




# HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM




## MAP + KEY

This map shows some of our activities, ideas from other groups in the community and things we think will make the whole area better for all.




### TRANSPORT

-  Villages Circular Bus
-  Cycle and Walking Routes
-  Traffic Calming and Greening

### BIODIVERSITY

-  Biodiversity Corridors and Stepping Stones
-  Hedgehog Routes
-  Hornsey Lane Reservoir

### COMMUNITY/ BUSINESS

-  Natural Active Play and Bike Track
-  Parkland Walk Nature Play and Seating
-  271 Public Realm Space

This map is just indicative of ideas, spaces and roads. All of these projects need further development with community involvement.



# HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM NEWS AND PROJECTS

**The Highgate Neighbourhood Forum (HNF) is your free, local, civic organisation giving locals an opportunity to have a say in the present and future of the neighbourhood. We work with many other community organisations and both our local councils and councillors – Camden and Haringey – to ensure that the area is part of new policies, projects and funding available and to encourage the councils to liaise over local issues.**

Everyone in the HNF area is automatically a member of the HNF and you can get involved in a number of ways;

- Join our committee or one of our working groups around something you are passionate about – or we can direct you to other groups that work in areas we don't cover. Our focus is on biodiversity and green travel projects for the area but we are also involved as part of the Archway Road Action Group and in other key campaigns and developments in the area.
- Sign up for the newsletter for monthly updates on key projects, campaigns and consultations locally.
- Join the small Highgate Festival team to help deliver our local cultural, arts and heritage festival every June.
- Or just get in touch with a local concern or idea and we can help or connect you to someone who can at [info@forhighgate.org](mailto:info@forhighgate.org)

These are some of the ideas that have come from the community over the years.

## TRANSPORT

**VISION** - reducing traffic and pollution has always been a concern for many locals. Public and green alternatives will improve quality of

experience and accessibility for all, allowing those that are dependent on car travel access to better journeys and more parking.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORT Villages Circular Bus

We have been campaigning for a new circular bus route alongside our Forum friends in Crouch End, Hampstead and Dartmouth Park that would link up our communities, hospitals, schools, shops, pubs and green spaces.

### 603 Bus Route

There is a local campaign to improve the 603 service – please support here [www.greenschoolruns.org/603-bus-campaign](http://www.greenschoolruns.org/603-bus-campaign)

## CYCLE AND WALKING ROUTES

As part of a transition to greener, more active travel we need improvements to our existing roads and cycling infrastructure. Both our councils are developing new local plans that are inviting consultation on these issues; [www.camden.gov.uk/draft-new-local-plan](http://www.camden.gov.uk/draft-new-local-plan) [www.haringey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/new-local-plan](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/new-local-plan)

## TRAFFIC CALMING AND GREENING

Many of our local streets and routes are dominated by traffic causing danger and pollution for locals. We also have the issue of being home to a number of schools that exacerbate these problems at key times during the day. We are committed to working with local groups and schools to ensure the councils include local voices and knowledge as part of these future improvements.

Over the years, a number of local key routes have been identified for traffic calming – build-outs, pedestrian crossings and improved accessibility/ shared surfaces – that also include greening and rainwater capture to improve experience and pollution. These routes include;

- Highgate West Hill
- Highgate High Street and Hill

- Swains Lane
- Archway Road
- Hampstead Lane

## BIODIVERSITY

**VISION** – in Highgate we are surrounded by beautiful green spaces that help reduce pollution and urban heating but our wildlife and biodiversity is still under threat so everyone can play their part.

## BIODIVERSITY CORRIDORS AND STEPPING STONES

We have developed a Biodiversity Network working with many community organisations and green spaces to share knowledge, best practice and support. We have been mapping our biodiversity corridors making links and filling gaps. Part of this is encouraging locals to let their gardens become a part of this vital green network.

## HEDGEHOG ROUTES

We have been working with local community greening group, Growing Green, to develop safe wildlife corridors between Hampstead Heath, Highgate Cemetery and Waterlow Park, with the aim to allow the hedgehog population on the Heath to spread to other green areas.

## HORNSEY LANE RESERVOIR

Recently a local resident to the reservoir got in touch to ask for help to protect the beautiful wildflower growth from Thames Water mowing regime as part of No Mow May. It worked!

## COMMUNITY/BUSINESS

**VISION** – we support projects that provide different spaces and amenities for our whole community and support local businesses.

## NATURAL ACTIVE PLAY AND BIKE TRACK

We have secured significant CIL funding to reinstate this important active play and sport space for young locals as well as ensuring the nature on the site is protected, managed and used to educate all visitors and users.

## PARKLAND WALK NATURE PLAY AND SEATING

Working with other organisations we have secured CIL funding to add a number of natural play structures and seating that will enhance the Parkland Walk for all users of every age.

## 271 PUBLIC REALM SPACE

We have been campaigning with the Highgate Society for the development of this important space just off the High Street to be developed providing seating for local businesses, space for events or stalls to encourage locals and visitors to the village.

## BOOGALOO OUTDOOR GARDEN

We have been supporting the ambition of this local, iconic venue to enhance a local space for business use as well as ensuring this area is not used for anti-social behaviour.

## HOUSING

**VISION** - we welcome good quality housing in the area with a need for social and affordable as a priority.

## ARCHWAY ROAD SITE ALLOCATION

As part of the new Haringey Local Plan a substantial site, allocated in the 2017 Neighbourhood Plan, has recently been put forward for development by the site owners. Both Haringey and the HNF would like to see social and affordable housing created here.

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