



# BARN HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION©

## NEWSLETTER

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Dear Residents,

There was a big increase in burglaries on our Estate in late October/early November. The Police tell us that opportunist burglars are always very active around Diwali & Christmas.

It is therefore very important that you make sure that you protect your home from these dreadful people. Please make sure that your side gate is pad locked and you have good quality locks on your doors and windows.

We have copies of a guide from the Borough Commander of Police on how to protect your home, together with Time Switches, 'Home Safe' Tins, Home Security Kits, and Window Vibration Alarms. If you would like any of these then contact: [secretary@bhra.co.uk](mailto:secretary@bhra.co.uk) or leave a message with your requirements on 07503 664 973.

We are sad to report that our hard working, popular Neighbourhood Police Officer Tippawan Kavanagh, has left us to work as a Safer Transport Officer in Kensington.

The Committee and I would like to wish you all compliments of the season & a Happy New Year.

*John Woods* Chairman

**Green Bin Collections:** This week sees the end of the twice weekly green bin collection & they will now move to once a month, your bin will be collected on the same day as now in the weeks beginning: 11/01/2016, 08/02/2016, - then after **07/03/2016** collections revert to twice monthly.

**Rough Sleepers on the Barn Hill Open Space:**

In the past month BHRA members have worked in conjunction with Brent Council to take out 3 redundant/one live camp sites. We are very grateful to both the vigilant dog walkers and the Barn Hill Conservation Group, without their help we would not have got this problem under control.

It is hard to imagine without seeing it, the mess they make, and the fact that they use the Park as a toilet.

**Barn Hill Conservation Group:** This Group does a lot to maintain the bio-diversity of the Barn Hill Open Space & Fryent Country Park . They are asking for volunteers to help with project work on Sunday mornings. For more information please phone their headquarters on: 020 8206 0492.

**Scams:** This appears to be one of the "Growth Industries", so please be aware that your Bank or Building Society will never ring you to ask for either your Bank Account number or your PIN number. If you get such a call, hang up the phone.

**DON'T FORGET TO SEND US YOUR 2015/16 MEMBERSHIP. IF IN DOUBT CONTACT: [secretary@bhra.co.uk](mailto:secretary@bhra.co.uk)**



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**PARTY WALL AGREEMENTS:** If a neighbour is proposing to build an extension next to your home, it is advisable to arrange for a Party Wall Agreement to be put in place. The person who is carrying out the works is required by law to pay for this. Please contact us for more information.

**BUILDINGS IN BACK GARDENS:** If you are concerned, please let us know the address of the building in question.

**BONFIRES:** Barn Hill is a smoke-free zone, so please refrain from lighting bonfires.

Whatever day a Wembley Stadium Event takes place, if you park in Preston Rd Car Park you are required to pay a fee between 8.00am & midnight, (maximum stay 5 hours, unless pre-booked). Please note that if an Event Day takes place on a Sunday the parking meters are operative within the Event Day Area.

**NOISE AND NUISANCE:** If you are troubled by builders working out-of-hours, then contact Brent Council's Noise and Nuisance Department on 020 8937 1234. The permitted working hours for builders are as follows:

- 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday
- 8am to 1pm Saturday No works are allowed on Sundays or on Bank Holidays.

**The same department can be contacted for any other anti-social behaviour.**

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**RUN TO THE BEAT:** I am pleased to inform you that the Run to the Beat race that has taken place in September of the past two years and severely inconvenienced residents will not now take place in 2016.

**North London Half Marathon:** This is pencilled in to take place on Sunday 20 March 2016, but so far has not been confirmed. The BHRA have asked that if it takes place then it should be re-routed along Chalkhill Road rather than Bridge Road/ Forty Lane.

**UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE:** If you are retired or semi retired and wish to learn for the joy of discovery, the University of the Third Age or U3A may interest you, contact [www.kentondistrictu3a.org](http://www.kentondistrictu3a.org)

**HAIRDRESSER :** *If you need someone for a home visit, contact Francine on 07732 335829.*

**LOCAL ACCOUNTANT:** Qualified with ACCA, call Alastair on 07818 023653

**YOGA CLASSES:** Beginners/Intermediate, in Kenton. Tuesday & Wednesday evenings, please contact [Shirley@chikri.com](mailto:Shirley@chikri.com) or 07813 675677

**TILING & DECORATING SERVICES:** Call Chris on 07867 844639. We've had good feedback on Chris's work.

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