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As you'll know by now, this year also marks the 150th anniversary of one of Haringey's most celebrated landmarks – Finsbury Park. From cycling and walking events, to community days, a family festival, kids' concerts and a free screening of Dirty Dancing, residents from Haringey, Hackney and Islington have been marking this important milestone over the last few weeks. Our website has details of all the events coming up this month including the community day on 10 August to formally celebrate the park's anniversary.

We're incredibly proud of all our parks in Haringey and we appreciate that they are valuable spaces for all our communities to come together to enjoy. Our dedicated parks team do a wonderful job of maintaining our parks in a difficult economic climate and the fact that we have 22 Green Flag parks – the fifth most in London – is testament to their hard work. Don't forget to have your say in our Finsbury Park consultation too, there are more details on that in this magazine.

August also means something else for many of our young people – exam results time. Haringey has some of the best schools in the country, 99% of which are rated outstanding or good. Nominations for our annual *Outstanding for All* awards open soon so don't forget to nominate the inspirational teachers, talented students and awesome support staff that fully deserve to be celebrated. I know that this can also be a nervous time for our young people and I just want to say now how proud we are of all of you. Good luck, and if things don't go quite as planned, remember there are many options out there, and plenty of support.

I'm really proud that this summer we have been able to put £130,000 into providing a huge programme of more than 100 activities for the borough's young people, many of which are free.

This year's programme is even bigger and better than last year's with provision for young people of all ages with activities such as boxing and basketball, chess and cookery, dance and DJ-ing. It's really important to me that activities over the school holidays are both inclusive and accessible to all. Not only is our £1 summer swimming for children under 16 back at both Tottenham Green and Park Road, Crouch End, we also have discounted ice skating at Alexandra Palace and we're hosting our first festival of sport for girls and women on 31 August.

I want to say a massive thank you to all the organisations who have teamed up with us to help us deliver this important programme to ensure that there's something for all our children and young people to enjoy.

I love our borough, and I love shouting about all our achievements – I know our residents do too. We want to know about the great things you are doing in Haringey, so we can help celebrate them. Whether it's good news, a great achievement or anything that makes you proud of our borough, please let us know about it on social media, using the #IAmHaringey hashtag.

Have a great summer.

Cllr Joseph Ejiofor
Leader, Haringey Council



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News

Housebuilding gets moving

A wave of council housebuilding is starting across the borough, as Haringey works towards delivering 1,000 new council homes at council rents by 2022.

It comes in the year of the 100th anniversary of the first wave of large-scale council housebuilding under the Addison Act.

The council's direct delivery of new council homes at council rents is kicking off at the Templeton Site in South Tottenham after Cabinet agreed a construction contract to build the homes.

Cabinet also approved the acquisition of up to 11 affordable new homes at the Hornsey Town Hall Development and 46 new homes at the Red House site in West Green Road.

And the council has acquired 170 council homes at council rents on the Welbourne site, 500 White Hart Lane and Plevna Crescent sites in Tottenham, with more plans for the coming months.

The council will enter into a funding agreement with the Greater London Authority to access £546,000 through the Home Building Capacity Fund to help build the council's capacity to deliver a new generation of council homes for our residents.



The waiting list for council housing in Haringey is currently around **10,000** people. As with the rest of London, there is not enough social housing to meet demand, so housing is allocated by priority.

Am I eligible to join the Housing Register?

To be eligible, you must:

- be 16 years of age or over
- not be ineligible for housing by reason of your immigration status

In order to qualify for inclusion in the Register, you must satisfy the following:

- meet the criteria to be placed in one of the Housing Needs Bands A-C
- have continuously lived in the Borough for three years at the time of applying
- not residing in temporary accommodation provided by another local authority at the time of applying
- if residing in tied accommodation and you are less than six months away from your retirement or you have received a legal notice asking you to leave your home
- not be a homeowner
- not have been found guilty of unacceptable behaviour

All other people included on a housing application must be a member of the applicant's family.

Read more at www.haringey.gov.uk/housing



A royally good day

Tottenham enterprise and creative hub The Trampery is officially open.

Patron The Duke of York opened the new spot, which offers 30,000 square feet of studios and facilities, plus support, access to funding and discounted studio space.

It is also home to the Literacy Pirates education charity, which improves confidence and literacy in local young people.

Supported by Haringey Council and the Mayor of London, the social enterprise on Tottenham High Road is now on a mission to help 1,000 entrepreneurs establish a business and succeed.

Find out more at www.thetrampery.com/workspaces/tottenham



We mean business

Haringey's work with local traders recently received recognition when the council won the Best Small Business Friendly Procurement to Support Local Trade accolade at the fifth London Councils Small Business Friendly Borough Awards.

The council's work includes:

- Business loan schemes
- Help to win public sector contracts through the Haringey Dynamic Purchasing System (in 2018/19 it helped Haringey-based businesses secure contracts worth more than £100m overall)
- Provision of affordable business premises
- Business rate relief support
- Support for industrial estates and town centres

Supporting small local businesses also aids the council's Community Wealth Building ambitions - helping our residents, communities and businesses benefit from Haringey's success.

There will be more information on these plans in the Autumn. More about business in Haringey at www.haringey.gov.uk/business

Fun and funds with the Mayor

Haringey Mayor Sheila Peacock took over the chains in May and she has had a busy start to the role.

It is her fourth time as Mayor. She is a mother of five children, a grandmother to 10 and a great grandmother of five, and is a former Tottenham head teacher.

From Armed Forces day events to an art show at Alexandra Palace, the Mayor has already made a number of community appearances and will be carrying out a range of fundraising events for her chosen organisations this year. Events will include bingo, a quiz night and a Christmas party. Find out more at www.haringey.gov.uk/mayor



New £30m nursing home

More than £30million will be invested in care for older people after Haringey's Cabinet agreed to build a 70-bed nursing home at Osborne Grove.

The new home will include bigger bedrooms with wet rooms, a larger garden, improved communal spaces such as separate living and dining rooms within each household and a café space that will improve links to the community and offer space for relatives and friends to visit with residents overlooking garden space.

The new home will also see Osborne Grove double the number of rooms available and is expected to be completed within four years. It will be run with the NHS and will cater for older people with complex health needs.



Black History Month

October is Black History Month and Haringey will mark it with a range of activities putting the spotlight on the huge contribution made in the borough by the BAME community.

A full list of activities will be posted on the council's website nearer

the time, so keep your eyes peeled for updates. Last year, Leader of the Council, Cllr Joseph Ejiofor, held a Black History Month quiz to raise more than £500 for the African Caribbean Leukaemia Trust. The quiz will be held again this year, so get revising your black history!

If you're holding a Black History Month event, add it to the council's What's On web page or let us know on social media with the hashtag #IAMHaringey

Happy birthday, FP!

In case you missed the news... Finsbury Park is 150 this summer and there are a range of celebrations to mark this fantastic milestone.

In the next edition of Haringey People we'll look back on how the big anniversary was marked, from community get-togethers and children's concerts, to a family fun day.

You can find out more at www.haringey.gov.uk/finsburypark

Don't forget to have your say as well in our Finsbury Park consultation.

We want to hear your views on improvements we can make there. You have until September 2 to get your feedback in. You can find the survey online at www.haringey.gov.uk/fpconsultation

You can also come and talk to us at Finsbury Park café on: Wednesday 21 August, between 3pm to 6pm.

Fun in the sun

From boxing and swimming to arts clubs and cookery, this summer sees a jam-packed programme for Haringey's young people.

A host of activities – many of them free or low cost – will run until September, following a £130,000 investment by the council.

Delivered with Haringey schools, sports clubs, arts venues, the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation and parks, activities include tennis, netball, jewellery-making, dance and drama.

Our £1 summer swimming for under-16s is back at the leisure centres at Tottenham Green and Park Road, Crouch End.

The programme provides for all age groups of young people and abilities, with most events suitable for those with disabilities and several activities designed specifically for children with additional needs.

The full programme has been sent to every Haringey school and is also in Haringey's libraries, leisure centres and other facilities. All events are listed on the council website at www.haringey.gov.uk/holidayfun.



On a High



Woodside High School in Wood Green bagged the British Council's prestigious International School Award in recognition of its work to bring the world into the classroom.

The award celebrates schools that do exceptional work in international education, with Woodside praised for its visits across Europe, Windrush Day celebrations, work with Oxfam, outstanding performances in Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) spelling and translation bees, Mandarin classes, community language teaching, and a China student exchange. Well done to the staff and students.





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Walking the walk

Haringey's Liveable Crouch End scheme, which aims to encourage cycling and walking in the area, was highlighted at an event at Alexandra Palace.

The Liveable Neighbourhoods event was attended by London's Walking and Cycling Commissioner Will Norman, council representatives, plus transport and civic leaders from across the capital.

Crouch End was allocated £4.8million for a project to challenge the dominance of car use and to encourage more active travel in the area, tackling congestion and improving air quality.

The proposals look to create a new square incorporating the clock tower, currently surrounded by traffic on all sides. Segregated cycle routes will feed the town centre, pedestrian crossings will be improved and traffic will be reduced on residential streets with new modal filters.

Workshops have been held with the community and a consultation is expected later in the year. Haringey was



one of the first boroughs to receive Liveable Neighbourhoods funding from the Mayor of London through Transport for London in November 2017.

On the road to better travel

Millions will be invested in transport improvements in Haringey over the next year, following the agreement of a wide-ranging strategy on sustainable travel.

The Sustainable Transport Works Plan 2019-20 will ensure that more than £14.4million is spent on making transport more accessible, improving our highways, making our streets safer, and encouraging sustainable alternatives to private car use.

£4.3million will go on road maintenance and improvements to make our roads more safe and friendly for pedestrians and cyclists.

£2million will go into the promotion of more environmentally-friendly methods of transport, including more funding for projects and schools encouraging cycling from a young age.

For ideas on how to get involved in active travel, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/smartertravel

Ahead of the Games

A massive well done to Haringey's young people on an amazing performance at this year's London Youth Games.

Team Haringey came 2nd out of all 33 London Boroughs in the contest – only a hop skip and a jump behind Bromley in the standings.

Our fantastic team, made up of young people from across the borough, took top spot in boys' basketball, and third in weightlifting and girls' football. Other sports included netball, indoor rowing, swimming, hockey, athletics, aquathon and diving.

Good work, team Haringey! **#IAMHaringey**



A new civic hub in Wood Green

An ambitious range of projects that will deliver employment opportunities and infrastructure in the heart of the borough are being explored by Haringey Council.

The council will look at how best to utilise council-owned buildings in Wood Green and maximise their benefit to the community. Plans consider the opportunity to provide a new civic hub, with community facilities in a multi-purpose building which would also host council offices.

The council is also considering the opportunity to provide a state-of-the-art leisure centre with a swimming pool. Improving customer service is a high priority, as is ensuring that all council buildings are fully accessible and environmentally friendly.

Read about previous Wood Green consultations and proposals at www.haringey.gov.uk/councilsites

STROUD GREEN

A suburb in the south of the borough and immediately to the west of Finsbury Park, Stroud Green includes a conservation area, with Victorian architecture in an array of diverse styles. The area is largely residential, with an impressive range of restaurants and independent businesses.

The area boasts Parkland Walk, a 2.5 mile walking and cycling route which is also the longest nature reserve in London and is designated at a Site of Metropolitan Importance for Nature Conservation. The walk contains a large sculpture of a spriggan – a creature from Cornish folklore. It is rumoured that the sculpture and Parkland Walk provided the inspiration for horror writer Stephen King's short story named Crouch End.



Michael Fitzsimons

It's lovely, leafy and really diverse – you come across people from all walks of life here. Stroud Green feels like its own little village area inside the bigger city and yet you're still well connected to everywhere. It's like its own little community, which is lovely. Being within easy reach of a big park like Finsbury Park is amazing as well. It's just great to be able to wander up to the park on my days off and simply chill out or play some sports.



Romeo Patru

Living here is very nice and I like everything about it. The rent is affordable and the shops and supermarkets are all really close at hand. The same goes for Finsbury Park of course. A diverse group of people do live here, but any apparent differences between us all is honestly just in the mind. In reality, we all get along with each other when it comes to day-to-day life. It's great.



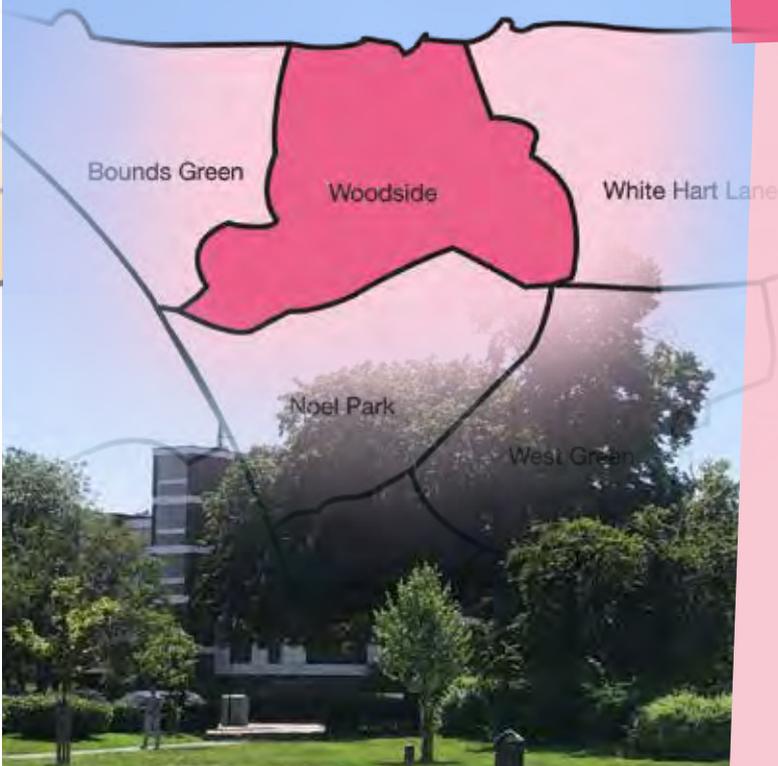
Warren Puckett

It's a nice, approachable lifestyle and I particularly love Parkland Walk. I'm just about on it every single day as I've been a dog owner ever since I've been here, except for a small gap. There are plenty of good places to eat, the neighbours are all friendly and the services are good. I don't have any complaints. I wouldn't have stayed here 15 years if I hated it! It's nice to have a sense of community. The family that run my local convenience store are awesome and it's an anchor spot for my community.

WOODSIDE

In the central north of Haringey, Woodside is largely composed of Wood Green. White Hart Lane runs west to east through the centre of the ward, with Wood Green High Road forming much of its eastern boundary and Lordship Lane being its southern border. The ward boasts the beautiful Woodside Park, set around the old Wood Green Town Hall, now known as George Meehan House, after the late, former Haringey Council leader.

Woodside has excellent sports and leisure facilities such as the multipurpose New River Sports Centre, as well as the New River Stadium, which is home to several of Haringey's flagship sports clubs including Haringey Rhinos RFC, Enfield and Haringey Athletics Club and London Skolars Rugby League.



Gerry Robinson

One of the many things I like about our community is the support and encouragement from local businesses. Our Year 10 students have had an amazing time doing work experience and that would not have been possible without the support and commitment from our community.



Ralitsa Vasileva

The transport connections are really useful and it's very quick if you need to get to central London. I'm on maternity leave at the moment, but I used to go to college in Tottenham and work in Enfield. I can get to everywhere I need to within 30 minutes or so and I like living here.



Sadhna Lakhani

I've worked around here for over 31 years. There are lots of parks around and I used to take my kids to Woodside Park when they were younger. The shops and the area have changed and there is a lot more diversity. The population has grown and there are a lot of younger people coming through, because it's close to the underground.

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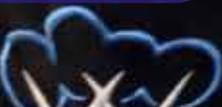
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Celebrating our Caribbean community

The first ever Windrush Day on Saturday, June 22 was commemorated with events across the borough as we remembered the rich contribution made by the Windrush generation and their descendants to Haringey.



Leading the celebrations was Bruce Castle Museum in Tottenham which featured a Day of Kites and Lights.

Throughout the afternoon families enjoyed traditional Caribbean kite-making workshops, food, board games and performances from the Haringey Young Musicians' Steel Pan Band, while in the evening there were a celebratory light projection onto the museum's front featuring images of local people.

Attending were a number of local celebrities and dignitaries including the renowned broadcaster and campaigner Alex Pascall OBE who arrived from Grenada in the 1950s and has been living in the borough ever since.

"History brought me along today and it's a very exciting event to be a part of," he said. "For me the SS Empire Windrush is just a ship – what's important is the cargo. There are so many iconic people who have lived in Haringey from the Caribbean community including the entrepreneurs, Len Dyke and Dudley Dryden, the outstanding fabric designer Althea McNish, all the famous DJs and musicians...the list is unending."

Alex opened the day with a talk remembering the first generation of Caribbean immigrants who arrived in the 1940s and '50s.



"We came with our nylon shirts and three tone shoes, the women wore hats and gloves, while the Trinidadians always had a handkerchief in every pocket of all colours – we had style!" he said, laughing.

Inside Bruce Castle people sampled traditional cuisine and enjoyed the variety of exhibitions dotted around the museum including: We Made It! Haringey's BAME creators and innovators, Windrush Legends and Legacies and Black Georgian Londoners.

Outside, plenty more were making the most of the good weather including David Whyte teaching Yasmin Drakes to play one of the most popular of Caribbean board games – Ludo.

"Everyone plays board games in the West Indies," he said. "And it's part of our social structure. We've never met before but already we're interacting! I think this is a wonderful day because my parents came on the SS Empire Windrush and now we finally have a day that commemorates the journey we've all made. It means a lot."

Another popular activity was the kite-making in which children and adults helped make the kind of colourful creations which unite villages and towns from Jamaica to Tobago. One of the most enthusiastic volunteers was Tahirah, aged four, there with her grandmother, Liz.

"Tahirah's other grandparents come from St Vincent and the Grenadines," said Liz. "And I think it's important for her to learn about her culture while I'm also learning a lot today. I was born around the time the first generation started arriving so I wasn't taught anything about the Windrush at school – but I'm making up for it now!"

"It's important to remember the forefathers of Britain's black minority ethnic community," said Cllr Joseph Ejiofor, Haringey Council's Leader, taking a break from the festivities. "They came over here to make a real contribution to British life as well as improving the lives of themselves and their families."





Plays of
our lives





Haringey's children and families converged on parks and playgrounds across the borough for the third Weekend of Play event in May.

Held over three days, the annual event saw roads and streets closed off to traffic encouraging children to get outdoors and play.

The Weekend of Play is supported by Haringey's Obesity Alliance, aiming to tackle childhood obesity in a fun and practical way by promoting healthier living.

This year's highlights included a trees treasure hunt at Harmony Garden in Broadwater Farm, creating wildlife art at Railway Fields Nature Reserve, outdoor fun at Somerford Grove Adventure Playground, and sports activities at Lordship Recreation Ground.





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Loud and proud

Haringey Council marched at Pride in London for the first time in July, teaming up with community groups from the borough to celebrate our amazing LGBT+ community.

Staff from the council and Homes for Haringey joined the march in Central London – attended by an estimated 1.5 million people – to show support for LGBT+ equality.

LGBT+ BAME arts charity Wise Thoughts joined the council's parade, along with the Wood Green Business Improvement District.

Staff marched in their HarinGAY T-shirts, which are raising money for LGBT+ charity Opening Doors London, which operates in Haringey. Following requests from residents, the council can announce that, from this week, the T-shirts will be available to residents too at: enjoywoodgreen.co.uk/product/haringay-t-shirt/

Paul Collins, Manager of Wood Green Business Improvement District said: "The Chair and I had a great day taking part in Pride in London to celebrate LGBT. Representing Businesses in Wood Green, we felt so much love from the crowd which included some local faces. The BID was really pleased to be able to support Haringey this year and looks forward to supporting events and activities in the future to celebrate diversity within the area."

It was so heart-warming to walk under the Haringey banner for the first time, and we all were overwhelmed with cheerful, enthusiastic response from the public. The participation demonstrated the need to be visible, OUT, proud and loud to reduce any potential prejudices against LGBTQ+ people in Haringey.

Niranjan Kamatkar, Wise Thoughts

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Racing into the big league

The annual Festival of Cycling and Walking wheeled its way back into Finsbury Park in June for a seventh year.

Over 1,500 residents took part in the tri-borough event run by Haringey, Hackney and Islington councils, for a day full of family fun which included inspired walks, vintage bikes and 5km and 100km cycle rides.

The festival is just one of many ways people in Haringey can get involved in cycling. Following the event, we spoke to the Haringey Schools' Cycling League to discover what they are doing to encourage primary school children to get on their bikes.

Set up in 2012 by parents and staff at North Harringay Primary School, and with the generous support of the council's Smarter Travel programme, the Haringey Schools Cycling League brings cycle racing to primary schools. Each month, the league organises races in local parks and green spaces. School children from years 4 to 6 race each other on grass, competing for points and the chance to win the annual League Trophy.

"The aim was to promote cycle racing as an exciting sport for schools," said Paul Wheeler, one of the league's organisers. We set up the courses and provide the bikes. All the schools have to do is turn up with 10 riders — five girls and five boys — and we do the rest."

The fact that everyone rides on the same type of bike demonstrates the inclusive approach to the league. No racing experience is necessary, no expensive kit is required. Children just need to be able to ride safely. Every rider, whatever his or her level, gets to race in a final.

Cycle racing is a great way of building on the bike training that many children receive at school. Riders develop their bike skills, making them better, safer cyclists. "It helps me to improve my confidence whilst having fun," said year 4 pupil David from St. Mary's C.E. Primary School.

League races are competitive, but also fun. "Each event sees some amazing fights for the line," Paul said. "But it's not all about winning. We also love seeing how our riders enjoy the fun and freedom of being

on a bike with their schoolmates. Because, the more fun children have on a bike, the more likely they are going to want to keep on cycling."

As well as running races, the league organises trips throughout the year. Their most popular outing is to the iconic Hearne Hill velodrome. When the weather isn't so great in the winter they take part in indoor roller racing on static bikes against the clock.



How to take part in the League

When: normally the first Friday of each month. About eight events a year.

Where: parks and green spaces around Haringey

Who: primary school children who can cycle competently, from years 4, 5 and 6

Cost: free to enter

To find out how your school can take part in the Haringey Schools Cycling League, email haringeycyclingleague@gmail.com or visit haringeycyclingleague.org

Great Get Together



Haringey streets were lined with bunting and balloons as residents came together to celebrate the annual Great Get Together weekend in June.

People honoured the memory of murdered MP Jo Cox by showing their community spirit by being kind, showing each other respect and sharing everything they have in common.

The Great Get Together is a nationwide event which celebrates Britain's diversity driven by Jo's belief that we have more in common than things which divide us.

Communities across the borough held their own events in parks, venues and streets in Haringey. This year's event included street parties, picnics and a yoga day.





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Haringey's unsung hero

When it comes to unsung heroes in the borough, they don't come much bigger than Ahmed Mohammed who has transformed his life and now makes a real difference to youngsters across Haringey.

It is a remarkable story for the 23-year-old who has endured a rollercoaster journey following his arrival in the UK as a teenage refugee from Nigeria back in 2014.

Ahmed was unable to speak English and quickly found himself sleeping rough on the streets after he was separated from his parents when sectarian violence broke out in Borno State.

Life was bleak and there did not seem to be any light at the end of the tunnel.

But the one thing Ahmed has always had is a battling determination to never give up and with the help of Haringey Council, he was able to set up a new life in north London.

Fast forward five years and it is now a completely different story for the talented youngster who is now working for the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation as an employment advisor and is making a huge difference for other youngsters who face challenges in their lives.

Ahmed said: "It is incredible the journey I have been on, and it makes it more special that I am now able to give something back to people living in the borough.

"I felt abandoned when I arrived in England, but it was Haringey and Tottenham who helped me, and I went to school and got the support that I needed.

"I still had to wait for the Home Office to make a decision on my passport and I didn't know what would happen. But I was fortunate to have good mentors who worked in the Tottenham Foundation and I became a group leader.

"After three or four years I was then offered a permanent job and it is a great feeling when you become a role-model to a lot of young people in the area."

The challenges that Ahmed once faced are similar to a number of youngsters in Haringey who just need a change of fortunes to help them fulfil their dreams.

Mohammed added: "I come across a number of people who don't know what direction to take and they come onto a 12-week programme that involves leadership skills, visiting different businesses and taking them out of their comfort zone.

"If I can turn my life around then the youngsters who come to see me can do the same as well. The biggest satisfaction for me is when I see someone get a job and it puts a big smile on my face.

"People still say thank you to me in the street and it is amazing to see local residents working for Tottenham. If we can make a difference it makes it even more worthwhile."

Ahmed certainly makes a difference and deserves all the recognition that comes his way.

The Tottenham Hotspur Foundation provides employment support and advice for young people looking to apply for jobs and training opportunities in the new stadium. To find out more, visit tottenhamhotspur.com/passionate-about-tottenham



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A place of hope

A specialist homelessness resource centre for vulnerable adults in Haringey is set to open in Tottenham Green this September.

Mulberry Junction will be delivered in partnership between Haringey Council, Homes for Haringey and St Mungo's Housing Association and will offer short-term supported housing, and access to huge amounts of support, advice and guidance for single adults aged 18-50 years old who experience homelessness or rough sleeping in the borough.

Homelessness is a key element of the Borough plan and it's hoped the centre's range of community solutions will contribute to reducing the number of households in temporary accommodation by a third to under 2000 by 2022; ending street homelessness by 2022 and ensuring access to high quality housing support that prevents or relieves homelessness for people with additional needs.

Residents with lived experience of homelessness or social care and health issues have been actively involved in shaping and developing the service; receiving training and guidance as they work together to support its delivery. Jimmy, Simeon, Shellyann, Jengis and Brian believe the genuine opportunities they have been given to influence decisions will be integral to Mulberry Junction's success. "I was a

rough sleeper for over 20 years." Jimmy recalls. 'So it's gratifying that my experiences are contributing towards providing an effective early help service.' Simeon nods in agreement adding "Our involvement has been extensive, ranging from contributing to policies to actually making decisions about the service. It's been eye-opening."

Mulberry Junction's multi-agency approach will play a vital role in identifying and tackling the complex needs and experiences that cause rough sleeping and homelessness in the borough. Jengis wishes this type of help had been available to him during his time on the streets, "There is so much hostility towards homeless people and it's a lot to cope with. Having been on both sides of the table, I know that Mulberry Junction is a massive step in the right direction."

Once open, the building will provide a safe space where people are enabled to develop their skills and interests as well as overcome personal difficulties. "As social service recipients, we bring a unique understanding to the project" says Shellyann, who also works for the charitable arm of the service. "I have every confidence that we have taken actions that are going to bring real benefits to those who need our support. Well done Haringey."

For further information about Mulberry Junction, please email mulberry.junction@haringey.gov.uk

To find out more about the council's priorities for 2019-2023, download the borough plan at www.haringey.gov.uk/boroughplan



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In leagues of their own

When you think of rugby league, which places come to mind? Maybe northern heartlands such as Wigan or St Helens, or international strongholds like New South Wales in Australia or the Pacific island of Tonga.

However, the game continues to expand into less traditional areas, and in May Haringey played host to the national teams of Greece and Norway as they worked towards their dream of Rugby League World Cup (RLWC) qualification.

The game was held at New River Stadium on White Hart Lane, the home of local team London Skolars. It was part of an exciting double header, with the RLWC qualifier acting as a curtain-raiser before the Skolars took to the field in a League One game against Doncaster.

Neither team has ever qualified for the showcase, and stakes were high with national honour on the line, as well as the chance to boost the sport's profile in the respective countries. The next edition of the Rugby League World Cup is in 2021, with England playing host.

Norway's head coach is a New Zealander, Dave Hunter, and before the game he was keen to express how much his team was enjoying the Haringey experience.

"Everyone's been really friendly, said Dave. "People have been very welcoming and the guys are enjoying being in London."

On the day, Greece emerged victorious in a high-scoring 56-26 affair, with 18-year old South Sydney player Peter Mamouzelos scoring four tries. Fittingly, the match's first try was scored by Greek forward Robert Tuilatu, who was playing on his London Skolars' side's home turf.



The victory meant a lot to the Greek side, whose coach Jim Pizanias said "the boys were in tears before and after the game". Greece march on to the final European RLWC qualifying round in November, where they will take on Scotland and Russia in a round-robin group of three, with the two highest placed teams going forward to the World Cup.

The Greek team's main battle is off the field, as despite their success, there is a chance they may not be able to play the qualifiers at home as the national team is presently prohibited from playing in Greece due to a political dispute.

London Skolars has been based at New River Stadium for over 20 years and is the only professional rugby league club in north London. The club is steeped in the community and would welcome more local support. A free half-season pass is currently being offered to all Haringey residents.

Find out more about the Skolars at www.skolarsrl.com



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On the crest of a wave

This inclusive café in Muswell Hill is really going places, in more ways than one!

The Wave Café was set up two years ago by parent charity Wave (We're All Valued Equally).

It aims to challenge – and ultimately change – attitudes to difference in society by doing things with people with learning disabilities, not for them.

The café has just finished a summer-long run of 13 pop-up, art workshops at the Birchwood Centre, culminating in two, all-day events that readily showcased the inclusivity that's imbued across this social enterprise.

"Our events often work best when we have young and older people; people with – and without – learning disabilities; people with quite high or low need and we're all just mixing together," explains the Wave Café's director Ben Sudell.

"What we've found is, by having people who are different in the same room, it makes for a better atmosphere from an inclusivity perspective than if they weren't there. That's why it works.

"Some people come along who have no idea there are people with learning disabilities here, but they have a really nice time because the atmosphere is so friendly."

Sudell added: "We have these pre-conceptions about: 'Who is the beneficiary?' 'Who is the person that is being helped in these situations?'"

"There are plenty of people I've met through Wave though that have a learning disability and possess many more skills than I do in some areas. I therefore feel the benefit of being around them.

"We've also had people come here after maybe working a busy day in the City and they suddenly feel uplifted and relaxed.

"The benefit for somebody that doesn't have a learning disability is that the environment itself is nicer and there's plenty of people here that can attest to that. It's just the fact that difference benefits everybody."

Sudell is currently looking for a new permanent home for this inclusive

café as their tenure at the Birchwood Centre is on temporary terms.

"We're trying to stay in Muswell Hill because we want to spread that inclusive message where we are now," he commented.

"Hopefully, once we have our own established venue, we can then try and replicate that model and it can be used elsewhere.

"But, for the moment, we're fully focused on our community here in Muswell Hill."

For further information about the Wave Café, visit their website: www.wavecafe.org or email: info@wavecafe.org.

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"To be honest the first few times mum mentioned 'Coffin Club' I thought she said 'coffee club!'" said Karen Mfuk, laughing. "And then I went to an event and everyone was talking about death and I got it!"

Karen and her mum, Sandra, are at The Engine Room in Tottenham Hale for the launch of the North London Coffin Club. The first Coffin Club in London, its aim is to help take away the fear of death and funerals and give people all the help and support they need in planning their own funeral – or that of a loved one.

On the left there are tables with information such as Colourful Coffins catalogues and ideas for your funeral. Up ahead is a 'funeral tea' of tasty coffin-shaped cakes and biscuits in the shape of skulls. While on the right Sandra is running a Coffin Construction and Decorate Your Own Coffin table.



"The coffin is flat pack and is – excuse the pun – dead easy to put together," she said. "If you join the six-week course the coffin will only cost you around £200 which is a bargain compared to what some funeral directors charge. At the end of the day we're all going to die and the reason I joined was just to make the whole process easier for my children really. I'm not religious myself and this is about me taking charge. Coffin Club is for anyone who wants their funeral and death to be more personal and, as you can see today, it's not morbid but a very positive, sociable thing which anyone of any age can join."

Starting in September the course will feature lots of talks from professionals including crematorium managers, funeral directors, hospice workers and bereaved families who have organised creative funerals, while the second half of the evening will be more practical, devoted to helping you make your own coffin!

"We need to take control of our own end of life plans," said funeral celebrant and one of the club's founding directors, Jane Morgan. "I lead ceremonies for people who, for one reason or another, don't want a minister of religion to do



that for them. And one of the things I've learnt is that the ceremonies that are most planned and cared for enable it to be a much better funeral for everybody concerned. I wholeheartedly believe in preparation and in making a ceremony that allows you to really engage with all the emotions that come with losing someone you love."

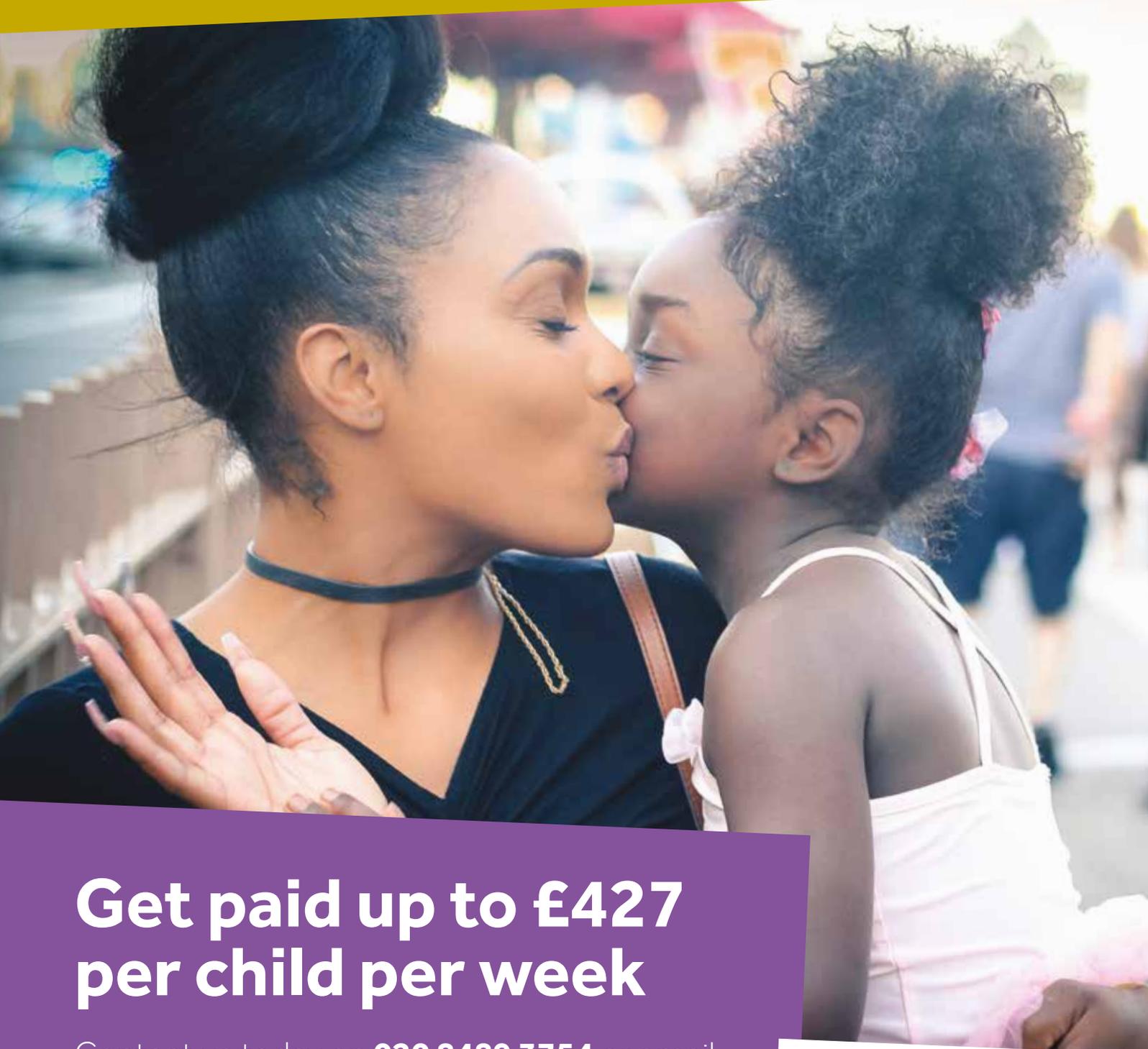
The original Coffin Club started in New Zealand and quickly spread across the world with the first UK one beginning in Hastings. From the number of people present at the launch, all eager to ask questions – one man was keen to know about the practicalities of burying his mum on her farm – it suggests that Jane and co will be ordering a fair few flat packs for the autumn.

"Coming here today has made me want to talk more about death and my funeral," said Joseph Robinson. "It's good to have a plan because it's going to happen...we just don't know when!"



For details about the course starting in September email Jane at coffinclublondon@gmail.com or find Coffin Club North London on Facebook.

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Haringey's child evacuees

September 1, 2019 marks the 80th anniversary of the start of the Second World War. Fearing the prospect of a high number of civilian deaths, the UK government put into action Operation Pied Piper - an evacuation plan for children living in major cities and towns. Approximately 827,000 children were evacuated out to rural towns across the country. Thousands of families were separated as their children were sent off to live with strangers.

For many of the children, the experience was an unhappy, traumatic one, with some experiencing homesickness. A lot of London children were treated badly and called names such as 'Dirty Londoners'. They were regarded as 'outsiders' or different and perhaps seen as filthy and under-nourished.

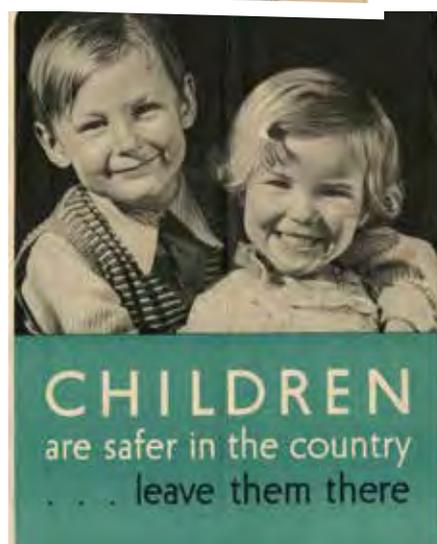
Mayor of Haringey, Cllr Shelia Peacock was one such child who went through the evacuation process. Shelia said: "We went to live in this big house in the village, but the woman wasn't very nice. We went into her little room and sat down and she told us to come over here. I went over and she started to go through my hair. She had found out that I was a Jew and she said that she was looking for my horns. Because (they thought) all Jews are of the devil and therefore they have horns."

When her father came to visit her during the weekend, Sheila told him what had happened and she was swiftly moved to another family and stayed there for a year.

Not every child had an unpleasant time during their evacuation. Some saw the experience as an adventure, travelling and being away from home for the first time in their lives. Tottenham resident Eunice Barber (nee Turner) was 11 years old when war broke out. She and her sister were evacuated to a farm in Elsenham, Essex.

Reminiscing, Eunice said: "They were very kind to me and my sister. My sister was about nine, and she wanted our mum, so she only stayed a few months, but I loved it, being in the country with all the animals, so I stayed there for two years." Eunice helped her host family by doing chores and farm work. On Saturdays, they sold beer at the farm to their friends in the kitchen, and she used to wash all the mugs.

The end of the war saw the end of a prolonged period of confusion and upheaval for many children and the return to their families. "In 1941 I came back and went for one term to Bruce Grove senior school, and then I left as I was 14. I started work at the United Dairies", Eunice said.



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Council meetings

Meetings are normally held in the Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22 and are open to the public.

Meeting times, dates and locations can change; for up to date information, check www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings

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Council Meetings

August

Licensing Sub Committee B
Tuesday 27, 7pm

September

Licensing Sub Committee A
Monday 2, 7pm

Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel
Thursday 5, 6.30pm

Planning Sub-Committee
Monday 9, 7pm

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Monday 9, 7pm

Cabinet
Tuesday 10, 6.30pm

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Thursday 12, 6.30pm

Children and Young People's
Scrutiny Panel
Thursday 19, 6.30pm

Pensions Committee and Board
Thursday 19, 7pm

Alexandra Palace and Park Board
Tuesday 24, 7.30pm

Joint meeting of the Alexandra
Park & Palace Statutory Advisory
Committee and the Alexandra
Palace and Park Consultative
Committee
Tuesday 24, 7.30pm

North Central London Joint
Health Overview and Scrutiny
Committee
Friday 27, 10am

October

Staffing and Remuneration
Committee
Tuesday 1, 7pm

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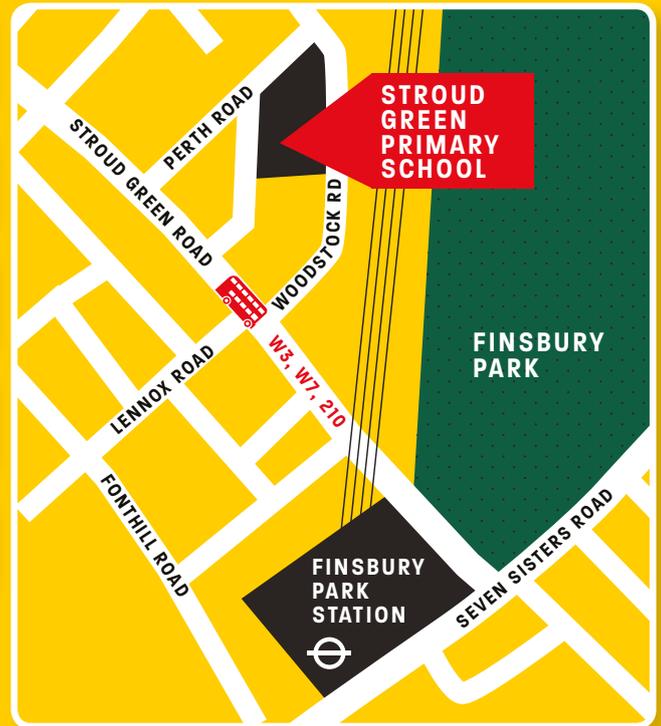
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Ensonglopedia of Science

**Sunday, September 22
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Expect atoms, black holes, cells, DNA and everything in between. Expect folk, gospel, hip hop, interpretative dance, jive and klezmer. In fact, expect the alphabet to

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Façades, HLSI

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Saturday, September 14
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