

# Muswell Hill & Fortis Green Association

Incorporating Alexandra Ward

Founded in 1948



## Muswell Hill Library Saved!



The Friends of Muswell Hill Library are obviously delighted to hear the news that Haringey Council have decided not to go ahead with their plans to move the library to an inappropriate site which would not have been visible from the Broadway. This decision shows that Haringey are no longer committed to sacrificing library services in the borough for the sake of selling of public buildings. They must be congratulated for performing this U-turn.

Over the course of two long years, the Friends committee worked tirelessly to inform local residents of what it would mean to let Haringey move our wonderful library into the proposed new site, which is right at the top of one of the steepest hills in London, with no disabled parking spaces in the vicinity. Several residents with mobility problems told us in response that they would no longer go to the library if it moved. We would also have lost our purpose-built, Grade II listed library which has been in use since 1931. It would have been sold off to the highest bidder, almost certainly to make way for yet more multi-million-pound flats.

We want to emphasise that it was community action that saved our library. We, the community, won the argument. In 2016, over 3,000 people signed our petition within a fortnight of its launch. 71% of local residents opposed the Council's plans in their official Public Consultation last summer. We relied on the support of numerous people and organisations, including our fantastic local newspaper the Ham&High, Friends of Reading and Education (FORE!), Muswell Hill & Fortis Green Association, 38Degrees, Chris Roche of 11.04 Architects, our MP Catherine West, our local Councillors (both Labour and Lib Dem), but most importantly of all, our members at the Friends of Muswell Hill Library. We came together as a community, and we have proved that when we all work towards the same goal, change really is possible.

If you love us, you have to 'like' us on Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/MuswellHillandFortisGreenAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/MuswellHillandFortisGreenAssociation)  
Visit us on Twitter for regular updates: @theMHFGA  
Follow us on Instagram for beautiful images of Muswell Hill: @mhfga  
Visit our website: [www.mhfga.org](http://www.mhfga.org)

## November/December 2017

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Muswell Hill Library isn't perfect - there are issues regarding accessibility which need to be looked at. We understand that Haringey is strapped for cash, as are all local authorities - but we believe that something can be done to improve the situation at relatively little expense. What really matters is that our voice is now being heard at the highest levels of the Council, and we will continue to lobby for Haringey to uphold its obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act.

*George Danker, Chair of the Friends of Muswell Hill Library*

## Odd One Out

We had a terrific response to the Odd One Out competition which took place during the summer holidays.

On page 6 we have printed extracts from some of the emails we received as well as the list of shops and the objects displayed.



There were forty winners who received cinema tickets kindly donated by the Everyman Cinema.

**Many thanks to all the shops who took part and to MHFGA committee member Zoe Norfolk for masterminding the whole event.**



## Dates for Your Diary

### Members' Meetings

*Our meetings are open to the public and are free of charge*

#### Thursday 9th November

Visit to Majestic Wine. **This event is postponed** due to staff shortages at Majestic Wine. However our members are invited to an open wine-tasting event a week later, on **Tuesday 14 November** from 5.30-7.00pm. There will be wine, beer and spirits to taste plus nibbles. There will also be £10 vouchers for our members, if they spend at least £50.

#### Tour of Ally Pally Theatre



We had over 40 applications for the MHFGA tour of the Ally Pally Theatre in October, and were able to arrange three visits in total.

## MHFGA Noticeboard

If you would like to use the MHFGA notice board near Sainsbury's on the roundabout to advertise your community event, please contact **Pat Lott** (patriciajlott@aol.com). The Board can be used by any group or association who have regular local events and wish to publicise what they do. There is no charge for displaying this material.

We also list local events on page 7 and on our website.



## A Very Merry Muswell 2017



Come and visit the MHFGA stall on Saturday 9 December from 12-5pm and have a go at our tombola!

*See also page 4*

**Please let us know if you have changed your e-mail address so that you will continue to receive the Newsletter if this is your preferred method.**

Visit our website [www.mhfga.org](http://www.mhfga.org) for lots of information about the local area including old photos and John Hajdu's history of the Association. If you have a photo or news item why not share it with our members on Twitter @theMHFGA or visit [www.twitter.com/theMHFGA](http://www.twitter.com/theMHFGA). We tweet regularly on Association and local news, so please follow and spread the word. And don't forget our Facebook page!

## Member in Profile

### Joyce Rosser

Chris Barker and I first came to Muswell Hill in 1986 having previously lived in other parts of north London. We had a large three-storey Edwardian house in Alexandra Park Road which we shared with various children and friends. We were both working full-time so didn't get much involved in the local community.



Things changed in 2000 when we gave up our jobs and downsized to a 1920s house at the bottom of Muswell Hill. Not long after I went to a meeting of the Warner Estate Residents Association and found that they were looking for someone to be secretary. I thought 'why not?' and volunteered. I was lucky because WERA is a lively group and there have been all sorts of activities over the years. In addition to setting up the Friends of Priory Common we now have the wonderful Priory Common Orchard by the Redston Road bus stop.

Of course as anyone who has joined a committee will know, you can quickly find that you get involved in other groups and projects. So I soon became active in Haringey Federation of Residents Associations, Sustainable Haringey and Haringey Friends of Parks Forum. With Ken Gay of Hornsey Historical Society I tried unsuccessfully to get the frontage of the Hornsey public baths building listed. One of my main claims to fame for several years was organising the very popular 'Compost Giveaways' in the Paddock car park in Alexandra Park.

But a big change came in 2007 when I offered to be HFRA Heritage and Conservation Officer. I decided to focus on Tottenham because I knew that there were active Civic Societies and Conservation Area Advisory Committees in the west of the borough but at that time there weren't any similar groups in the east. I had lived in Tottenham for a short time in the early 1970s and knew that it had a rich history.

By coincidence a new group called Tottenham Civic Society had just been launched. I made contact with them and, because I was retired whilst most of the TCS people were still working, I offered to be TCS Events Organiser as well as Tottenham CAAC Secretary.

Hence for the past ten years I have been heavily involved in Tottenham. The High Road is a microcosm of English history – Roman road, aristocratic estates, merchants' grand houses, churches and nonconformist chapels, railways and factories, deindustrialisation and deprivation, and now gentrification and 'regeneration'. We run tours of conservation areas, visits to listed and new buildings, and tours of old and new housing estates such as Broadwater Farm and Hale Village. For several years we did a tour called 'Spurs and rebuilding after the Riots'. We developed three cross-borough walks – Alexandra Palace to Bruce Castle (Alexandra Palace was in Tottenham until 1888), The Moselle River and The Palace Gates to Seven Sisters Railway (copies in local libraries or can be downloaded from the Friends of Parks website). I'm also one of the many shareholders in the Antwerp Arms, the wonderful community-owned pub near Bruce Castle Museum.

## Alexandra Palace News

### Update on the East Wing Restoration Project

There is currently no update on the new timetable for restoring the BBC Studios and the external landscaping in the East Wing area, the two parts of the original project that have been deferred. It is worth noting again that these are dependent on a further Heritage Lottery Fund application. The ambition for the BBC Studios remains to create an interactive celebration of the history of broadcasting and the BBC at Ally Pally, together with an exploration of cutting edge broadcasting and technology. Regarding the work underway, a Planning and Listed Buildings Tracker is being used to monitor progress on discharging the approval conditions and regular liaison is taking place with Haringey's Principal Conservation Officer and Historic England. Completion of the East Wing (minus the BBC Studios and external landscaping) is still expected to be summer 2018.

### Other Ally Pally News

The Alexandra Park Grounds license has been granted by Haringey on the condition that the original request for 42 event days be scaled down to 30, in line with what some neighbourhood groups campaigned for. The majority of events, 24 days out of 30, will be small-scale for less than 5,000 people. In the first year, the Trust will focus on 11 event days, and the majority of these are smaller events. There will be three larger events, the annual fireworks display, Red Bull Soapbox Race and the Summer Festival, all of which have been held at the Park & Palace before. In addition to the varied range of activities aimed at local schools, the Palace has started working with some local day care centres and dementia support groups. Projects so far include Spring Sensory Strolls in the Park, held during Dementia Awareness Week in May.



### Forthcoming events

The Fireworks Festival on 4th and 5<sup>th</sup> November, a Christmas Panto from 4th to 11th December and the Darts championship running from 14th December to 2nd January 2018. Have you noticed more people coming to the area? The Friends of the Park have been helping the Palace fine tune its estimates of the number of visitors. For the early part of 2017, the measures suggest that visitor numbers are up 12% on last year.

### Finally...

I have been invited to join the Board (in a non-voting capacity) as one of the three representatives from the Consultative Committee (CC). Although I normally sit on the Statutory Advisory Committee, I also hold the Association's position on the CC so I'm looking forward to getting much more involved.

*Duncan Neill,*

## A Very Merry Muswell 2017

Saturday 9th December 12pm-5pm



The Friends of St James Square are joining together as a community to fund a Christmas tree, which will be fully lit throughout the festive period.

### Can you help them reach their £3,000 target?

The money will cover the 20ft tree, the cost of installation, and lights and decorations. The switching-on ceremony will take place at 4pm on Saturday 9th December 2017. The Muswell Hill Brass band and local carol singers will perform and there will be a Christmas market starting at noon.

The Friends of St James Square are a community group looking to improve the area, engage with local people to encourage involvement and a sense of pride and to make N10 a better place to live. Please share their pledge to allow everybody the chance to contribute something towards the Christmas tree.

Any surplus money will be used to fund projects in the local area to continue enhancing beautiful Muswell Hill. If you have any suggestions (a new swing, a bench, a tree planted somewhere or anything really that you feel would enhance and improve Muswell Hill) then drop an email to [muswellife@gmail.com](mailto:muswellife@gmail.com) with suggestions. It's YOUR money so all ideas will be voted on by the tree's sponsors after Christmas.

Please see [www.muswellife.com](http://www.muswellife.com) for details of how to donate.

## Alex's Corner

### WELCOME

A very warm welcome to our new members:

Wendy Wallace of Fortis Green  
Becky Beach, Muswell Flyer  
Tom Hoyland & Gus Hull, Muswell Health  
Benjamin & Samuel Miller, Take Two Brothers  
Kyla Campbell, Acorn Property Group  
Ina Koleva, Knidos Restaurant  
Chris Ktorides of Ringwood Avenue  
Ian Chalom, Aleion Restaurant  
Jane Martin, of Onslow Gardens  
Sarah Westley of Cranbourne Road.

Our new corporate member, Sorbet, whose profile will appear in our next newsletter, are offering MHFGA members 10% discount on production of this voucher



## Corporate Members

Sixty-four local businesses and organisations support the Association. You can find the links to their websites on our Corporate page at [www.mhfga.org](http://www.mhfga.org).

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|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Acorn Property Group          | • Fagins Toys                    | • Muswell Hill Bowling Club           | • Sally Bourne Interiors            |
| • Aleion Restaurant             | • Feast                          | • Muswell Hill Flyer                  | • Snappy Snaps                      |
| • Angela Rose                   | • Feet                           | • Muswell Hill Methodist Church       | • Sorbet Muswell Hill               |
| • Barkers for Dogs              | • Flesh & Flour                  | • Muswell Hill Pharmacy               | • St. James Church Muswell Hill     |
| • Bill's Restaurant             | • Fortismere School              | • Muswell Hill Toy Library            | • Take Two Brothers                 |
| • Bob's Café                    | • Freehold Community Association | • Muswell Hill United Reformed Church | • The John Baird                    |
| • Broadway Pharmacy             | • Hamptons International         | • Norfolk House School                | • The Hampstead Butcher & Providore |
| • Broadway Pet Stores           | • House of Nails                 | • Panoptica                           | • The Mossy Well                    |
| • Can't Buy Me Love             | • Internet Express (UK) Ltd      | • Planet Organic                      | • The Real Greek                    |
| • Cha Cha Cha                   | • Keats Estate Agents            | • Pret A Vivre                        | • Tim Moss Furniture                |
| • Children's Bookshop           | • Knidos Restaurant              | • Principia Brand Consultants         | • Toffs of Muswell Hill             |
| • Clissold Arms                 | • Lavender White                 | • Rhodes Avenue Primary School        | • Victory Auto Services             |
| • Cosi Homewares                | • Mailboxes Etc.                 | • Robert Linsky Optometrist           | • Walter Purkis & Sons              |
| • Crouch End Festival Chorus    | • Muddy Boots                    | • Robin Kiashek Osteopathic Clinics   | • WAVE                              |
| • East Finchley Open Artists    | • Muswell Health                 |                                       | • W Martyn                          |
| • Everyman Cinema               | • Muswell Hill Bikes             |                                       | • Woodland Tree Surgery             |
| • Excel English Language School | • Muswell Hill Bookshop          |                                       |                                     |

## St. James Church Community Café

The Community Café was launched 8 years ago in 2009, with the idea of being a welcoming community hub in Muswell Hill. The aim was for St. James to open its doors to everyone. Hannah Whitehead was appointed Head of Community Ministries and has been looking after the Community Café since August 2016. She has forged partnerships with Planet Organic, Marks & Spencer and Sainsburys.

The church offers work experience for those with learning difficulties through the Action For Kids charity (who have been awarded the On The Up award for being an inclusive partner); Treehouse School (for young people with autism); Haringey Council; and Barnet Council. There is a group prayer at the beginning of the morning and then a prayer from Michael and also a 'quiz' event for everyone to participate in. After these activities lunch is served which has been made and prepared by these young people and is always healthy and delicious, usually, soup or pasta with side dishes.

MHFGA member and regular customer, Joan Podel, says "It is a joy and a privilege to be involved with and befriend people each Tuesday morning, and to see people of all ages working behind the table which is laden with baked goods of all types, serving tea and coffee and, most of all, always smiling and finding it a joy to assist with this table. Each week I stay longer and longer as I feel so at home. This is really the most special of places. It is enjoyed by all!"



## Aleion



I opened Aleion a couple of months ago in Muswell Hill Broadway just where Rajma used to be, next to Boots. The name is a fusion of my wife's and my names: Alex and Ian. However, Ian is spelt in Irish to give a nod of appreciation to my lovely Irish mum. A family restaurant indeed!

I live in Muswell Hill myself, and fell in love with the area as soon as I visited it for the first time. So an opportunity to open a restaurant here was a godsend. I've worked in hospitality for over 15 years, during which time I was lucky enough to work as a chef in a few Michelin star restaurants, manage an up and coming chain and even do a few restaurant fit-outs, participating in the whole process from the initial layout and interior conception to building itself. Since the very beginning of my career I dreamt of opening my own place.

My aim is to create a cosy independent restaurant which serves the needs of all of those in the local area. Whether you want a take-away coffee in the morning, pastries and cakes, breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner, I have tried to create something that many people will enjoy.

Our main menu allows customers to choose their core meat, fish or vegetarian centrepiece and then add the accompaniments to suit their individual tastes. I source our produce locally where possible and always from the finest quality suppliers. Among Aleion's favourite suppliers are the local Hampstead Butcher & Providore and Celtic Bakers, based in Alexandra Palace.

I want to promote a healthier, quality-focused eating experience. I am passionate about the simplicity of dishes and clean flavours. I believe that if the ingredients are fresh, of good quality and cooked well, there is no need to hide them within a mixture of add-ons and oily sauces.

Make sure to say hi when you visit us!

*Ian Chalom*

## How you can help to support the MHFGA

We are always very grateful to receive donations from our members, either of time or money. If you would like to support a specific project, for example plants or flowers, please do specify this when making your donation. Perhaps you might like to consider leaving a legacy to MHFGA? All the work that we do is to preserve and enhance our local environment. Please contact John Hajdu for further details.



## Odd One Out



### Some of the emails we received following the event

*Huxley and Roni are delighted to be winners! Neither of them has been to the cinema before, so they're very excited. A huge thanks for running the competition. They both had a lot of fun looking in all the shop windows. In fact, they've continued to look for 'odd things' in windows ever since! We look forward to doing the competition again next year.*

*Best wishes,  
Zoe Bee*

*My daughter Nisha is very happy to be one of the winners. We had a lot of fun going past the shops on two occasions, looking for the odd one out. Many thanks to the MHFGA and the shops for organising this competition!*

*Kind regards,  
Simon Tindemans*

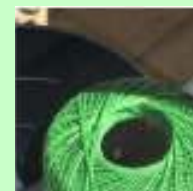
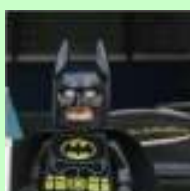
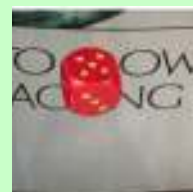
*Isabel and Amelia are dying to know all the correct answers to compare them against their almost complete response of 29/30 answers! Please could MHFGA circulate a list of the correct answers? (It would also add some closure to the children's searching for us poor parents!)*

*Many thanks.  
Kind regards.  
Paul Natali*

*Many thanks for letting me and my granddaughter know about the Odd One Out competition. I think she and her sister would be interested to know the right answers so I wondered if there was a list showing what item was in which shop. Many thanks - it was a really fun competition!*

*Regards  
Carole Rawlinson*

Shop taking part		Object displayed
Muddy Boots	1	STRING
Snappy Snaps	2	DINOSAUR
Broadway Pharmacy	3	DICE
Cha Cha Cha	4	SCREWDRIVER
Muswell Hill Bookshop	5	SCISSORS
Panoptica	6	RUBIC CUBE
Sally Bourne	7	SHEEP
Fagins Toys	8	MARMITE
Robert Linsky	9	LEGO BATMAN
Muswell Hill Bikes	10	2 MARBLES
Martyns	11	EIFFLE TOWER
Angela Rose	12	SUGAR CUBE
Hamptons	13	CARTOON HOUSE
Muswell Hill Pharmacy	14	BATTERY
Cosi	15	BUCKET AND SPADE
Broadway Pets	16	MOTORCYCLE
Pret a Vivre	17	TOY TROLL
Mailboxes	18	COMPASS
Keats	19	PLASTIC DOG
Walter Purkis	20	PROSECCO / WINE
Children's Books	21	KEY or TORCH
All Dogs Matter	22	JAMAICAN HOT SAUCE
CPotential	23	PORRIDGE OATS
North London Hospice	24	BEANS
Barkers	25	DALEK KEY RING
Lavender White	26	TOY SPIDER
Really British	27	SOUP SACHET
Feet	28	CALCULATOR
Sorbet	29	MERMAID
Butchers	30	TEAPOT



## Local Organisations and Events

### ST JAMES' CHURCH

Community Cafe - **Tuesdays, 11.00am-1.00pm**. Free coffee, cake and conversation. Venue: through the main doors, just turn up. **Wednesdays 2.30-3.30pm** -Tea Time for seniors in the Muswell Hill area. Tea, sandwiches and entertainment. Contact: [gebrazier@gmail.com](mailto:gebrazier@gmail.com) 020 8883 6453. Venue: St James' Centre. **Mondays & Saturdays 10.00am-12 noon**-free legal advice walk-in. Venue: St James' Church, contact: [anything.legal@dial.pipex.com](mailto:anything.legal@dial.pipex.com).

**Sundays 4:45-5:45pm, Monday-Thursday 7:45-8:45pm**. Muswell Hill Soup Kitchen, located at the Muswell Hill Baptist Church. Donations of any non-perishable items would be welcomed. Contact: [soupkitchen@mhbc.org.uk](mailto:soupkitchen@mhbc.org.uk)  
**10am on Fridays during term time** Challenge Group: for families with a pre-schooler with additional needs.

### THE FREEHOLD COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Mondays** - Freehold Community Men's Shed -10.30am-3.30pm. Showstoppers Performing Arts - 5-7pm. Yoga - 7-8pm. **Tuesdays** - Freehold Community Men's Shed - 10.30am-3.30pm. Showstoppers Performing Arts - 4.30-7pm.

**Wednesdays** - Pensioners Lunch Club - 12.30-2pm. Pensioners Bingo - 2-4pm. North London Woodturners - 7.30-10pm (**3rd Wednesday of month**). **Thursdays** - Open Shed - 10.30 to 3.30pm. Open Bingo - 7.30-10pm. **Fridays** - Baby Rhyme Time - 9.45-11am. **Saturdays** - Showstoppers Performing Arts - 10am-4.30pm. Shree Depala - 7.30-10pm. **Sundays** - Yoga - 10-11am. Contact details: 07935-324578, [freehold2003@gmail.com](mailto:freehold2003@gmail.com). Freehold Community Centre, 9 Alexandra Road, N10 2EY.

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 the month** and has lectures, information and social events. Contact Barbara Penney 020 8883 0010 or e-mail [barbarapenney@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:barbarapenney@yahoo.co.uk)

### POPCHOIR MUSWELL HILL

**Wednesday evenings 8-9.30pm** at the Royal British Legion in Muswell Hill Rd. No experience, no auditions, no need to read music. Book a free taster session at [www.popchoir.com](http://www.popchoir.com) or email [info@popchoir.com](mailto:info@popchoir.com). 020 8659 5464.

### MUSWELL HILL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

The club meets at **7.45pm every Wednesday** at Jacksons Lane Community Centre. We show and discuss our photographs, and we have guest speakers, competitions, and practical activities. More details: [www.muswellhillphoto.org.uk](http://www.muswellhillphoto.org.uk). We welcome new members. If you would like to join or come along one evening as a guest, please email [contact@muswellhillphoto.org.uk](mailto:contact@muswellhillphoto.org.uk).

### FRIENDS OF PARKLAND WALK

[info@parkland-walk.org.uk](mailto:info@parkland-walk.org.uk).

### CROUCH END FESTIVAL CHORUS

[www.cefc.org.uk](http://www.cefc.org.uk).

### FRIENDS OF COLD FALL WOOD AND MUSWELL HILL PLAYING FIELD

[www.coldfallwoods.co.uk/whats-on](http://www.coldfallwoods.co.uk/whats-on) Thanks to Coldfall Primary School for hosting our meetings at **7.30 pm on the first Tuesday of each month**.

### MUSWELL HILL AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Contact Jenny Kruss at [jenny\\_starick@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jenny_starick@hotmail.co.uk) or 020 8442 0031.

### FRIENDS OF QUEEN'S WOOD

Visit our new website [www.fqw.org.uk](http://www.fqw.org.uk). Working parties **last Sunday of month 10.30-12.00** (no meeting in December). Meet outside Café in Queen's Wood. Please bring gloves and mobile phone if available.

Monday Litter picking. Please contact Gemma Harris if you are free to help her do litter picking on a **Monday morning**. [harrisgemma67@gmail.com](mailto:harrisgemma67@gmail.com) or 07806 870505.

Join us in the woods on **Sunday 12th November**. The new Charter for Trees is being launched on the 800th anniversary of the Charter of the Forest. Meet in Witches Coven at 1.30pm for fun activities, talks and stories for everyone who uses and is passionate about the woods! Come by yourself, or bring your family and celebrate the beauty of Queen's Wood.

### FRIENDS OF MUSWELL HILL LIBRARY

Both events free and all are welcome.

**Saturday 25th November, 2-3pm**. Muswell Hill Library. *Re-designing Muswell Hill homes for the 21st Century* Speaker: Chris Roche, a local architect, author and former university lecturer, will explore how to future-proof your home for later life, how to stop your biggest asset becoming a liability, and how the local environment can be improved through good design.

**Saturday 9th December, 2-3pm**. Muswell Hill Library. *Creative Writes at Christmas!* Workshop led by Nichola Charalambou. Creative Writes workshops focus on the technique of free-flow writing - it is a highly enjoyable process and no feedback is given. Nichola is a very experienced workshop co-ordinator and her events are well-known and much anticipated. *The workshop is primarily aimed at adults.*

### HORNSEY PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP

We meet to discuss local and national issues with visiting speakers on the **third Wednesday of the month**.

Our meetings are held in the main church hall of Hornsey Parish Church, Cranley Gardens, N10 3AH. Contact Ann Anderson (020 8340 8335), Pamela Jefferys (020 8444 0732), Janet Shapiro (020 8883 9571) or [www.hornseypensionersactiongroup.org.uk](http://www.hornseypensionersactiongroup.org.uk).

### FORTISMERE COMMUNITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

**Saturday 25th November, 7.30pm**. Winter concert at St Andrews Church N10 2DD. Conductor Thomas Gregory. Leader Abigail Dance. Glinka "Russian and Ludmilla" Overture, Rachmaninoff Symphony 2. The Fidelio Trio will join for the Beethoven Triple Concerto. Refreshments including bar will be available. Tickets on the door are £12 (£8 concessions, under 12 are free).

### EAST FINCHLEY OPEN

[www.eastfinchleyopen.org.uk](http://www.eastfinchleyopen.org.uk)

*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 [editor@mhfga.org](mailto:editor@mhfga.org) and [patriciajlott@aol.com](mailto:patriciajlott@aol.com) by 11th December 2017.*

**Copy date for January/February 2018 edition of this Newsletter**

**If you would like to submit an article, letter or diary date for our next edition, please send your copy to [editor@mhfga.org](mailto:editor@mhfga.org) by Monday 11th December 2017.**

## Flytipping

The Council and Veolia are committed to tackling fly-tipping across the Borough. Together we have picked some of the hotspot areas and are working to solve these by talking to residents and ensuring people know how to dispose of their waste correctly.

Where we have intelligence or evidence of fly-tipping our Enforcement Team will take action.



If you spot dumped rubbish, or the person dumping it, you can let us know at [www.haringey.gov.uk/flytipping](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/flytipping) or by phone on 020-8489-1335. All information will be treated confidentially. Alternatively you can download the Our Haringey app.

*Ian Kershaw  
Commissioning & Client Manager  
(Community Safety, Enforcement and Waste)  
Haringey Council*

## Transport News

After lobbying by local people and the Warner Estate Residents Association, the council are at last installing a pedestrian crossing in Priory Road near the junction with Redston Road, making crossing of this dangerously fast road safer. At the same time the bus stops here have been renamed. The previous name of Alexandra Park was confusing because it is not in the park and, on the W3, there are other stops which are. The new names are Priory Road (for the W7 on Park Road) and Park Road for the W3 and 144 on Priory Road.

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Buses entering Fortis Green from Fortis Green Road are often unable to get through a narrow gap between cars waiting for the lights to change and cars parked on the opposite side of the road. A double yellow line has been drawn there but a disabled bay prevents this from being continuous. Following representations by the association it has now been agreed by the council that the disabled bay should be moved around the corner into Fortismere Avenue. The work should be done soon.

*Chris Barker*