

# IslingtonNow

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It's a brand new year but the uncertain economic climate means 2009 looks set to be challenging. Here's how pooling our resources should help

Everyone knows there is strength in numbers, so Islington residents are uniting to tackle the economic downturn by joining the Islington & City Credit Union, a local savings and loans cooperative. The volunteer-run union is an independent not-for-profit organisation supported by the council. Islington Council Leader, Cllr James Kempton says: "We're delighted to be part of the Credit Union and we will help them in 2009 to support their members." The scheme promotes saving to support borrowing and provides financial services for people regardless of their background or circumstances.

The Credit Union pools members' savings to form a loan fund from which any member can apply to borrow if they need to. And with more people finding times difficult, the Credit Union is a sensible way of borrowing. The cooperative is owned by its members and is run largely by volunteers, which means its low-cost loans are a great help when money is tight. In particular, the 'Saver Loan' scheme means that borrowers see part of each repayment allocated to their own savings account, so as the loan is cleared, the member is also accumulating a lump sum – and this reduces the need to borrow over time.



## Where credit is due...

One member who no longer needs to borrow is Melverine Williams, who joined the Credit Union in 1997. A friend of hers recommended the scheme after the death of a relative – the Credit Union covered the relevant funeral costs when no one else would provide a loan.

Molverine went on to use the saver loan option to pay off urgent bills, and later to clear her credit cards. She said: "The Credit Union's low-cost

loans have been really helpful to me, and now I even have a nest egg of my own for emergencies."

Another person who speaks highly of the Credit Union is Patrick Seeburn, who has worked in the borough for 12 years. Patrick, who works at the City of London Academy Islington, used the payroll deduction scheme offered by the council and the Credit Union and has borrowed in the past to

pay for home improvements. He said: "The loans were cheaper and my savings grew as I paid mine off. The payments were taken straight from my wages so it was so easy." Patrick has now cleared his debts and has money put aside for a rainy day.

**To find out how the Credit Union could help you visit [www.iccu.coop](http://www.iccu.coop), email [info@iccu.coop](mailto:info@iccu.coop) or call 020 7561 1786.**

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LEADER'S COLUMN



As 2009 gets underway it's time to think about those well-intended promises we make to ourselves every New Year – resolutions we mean to keep but often forget by February! I've certainly been guilty of that in the past, but this year I'm determined to stick to my goal of getting fitter. And there's really no excuse here in Islington – you are never further than a 20-minute walk away from one of our leisure centres.

Although we have announced ambitious plans to rebuild two of our leisure centres over the coming years, they all remain very much open for business. Our leisure centres, run in partnership with Aquaterra, offer fantastic value for money and are definitely the most affordable way to improve your fitness levels in these cash-strapped times.

On that subject, I am a proud member of the Credit Union and have been saving regularly through the scheme since it was launched, so it's great to see how the initiative has been helping residents through the credit crunch (see front page). Those feeling the pinch should turn to page 8 to find out how the council can help in other ways

too. As well as low-cost loans, our £5m ten-point action plan includes everything from practical advice on managing debt to secondary school uniform grants.

And we are aware that redundancies are a very real threat at the moment, so you'll also find details on our dedicated Tracks to Employment team, which is on hand to offer one-to-one support to those who are finding it hard to secure a job.

As house building across the capital dries up, it seems a wise decision to start building our first council houses for 25 years. In a borough where property is in short supply, the opportunity to provide homes for needy families is certainly something to be proud of.

In fact, the thing I'm most looking forward to in 2009 is having a cup of tea in the living room of the first of these finished homes.

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**Holes in home maintenance**

I am turning to you as I am grossly dissatisfied with the council's handling of my leaking roof, and have exhausted every other known channel in the past months in an attempt to get Islington Council, freeholder of my property, to resolve the issue. I reported the leak to Homes for Islington several months ago and to date it has not been repaired, nor have I received a single call or letter to update me on the situation.

As the leak has now extended to a large area of my bedroom ceiling, I have been unable to sleep in my bedroom since late summer and the damage to my property is increasing by the week. I am frustrated with the lack of apparent interest, the low levels of customer service and the lack of value that I am getting given the service charges that I pay as a leaseholder under the council's freehold. I hope that my leak can now be repaired without delay.

C. During, N1

Firstly, I would like to say sorry that you have been put in this position – as the leaseholder of a council-owned property, you are right to expect better.

I have been in touch with

Homes for Islington (Hfi) who manage Islington Council's rented and leasehold homes. I have asked Hfi to examine their processes behind the administrative errors that caused this delay, to ensure that no one else has to suffer like you have done. As a council that listens to our residents, we have to learn from our mistakes. So thank you for highlighting this problem to us.

To deal with the leak, Hfi have advised complete replacement of the underfelt, slates, valley gutter and flashings. They will look to start work as soon as they can. I will be checking that this happens.

I understand that you could no longer sleep in the affected bedroom and have suffered much inconvenience as a result of this. Hfi have advised me that they will compensate you for this and will contact you soon with an ex-gratia compensation payment proposal. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Bringing dog owners to heel**

I am a resident of Corbyn Street, Finsbury Park. I am writing to complain about the amount of dog mess that is on our road and the surrounding area, particularly Evershot

Road. My partner and I are constantly having to look where we step when walking along these roads, which is especially hard at this time of the year, when there is little lighting and the pavements are covered in leaves.

I have heard of a dog litter scheme in Greenwich, which includes signage placed in problem areas to warn dog owners that they will be fined if caught, and also dog litter bins placed in useful areas. I do not know if you have any other ideas on how to combat this problem. I feel it is unacceptable to allow the offending dog owners to continue in this way.  
Hannah Goudge

I also hate coming out of my front door in the morning only to be confronted by dog mess. This is an issue I am determined to tackle across the borough. Measures put in place in July last year have already made a huge difference to our streets; over 600 informal cautions and 2,500 dog fouling bags have been handed out.

However, a small minority are still refusing to clear up after their dogs. At the last council meeting we voted to get tougher on them. This will see repeat offenders fined £80 – the maximum amount we can charge.

Let's hope this finally makes the difference.



PICTURE OF THE MONTH

**Alexandra seals the deal**

Islington's very own Alexandra Burke fought off thousands of hopefuls to clinch the 'X Factor' crown last month. Alexandra – who grew up off Caledonian Road in Holloway and attended Elizabeth Garrett Anderson girls school on Penton Street – performed with US superstar Beyoncé on the show and regularly received gushing praise from the notoriously hard-to-please Simon Cowell. Her debut single Hallelujah stormed to the sought-after Christmas number one slot and her bright future as a recording artist now looks assured. Look out for more on Alexandra in next month's IslingtonNow!

**Proud: the Mayor of Islington meets a triumphant Alexandra**

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Please include your full address on all correspondence. Anonymous letters cannot be published, but names and addresses can be withheld on request. We cannot guarantee to publish all letters received, and we reserve the right to edit letters for both length and content.



## Highbury Corner regeneration

Plans for a makeover of Highbury Corner are back on track after the Mayor of London backed the scheme.

The good news comes as results of a public consultation reveal most local people want the western arm of the roundabout to be closed off to regular traffic.

This would mean the area around Highbury and Islington rail station could be improved, allowing pedestrians to stroll into the green space currently isolated at the centre of the gyratory.

Islington Council and Transport for London will also work together on proposals to improve the station and move the Post Office to the north side of the roundabout. We'll keep you up to date with the plans.

Deputy leader of the council, Terry Stacy, celebrates Highbury's history with some young Roman soldiers



# Highbury's Roman history

As part of street improvements around Highbury Fields, N5, local residents and schoolchildren recently took part in an event 'Celebrating the History of Islington's Streets'. It was the second of its kind, following one held in Milner Square, which

we featured in November's IslingtonNow.

The event gave people the chance to learn more about the history of Highbury, including the origins of street names.

Highbury residents said they wanted to see the roads

in the area improved, so the council has invested over £1m in the streets around Highbury Fields. At the same time, this was an opportunity for young residents to look back at some local history from Roman times to the present day, to keep the heritage of the streets alive!

## IN BRIEF

### Three-star rating for Adult Social Care

Government standards watchdog the Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) has once again given Islington the maximum three-star rating for its Adult Social Care provision.

Many services are rated as "excellent" and particular praise is given to improving residents' quality of life and independence.

It's the second year Islington has won praise from social care's national watchdog.

### Club prosecution over broken glass

An Islington nightclub recently admitted three charges under the Health and Safety at Work Act after a reveller fell, getting broken glass embedded in her leg.

Following a routine health and safety inspection two months earlier, the council had asked the club to take certain safety measures that were not followed when the woman was injured. As the club had not taken the advice, the council took them to court over the incident. Since then, the club has been working with the council to improve its policies and has banned glass on club nights.

### A new oasis in the city

A park near Angel, Duncan Terrace Gardens, has been transformed with funding from Islington Council. New footpaths and entrances have improved access, making the park feel safer. The works were carried out following extensive consultation with local residents, including doorstep interviews, leaflet drops and events in the park.



Islington's youngsters make the most of the new improved space

## 'Outstanding' report for The Bridge School

The Bridge School in Islington – which caters for pupils with a variety of special educational needs – was ranked as 'outstanding' in every category of its recent Ofsted inspection.

The statutory body found that the school caters for the individual needs of pupils extremely well. And it concluded that the move to the new premises had 'enhanced pupils' experience and stimulated their learning'.

Headteacher of The Bridge School, Penny Barratt said: "We are so pleased with being named as an outstanding school. This is recognition of the extremely hard work that the staff and pupils have put into the school."

## Council welcomes ruling in employment appeal tribunal

Islington Council has welcomed an important ruling in its favour in the case of Lillian Ladele, the registrar who refused to conduct civil partnerships between same sex couples. The Honourable Mr Justice Elias, President of the Employment Appeal Tribunal ruled the council had acted lawfully in expecting all its registration staff to perform the ceremonies.

The council had earlier lost an employment tribunal case brought by Ms Ladele alleging that her employers had failed to accommodate her religious

views and that this amounted to discrimination. But with an important point of law at stake regarding the public duty of local government staff, the council felt it had no choice but to appeal.

Cllr John Gilbert said: "The council is extremely pleased with this decision, which it believes to be the right one. This judgement provides clarity for employers across the country in requiring their employees to act in a non-discriminatory manner when discharging their public service duties."

## 2008 ENVIRONMENT REVIEW

# Recycling rates race skywards

Islington residents have plenty to be proud of when looking back on 2008. Your recycling rate has increased over the last year and overall

household waste is down. So we've set you a challenging target for the year ahead – a 35% recycling rate, meaning that over a third of all our waste will be used again rather than going to a landfill site.

To help you achieve this target, our team will continue to go out and about, so they can answer your recycling queries, help you to recycle more and ensure that our contractors provide a reliable

recycling service. We'll also continue with schemes like last year's Watch Your Waste week, when Islington's green 'plastic bag monster' (pictured left with Cllr Greg Foxsmith and Wilhelmina Lutterodk-Schandorf of Islington's Green Team) toured Upper Street to raise awareness of the borough's plastic bag amnesty.

You've already proved you're keen to get even greener, so the challenge is on for 2009!

➔ For more information on recycling, go to the Green Living Centre on 222 Upper Street or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.islington.gov.uk/recycling).



## Love your trees

Towards the end of last year was the Love Your Trees event at Highbury Fields. It was a chance for residents to celebrate greenery in the borough, which has more street trees per square kilometre than any other local authority in London.

Children were able to climb inside the trees with a safety harness, and they could even listen to the water moving inside the trunk, using highly sensitive microphones that record these interesting sounds.

Cllr Ruth Polling, Islington

Council's Executive Member for Leisure and Equalities, said: "We're lucky enough to have a huge amount of greenery for an inner-city borough the size of Islington – and the number of street trees is increasing each year.

"There's a new generation of environmentally-conscious kids growing up around us and this event is a brilliant chance for all the borough's kids to have a great day out and find out more about our trees."

Look out for similar events to celebrate Islington's greenery in 2009.

## Combat the credit crunch

The council has significantly increased its uptake of existing services such as benefits and tax credits, by successfully securing £3.3m in additional benefits for Islington residents



## There's not just one Angel in Islington

Fostering a teenager can be challenging but also very rewarding as you guide them on their journey to adulthood.

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or email us at [fostering@islington.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@islington.gov.uk) [www.islington.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.islington.gov.uk/fostering)



## Make that (climate) change

Two years ago Islington Council created a £3m Climate Change Fund to support renewable energy and transport projects that reduce carbon dioxide emissions throughout the borough. Since then the fund has consistently underlined the council's commitment to investing – and helping others to invest – in the technologies that can help reduce climate change.

So far the fund has approved over 50 projects, allocating a total of £2.8m to the cause. All of these projects have included the installation of technologies that dramatically reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> we produce in our daily lives. Perhaps the most high profile of these was last year's addition of solar panels to Highbury Pool, where a total of 32 panels now cover about

a quarter of the roof. This saves approximately ten tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions every year – that's 200 tonnes of energy that will be saved over the lifetime of the system.

So why not take advantage of the Climate Change Fund in 2009 and help to save even more energy?

➔ If you are an Islington homeowner you can apply for funding to install renewable energy technologies in your own home, so visit [www.islington.gov.uk](http://www.islington.gov.uk) to find out how you can make a difference today – and help make 2009 the borough's greenest year yet.



5,088 m<sup>2</sup>of graffiti was removed  
over a six-month period  
last year

2,552

pocket ashtrays were issued by Street  
Environment Wardens between April  
and October last year

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# Forgotten waterway opens to the public



City Road Basin – one of Islington's hidden waterways – will open to the public for the first time in its 100-year history this spring.

The City Road Basin is a former industrial site that fell into decline in the 50s and 60s. The site remained undeveloped, unattractive and inaccessible to the public for many years.

Now the space has benefited from a multi-million pound project to create public access to the

waterway, which is one of the largest open stretches of water in north London and comes complete with a newly landscaped public park facing onto the canal.

The opening of the new space is the first major milestone in a wider 'masterplan', for the City Road Basin, which was developed by Islington Council and a consortium of experts.

Future phases of the plan include two landmark buildings of 28 and 35 storeys on City

Road, which form a gateway to the basin and new public plaza.

Two other buildings are also planned as later phases of the master plan – one on Graham Street and one on Wharf Road. Together they'll provide more private and affordable housing; a new community boat club for the Mayor of Islington's charities, the Islington Boat Club and Angel Community Boat Trust; and commercial space at ground floor level.

## Combat the credit crunch

**Are you eligible for free transport? £5.5m will be put into the Freedom Pass scheme in 2009 to allow older people and disabled residents to use public transport for free. Visit [www.islington.gov.uk/transport](http://www.islington.gov.uk/transport) for more information and click on Accessible Transport and Mobility**



## Combat the credit crunch

**Keeping the kids happy doesn't have to be costly – the council are offering 400 places for free swimming lessons for children. Visit [Help for Parents at www.islington.gov.uk/moneyadvice](http://www.islington.gov.uk/moneyadvice) to find out more**



## Our parks need you!

Don't forget there is still time for you to help one of three parks in Islington win up to £400k worth of funding to carry out much needed improvements.

Barnard Park, N1, Elthorne Park, N19 and Bunhill Fields, EC1Y (managed by the City of London) are all in the running and remember that every vote counts!

### TO VOTE PLEASE:

- Visit [www.london.gov.uk/parksvote](http://www.london.gov.uk/parksvote) to vote online for Barnard Park, Elthorne Park or Bunhill Fields
- Request a postal vote by calling 020 7983 4100
- Text PARKS followed by N1 OWF for Barnard Park to 62967
- Text PARKS followed by N19 3LP for Elthorne Park to 62967

Please note texts cost 10p plus your standard network rate. Voting closes on 30 January 2009.

With your help we can achieve great things and Barnard Park, Elthorne Park or Bunhill Fields could benefit from you getting behind this campaign!

**X YOU VOTE WE MAKEOVER**

[www.london.gov.uk/parksvote](http://www.london.gov.uk/parksvote)

**HELP A LONDON PARK**

## A dog is for life...

Every year the council's Animal Welfare team has to deal with the result of impulse pet buying at Christmas, as too many people forget that what begins as a cute bundle of fluff can very quickly turn into a large animal that needs a long-term commitment. Apart from exercise, you need to think about the cost of feeding an adult animal and veterinary treatment – not to mention what will happen to your pet when you go on holiday.

But unlike other unwanted Christmas gifts, pets can't just be stuffed in the bottom of a wardrobe.

In a recent case, animal welfare officer Joe Clarke was called out following a complaint to the noise team about a barking dog. When the noise officer arrived, he found a box of eight puppies in a box in a communal garden. The abandoned puppies were taken to Battersea Dogs Home and have now found new homes,

but not all abandoned pets are so lucky. At the beginning of each year local authorities, animal welfare organisations, kennels and rehoming centres are full of unwanted animals like these – please don't let your pet be a statistic this year!

**➔ If you are interested in re-homing a needy animal, contact Battersea Dogs and Cats home on 020 7622 3626 or visit [www.battersea.org.uk](http://www.battersea.org.uk).**



## 2008 SAFER ISLINGTON REVIEW

# The great dodgy DVD clean up

Looking back on a successful year for the war on counterfeit goods in Islington

Back in summer 2008 the council launched a campaign to highlight the links between the multi-million pound counterfeit DVD industry and organised crime, like the drug and gun trade, people trafficking and forced prostitution.

The campaign was very much a joint effort between various council teams, such as Trading Standards and Street Trading, and the police – and both sides were very pleased with the results.

While the council has concentrated on confiscating fake DVDs and identifying

and prosecuting rogue traders, the Nag's Head Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) has been focussing on the source of the dodgy goods.

The good news from the Street Trading team is that they've seen a marked drop in illegal street sales. In 2007 they seized almost 2,000 DVDs with 16 successful prosecutions, while last year they seized just 375 DVDs, gave two formal cautions and have one prosecution pending. Getting the message out that buying from illegal traders results in more crime seems to be having



The Street Trading team with their impressive haul of counterfeit goods

an impact, so we hope for even fewer incidents in 2009.

Jenny Crawford, the Street Trading team's lead enforcement officer, said: "I remember the days when we would patrol certain DVD hotspots and be accosted by aggressive counterfeit sellers every few yards. When an officer moved in on an illegal trader, other illegal traders would hang around,

intimidating us, making offensive remarks and abusing the officer."

She continued: "Of course the problem of counterfeit DVDs hasn't gone away, but the atmosphere has lightened considerably, especially in Holloway, and it's a real pleasure to be able to patrol the streets without the hassle we once had."

The Nag's Head SNT has also

been busy denting the supply of fake DVDs, carrying out raids on two distribution houses and a factory, which Police Sergeant Mike Aldridge tells us are virtually impossible to find. His officers have seized well over 129,000 counterfeit DVDs, with a street value of between £400,000 and £600,000. They will be keeping up the good work in 2009 by continuing to fight for crime-free streets.

## Love for the streets

Islington's new team of Street Environment wardens have been patrolling the streets of Islington throughout 2008, offering a highly visible and reassuring presence to residents.

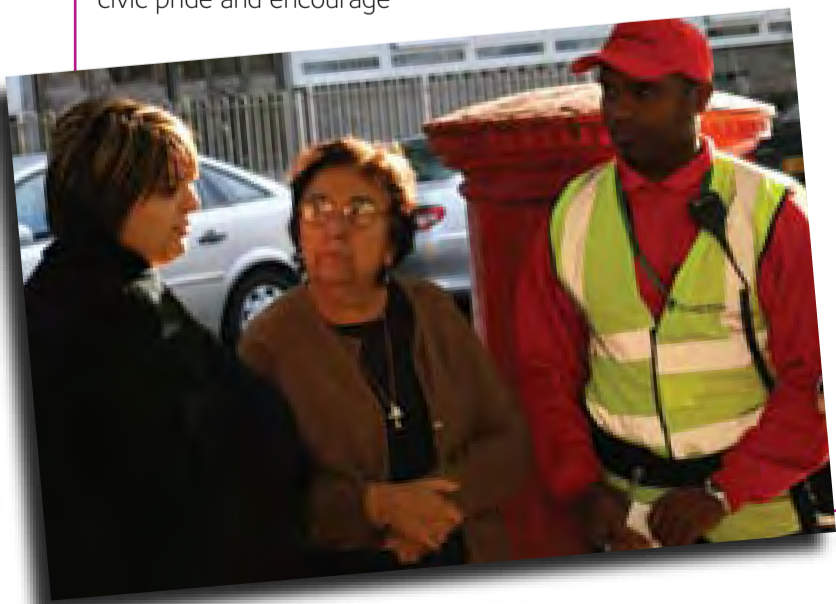
Their aim was to promote civic pride and encourage

behavioural change around low-level anti-social activities such as dropping litter, dog fouling and fly posting, and many of you have reported an improvement in these areas throughout the year.

Working to an ethos of

'educate, encourage, enforce' the team will continue to concentrate their efforts in areas affected by anti-social behaviour in 2009. The Street Environment wardens listen to residents, report street defects, and assist people such as rough sleepers by pointing them towards services that can help them. They are also able to issue Fixed Penalty Notices if people continue with anti-social activities.

Their high-visibility presence will allow them to continue to proactively work with other departments and agencies throughout 2009 to achieve a greener, cleaner, safer borough.



## Fighting fire together

London Fire Brigade (LFB) has picked up a partnership award for protecting Islington's most vulnerable residents from fire.

Joint working between the brigade and Hfl led to more than 600 Hfl tenants being referred for a Home Fire Safety Visit during 2007/8. Home Fire Safety Visits are a free service where firefighters visit residents in their homes, give advice on how to prevent fires, encourage householders to devise an escape plan and install free smoke alarms where they are needed.

The brigade got its award for its work on a number of fire safety

initiatives. These have included innovative schemes such as providing specialist smoke alarms for the hard of hearing, reducing calls to automatic fire alarms and reducing calls to the number of people trapped in lifts.

Islington's LFB Borough Commander, Peter Cowup, said: "We are delighted to receive this award that reflects the close and very positive working relationship we have developed with Homes for Islington. Their support and professionalism have allowed us to maximise the effectiveness of our community safety work by helping us to reach out to the most vulnerable."



## Local leaders Listen Up

Local youngsters recently shared stories of discrimination and empowerment with key community figures at Islington's first Young Muslim Voices conference.

Part of the council's Listen Up initiative, the conference gave young people from Muslim communities the chance to speak out about the issues affecting them as they go about their everyday lives.

A number of new council projects, such as Breaking the Barriers – which aims to build relationships between young Muslims and local police – are already in the pipeline as a result.

Young Muslim Voices Project Manager, Noori Bibi, said: "It was a truly memorable day and the young people were inspirational.

"It was so encouraging to have so many decision makers and faith and community leaders present to listen to the voices of young people – especially those who don't always have the chance to speak out.

"We, as a project, are very excited about working in partnership with council, community and faith services across the borough to take the issues raised forward, and further engage and empower

young people throughout Islington."

Thought to be the largest UK-based event of its kind, the conference covered a number of topics, from the portrayal and perceptions of young Muslims in the media, to policing and the criminal justice system, to the roles community faith groups and the council can play in empowering young people.

Young Muslim Voices was recognised last month with a Philip Lawrence Award for active citizenship. The annual Philip Lawrence Awards celebrate young people who do great things.

### 2008 SUMMER REVIEW

## A big hit for Heatwave

There may have been plenty of rain last summer but the sun was shining on Islington – we had a Heatwave! Around 5,000 children and young people across the borough took part in the council's summer activities programme, which provided things to do and places to go throughout the school holidays.

Young people attended a range of projects including skill-developing events and residential activities, which helped them to develop personal and social skills like team working, confidence and problem solving. There were also lots of arts and crafts activities for younger children and storytelling at local libraries.

### Summer University

– also part of the Heatwave programme – offered over 90 free courses last summer, giving youngsters the chance to attend classes as diverse as motor mechanics and street dance. More young

people than ever attended a course – 705 in total – nearly 30% more than in 2007.

Classes such as digital animation and sushi making were a real hit. Perpe, 15, said "I did the sushi class because I thought it would be interesting. Summer Uni is a great idea. I also did the Fifteen Experience with Jamie Oliver's chefs because I like cooking."

Young people also took part in media projects, which involved creating music about social issues such as knife crime. They also carried out research among their peers and used their findings to create a DVD about how the council should invest £1.5m funding for youth projects.

Heatwave was such a huge hit that we are already looking forward to repeating its success in 2009.

But first come the Easter holidays when there are already plenty of exciting activities planned including powerboat racing and self defence.



## Islington's academies of excellence

Education in Islington is undergoing an exciting transformation. Millions of pounds are being invested in secondary school buildings through the Building Schools for the Future Programme, GCSE results are at record levels for the borough, and two new academies are adding to the diversity of education on offer.

One of these is St Mary Magdalene Academy, which gave Islington its tenth secondary school when it expanded from a successful primary

school to a fully-fledged academy. The first Year-7 pupils were admitted in September 2007 and a new secondary year group of 180 pupils will join each year – the Year-8 group joined in 2008 and Year 9 will start in September 2009. By 2011 all year groups for 11-16-year-olds and the Sixth Form will be in place.

Head Teacher Paul Hollingham explains: "The academy has high status both in the UK and internationally. It offers a broader curriculum than

the traditional GCSE and A-Level routes and has core elements we believe are vital – particularly the community action service component."

Islington's second school of this type, the City of London Academy, opened on the site of the former Islington Green School in September last year. The academy is co-sponsored by the City of London Corporation and City University and specialises in business and enterprise. A 180-place sixth form is also set to open there in 2010.



Pupils at St Mary Magdalene Academy get scientific in their brand new laboratory

FOCUS ON THE CREDIT CRUNCH

# New Year new you

What have you promised yourself you'll do in the New Year? Quit smoking? Get a new job? Finish 'that' project? Reports suggest the most common resolutions focus on improving health and fitness. And in the current financial climate it makes sense to check out the affordable but high quality fitness facilities on offer in Islington.

Exercise can also help if you are feeling down or lack motivation. Archway

Leisure Centre personal trainer Jose Ruiz said: "Everyone's quality of life can be improved by being and feeling fitter and healthier – whether you're wanting to lose weight, recover from an injury, or just trying to be more active. The benefits are life-long.

"Islington leisure centres offer a wide variety of activities and support, suitable for all levels of fitness and preferences."

There are seven council-run leisure centres in the borough

and they offer a variety of affordable, tailored memberships and a wide range of activities, including gym, classes, sauna, swimming and tennis.

Each centre has been awarded the Charter Mark, the government's award for excellent public service.

Angel resident and Highbury Pool and Fitness Centre member, Andrea (pictured), said the facility offered something for everyone.

"I wanted to lose weight and improve my fitness, which is something I think a lot of people can relate to," she said.

"There are a few gyms in my area but Highbury Pool and Fitness Centre was the cheapest and had a really good range of equipment and classes.

"I started seeing results pretty quickly and it does make you feel better about yourself."

The fitness centres are always great value but, right



A smiling Andrea sets out to keep her 2009 fitness resolution by joining Highbury Fitness Centre

now, you can sign up for an Aqua or Platinum membership and pay a joining fee of just £10.

There are a lot of positive reasons for joining – not just to get fit, but also to meet new people, discover new interests and improve general well-being.

But there are also plenty of excuses for falling off the fitness wagon as the New Year progresses.

Jose said: "If you want to improve your health and fitness then it's worth noting it can be significantly easier with the right type of support.

"I would recommend starting off with an activity with an instructor who can provide this support, such as joining a gym, going to exercise classes, getting a personal trainer, or taking swimming lessons."

➔ For more information, visit [www.aquaterra.org](http://www.aquaterra.org). Alternatively, phone Archway Leisure Centre on 020 7263 0613, Cally Pool on 020 7278 1890, Highbury Pool on 020 7690 0413, Ironmonger Row Baths on 020 7689 9821, Islington Tennis Centre on 020 7697 1205 or Sobell Leisure Centre on 020 7686 2363.

## Combating the crunch

It is no secret that times are hard so the council is putting together a range of measures to combat the credit crunch. A specially-devised package is being put in place to safeguard Islington's hardest hit residents, so if you have any financial worries – from losing your home to simply making ends meet – there will be more help at hand.

Repossession is perhaps the biggest cause for concern, so the council is looking at allocating up to £5m on measures that could help Islington residents threatened with

the loss of their home. An additional £250,000 will also be available to support loans by the Credit Union (see front page for full details of how this service works).

A further £100,000 will boost existing advice services provided by Islington Law Centre, while sessions covering debt advice, credit checks, savings and loans, energy efficiency and help with bills will take place in various venues across the borough.

The council is developing plans for an apprenticeship scheme

aimed at opening up employment opportunities for Islington residents. A school uniform grant of up to £150 will be available to parents on low incomes with children moving to secondary school, and fuel poverty will be addressed by local energy efficiency programme, which will be run in conjunction with national and regional schemes.

➔ For more information or to see if you qualify for help, visit [www.islington.gov.uk](http://www.islington.gov.uk) or call 020 7527 2000

## Get fit for less

Great value, flexible memberships at Islington leisure centres

Only £10 to join\*

The Platinum Card includes three one-to-one sessions with a swimming coach and six one-to-one gym sessions that will help you to develop an exercise routine that suits you – all at no extra cost. The Aqua Card includes three one-to-one sessions with a swimming coach, again at no extra cost.

\* Aqua and Platinum Cards. Offer ends Saturday 28 February 2009.



1997 was the year the Credit Union was originally set up

90% of Credit Union members had previously been unable to save money

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## FOCUS ON THE CREDIT CRUNCH

# Life after redundancy

When the Chapel Market branch of Woolworths closed down this summer, 49-year-old Islington resident Sharon Edwards was made redundant after 30 years with the retailer.

Sharon said: "I was distraught to learn that I would be facing unemployment for the first time in my life. I felt completely lost and unsure how to start looking for a new job. I didn't even know how to claim benefits if I couldn't find a new job straight away."

After finding out she had been made redundant, Sharon visited one of Islington Council's Tracks to Employment Centres on Goswell Road. She was put in touch with an adviser who talked to her about her goals, gave her careers advice and helped her put together a CV.

Although Sharon had difficulty finding a job straight away, her adviser suggested

she attend a Retail Sector Awareness session to boost her confidence and help prepare her for interviews.

"I was really lacking in confidence when I approached the council, but the support I've received has made all the difference," said Sharon. "After a few weeks I got an interview with Superdrug and was delighted when I found out I'd been offered a job as a Cosmetic Retail Assistant at the branch in Chapel Market. After all the stress of the redundancy, this is a great result!"

➔ **Islington Council helps hundreds of residents find new jobs each year.**

**If you want to find out about the support and advice on offer, call 020 7527 3465, email [regeneration@islington.gov.uk](mailto:regeneration@islington.gov.uk) or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/careers/careers\\_help](http://www.islington.gov.uk/careers/careers_help)**



Staff at Goswell Road's Tracks to Employment Centre can help if you are out of work

## Safe as houses

There is a well-publicised housing shortage across the capital and property is one of the main areas people are feeling the pinch.

In response, Islington Council is doing all it can to meet the demand for affordable housing.

Last year we worked with developers, housing associations and our housing management partner, Homes for Islington, to provide over 400 affordable homes to residents.

And there's more good news for those on Islington's housing waiting list. This year will see the completion of our first new council housing for a generation on Boleyn Road, N16 and Armour Close, N7. We have also identified four new locations across the borough for the second phase of new home building, so watch this space!

But that's not all. We ended last year with a bang by scooping a trophy in a brand new young people's category at the UK Housing Awards.

The award category 'Contribution to Wider Community Agendas' noted that Islington's Every Child Matters project had proved that housing organisations can make a big difference in improving outcomes for young people.



## A trip through time

There is plenty of fun to be had in Islington without spending a penny – you just need to know where to look. If you are at a loose end this month, why not explore the Islington Museum? Entrance is free and it offers an invaluable insight into the twists and turns that have shaped the bustling borough we know and love today.

The museum, which can be found at 245 St John Street, houses a permanent gallery about Islington's history with nine themes, ranging from wartime Islington to leisure and childhood. For the first time, the unique collection includes book covers that were famously stolen from Islington's libraries and defaced by playwright Joe Orton and

his lover Kenneth Halliwell, alongside a bust of Lenin, who lived and worked in Clerkenwell.

The museum is next door to Finsbury Library where you can also have free access to the Local History Centre, so why not make a day of it? Opening hours are 10am–5pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.




## Switch on to your council...

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**The Islington Looking Local service lets you search for jobs, check bus timetables, order a new recycling box and do much more... all through your TV!**

To switch on to the free, easy-to-use Islington Looking Local service, **press the interactive button** on your remote control.

 **Sky customers, select:**  
Sky Active  
Services  
Looking Local

 **Virgin Media customers, select:**  
Home and Away  
Find It...  
Looking Local

[www.islington.gov.uk/lookinglocal](http://www.islington.gov.uk/lookinglocal)

# Get active!

In 2008 the council continued to invest in the borough's leisure facilities to give people who live and work in Islington plenty of opportunities to get fit.

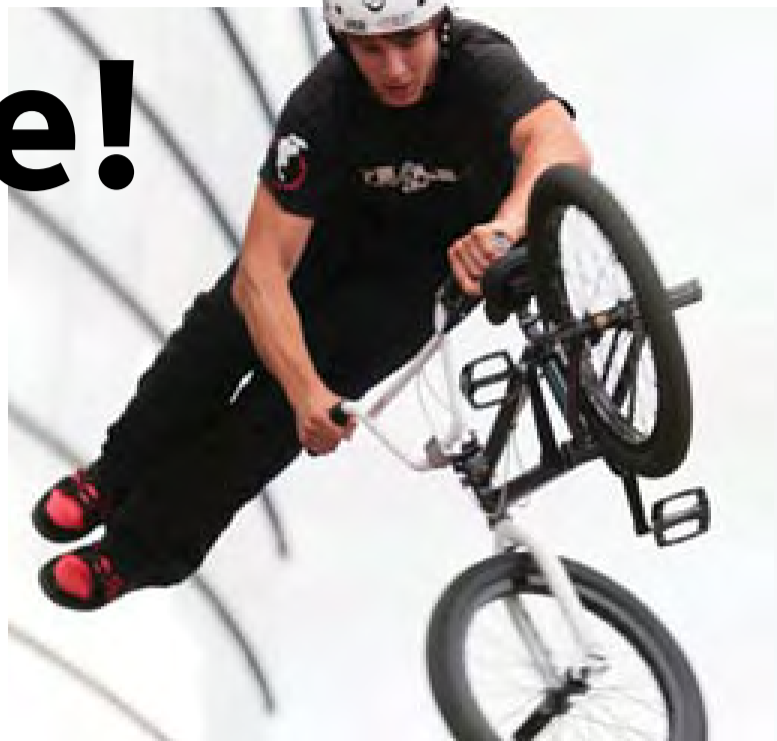
We funded new football pitches, basketball courts and outdoor sports facilities at Elthorne Park, Whittington Park and at the Mitchinson Baxter open space in Highbury. Young people from Islington are now taking advantage of the training sessions and competitions in the parks.

In September we reported on Islington's first 'alfresco gym' in Whittington Park.

Residents who prefer not to be cooped up in an indoor gym are enjoying the free outdoor facilities, including a cross trainer, chest press, stepper and leg press.

If you prefer more traditional indoor facilities, you'll be pleased to know we also published our outline plans to redevelop the Finsbury and Sobell leisure centres and to refurbish Ironmonger Row Baths.

Many of you gave us your views on our ideas and we'll be publishing more detailed proposals in 2009, when you'll have another chance to tell us what you think.



This year's ProActive Islington Sports and Cycling Festival was another major success. Over 13,000

people came along and took part in free taster sessions, including climbing, human table football, fencing, basketball and penalty shoot-outs.

In 2009 you can look forward to more regular activities, organised by ProActive Islington and designed to help you get help you get active, whatever your age, background or level of fitness.

## DIRECT DEBIT PRIZE DRAW

### Paying by direct debit is a winner

Finsbury Park local Dominic Corby has won a year-long membership of Aquaterra leisure centres in this month's draw for residents who pay their council tax by direct debit.



Dominic welcomes the £20 discount and reckons direct debit payments are an easy way to stay on top of his bills."

As for his prize, Dominic says he's looking forward to trying out the nearby Sobell Centre: "I'm excited about doing some swimming, and I'm looking forward to using the gym too."

Islington Council has lots more prizes to give away – everyone who signs up to direct debit in January gets the chance to win £1,000 cash.

## CEREMONY OF THE MONTH

### What's in a name?

We know Islington Town Hall is a great place to get married, but did you know about the other ceremonies you can have at the venue? One such event is a naming ceremony, a non-religious celebration of a new addition to the family.

Naming ceremonies are for babies and children of all ages and are an ideal way of welcoming them into the family and making a promise of commitment. This is exactly what Rebecca and Jim Coombes wanted to

do for their baby daughter Ella at her recent naming ceremony.

"For us, it was the perfect way to mark Ella's birth," says mum Rebecca. "We really

liked the way you can tailor the ceremony to your needs and add or take out parts, depending on what you would like to include.

"Before the event I had been really worried that it wouldn't feel much of an occasion because we weren't having a religious ceremony, but I couldn't have been more wrong. Ella had a wonderful time and loved having everyone she knows making a fuss of her. It was a fantastic day!"

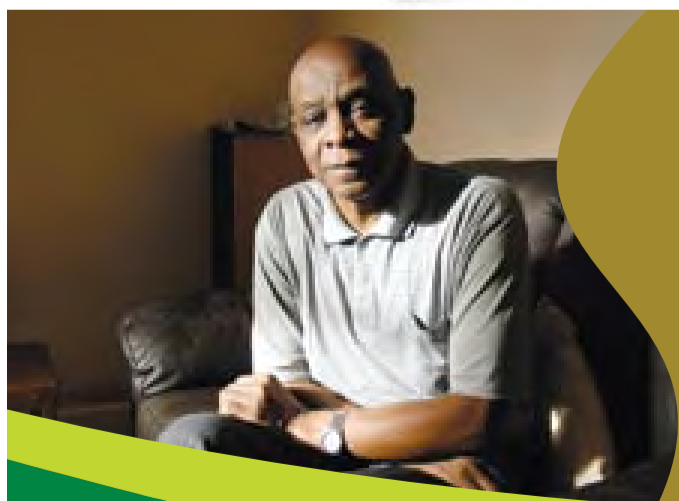


➔ For more information on sport in Islington, visit: [www.islington.gov.uk/Leisure/Sports](http://www.islington.gov.uk/Leisure/Sports)

➔ To find out more, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/directdebit](http://www.islington.gov.uk/directdebit) or call 020 7527 2633.

### New Sport Islington website

If you want to kick off 2009 by joining a sports club or finding out what activities are on in your area, a new website [www.sportislington.co.uk](http://www.sportislington.co.uk) could help you get started. By becoming a member of Sport Islington, you can also share information about local sports clubs and even apply for a grant to get a new activity up and running.



### Rattling around in a property that's too big?

#### Are you living on your own after many years?

If the answer is yes, then Islington Council can help you move to a property that better suits your needs.

Our under-occupiers' scheme offers a tailor-made package of information and advice to help

you move to a smaller, more manageable home.

To find out more contact the Under-Occupation Officer on 020 7527 5174

[www.islington.gov.uk/housing](http://www.islington.gov.uk/housing)



# YOUR VIEWS

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2008 CONSULTATION REVIEW

## Shout from the rooftops!

Last year a record number of Islington residents took part in consultations on a range of topics from dog fouling to fuel poverty. So firstly, a big thank you to everybody who took the time to tell us what you think.

In early spring 2008 over 1,800 people got involved with our consultation on responsible dog ownership. We were proposing to fine dog owners who didn't clear up their dogs' mess or for not keeping their dogs under control. These proposals received a huge degree of support and as a result the council introduced £80 fines for these offences, which are now in effect.

However, a number of people were unhappy about the plans for 'dog exclusion zones', as they felt that the proposals did not include some areas that should be dog free. As a result of these comments we added several locations to the list of areas where dogs are not allowed.

We will keep an eye on how the dog control orders operate in 2009, and undertake further consultation if needed.

Our proposals to rebuild




Leader of the council **James Kempton (right)** supporting responsible dog ownership in the borough

Sobell Leisure Centre attracted a lot of support – and some differences of opinion – with nearly 1,500 people taking part in the consultation. Councillors considered the results and the comments that people made before deciding to proceed with

one of the options to redevelop the current site. Look out for further chances to make your voice heard on this – residents and centre users will have further opportunity to comment on detailed plans for the site in 2009.

'Your neighbourhood, Your Islington' was your chance to tell us your vision for the future of the borough. We asked about the types of housing and commercial buildings that should be built to meet local needs, and how this would affect the look and feel of the locality. Other issues we sought your views on included whether the council should permit tall buildings (over 30m) in some locations, and how to maximise the amount of quality open space, play and leisure facilities Islington has. We received over 2,000 responses, which we are still analysing. Respondents' views will feed into the long-term strategy for the borough, which will be drawn up during 2009.

We hope to involve even more people next year. So to make sure your voice is heard in 2009 – keep an eye on the Your Views pages of IslingtonNow to see our forthcoming consultations or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.islington.gov.uk/consultation).

 You can also sign up to our register of interests at [www.islington.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.islington.gov.uk/consultation)

### Vox pop

What would you like to see as a top priority for the council in 2009?

#### Mustafa Gunaydin



"I'd like there to be more protection for small businesses that offer a great service to the community. The other important thing is improving our schools."

#### Karen Cunningham



"I'd like to see the roads improved. It's not so much the traffic, but the surfaces. There are so many bumps and potholes."

#### Tina Odia



"I'd like to see more things to do for the youth. Engaging them in activities or studies means there won't be as many hanging around the streets."

#### Ethel Donnelly




"I'd like to see more police on the beat and more street lighting."

### Want to thank someone? Tell us...



Do you know someone who deserves a big 'thank you' for the work they do in the local community? If so, we want to hear from you! Each year, we present a Mayor's Civic Award to people who have given up their time to improve the lives of others in Islington.

So if you know an individual, family or group that has made a positive contribution to the local community, why not nominate them for an award?

 You can nominate online at [www.islington.gov.uk/mayor](http://www.islington.gov.uk/mayor), or contact The Mayor's Office on the [mayor@islington.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@islington.gov.uk) or 020 7527 3113 for a nomination form. The deadline for nominations is Friday 23 January 2009, so get in touch soon!

### Residents save a Post Office

Our March issue featured the proposed closure of some of the borough's Post Offices, including the busy Essex Road branch.


We encouraged you to write, phone or email us with your concerns about how this could affect you and other local residents. The names of those who got in touch were added to a petition, which was then delivered to Downing Street.

And it paid off – with the help of campaigning from the council and residents, the Post Office halted their plans to close the Essex Road branch, although we did, unfortunately, lose

a number of other branches in the borough.

With the current plans, there should be no more closure threats for the foreseeable future, so we hope that all of Islington's remaining branches – which are essential for many local residents – will be safe for a while.

Essex Road was a success story, and we will continue to oppose any closure plans for Islington Post Offices.

 For more information on the closure programme, visit [www.postoffice.co.uk/networkchange](http://www.postoffice.co.uk/networkchange) programme



## The arts

### The Giraffe, The Pelly, And Me

Come and see Roald Dahl's children's favourite, about a young boy who befriends a giraffe, a pelican and a monkey, brought to life with a cast of puppets.

**Where:** Little Angel Theatre, 14 Dagmar Passage, N1 2DN

**When:** 22 November - 1 February

**How much:** Adults £12.50, children/concessions £10, Family ticket £40. Under 2s go free. For more information, contact the theatre on 020 7226 1787 or email [info@littleangeltheatre.com](mailto:info@littleangeltheatre.com)

### Matthew Bourne's Edward Scissorhands

Matthew Bourne's delightful adaptation of the classic Tim Burton motion picture is a treat for all the family.

**Where:** Sadler's Wells Theatre, Roseberry Avenue, EC1R 4TN

**When:** 2 December - 18 January

**How much:** £10-£50  
For more information, contact the ticket office on 0844 412 4300 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)

### The Snowman

When a young boy's snowman comes to life on Christmas Eve, the two set off on a night-time quest for adventure. On their travels, they meet dancing penguins, reindeer and, of course, Father Christmas.

**Where:** Peacock Theatre, Portugal Street, WC2A 2HT

**When:** 3 December - 11 January

**How much:** £12-£30  
For more information, call 0844 412 4322 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)

### Aladdin

If you overdosed on fun last year with Charles Court Opera's Cinderella, you will want to book immediately



for their off the wall production of Aladdin.

**When:** 17 December - 11 January

**How much:** £12-£15  
For more information, call 020 7704 6665 or visit [www.rosemarybranch.co.uk/](http://www.rosemarybranch.co.uk/)

### Xavier le Roy

French choreographer Xavier Le Roy defies categorisation as a dance-maker, drawing on diverse influences from the worlds of science, performance art and contemporary dance.

**Where:** Lillian Baylis Studio, Roseberry Avenue, EC1R 4TN

**When:** 16-24 January

**How much:** £12  
For more information, call 0844 412 4300 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)

### L'Écume de l'Air

Full of mystery, joy and sensuality, L'Écume de l'Air combines graceful object manipulation with beautiful original music - a haunting mix of rhythmic beats, soulful strumming and warm Mediterranean sounds.

**Where:** Barbican Theatre, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2Y 8DS

**When:** 20-24 January 2009

**How much:** £12  
For more information, call

020 7638 8891 or visit [www.barbican.org.uk/theatre/](http://www.barbican.org.uk/theatre/)

### World at One

Three twenty-minute plays on the theme 'Facebook', looking at the curious phenomenon of social networking.

**Where:** Kings Head Theatre, 115 Upper Street, N1 1QN

**When:** 21-25 January 2009, 1pm

**How much:** £7 (£5 concessions)

For more information, contact the theatre on 0870

890 0149 or visit [www.kingsheadtheatre.org](http://www.kingsheadtheatre.org)

### Connecting Conversations

Leading psychoanalysts talk to contemporary figures in the world of arts, literature, dance and so on about their life and work.

**Where:** various locations across London

**When:** times vary

For more information, visit [www.connectingconversations.org](http://www.connectingconversations.org) or contact Amelia Robinson or Ginette Goulston Lincoln on 020 7923 0807

## Are you getting all your benefits?

If you or your partner are over 60 let us carry out a benefit check - extra money could be yours!

Contact **020 7527 3697** or [benefitcheck@islington.gov.uk](mailto:benefitcheck@islington.gov.uk) for friendly and confidential advice.

We can also visit you at home to talk about:

- Pension Credit
- Attendance Allowance
- Council Tax Benefit
- Disability Living Allowance
- Housing Benefit
- other related benefits



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If you want to see your event listed here, email us at [events@islington.gov.uk](mailto:events@islington.gov.uk)

We can't guarantee that all events will be published. All events are subject to change. Please check with the venue before attending.

## Getting greener

### Nappuccino Coffee Morning

Just pop in to find out about the advantages for using real cloth nappies and how to apply for a £54 real cloth nappy voucher. Have a chat and get advice from the Islington Real Nappy Network, which is made up of like-minded parents. They will show you examples of the different sorts of nappies and can give you some top tips about how to use them.

**Where:** Green Living Centre, 222 Upper Street, N1 1XR

**When:** 6 January, 10.30am-12 noon

**How much:** Free  
For more information, contact Jean Hughes on 020 7527 5157 or email [jean.hughes@islington.gov.uk](mailto:jean.hughes@islington.gov.uk)

### Recycling Drop in

Drop in to find out about recycling and waste reduction. Our staff are on hand to advise you about what can be recycled, smart

shopping, how to reduce all that junk mail and much more.

**Where:** Green Living Centre, 222 Upper Street, N1 1XR

**When:** 7 January, 10am-12 noon

**How much:** Free  
For more information please call the Green Living Centre on 020 7527 6726 or email [greenliving@islington.gov.uk](mailto:greenliving@islington.gov.uk)

### Nappuccino Stay and Play

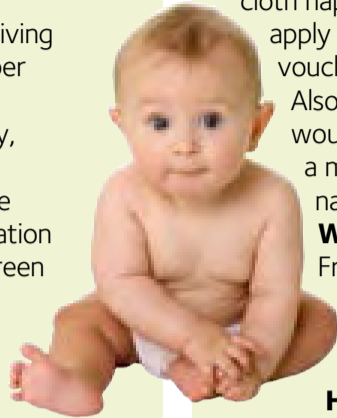
Come along to the real nappy network stay and play. They are made up of like-minded

parents and carers and can give advice on using real cloth nappies and how to apply for a real nappy voucher worth £54.

Also pop along if you would like to become a member of the nappy network.

**Where:** Freightliners Farm  
**When:** 21 January, 10am-12 noon

**How much:** Free  
For more information, contact Jean Hughes on 020 7527 5157 or email [jean.hughes@islington.gov.uk](mailto:jean.hughes@islington.gov.uk)



## Community events

### Kixa Women's Self Defence

Keep fit and be ready to deal with the challenges of everyday life by taking part in these self defence classes

**Where:** The Sobell Leisure Centre, Hornsey Road, London N7

**When:** 9 January, 8.15pm

**How much:** Free  
For more information, call Lucy on 07515 725702

### Give or Take day

Got any unwanted Christmas presents? Give or take days are a great way to recycle – just bring along any reusable items you don't want any more and take away any that you do, for free.



**Where:** St Luke's Centre, 90 Central Street, EC1V 8AJ

**When:** 24 January, 11am-3pm

For more information, contact Michael Benn on 020 7527 2627 or email [michael.benn@islington.gov.uk](mailto:michael.benn@islington.gov.uk)

## Young fun!

### Lewis Carroll Library Reading Club

Come along to the Reading Club to talk about books, do some creative writing and craft activities, along with the opportunity to meet authors, with refreshments provided.

**Where:** Lewis Carroll Library, 166 Copenhagen Street, N1 OST

**When:** Every Tuesday from 6 January 2009, 4-5pm.  
For more information, email the library on [lewis Carroll.library@islington.gov.uk](mailto:lewis Carroll.library@islington.gov.uk)



## CONTACT ISLINGTON

Contact Islington is the council's telephone and customer service centre based on the ground floor of **222 Upper Street, N1**. Contact Islington can help you with a range of services including housing advice and environmental queries.

The service centre is open from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday (8.30am to 6pm on Wednesday only) for your face-to-face service needs. It also opens every fourth Saturday of the month, from 9am to 1pm (third Saturday if coinciding with Bank Holiday weekends). **Phonelines are open from 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday, and 9am to 6pm every Saturday.**

Phone: 020 7527 2000  
Email: [contact@islington.gov.uk](mailto:contact@islington.gov.uk)  
Minicom: 020 7527 1900  
Fax: 020 7527 5001

## Other useful contact numbers

### HFI Direct (repairs)

0800 694 3344  
(minicom 0800 073 0536)  
[repairs@homesforislington.org.uk](mailto:repairs@homesforislington.org.uk)

### Islington Police

020 7704 1212  
Report non-emergencies at  
[www.online.police.uk](http://www.online.police.uk)

### NHSDirect

0845 46 47  
[www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk](http://www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk)

## Local leisure centres

<b>Archway Leisure Centre</b> 020 7281 4105	<b>Ironmonger Row Baths</b> 020 7253 4011
<b>Cally Pool</b> 020 7278 1890	<b>Islington Tennis Centre</b> 020 7700 1370
<b>Finsbury Leisure Centre</b> 020 7253 2346	<b>Sobell Leisure Centre</b> 020 7609 2166
<b>Highbury Pool</b> 020 7704 2312	<a href="http://www.aquaterra.org">www.aquaterra.org</a>

## CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Islington has 48 councillors. Councillors make decisions on council policy and spending. They are the people who know what's going on in your local area, and are there for you to talk to about any problems you may have with council services. They can take up your case themselves or point you in the right direction to get more advice.

You can meet any of your ward councillors in person at one of their regular surgeries, write to them at the Town Hall, email or telephone them.

For councillors' contact details, to find out when they hold surgeries, and for details of your local Member of Parliament, Member of European Parliament and Greater London Authority representative, please call 020 7527 2000 or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/councillors](http://www.islington.gov.uk/councillors)

## JANUARY 2009

**ROAD CLOSURES**

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Section 14(1) and 16A: Proposed and Made Notices

We, the London Borough Of Islington, are giving notice that we intend to make the following orders to enable works and special events to be carried out on the highway.

**PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES****Amwell Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Amwell Street; and (b) ban all parking on Hardwick Street for duration of works

**Diversion Route:** (a) northbound traffic via Rosebery Avenue, Farringdon Road, Kings Cross Road, Wharton Street, Lloyd Square and Great Percy Street; and

(b) southbound traffic via Hardwick Street and Rosebery Avenue

**Dates:** from 20 January 2009 until 9 February 2009

**Bath Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Bath Street at its junction with Old Street; and (b) suspend 'One Way Working' in Bath Street between Old Street and Peerless Street for access/egress only

**Diversion Route:** via Old Street, City Road and Peerless Street

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: 10 January 2009 until 11 January 2009; and (b) phase 2: 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009

**Brewery Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Brewery Road at its junction with Caledonian Road; (b) prohibit vehicular traffic on Blundell Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; (c) prohibit vehicular traffic on Fredrica Street at its junction with Caledonian Road;

(d) prohibit vehicular traffic on Wheelwright Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and (e) no right turn from Caledonian Road onto Mackenzie Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) Brewery Road: eastbound via York Way, Market Road, Caledonian Road to Brewery Road;

(b) Blundell Street: eastbound

via Brandon Road, York Way, Market Road, Caledonian Road to Blundell Street;

(c) Fredrica Street: eastbound via Blundell Street, Brandon Road, York Way, Market Road, Caledonian Road to Fredrica Street; and

(d) Wheelwright Street: westbound via Roman Way, Mackenzie Road, Caledonian Road to Wheelwright Street

**Dates:** at weekends only from 7.30am on 10 January 2009 until 4.00pm on 8 February 2009

**Coombs Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Coombs Street at its junction with City Garden Row

**Diversion Route:** (a) eastbound traffic via City Garden Row, Roccliffe Street and Graham Street; and

(b) westbound traffic via Graham Street, Roccliffe Street and City Garden Row

**Dates:** 23 January 2009 until 26 January 2009

**Corbyn Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) phase 1: prohibit vehicular traffic on Corbyn Street between its junction with Hornsey Road and its junction with Alington Street; and

(b) phase 2: prohibit vehicular traffic on Corbyn Street between its junction with Alington Street and its junction with Evershot Road

**Diversion Route:** phase 1: there will be no access to Corbyn Street from Bracey Street or Alington Street;

(a) eastbound traffic via Hornsey Road and Thorpedale Road; and (b) westbound traffic via Evershot Road, Hanley Road and Horney Road

phase 2: there will be no access to Corbyn Street from Alington Street;

(a) eastbound traffic via Hornsey Road and Thorpedale; and westbound traffic via Evershot Road, Hanley Road and Horney Road

**Dates:** 12 January 2009 until 16 January 2009

**Eburne Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Eburne Road. However, access to premises on Eburne Street will be maintained

**Diversion Route:** (a) northbound traffic via Seven Sisters Road,

Salterton Road and Windsor Road; and

(b) southbound traffic via Windsor Road, Holloway Road and Seven Sisters Road

**Dates:** from 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009

**Garrett Street**

Aerial Platform Works

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Garrett Street;

(b) suspend "No Entry" at Garrett Street by Whitecross Street; and (c) suspend "One Way" working in Garrett Street for access/egress only

**Diversion Route:** via Golden Lane, Fann Street, Dufferin Street, Bunhill Row, Banner Street and Whitecross Street

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: from 17 January 2009 for one day only; (b) phase 2: from 24 January 2009 for one day only

**Great Sutton Street**

Gas Mains Replacement

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Great Sutton Street between its junction with Berry Street and its junction with St. John Street;

(b) suspend the point of "No Entry" at Berry Street at its junction with Great Sutton Street on the southern side of Great Sutton Street; and (c) suspend "One Way" working in Berry Street between Clerkenwell Road and Great Sutton Street for access/egress only

**Diversion Route:** via Goswell Road, Clerkenwell Road and St. John Street

**Dates:** start from 23 February 2009 and may be in force until 20 March 2009

**Lackington Street**

Crane Operations

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Lackington Street at its junction with Dominion Street and its junction with Finsbury Pavement

**Diversion Route:** via Finsbury Pavement and South Place

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: 10 January 2009 until 11 January 2009; and (b) phase 2: 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009

**Nelson Terrace**

Water Main Repairs

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Nelson Terrace by City Road

**Diversion Route:** via Elia Street, Colebrooke Row and City Road

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: start from 10/01/2009 until 11/01/2009; and

(b) phase 2: start from 17/01/2009 until 18/01/2009

**Pemberton Gardens**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Pemberton Gardens; and (b) prohibit vehicular traffic on Pemberton Terrace at its junction with Pemberton Gardens. However, access to premises on Pemberton Gardens and Pemberton Terrace will be maintained

**Diversion Route:** (a) westbound via St. Johns Grove, Holloway Road, Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way, Archway Road, St. Johns Way, Junction Road to Pemberton Gardens; and (b) eastbound via Junction Road, Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way, Archway Road, St. Johns Way, Sandridge Street, Holloway Road, St. Johns Grove to Pemberton Gardens

**Dates:** start from 27 January 2009 until 21 February 2009

**Penton Street**

Tree Maintenance

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Penton Street between its junction with White Lion Street and its junction with Pentonville Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) southbound traffic via Donegal Street and Rodney Street; and (b) northbound via Pentonville Road, Cynthia Street and Donegal Street

**Dates:** 2 February 2009 until 4 February 2009

**Playford Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Playford Road

**Diversion Route:** access to Hatley Road via Lennox Road and Durham Road

**Dates:** 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009

**Ropemaker Street**

Crane Operations

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Ropemaker Street in an eastbound direction; and (b) Prohibit vehicular traffic on Finsbury Street between Chiswell Street and Ropemaker Street

**Diversion Route:** eastbound traffic via Silk Street, Chiswell Street, Finsbury Square and Finsbury Pavement

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: from 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009; (b) phase 2: from 24 January 2009 until 25 January 2009;

(c) phase 3: from 31 January 2009 until 1 February 2009; (d) phase 4: from 7 February 2009 until 8 February 2009; and (e) phase 5: from 14 February 2009 until 15 February 2009

**St John's Grove**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on St Johns Grove; and (b) prohibit vehicular traffic on Pemberton Gardens at its junction with St Johns Grove. However, access to premises on St Johns Grove and Pemberton Gardens will be maintained

**Diversion Route:** (a) northbound via Holloway Road, Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way, Archway Road, St. Johns Way, Junction Road to St. Johns Grove; and (b) southbound via Junction Road, Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way, Archway Road, St. Johns Way, Sandridge Street, Holloway Road to St. Johns Grove

**Dates:** From 20 January 2009 until 7 February 2009

**Turle Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Turle Road. However, access to premises on Turle Road will be maintained

**Diversion Route:** access only during hours of resurfacing works

**Dates:** 31 January 2009 until 1 February 2009

**Turnmill Street**

New Gas Mains

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Turnmill Street between Thackrey Court and Benjamin Street; and

(b) suspend One Way working in Turnmill Street between Clerkenwell Road and Benjamin Street for access/egress only

**Diversion Route:** via Clerkenwell Road, Britton Street and Benjamin Street

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: from 17 January 2009 until 18 January 2009;

(b) phase 2: from 24 January 2009 until 25 January 2009; and (c) phase 3: from 7 February 2009 until 8 February 2009

**CONFIRMED ROAD CLOSURES****Baltic Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Baltic Street East at its junction with Golden Lane; (b) prohibit vehicular traffic on Domingo Street, for its entire length;

(c) prohibit vehicular traffic on Honduras Street, for its entire length;

(d) prohibit vehicular traffic on Timber Street, for its entire length;

(e) prohibit into Domingo Street from Crescent Row or Memel Street

**Diversion Route:** (a) through traffic via Golden Lane and Old Street; and

(b) access will be given to vehicles needing to service buildings in the works area

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: start from 24/01/2009 until 25/01/2009; and

(b) phase 2: start from 31/01/2009 until 01/02/2009

### Barnsbury Street

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Barnsbury Street between its junctions with Upper Street, College Cross, Milner Square and Liverpool Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) traffic into Barnsbury Street via Upper Street, Islington Park Street and Liverpool Road;

(b) traffic into College Cross via Islington Park Street only; and  
(c) Milner Square via Gibson Square only

**Dates:** from 15 December 2008 until 24 December 2008

### Bracey Street

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Bracey Street between Corbyn Street and Thorpedale Road; and

(b) prohibit vehicular traffic south of Thorpedale Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) northbound through traffic via Thorpedale Road and Almington Street; and  
(b) southbound through traffic via Hornsey Road and Thorpedale Road

**Dates:** 19 January 2009 until 21 January 2009

### Chiswell Street

Concrete Slab Removal

**Effect:** (a) prohibit vehicular traffic on Chiswell Street opposite Nos. 14 and 20 Chiswell Street; and

(b) introduce one way traffic working for westbound traffic between Finsbury Street and Moor lane

**Diversion Route:** (a) eastbound traffic via Bunhill Row, Old Street, Old Street Roundabout, City Road and Finsbury Square; and

(b) westbound traffic via Finsbury

Square, City Road, Old Street, Golden Lane and Beech Street; and

(c) eastbound traffic via Bunhill Row, Old Street, Old Street Roundabout, City Road and Finsbury Square

**Dates:** (a) phase 1: start from 10 January 2009 until 11 January 2009; and

(b) phase 2: start from 12 January 2009 until 9 February 2009

### College Cross

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on College Cross

**Diversion Route:** via Islington Park Street, Liverpool Road, Barnsbury Street and College Cross

**Dates:** 5 January 2009 until 16 January 2009

### Corbyn Street

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (c) phase 1: prohibit vehicular traffic on Corbyn Street between its junction with Hornsey Road and its junction with Almington Street; and

(d) phase phase 2: prohibit vehicular traffic on Corbyn Street between its junction with Almington Street and its junction with Evershot Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) westbound traffic via Roman Way and Wheelwright Street; and  
(b) eastbound traffic via Caledonian Road, Wheelwright Street and Roman Way

**Dates:** 5 January 2009 until 5 April 2009

### Henshall Street

Raised Junction Table

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Henshall Street at its junction with Dove Road. However, access to premises on Henshall Street will be maintained

**Diversion Route:** route 1: via Balls Pond Road, Essex Road and Wakeham Street;

route 2: via Dove Road, Essex Road and Wakeham Street; and  
route 3: via Wakeham Street, Essex Road and Balls Pond Road

**Dates:** from 15 December 2008 and may be in force until 19 December 2008

### Northburgh Street

Gas Main Replacement

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Northburgh Street between its junction with Goswell Road and its junction with Berry street; prohibit vehicular traffic on

Northburgh Street between Berry street and Great Sutton street; suspend the point of 'No Entry' at Pardon Street junction with Dallington Street; and

suspend the 'One Way Traffic' working in Pardon street for access/egress only

**Diversion Route:** via Finsbury Pavement and South Place

**Dates:** 5 January 2009 until 22 February 2009

### Offord Road

Water Mains Replacement

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Offord Road at its junction with Caledonian Road

**Diversion Route:** westbound traffic via Roman Way and Wheelwright Street; and  
eastbound traffic via Caledonian Road, Wheelwright Street and Roman Way

**Dates:** 5 January 2009 until 5 April 2009

### Pauntley Street

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Pauntley Street for its entire length. No access into Pauntley Street from Gladsmuir Road or Harberton Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) access to Archway Road via Cressida Road, St. John's Way, Highgate Hill and Tollhouse way; and

(b) where possible access to Pauntley Street Estate will be given during working hours

**Dates:** from 21 January 2009 and may be in force until 23 January 2009

### Riversdale Road

Width Restriction

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Riversdale Road between its junction with Green Lanes and its junction with Mountgrove Road

**Diversion Route:** (a) Green Lanes: southbound via Highbury New Park and northbound via Brownswood Road; and  
(b) Blackstock Road and Highbury Park: southbound via Highbury New Park and Northbound via Brownswood Road

**Dates:** 12 January 2009 until 1 February 2009

### Thorpedale Road

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** (a) phase 1: prohibit vehicular traffic on Thorpedale Road between Hornsey Road and Almington Street; and

(b) phase 2: prohibit vehicular traffic on Thorpedale Road

between Almington Street and Evershot Road

**Diversion Route:** phase 1: there will be no access to Thorpedale Road from Bracey Street or Almington Street;

(a) eastbound traffic via Hornsey Road and Corbyn Street;

(b) westbound traffic via Evershot Road, Hanley Road and Hornsey Road

phase 2: There will be no access to Thorpedale Road from Marriott Road or Almington Street (North)

(a) eastbound traffic via Hornsey Road and Corbyn Street;

(b) westbound traffic via Evershot Road, Hanley Road and Hornsey Road; and

(c) access to Almington Street (South) and Montem Street will be given during hours of resurfacing works

**Dates:** 5 January 2009 until 11 January 2009

### Turnmill Street

Thameslink Project

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Turnmill Street between Thackrey Court and Benjamin Street

**Diversion Route:** via Clerkenwell Road, Britton Street and Benjamin Street

**Dates:** 30 January 2009 until 2 February 2009

You can get more information about these proposed and made Orders from:

Business Service, Public Realm, The Municipal Offices, 222 Upper Street, London, N1 1YA or by phoning our Public Realm Division on extension 020 7527 2857

### Dated 5 January 2009

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

### WHITTINGTON PARK AND ST GEORGES AREA

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 90 ROAD HUMP PROPOSALS THE ISLINGTON (20MPH SPEED LIMIT) (NO.\*) ORDER 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to build road humps, a speed cushions, and raised tables in various streets within the Whittington Park and St Georges Area under Section 90 of the Highways Act 1980, and

proposes to make the above mentioned 20mph Speed Limit Order under Section 6 and 84 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The road humps, speed cushions, and raised tables at junctions and entry points are designed to improve pedestrian and road safety by slowing down vehicles and reducing the levels of traffic.

3. The sinusoidal speed humps would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimeters and a width of 3.7 meters in the direction of traffic at the following locations:

### Archibald Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 16 and 18 Archibald Road.

### Beverbrook Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 22 and 24 Beverbrook Road;

(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 50 and 52 Beverbrook Road; and

(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 74 and 76 Beverbrook Road.

### Campdale Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 6 and 7 Campdale Road; and

(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 13 and 14 Campdale Road.

### Celia Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 9 and 11 Celia Road.

### Corinne Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 9 and 11 Corinne Road;

(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 31 and 33 Corinne Road; and

(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 83 and 85 Corinne Road.

### Dalmeny Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 46 and 48 Dalmeny Road;

(b) at a point 7 meters south of the southern boundary wall of No 21 Dalmeny Road; and

(c) on Dalmeny Road at its junction with Anson Road.

## Fairmead Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 34 and 36 Fairmead Road; and  
(b) outside Nos. 17 and 19 Fairmead Road.

## Foxham Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 11 and 13 Foxham Road;  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 37 and 39 Foxham Road;  
(c) outside No. 53 Foxham Road; and  
(d) at a point 10 meters north-east of the north-eastern boundary wall of No 65 Foxham Road.

## Gatcombe Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 10 and 12 Gatcombe Road.

## Hargrave Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 17 and 19 Hargrave Road.

## Huddleston Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 35 and 37 Huddleston Road;  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 106 and 108 Huddleston Road; and  
(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 75 and 77 Huddleston Road.

## Hugo Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 17 and 19 Hugo Road.

## Lady Margaret Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 99 and 101 Lady Margaret Road; and  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 117 and 119 Lady Margaret Road.

## Mercers Road

(a) outside No. 9 Mercers Road;  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 67 and 69 Mercers Road;  
(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 51 and 53 Mercers Road;  
(d) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 30 and 32 Mercers Road;  
(e) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 14 and 16 Mercers Road; and  
(f) at a point 7 meters west of the western boundary wall of No. 101 Mercers Road.

## Pemberton Gardens

(a) opposite Nos. 52 and 54 Pemberton Gardens; and  
(b) opposite Nos. 57 to 64 St John's Park Mansions, Pemberton Gardens.

## Southcote Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 9 and 11 Southcote Road.

## Station Road

(a) at a point 62 meters south-west of the south-western kerb-line of Huddleston Road;  
(b) at a point 10 meters north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Huddleston Road; and  
(c) at a point 88 meters north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Huddleston Road.

## St George's Avenue

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 36 and 38 St George's Avenue; and  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 94 and 96.

## Tavistock Terrace

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 1 and 3 Tavistock Terrace; and  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 43 and 45 Tavistock Terrace.

## Thytherton Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 2 and 4 Thytherton Road;  
(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 23 and 25 Thytherton Road;  
(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 43 and 45 Thytherton Road; and  
(d) outside No. 53 Thytherton Road.

## Warrender Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 31b/d and 32a/c Warrender Road.

## Wedmore Gardens

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 25 and 27 Wedmore Gardens.

## Wedmore Street

(a) opposite No. 37 Wedmore Street; and  
(b) opposite No. 9 Wedmore Street.

## Yerbury Road

(a) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 77 and 79 Yerbury Road;

(b) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 28 and 30 Yerbury Road; and

(c) opposite the common boundary of Nos. 10 and 12 Yerbury Road.

4. The raised tables would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres in the direction of traffic at the following locations:  
(a) St John's Grove at its junction with Junction Road;  
(b) Pemberton Gardens at its junction with Holloway Road; and  
(c) Dalmeny Road at its junction with Archibald Road.  
5. Replace existing speed cushions with flat top humps and Sinusoidal ramps at the following locations:

## Tufnell Park Road

(a) outside No. 234 Tufnell Park Road;  
(b) outside No. 202 Tufnell Park Road;  
(c) outside No. 196 Tufnell Park Road;  
(d) outside No. 164 Tufnell Park Road;  
(e) outside No. 130 Tufnell Park Road;  
(f) outside No. 102 Tufnell Park Road;  
(g) outside No. 80 Tufnell Park Road;  
(h) outside No. 50 Tufnell Park Road;  
(i) outside No. 42 Tufnell Park Road;  
(j) outside No. Margaret Fry Court, Tufnell Park Road;  
(k) outside No. 10 Tufnell Park Road; and  
(l) outside No. 4 Tufnell Park Road.

6. The speed cushions would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres and a width of 1.8 metres in the direction of traffic at Monnery Road.

7. The general effect of the 20mph Order would be to reduce vehicle speeds and therefore improve safety by introducing a 20 mph speed limit zone on the following streets; Hargrave Road, St Johns Grove, Pemberton Gardens, Francis Terrace, Pemberton Terrace, Station Road, Huddleston Road, Warrender Road, Tufnell Park Road, Southgate Road, Lady Margaret Road, Celia Road, Corinne Road, Hugo Road, Archibald Road, Dalmeny Road, St Georges Avenue, Campdale Road, Foxham Road, Yerbury Road, Beversbrooke Road, Tytherham Road, Gatcombe Road, Mercers Road, Wedmore Street, Tavistock Terrace,

Fairmead Road, Pemberton Terrace, St John's Grove, Monnery Road, Windermere Road, Wiley Road, Ward Road, Greatfield Close, Southcote Road, Fulbrook Road, Littlefield Close, Tufnell Park Road, Rupert Road and Highwood Road.

8. A copy of this notice and plans showing the location of the speed cushions and raised tables can be inspected during normal office hours at the following location:

Public Realm, PO BOX 3333, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1YA

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on 020 7527 2323.

9. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Notice should be sent in writing to Public Realm, PO BOX 3333, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1YA within a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections or representations must specify the grounds on which they are made.

## Dated 29 October 2008

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE B) (AMENDMENT NO. 1) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE E) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE F) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE G) (AMENDMENT NO. 4) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE H) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE HE) (AMENDMENT NO. 6) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE J) (AMENDMENT NO. 7) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE K) (AMENDMENT NO. 8) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE L) (AMENDMENT NO. 10) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE P) (AMENDMENT NO. 11) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Q) (AMENDMENT NO. 12) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE R) (AMENDMENT NO. 13)

ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE S) (AMENDMENT NO. 14) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE TW) (AMENDMENT NO. 15) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE U) (AMENDMENT NO. 16) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE V) (AMENDMENT NO. 17) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE W) (AMENDMENT NO. 18) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Y) (AMENDMENT NO. 19) ORDER 2009, THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Z) (AMENDMENT NO. 20) ORDER 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 5 January 2009 made the above mentioned Orders under Section 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of these Orders will be to make various minor amendments to residents parking places, shared use (residents, business and pay and display) parking places and pay and display parking places in the London Borough of Islington so as to utilise highway space left vacant where disabled blue badge parking places which are no longer required have been removed and to bring these parking places into line with the current on-street layout. The results of making these orders would be to increase the amount of on-street residents parking places, shared use (residents, business and pay and display) parking places and pay and display parking places  
3. The Orders, which will come into force on 9 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 13 February 2009 at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Project Centre on extension 020 7527 2857.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 13 February 2009.

#### Dated 5 January 2008

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### GLADSMUIR ROAD REMOVAL FROM 20 MPH ZONE

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. \*) Traffic Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Order under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and to remove road humps under Section 90 of the Highways Act 1980.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order would be to remove Gladsmuir Road from the currently existing Hillrise East 20 Mph Zone (this would include removal of the road humps along the length of Gladsmuir Road).

3. A copy of the proposed Order and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Gladsmuir Road Removal from 20mph Zone),

within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### Dated 5 January 2009

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### HIGHBURY HILL AND HIGHBURY CRESCENT PARKING AMENDMENTS

The Islington (Parking Places)

(Zone E) (No. \*) Order 200\*

The Islington (Parking Places)

(Zone G) (No. \*) Order 200\*

The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. \*) Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Orders would be to:

(a) Remove an existing residents' parking bay in Highbury Crescent, the north-west side between a point 6.5 metres south-west of the south-western wall of No. 23 Highbury Crescent and a point 11.5 metres south-west of that wall;

(b) Remove an existing traders pitch in Highbury Hill, the north-east side outside No. 203 Highbury Hill, and replace it with "at any time" waiting restrictions;

(c) Remove an existing traders pitch in Highbury Hill, the north-east side outside No. 197 Highbury Hill, and replace it with residents' permit parking space;

(d) Remove existing "at any time" waiting restrictions in Highbury Hill, the south-west side outside Nos. 190 and 192 Highbury Hill, and replace these with residents' permit parking space;

(e) Remove an existing traders pitch in Highbury Hill, the north-east side 9 metres north of the junction of Aubert Park outside Drakeley Court, and replace it with residents' permit parking space; and

(f) Remove an existing traders pitch in Aubert Park, the south side adjacent to No. 93 Highbury Hill, and replace it with residents' permit parking space.

There would be a net gain of 4

residents' parking spaces in the Highbury Hill area as a result of these proposals.

3. A copy of the proposed Orders, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Highbury Hill and Highbury Crescent Parking Amendments), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### Dated 5 January 2009

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### CROMARTIE ROAD, FAIRBRIDGE ROAD, HORNSEY RISE GARDENS AND SPEARS ROAD RAISED ENTRY TREATMENTS

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to introduce raised tables under Sections 90 of the Highways Act 1980. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety for people crossing Cromartie Road, Fairbridge Road, Hornsey Rise Gardens and Spears Road at their junctions with Hornsey Road and Hornsey Rise.

2. The general effect of the proposals would be to introduce raised tables (2 x ramps having a length of approximately 1.5-2.0 metres, 1 x plateau having a length of approximately 4.0-5.0 metres, occupying the full width of the carriageway, and having a maximum height of 75 millimetres) in:

(i) Cromartie Road at its junction with Hornsey Rise;

(ii) Fairbridge Road at its junction with Hornsey Road;

(iii) Hornsey Rise Gardens at its junction with Hornsey Rise; and

(iv) Spears Road at its junction with Hornsey Road.

3. A copy of a plan showing the locations of the raised tables and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing these measures, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Council decides whether or not to proceed with the proposals, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposals should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Hornsey Entry Treatments), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### Dated 5 January 2009

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### RIVERSDALE ROAD WIDTH RESTRICTION

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. \*) Traffic Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Order under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and under Section 90 of the Highways Act 1980. This proposal is made with the consent and agreement of the London Borough of Hackney.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Orders would be to restrict the width of Riversdale Road to 3 metres for motor vehicles, between a point

16 metres west of the western kerb-line of Green Lanes and a point 18.5 metres west of that kerb-lines. Carriageway space of approximately 2 metres will be provided on either side of the width restriction through which pedal cycles may proceed.

3. A copy of the proposed Order, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Riversdale Road Width Restriction), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### Dated 5 January 2009

Bram Kainth  
Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### BLUDELL STREET AREA 20 MPH ZONE

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. \*) Traffic Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Order under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and to introduce a raised zebra crossing and sinusoidal road humps under Sections 90 and 23 of the Highways Act 1980. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety around the Robert Blair School in Blundell Street.

2. The general effect of the

above-mentioned Order would be to introduce a 20 Mph speed limit for all vehicles proceeding in the entire lengths of Blundell Street, Brandon Road, Bunning Way, Frederica Street and Sutterton Road.

Furthermore, the London Borough of Islington proposes to introduce:

(a) Sinusoidal road humps (length 3.9 metres, occupying the full width of the carriageway, and having a maximum height of 75 millimetres) in:

(i) Brandon Road, with its mid-point at a point 5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary wall of No. 3 Brandon Road;

(ii) Blundell Street, with its mid-point at a point 3 metres south-west of the south-western boundary wall of No. 70 Blundell Street;

(iii) Blundell Street, with its mid-point at a point 1.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary wall of No. 23 Blundell Street; and

(iv) Blundell Street, with its mid-point at a point 2.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary wall of No. 1 Blundell Street

(b) A raised zebra crossing (2 x 1.9 metre ramps, 6 metre plateau, occupying the full width of the carriageway, and having a maximum height of 75 millimetres) in Blundell Street with its mid-point at a point 33.2 metres south-west of the south-western kerb-line of Conistone Way.

3. A copy of the proposed Order, a plan showing the location of the sinusoidal road humps and raised zebra crossing and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

#### **TOLPUDDLE STREET ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PLACE**

The Islington (Free Parking Places) (Electric Vehicle Charging Places) (No. \*) Order 200\*

The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. \*) Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Order under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order would be to introduce a charging place space for the charging of 2 electric vehicles on Tolpuddle Street, the north-west side, from a point 8.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary of Nos. 18 to 20 Tolpuddle Street, north-eastwards for a distance of 11 metres.

3. A copy of the proposed Orders, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Tolpuddle Street Electric Vehicle Parking), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### **Dated 5 January 2009**

Bram Kainth

Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **VARIOUS TRAFFIC ORDER AMENDMENTS**

THE ISLINGTON (FREE PARKING PLACES) (SOLO MOTORCYCLES) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (CAR CLUBS) (NO. \*)

ORDER 200\*  
THE ISLINGTON (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE A) (REVOCATION NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE C) (REVOCATION NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE D) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE E) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE F) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE G) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE HE) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE J) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE L) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE N) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE P) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Q) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE R) (REVOCATION NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE S) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE T) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE TW) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE W) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Y) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Z) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE Z) (NO. \*) (NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Section 6, 45, 46,

49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The general effect of these Orders would be to make certain changes to bring them in line with the on street layout.

3. A copy of the proposed Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Orders at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 2000.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Minor Amendments) within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### **Dated 5 January 2009**

Bram Kainth

Assistant Director for Public Realm

CONSOLIDATION ORDER  
ARTICLE AMENDMENTS  
THE ISLINGTON (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (VARIOUS ZONES) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Section 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The general effect of these Orders would be to:

(a) amend the exemptions to parking charges contained within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders and the Waiting and Loading Traffic Management Orders so that the vehicles of telecommunication and

other such commercial companies would only be exempt from such charges where they were conducting work on or under the highway in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair or any underground pipe or cable, and not where duties are being carried out in properties adjacent to the highway;

(b) amend the exemptions to parking charges contained within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders to include vehicles when used in the service of a local authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties provided that in all circumstances it is reasonably necessary in the exercise of such powers or the performance of such duties for the vehicle to wait in the place in which it is waiting; and

(c) remove from the definitions within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders and the Waiting and Loading Traffic Management Orders the current definition of "Match Days", and replace it with the definition: "Match and Event Days" means any day during which there is a sporting event and/or any other event taking place at the Emirates Stadium which is open for attendance by the general public.

3. A copy of the proposed Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Orders at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Minor Article Amendments) within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

#### **Dated 5 January 2009**

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# Arsenal matches at Emirates Stadium

As always, up to date Arsenal news and developments can be found on the club's official website [www.arsenal.com](http://www.arsenal.com).



Arsenal is also offering Islington residents a dedicated e-mail service to communicate fixture changes, road closures, events at Emirates and important tube/travel information. To register, send a blank email to

[islingtonresidents@arsenal.co.uk](mailto:islingtonresidents@arsenal.co.uk) and you will immediately be added to the Club's Residents email list.

You can also find information on events at Emirates Stadium on the new Arsenal FC match day and event information line on **0844 931 22 11**. Calls cost 3p per minute from a landline. Mobile and other providers' charges may vary.

## Arsenal Fixtures at Emirates Stadium during December/January at a glance

Sat 10 Jan - 3.00pm  
**Bolton Wanderers**  
(Premier League)

Sat 31 Jan - 3.00pm  
**West Ham United**  
(Premier League)

**Please note:** If Arsenal progress in the FA Cup, there is a fixture which could be drawn home or away on Sat 24 Jan.



Bacary Sagna helps youngsters with their football skills

**A**rsenal in the Community is delighted to have a regular spot in IslingtonNow to let residents know all about the Club's latest initiatives. This regular feature will also keep local residents informed of events and issues surrounding Arsenal and Emirates Stadium including fixtures, road closures and transport updates.

For over 20 years, Arsenal in the Community has developed a range of sport, health, education, training and social inclusion projects that contribute to the lives of residents in the Borough and beyond.

We take a look back at just a couple of things that have been taking place with Arsenal in the Community within Islington last month.

**Bacary Sagna visits Arsenal French Double Club at Islington primary school**  
Arsenal right-back Bacary Sagna visited pupils studying French through the after-school Arsenal Double Club at Christ the King RC Primary School, Tollington Park on Thursday 27 November.

The pupils, who piloted the six-week award-winning scheme, welcomed the French international into their classroom to practice their language skills with him. The youngsters then took to the pitch for some football training - using French vocabulary - with an Arsenal in the Community Coach and Bacary Sagna.

The Arsenal Double Club is an innovative programme that was founded in 1998 - a 'double' winning season for the Gunners. It uses Arsenal resources, interactive DVDs with first team players and football-based classroom exercises to make learning fun and relevant to young people's interests. It is uniquely designed, co-ordinated and devised by Arsenal's 24 year-old Arsenal in the Community department. The 45-minute classroom session is followed by a 45-minute football coaching session - mirroring the two halves of 'the beautiful game.'

The French Double Club was introduced in 2007 and to date has been undertaken in 17 schools in London and the Home Counties, with 275 pupils successfully completing the module. Pupils are invited to Emirates Stadium for a tour upon completion of the six to eight week module and other incentives are offered throughout the scheme.

The initiative has also been recognised by high profile figures and institutions. During a visit to the Gunners' north London home for a

historic Anglo-French Summit, the work of the French Arsenal Double Club was showcased for British Prime Minister Gordon Brown and French President Nicolas Sarkozy. It has also been hailed by the European Commissioner for Multi-Lingualism, Leonard Orban, and in July 2008 the National Centre for Languages, CILT, awarded the Arsenal Double Club The European Award for Languages.

Due to the success of the programme the Department for Children, Schools and Families has agreed to fund a two year secondment to Arsenal Double Club to develop the module and roll out the scheme across other Premier League Clubs and football and sporting clubs nationwide. Julie Stoker, a languages teacher who previously worked in football TV production, will work closely with Arsenal's education partners, Cambridge Education@ Islington, to undertake the work.

Julie said: "With modern foreign language teaching becoming compulsory for Primary schoolchildren in 2010, Arsenal are working in partnership with the Government, local authority and other credible partners to show real commitment to developing this area in education. My work over the next two years will ensure the scheme is rolled out nationwide and will be accessible to those schools and organisations who want to try a different approach to French, Spanish and German learning. The Arsenal Double Club will also continue to raise the profile and attraction of languages in secondary schools - motivating and encouraging those on the programme to take a language at GCSE."

There are a wide variety of modules included in the Arsenal Double Club scheme including numeracy, literacy, science, geography, business studies, French, German and Spanish. To date, Arsenal's Double Club has been successfully completed by over 1,600 pupils in over 80 schools.

### Emmanuel Adebayor visits Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project

Arsenal's Emmanuel Adebayor recently helped create a mural with over 20 children who attend an after-school club at St. John's Church hall in Finsbury Park. The club is run by the Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project, a charity devoted to improving the quality of life for homeless families living in temporary accommodation.

The children began to paint a mural at the beginning of November



Emmanuel Adebayor helps complete a mural at Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project

representing their dreams for the future and invited Emmanuel to join them by adding his dream from his childhood; to be a footballer. The visit forms part of the Premier League's Places for Players initiative which aims to highlight the continued and increasing commitment the 20 Barclays Premier League clubs have to their local communities.

The children involved, aged between five and 14, all come from families who are currently living in temporary accommodation such as hostels, bedsits or reception centres in Finsbury Park and neighbouring areas. The after-school club they attend runs for two hours after school every weekday and aims to give the youngsters stability and inspiration to believe they can achieve whatever they want in their lives, despite their current challenges.

The mural designed and painted by the children and Emmanuel will remain within the charity's drop-in centre at St. John's Church hall and it is hoped to provide a lasting inspiration to all the families helped by the Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project.

After his visit to the club, Adebayor said: "It was a real pleasure to come and spend time with these children today. I helped them paint a mural which was great fun and I hope that they enjoyed thinking about their dreams for the future. I had dreams just like them, at their age and it's important to know that dreams can come true. The Project does some fantastic work here, not only for these children but the thousands of families that they help, and I hope that this can continue."

The after-school club used to run just two days a week before Arsenal Football Club selected Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project to be part of the Places for Players initiative, when the Premier League donated £4,000 to the charity. This has been put to use as a salary of a play-worker.

The Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project also provide other activities for over 5,000 homeless families in the area, including a playgroup, advice, family support, English lessons, keep-fit sessions and a women's group.

To find out more about this remarkable charity, please visit [www.finsburyparkhomeless.org.uk](http://www.finsburyparkhomeless.org.uk) or call 020 7281 5174.



**Arsenal**  
in the community

# Don't forget to vote – help transform an Islington Park

Barnard Park, Elthorne Park and Bunhill Fields are in the running for a £400k greener, cleaner and safer makeover – but they need your help. **Vote now and help transform an Islington Park!**



**MAYOR OF LONDON**



**To Vote:** Visit [www.islington.gov.uk/parksvote](http://www.islington.gov.uk/parksvote) to vote online. Text **PARKS** followed by **N1 OWF** for Barnard Park or **N19 3LP** for Elthorne Park to 62967 (please note texts cost 10p plus your standard network rate). Alternatively, call 020 7983 4100 to request a postal vote form.  
**Voting closes on 30 January 2009 – every vote counts!**



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