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# Did you know you're being consulted?

By Daphne Chamberlain

**Barnet Council is proposing changes to door-to-door transport for people with mobility problems. If you are reading this article before 6 August, you might just have time to tell them your opinion as that is when**

**the public consultation closes. The council have also been asking for opinions on whether Martin Primary School should be expanded, maybe at the expense of part of its playing field, but if you**

**haven't spoken up it's too late now, as the consultation has closed. Another recent questionnaire was about changes to daytime facilities for older people, which could mean shutting day centres such as Ann Owens. That consultation has also closed.**

You can find details of these and more consultations on the Barnet website. I found them when worried users of the Ann Owens Centre told *THE ARCHER* that they had been filling in questionnaires about daytime provision for older people. This was when we were preparing our July issue, just before the consultation closed. It's fair to say that, along with most other people in East Finchley, we knew nothing about the council's proposals.

A Barnet Council spokesperson told us that the consultation was open to everyone who had an interest in day opportunities for older people. They said that a wide range of local groups and provider organisations had been informed, and that a press release and reminder had been issued. It seems that the *Hendon Times* was informed, but no press release was sent to *The Archer*.

It is increasingly common practice for all organisations to conduct consultations online. As we always aim to bring you all local news, we will now look regularly at the council's website for any upcoming questionnaires. Those of you with internet access can of course do the same, and then think carefully about your response. Consultation documents can be printed and returned by post, or you can respond to proposals in other ways. Look for Citizen Space on [www.barnet.gov.uk](http://www.barnet.gov.uk).

# Any takers?

**Could you spare 30 minutes once a month to deliver *THE ARCHER*? We have a number of roads where a delivery round is either coming free or where the newspaper doesn't currently reach.**

Our thanks to Alice Fuller for delivering in Southern Road, Buckden Close and Greenfield Drive. Alice is moving away so her round is coming free.

We're also keen to reach readers on three other rounds: first, in Blandford Close, Cornwood Close, Greenhalgh Walk and Lyttleton Road; secondly in Widdecombe Court and Widdecombe Way; and finally in the newly-built apartments in Lankaster Gardens.

Could you volunteer to help us with any of these rounds? We'll bring the papers to your door every month and you can deliver them in your own time. Please email us at [the-archer@lineone.net](mailto:the-archer@lineone.net) or leave a message by calling 0844 579 6949 and entering mailbox number 63450. Thank you.

## Planning Applications

### Barnet Council

#### 27 Abbots Gardens, N2

Part single, part two-storey side extension with Juliet balcony to the rear, following demolition of existing garage. Alterations to roof, including enlargement of rear dormer window and four roof lights to elevations. New 8ft boundary fence and new decking in rear garden.

#### 62 Abbots Gardens, N2

Extension to roof, including side and rear dormer window with roof light to front elevation to facilitate a loft conversion.

#### 26 Durham Road, N2

Demolition of existing single-storey side conservatory and creation of a new single-storey side/rear extension.

#### 12 Harford Walk, N2

Single-storey front extension, single-storey rear extension, conversion of garage into habitable room, and associated alterations including new garage door. Renewal of existing windows to conservation windows at ground and first-floor rear elevation. Insertion of conservation roof light to rear roof.

#### 60 High Road, N2

New mansard roof with front and rear dormer windows to create two self-contained flats.

#### 238 High Road, N2

Submission of details of Condition No.7 (Part a,b,c) (Desktop Study) pursuant to planning permission Ref: F/01624/11 dated: 13/5/2011. Variation of conditions 1(Plan Numbers) and 18 (Plan Numbers) of planning permission F/01624/11 dated 13 June 2011, for erection of a three-storey building to accommodate eight self-contained flats and a ground floor commercial unit (Class B1 Office Use), following removal of existing Portakabin structures. Provision of eight car parking spaces, cycle storage and associated hard and soft landscaping.

#### 21 Holyoake Walk, N2

Installation of new double-glazed windows and doors to front and rear elevations. Insertion of three roof lights to roof level and one roof light to ground-floor level.

#### Land adjoining 37/39 Leslie Road, N2

Demolition of existing garages and erection of a two-storey building with basement, comprising one one-bedroom flat and one studio flat.

#### 56 Ossulton Way, N2

Single-storey rear extension.

#### Eastwood, 41 The Bishops Avenue, N2

Extension to time limit to implement planning permission reference F/01911/09, granted 09/07/2009, for demolition of existing buildings and construction of a part two- and part three-storey detached house with basement-level swimming pool, car parking and associated landscaping.

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