

Area Priorities Consultation Findings:
Muswell Hill, Fortis Green, Alexandra and Highgate

From 19 September – 19 October 2011 an online consultation took place to capture resident's priorities in the Muswell Hill, Fortis Green, Alexandra and Highgate areas.

Residents were given a list of issues that had been identified in consultations undertaken in recent years and were asked to pick the 4 most important issues to them:

Overview of priorities:

- Support to local businesses
- Property crime (vehicle crime, burglary)
- Affordable housing
- Apprenticeships and jobs
- Anti-social behaviour (e.g. road-related, youths, town centres)
- Improving services to older and vulnerable people
- Reducing preventable diseases (cardio-vascular, cancers)
- Conservation and use of green and open spaces
- Transport / infrastructure (provision, links, alternatives)
- Child obesity
- Domestic violence
- Litter, dumping, environmental eyesores
- Drugs and alcohol

Results:

<p>Out of the 64 respondents in Muswell Hill, Fortis Green, Alexandra and Highgate, the following priorities were highlighted in order of frequency:</p>	
<p>Conservation and use of green and open spaces</p>	<p>Total = 36</p>
<p>Transport / infrastructure (provision, links, alternatives)</p>	<p>Total = 33</p>
<p>Property crime (vehicle crime, burglary)</p>	<p>Total = 33</p>
<p>Anti-social behaviour (e.g. road-related, youths, town centres)</p>	<p>Total = 28</p>
<p>Litter, dumping, environmental eyesores</p>	<p>Total = 24</p>

Additional Priorities

In addition, residents were asked to comment on priorities they felt were missing from the list provided. 51.6% (of 64) of respondents provided additional priorities, as follows:

Pinkham Way:

- Stopp Pinkham Way development
- Colney Hatch Lane traffic issues which will result from the Pinkham Way waste plant
- The waste disposal facility which will increase congestion and pollution

Licensing:

- Enforce licensing policy
- Reform of licensing policy
- Noise control of local nightclub

Libraries:

- Recognise importance of libraries

Environmental Issues:

- General environmental improvements, especially around Veryan Court and Kelland Close (Homes for Haringey properties) - fencing, rubbish, gardening.
- Pavement repairs around Priory Park
- Manage existing green spaces better
- Ensure local nature reserves are linked with green chains that accommodate walking and cycling routes
- Developers/Landlords and the living environment
- Maintaining regular weekly bin collection
- Improving air quality

Council Services / Spending:

- Focusing and improving Council services e.g. keeping open all day care centres that provide a vital service to older and vulnerable people
- Reducing Haringey IT spending
- Better and more transparent consultation on planning
- Services for young people
- Family facilities

Cohesion:

- The schools in the area are not very mixed ethnically

- Increasing community involvement

Road Safety, Parking & Other Vehicle Related Matters:

- Speeding
- More pedestrianisation
- Illegal parking by parents dropping their children off at school
- Walking to and from school should be encouraged
- Keeping roads and pavements in good repair
- Enforcement of parking regulations
- Road safety particularly for pedestrians and cyclists
- Reduce car usage