



## The Archer

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## BE PART OF IT Volunteers wanted

Compiled by Lynn Winton

**The Together Project CIO** is looking for a Group Welcomer to support its Songs & Smiles session at Spring Lane Care Home, Muswell Hill. The group runs on Mondays at 11am, bringing young children and older residents together through music and play. The Welcomer helps greet families, support the session leader, and create a warm, friendly atmosphere. If you're interested, please email [songs@thetogetherproject.org.uk](mailto:songs@thetogetherproject.org.uk)

Volunteer stewards are wanted at **OmVed Gardens** in Highgate Village to welcome visitors, answer questions, signpost around the site and support Open Days and other events. A friendly, outdoor role with a chance to be part of a community and enjoy free access to some events. No experience needed – just enthusiasm and a love of people and nature. Contact [enquiries@omvedgardens.com](mailto:enquiries@omvedgardens.com) to register your interest or for more info.

**Finchley Foodbank** is looking for a new kind of volunteer to help people with all things digital eg searching the internet, sending emails and booking appointments. You will signpost people to help with the cost of living, employment, housing etc. You will need to be available for food bank sessions on Tuesdays and/or Saturdays 11.30am-2pm twice a month. To find out more about becoming a digital champion, volunteer or a general volunteer, please email: [finchleyfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:finchleyfoodbank@gmail.com)

**Age UK Barnet** needs volunteers to help in its Tuesday or Thursday day clubs in East Finchley which are for people living with mild to moderate dementia. By chatting to people, helping with activities and serving lunch and refreshments, you will help to make the club a warm, welcoming and stimulating environment for members. To find out more, please contact Lisa on [lisa.robbs@ageukbarnet.org.uk](mailto:lisa.robbs@ageukbarnet.org.uk) or call 020 8432 1422.

**The North London Hospice** shop in the High Road, East Finchley, would love to hear from people of all ages who are interested in helping out. The shop offers places for students aged 16 and above and can help with work experience placements. Please drop into the shop and speak to the manager Anastasiya.

If you'd like your organisation to be included in this column please email [news@the-archer.co.uk](mailto:news@the-archer.co.uk)

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### Barnet

#### 220 High Road, N2

Change of use of part of the ground floor commercial (Class E) to one self-contained flat (Class C3). Ref. No: 26/0626/PNE

#### 88 Hertford Road, N2,

Roof extension involving rear dormer window with juliet balcony and three front-facing roof lights. Ref. No: 26/0617/192

#### 44 Lankaster Gardens, N2

Single-storey side infill extension. Ref. No: 26/0615/HSE

#### 27 Huntington Road, N2

Roof extension with one rear dormer window over main roof,

one rear dormer over outrigger roof, three roof lights and seven solar panels, following demolition of existing water tank enclosure (amended). Ref. No: 26/0527/192

#### 47 Sylvester Road, N2

Roof extension involving rear dormer window. Ref. No: 26/0477/192

#### 76A Hertford Road, N2

Single-storey side and rear extension with four roof lights. Ref. No: 26/0432/FUL

#### Ground Floor Flat, 50 Leicester Road, N2

Single-storey rear extension

# Appeal for baby products to tackle child poverty

Five students from the Archer Academy in East Finchley are taking action to support families affected by child poverty through a new community campaign called 'Little Needs, Big Impact (N2)'.

The student-led initiative is collecting essential baby items for Sebby's Corner, a local baby bank supporting families across Barnet and north London. In two-thirds of UK constituencies, at least one in four children are living in poverty, and basic essentials such as nappies and wipes are increasingly unaffordable for many families.

From 1–15 March, donation posters will appear along the High Road in East Finchley, with selected local shops acting as collection points. Residents are encouraged to look out for the yellow and blue campaign posters and donate items including nappies, biodegradable baby wipes, shampoos and toothpaste etc.

Alongside the collection, the group will also gather signatures for a petition calling for the removal of VAT on certain baby hygiene products. The students hope the campaign will provide immediate support to local families while raising awareness of hygiene poverty in Barnet and beyond.

"Small items can make a big difference," the group says. "If our community comes together, we can create real impact."

  
**LITTLE NEEDS, BIG IMPACTS**  
Help Us Tackle Child Poverty

**DONATE THESE ESSENTIAL ITEMS | MARCH 1-15, 2026**



Aptamil 1 or 2 /  
Cow & Gate 1 or 2



Nappies  
sizes 0-8



Baby wipes &  
nappy sacks



Baby & children's  
toothpaste/brush



Baby shampoo,  
wash & lotion



Children's wash,  
shampoo & conditioner



Teen soap, shampoo,  
conditioner & deodorant



Period pads, tampons  
& period knickers



Calpol & Nurofen



**DROP OFF IN-STORE NOW →**

All items must be brand new, sealed and in date

A campaign by Year 11 students from The Archer Academy

In partnership with Sebby's Corner 

Together we're making a difference

Baby essentials: Look out for the Little Needs posters in shops along the High Road

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information like contact details and deadlines, and simpler to read our latest edition or search and browse past editions of the newspaper in our archive

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following demolition of the existing rear extension including new courtyard. Ref. No: 26/0369/FUL  
**East Finchley Station Car Park, High Road, N2**

Installation of four solar canopy wings. Ref. No: 26/0312/PNW.  
Installation of eight electric vehicle charging bays including four electrical vehicle charging upstands, a substation and switch room. Ref. No: 26/0299/192

#### 30 Summerlee Road, N2

Roof extension including rear dormer window with juliet balcony and two roof lights to front roof slope. Ref. No: 26/0308/192.  
Single-storey rear extension with roof lights following demolition of existing timber extension. Increase depth of existing cellar to form new storage room. Single-storey outbuilding to rear garden with green roof. New front porch. Replacement of existing windows with new timber framed double-glazed windows. Ref. No: 26/0307/HSE

#### 74 Summerlee Road, N2

Erection of a garden studio following demolition of the existing garage. Ref. No: 26/0288/192

#### 223 Creighton Avenue, N2

Single-storey front porch extension. Ref. No: 26/0280/HSE

#### 78 High Road, N2

Variation of condition 1 (Approved Plans) of planning permission reference 23/5021/FUL dated 19/02/24 for 'Conversion of the existing dwelling into two self-contained flats including a single-storey rear extension and mansard roof extension including front and rear dormers. Modifications to the rear access to maintain one car parking space and external amenity space, cycle storage and refuse and recycling facilities.' Variation to include alterations at ground floor level to provide rear access to the shop unit. Ref. No: 26/0244/S73

#### 37 Old Farm Road, N2

Change of use of the property from

a single family dwelling (Class C3) to a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) (Class C4) for up to four people. Ref. No: 26/0197/FUL

### Haringey

#### 13 Western Road, N2

Replacement of existing timber front elevation windows to double glazed timber vertical sliding sash windows and replacement of existing timber rear elevation windows (first and second floor only) to be replaced with new double glazed uPVC vertical sliding sash/casement windows. Ref: HGY/2026/0422

#### 7 Twyford Avenue, N2

Removal of a single garage and the erection of a two-storey side extension; changes to rear fenestration. Ref: HGY/2026/0236

#### Flats 13 & 17 Westside, 68 Fortis Green, N2

Amalgamation of two self-contained flats into one five-bedroom flat (Class C3 Use). Ref: HGY/2026/0002