just outside the Alexandra Palace & Park Conservation Area. The proposal is unsympathetic and inappropriate both in terms of materials and design, the most offensive element being a mock Georgian entrance that would dominate the facade facing the park entrance. An objection has been lodged on behalf of the Association. Local objections include perceived loss of privacy, not enough parking spaces and a possible sewage problem. (HGY/2014/3057)

We're all in favour of improved safety for cyclists on the roads, but anyone admiring the flower bed on Colney Hatch Lane will have noticed something new. A 20m cycle lane has mysteriously appeared on the northbound approach to the junction with Pages Lane (photo below). Is this the shortest cycle lane in London? Do you know anything we don't know? Write to <u>editor@mhfga.org</u>.



PLANNING from John Crompton, conservation officer.

Former *Muswell Hill police station* at 115 Forts Green -Neither the substantive scheme, discussed a few months ago, nor a subsequent application for the smaller residual site have been determined. *The Alexandra Public House* subject to an enthusiastic campaign to be run as a cooperative pub, the application has not been determined. ST LUKE'S redevelopment, Woodside Avenue (HGY/2013/0061) Nothing to report.

An application has been submitted for a fifth floor extension to provide a new flat on the top of 150 Fortis Green (HGY/2014/3334), the number of bedrooms is not specified. The Council is carrying out a very wide consultation exercise but unfortunately this is deeply flawed with many notable omissions and they have managed to get many addresses muddled with flats which are in Fortis Green being described as being in Fortis Green Road. Things are not much better when you look at the application on the website, with eleven pdfs of drawings but none are labeled. It is particularly important in a situation like this where there is a long and complicated planning history.

Tony Wells, website manager, is working hard on enhancements to the website – do visit if you get the chance <u>www.mhfga.org</u>. He's also planning another photo competition for 2015 - watch the Newsletter and the website for updates.

HORNSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The society's HQ, the Old Schoolhouse, is open to the public. The shop opens 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the sale of the society's publications and local history enquiries.

Tel: 020 8348 8429. 136 Tottenham Lane, Hornsey, N8 7EL

Putting on a show? Got an exhibition coming up? Music group? Book club? Promote it to a wider audience on the MHFGA noticeboard, opposite St James's Church. Contact Jack Whitehead at Jack.Whitehead@btinternet.com

NORTH LONDON EPILEPSY ACTION is a support group for those with epilepsy or with an interest in epilepsy. The group meets on the third Monday of each month and has lectures, information and social events. For more information, contact Barbara Penney 020 8883 0010 or e-mail barbarapenney@yahoo.co.uk

ALEXANDRA PALACE

War on The Home Front is a fascinating exhibition of local collectibles and stories, with a short video, on the role the Palace played in the 1914-1918 war. Tickets £1.00. www.alexandrapalace.com/whats-on/war-on-the-home-front/



Armed guards and chickens at Ally Pally POW camp 1915 (Photo courtesy of AllyPallyCollectibles.com)

HORNSEY PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP

HPAG campaigns for the Pensioners' Charter, bringing older people's concerns to decision makers. Meetings are held at the Marian Centre, Hornsey Parish Church Hall, Cranley Gardens, N10 3AH, on the third Wednesday of each month, from 2.00 p.m. Contact Ann Anderson 020 8340 8335, Pamela Jefferys 020 8444 0732 and Janet Shapiro 020 8883 9571 janet.rmshapiro@gmail.com.

RETIRED, OR HEADING FOR RETIREMENT?

North London U3A can help you on a whole new path of discovery, learning new skills and subjects or teaching your own special skills. 'We believe learning need never stop and should be a pleasure.' Come along to one of their monthly meetings, second Monday of each month at 10.15 a.m. at St Paul's Church, Long Lane, N3 2PU to find out more, or visit www.nlu3a.org.uk

MUSWELL HILL TOY LIBRARY

Open Mondays 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., Thursdays 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and Fridays 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Toys, DVDs and music CDs. Children must come with an adult carer! 'Stories and Music' sessions during the Monday and Thursday sessions are FREE to all. 1st Floor - Muswell Hill

Library, Queens Ave, N10 3PE.

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS Telephone number 020 8345 1858

All calls will be answered by a Neighbourhood Police Officer and voice mail messages will be checked twice a day.Don't forget: call 999 if you are reporting a crime that is in progress or if someone is in immediate danger. Call 101 to report crimes that are not an emergency. Both Met police teams hold regular drop in surgeries where anyone can speak to an officer, in Alexandra Park Library, N10 and Muswell Hill Library in Queens Ave N10.

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

Until 25 January 2015

Based on one of the world's best-loved movies, this fabulous production by Ovation features all the songs from the glorious MGM score including: Good Morning, Make 'em Laugh, Moses Supposes and the classic Singin' in the Rain. Upstairs at The Gatehouse, Highgate Village, N6 4BD. Tickets £14/£12 concs. BOX OFFICE: 020 8340 3488

FROM POWER TO PRISON TO PEACE

An amazing evening with Jonathan Aitken.

This talk will cover his remarkable career, in books, newspapers, TV, politics, prison and rehabilitation. Followed by a Q&A. All proceeds to North London Hospice.

Tuesday 6 January 2015 at 8.00 p.m.

Middlesex University, The Burroughs, Hendon NW4 4BT Tickets £25 inc. refreshments, available from Peter Kraushar on 020 8883 4736 or North London Hospice on 020 8446 2288.

MUSWELL HILL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

The club meets every Wednesday at Jacksons Lane Community Centre at 7.45 p.m. We show and discuss our photographs, and we have guest speakers, competitions, and practical activities. Visit our website, <u>www.muswellhillphoto.org.uk</u>, for more details. We welcome new members. If you would like to join or come along one evening as a guest, please email <u>contact@muswellhillphoto.org.uk</u>.

FRIENDS OF QUEENS WOOD (www.fqw.org.uk)

Working Party Sunday 25 January, from 10.30 a.m. to noon Meet at the Lodge. Tools are provided but please bring your own gloves and, if possible, a mobile phone to keep in touch with the working party leader.

Saturday 14 February 14

Veteran Tree walk led by Iain Loasby, Woodsman. Times and meeting point to be announced.

GERMAN BIER FESTIVAL at Ally Pally

An Oompah band, Bavarian waitress service, German food, Queen tribute band and much more. Good Friday, 3 April 2015. 5.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

Details: www.alexandrapalace.com/whats-on/spring-fest/

FANCY A DATE? Answers 1. Alexandra Palace; 2 Muswell Hill Library; 3 The drinking fountain in Highgate Wood.

Check all times and dates with the organisers. If you have an event or activity that might be of interest to the Association's members, write to <u>editor@mhfaa.org</u>, by 15 February.

TREES COMPANY

Following an enquiry from John Hajdu, Alex Fraser, Arboricultural and Allotments Services Manager at Haringey Council, explained the tree planting programme. Since 2008, the tree planting programme has prioritised four wards each year. This is stated in the Council's Tree Strategy. It allows for a better use of resources and it makes it clear to residents and members when they can expect to see trees planted in their local area. The Fortis Green ward was last targeted during winter 2012/13. The programme for the next five years includes Highgate, Muswell Hill and Woodside in 2014/15. Alexandra ward is due in 2016/17 and the following year, Fortis Green (again). 'We could plant new trees sooner if residents were prepared to sponsor them', added Mr Fraser. Brian Livingston was pleased to confirm the recent planting of three new trees by Midhurst Avenue.

STAND AND DELIVER

The next Association stand will be by the noticeboard on the Broadway on Saturday 31 January from 11.00 to 13.00. It is planned to have a stand every 2 months. Our member Ruth Schamroth will be in charge and committee members will help to man the stand. It's a great opportunity to meet and have a friendly chat with locals. Would you also consider helping out for approximately thirty minutes at a time? Contact John Hajdu at Hajdu.clarion@talk21.com

ALEXANDRA PALACE

Representative on the Consultative Committee

The Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association has an important seat on the AP Consultative Committee. The Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee provides an opportunity for discussion between the Alexandra Palace and Park Board and appropriate local/ national organisations on general matters affecting Alexandra Palace and Park.

As a result of illness, we are looking for an interested person to represent the Association - on a temporary basis - at the four evening meetings in 2015, and report back to our Committee.

At this very interesting phase in the Palace's history, this is a great opportunity for a local person. **Will you help?** Contact the chairman John Hajdu or any member of the Committee to discuss. Details on page 2.

Follow our new Twitter account

@theMHFGA

or visit www.twitter.com/theMHFGA

We will be tweeting regularly on Association and local news - so please follow and spread the word!

The Pinkham Way proposals

An update for the MHFGA membership from the Pinkham Way Alliance

- Barnet Council, which owns one third of the Pinkham Way site in Haringey, has indicated that it will no longer try to relocate its entire fleet of bin lorries there. This is good news.
- Meanwhile, Haringey Council has been carrying out an exercise to look at land use across the borough. We expect the Council to publish the latest draft of its 'Site Allocations Development Document 'in December, and this will tell us more about its plans for the future of Pinkham Way.
- The site is currently dually designated: for Employment, and as a Grade 1 Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC).

Pinkham Way Alliance (PWA) experts argue that the Employment status should be dropped, and the full greenfield and conservation value of the woodland be recognised and preserved. The North London Waste Authority is pushing – as they were before – for the site to be redesignated as suitable for industrial use, and therefore for large-scale waste processing.

• The Pinkham Way Alliance will be asking supporters to take action in the early new year. Local residents can keep in touch with developments by signing up for our newsletter at: www.pinkhamwayalliance.org



