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USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Councils		Help & Advice		Drugs Helpline	0800 776600
Barnet Council	020 8359 2000	Childline	0800 1111	Health Info Service	0800 665544
Recycling & refuse	020 8359 4600	Citizens Advice Barnet	0300 4568365	MIND	020 8343 5700
Benefits	0800 882200	Cruse Bereavement Care	0800 8081677	National Blood Centre	0845 7711 7711
Haringey Council	020 8489 0000	EF Advice Service	0300 4568365		
Recycling & refuse	020 88857700	Lone Parent Centre	020 3828 4834	Crime	
Benefits	020 8489 2800	Missing Persons Helpline	116 000	Emergency	999
		National Debt Line	0808 156 7718	Police non-emergency	101
Leisure		NSPCC	0808 8005000	CrimeStoppers	0800 555111
Alexandra Palace	020 8365 2121	Rape Crisis helpline	0808 802 9999	Victim Support	0845 303 0900
East Finchley Library	020 8359 3815	Refuge Crisis Helpline	0808 2000 247		
Everyman, Muswell Hill	0872 436 9060	Relate Helpline	0300 100 1234	Hospitals	
Garden Suburb Library	020 8458 3301	RSPCA	0300 1234 999	NHS	111
Muswell Hill Library	020 8489 8773	Samaritans	116 123	Barnet General	08451 114000
Phoenix Cinema	020 8444 6789	SENDIASS Barnet	020 8359 7637	Edgware General	020 8952 2381
Vue, North Finchley	0345 3084620	SENDIASS Haringey	020 3667 5233	Finchley Memorial	020 8349 7500
				Oak Lane Clinic	020 8346 9343
Transport		Health Advice		Royal Free	020 7794 0500
National Rail	0845 7484950	AIDSline	020 8363 2141	Whittington	020 7272 3070
City Airport	020 7646 0088	Alcoholics Anonymous	0845 7697555		
Heathrow Airport	0844 3351801	Barnet MENCAP	020 8203 6688	OAPs' Advice	
National Express	0871 781 8181	Cancer Support	020 8202 2211	Age UK Barnet	020 8203 5040
TfL	0343 222 1234	Carers' Line	0808 808 7777	Independent Age	0800 319 6789
Thameslink	0345 026 4700	Drinkline	0800 917 8282	Age UK	0800 169 2081

Happy 80th Birthday to our grand old man!

By Diana Cormack

During the 1930s several new underground stations were constructed in London, all of which were expected to have a distinctive decoration pertinent to their particular position. However, with the country under war conditions, East Finchley was the only one where this was achieved.

On 22 July 1940, sculptor Eric Aumonier's archer was revealed. This three-dimensional statue, twice as big as a man, cost £245 to make and has been an emblem for East Finchley ever since.

The symbolism of an archer, launching his arrow with speed and precision, harked back to the days of hunters coming to the royal forest of Enfield which Finchley bordered.

It is said that a golden arrow from Archie's bow was placed in Morden station, 17 miles away at the other end of the



Icon: Archie in position at the station. Photo Mike Coles

Northern line. At that time the underground tunnel was the longest anywhere and Archie's bow pointed straight towards it, indicating a swift and safe journey. The arrow, if it ever existed, quickly disappeared, never to be seen again.

But Archie has definitely become the symbol of East Finchley and, in 2012, we were

proud when he was chosen by public vote to represent the borough of Barnet on its Olympic badge.

More significantly for us he is the icon from which this paper takes its name and after which our local secondary school the Archer Academy is also named. So, Happy 80th Birthday, Archie, from everyone in East Finchley.

Grants for essential services

Bread 'n Butter, the community group that ran cooking classes at St Mary's Church in East Finchley, is one of 14 organisations awarded grants for their essential work during the Covid-19 lockdown.

The group quickly switched its activity to focus on cooking and delivering hot meals to vulnerable and isolated people across Barnet. Grants of up to £5,000 were made by Barnet Council to support their work and that of other social enterprises.

Support in bereavement

A new bereavement support and counselling service has been launched for people in Barnet in the wake of the Covid-19 outbreak.

The service can offer immediate emotional support and counselling as well as practical and financial support advice that residents may seek while they are in bereavement. Delivered through Community Barnet and Mind in Barnet, it includes a helpline on 020 8016 0016 that will be answered five days a week and will take messages seven days a week. There is also email contact via: bereavement@communitybarnet.org.uk

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Barnet Council

Land opposite Chambers Gardens/Strawberry Vale, N2

20m Phase 7 Monopole C/W wraparound cabinet at base and associated ancillary works.

101 Abbots Gardens, N2

Conversion of garage into habitable room. Window to replace garage door.

101 Brim Hill, N2

Single-storey rear extension connecting house to garage. Conversion of garage into habitable room. Timber doors to replace garage door. New double-glazed rear door.

11 Deansway, N2

Replacing all windows on ground and first floor with double-glazed energy efficient bespoke option,

for like-for-like appearance

31 Deansway, N2

Raising roof height and parapet to side extension including one roof light. Enlarging ground floor rear door opening. New ground-floor double glazed side window. Replacing door sets with double glazed units. New hard landscaping to driveway and rear patio. Three CCTV cameras. Repairs to roof tiles.

2 Elmhurst Avenue, N2

Single-storey side/rear extension with green roof. 2m brick wall connecting outbuilding to extension.

139 Elmhurst Crescent, N2

Part single, part two-storey rear extension.

334A High Road, N2

Roof extension involving rear dormer window and one front/side roof light.

33 Leopold Road, N2

Roof extension involving hip to gable, rear dormer windows and two front roof lights.

32 Pulham Avenue, N2

New front porch.

47 Sylvester Road,

Single-storey rear extension. Roof extension involving rear dormer window with juliet balcony and three front roof lights.

Turquoise, 42 The Bishops Avenue, N2

Enlarging and replacing two front and four rear dormer windows with larger single-glazed timber casement windows to match original windows.

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** NEW COURSES ** in East Finchley
Wednesdays am & pm (Trial session: £5)
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Other classes: www.taiji.co.uk
email: james@taiji.co.uk phone: 020-8883 3308

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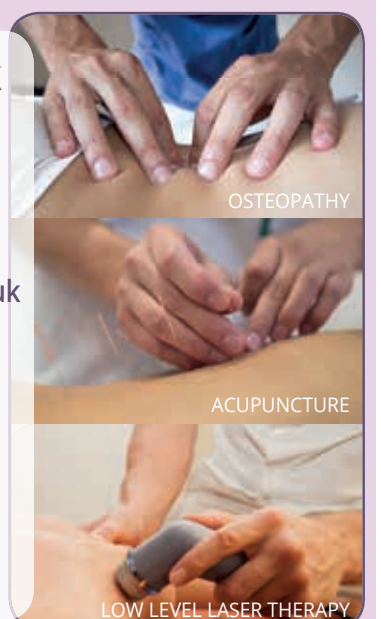
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