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Action plan for 'neglected' **Cherry Tree Wood**

By Debbie Linton

About 20 local residents, including local ward councillors, attended the Friends of Cherry Tree Wood AGM in April where they discussed concerns that the woodland is becoming increasingly neglected.

Ideas for the forthcoming year included a small coppicing project, more litter-picks, improving the bins and maintaining a small garden area. A litterpick date has already been put in the diary for 31 August from 11am to 4pm, with help from the National Citizen Service. Everyone is welcome and there will be further updates nearer the time.

Also discussed at the Friends meeting were the risks posed to pedestrians at the High Road entrance to the wood. For over a year, parked vehicles have

been blocking the entrance and creating traffic. Later in April the Friends, with various other parties, attended a site visit with an officer from Highways Department. Barnet Council is now looking into the matter.

Pavilion problems

The derelict pavilion building in Cherry Tree Wood was also discussed and there was some frustration that there had not been much progress since the Friends had submitted their petition to make the site safe last July.

However, the building was subsequently discussed by Barnet Council at the Area Committee on 27 April and there should be a further update on the tenancy issue at the next Area Committee meeting on 20 July.

Capita has been commissioned to carry out a Statement of Condition on the building.

If you would like to have further information, or help in any way to maintain the woodland, the Friends of Cherry Tree Wood can be emailed at info@ cherrytreewood.co.uk.



Spring glory: The N2 Community Garden outside the tube station

School offers new hope

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Parent Lucy Kavanagh, who has two primary school age daughters, urged all parents worried about school places in East Finchley to take part.

She said: "We are worried that parents will read about it and think it is a foregone conclusion so not actually fill in the consultation. We desperately need parents to fill in the consultation and say they want it otherwise it won't happen."

The Archer asked headteacher Samson Olusanya for an interview about the new admissions criteria but he chose not to add to the information that is publicly available in the consultation document and on the school's website www. christscollegefinchley.org.uk.

A statement there says: "The proposal has the potential to provide East Finchley with the high quality coeducation establishment many parents are seeking. Local parents tell us that there is a growing demand for coeducational school places and it would mean that families could send both their sons and daughters to us."

Pause to enjoy the station garden

It's been a quiet pleasure throughout the spring to see beautiful flowers, shrubs and vegetables growing into maturity in the N2 Community Garden on the bank of ground outside the entrance to East Finchley tube station. Thank you to all the volunteers who spend time each week keeping it tended and bringing a peaceful touch of nature to the hectic daily commute.

Planning Applications Barnet Council

42 Brendon Grove, N2

Two-storey rear extension, following demolition of conservatory. 55 Church Lane, N2

Conversion to two self-contained

59B, Church Lane, N2

Re-routing industrial vent from restaurant.

122 Church Lane, N2

Single-storey rear extension. Maximum depth 6m. Eaves height 2.903m. Maximum height 3.2m. 94-96 Great North Road, N2 (Ariella House)

Change of use from B1 (office) to C3 (residential), to provide 16 units.

132 - 134 High Road, N2

Demolition of rear of 132, plus 1&2 Leicester Mews. Erection of three-storey commercial unit. Conversion of upper floors into three self-contained flats. Metal railings and replacement win-

dows. Associated cycle storage, refuse and recycling store. 352 High Road, N2

Single-storey rear extension. Depth 6m, eaves height 3m, maximum height 4m. Also Lawful **Development Certificate for roof** extension involving rear dormer window, one side dormer window three front roof lights.

28 Huntingdon Road, N2

Single-storey side and rear extension, following demolition of existing extension.

12 Oakview Gardens, N2

Single-storey rear extension. Conversion of garage into habitable room. Window to replace garage door. Side windows to ground and first floor levels. Fenestration changes. One additional front parking space.

32 Oakview Gardens, N2

Single-storey side extension. Single-storey rear extension. Conversion of garage to habitable space. Ground floor front window. 27 Ossulton Way, N2

Widening of vehicular access to front drive.

37 Park Hall Road. N2

Lawful Development Certificate for roof extension involving dormer window. One side dormer to existing rear projection, and window to existing rear projection, and two front roof lights.

10 St Pancras Court, N2

Wheelchair lift to front garden. Associated alterations to levels. 1 Twyford Avenue, N2

Roof extension involving side dormer windows.

Haringey Council 60 Eastern Road, N2

Replacement roof and frames to conservatory.

11 Lanchester Road, N6

Revised front garden layout, replacing concrete paving with gravel, clay pavers and soft landscaping.

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