



**The Highgate Festival** wraps for another year with thanks to all the festival team, participants and sponsors. A special evening in Pond Square celebrated George Michael with over 300 locals attending to sing and dance. For the Haringey Borough of Culture 2027, we are hoping to organise a celebration of the Archway Road. To get involved next year or if you have a idea for an event, email [info@highgatefestival.org](mailto:info@highgatefestival.org).

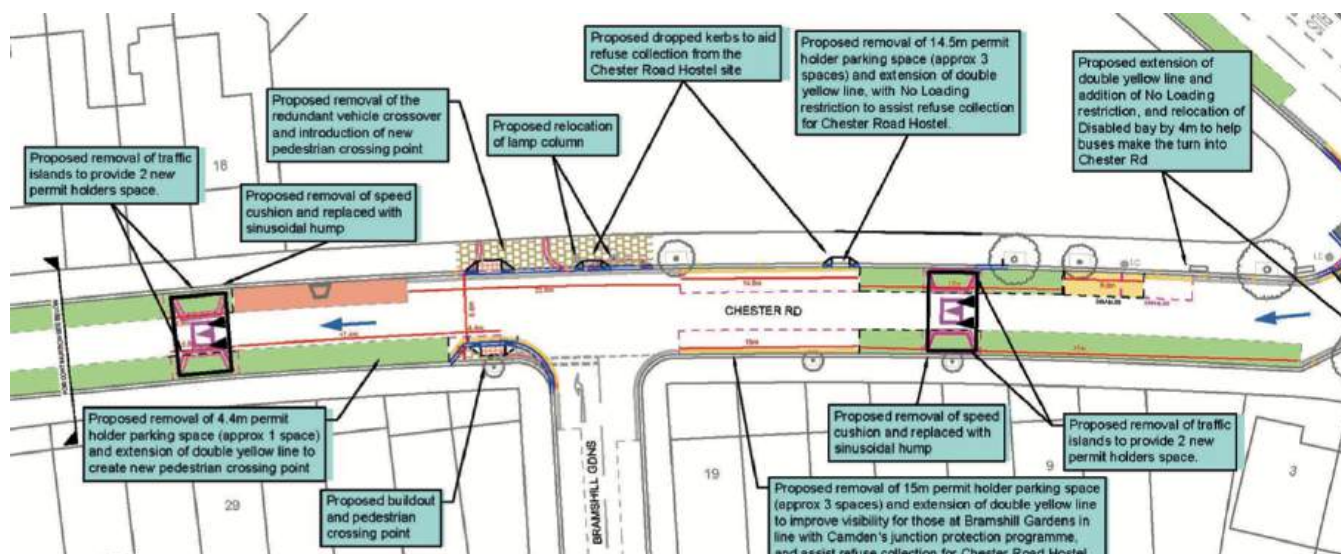


### **Hornsey Lane Triangle Community Garden**

During the Highgate Festival, some residents of the Miltons came together to do some weeding, create bug hotels, do some planting and discuss biodiversity at the Hornsey Lane Triangle. More planting is planned for the Autumn and some edibles for next year, so if you want to get involved or just help with watering, please get in touch: [miltonsra@outlook.com](mailto:miltonsra@outlook.com). No gardening skills needed!

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## New consultation on safer travel in Chester Road



Camden Council have launched a consultation on a scheme to make Chester Road more bus friendly and safer for pedestrians to cross. Email [transportconsultations@camden.gov.uk](mailto:transportconsultations@camden.gov.uk) to find out more and have your say **until 20 July**.

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## Parkland Walk Butterfly Walk



The Friends of Parkland Walk are organising a Guided Butterfly Walk around the Highgate end of the Walk on **Sunday 12 July** from 11am-12.30pm. It is free but limited to 20 places so email [foparklandwalk@gmail.com](mailto:foparklandwalk@gmail.com) with the subject heading 'butterflies 2026' to secure a place.

**NB Parkland Walk is currently closed between Northwood Road and Stanhope Road following a serious crime incident. A suspect has been arrested but that stretch of the Walk remains a crime scene.**

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## Summer in OmVed Gardens



There are many interesting and enlightening events at OmVed this summer with Bi-curious George's Snail Trail, the Supper Club and Friday Live in the Gardens, as well as gardening workshops. In particular, they are hosting a Summer Open Day on **Sunday 12 July**, which will include a guided garden tour, a kids' workshop and a chance to explore the current Artist of the Month exhibition. Book a free ticket and out more about all the events [here](#).

PS The Highgate Society are hosting a talk by OmVed's ecologist Kiran Lee describing the ecology of OmVed Gardens and the dynamic range of spaces inhabitants and interactions that occur there on **Wednesday 15 July** at 7 for 7.30 pm at 10A South Grove. Book [here](#).

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## Growing Green Open Wildlife and Kitchen Garden



Join the Growing Green team on **Sunday 5 July** in a local garden (35 Langbourne Avenue, N6 6PS) bursting with wildlife and biodiversity! There will be pond dipping, the Holly Lodge Hedgehog Highway Map and graphics of their Swains Lane proposal, alongside homemade savoury treats and cakes, luxury cosmetics and secondhand clothes. Book your free entry tickets [here](#).

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The glorious summer season has begun at Lauderdale House, with open-air theatre (A Midsummer Night's Dream, of course), live music, new exhibitions and workshops and activities for all ages. Their Annual photography competitions and the Grand Summer Raffle are also back. Find out more and book [here](#).

### More summer fun this July

- **Monday 6 July 10.30am Coffee & Computers** at 10A South Grove
- **Thursday 9 July: Highgate Society Guerrilla Gardening Group** will meet at 7pm at 10A South Grove
- **Sunday 12 July: 2-4.30pm, Friends of Queen's Wood Family Fun Day** - Witch's Coven, nature based crafts and activities
- **Saturday 11 July, 10am-1pm Highgate Repair Cafe** at St Michael's Church Hall. Booking essential at [haringeyfixers.org](http://haringeyfixers.org).
- **Tuesday 11 July, 11am-12.30pm Kenwood Spotlight Walk** from Bistro Laz, 1 Highgate West Hill, N6 6JS and finishing at Kenwood House for one of their Spotlight talks.
- **Tuesday 21 July 11am-12.30pm A Guide to Waterlow Park and Highgate Cemetery**, starting at Lauderdale House. Both walks organised by the Holly Lodge Community Centre, with support from Lauderdale House and the Highgate Society.
- **Saturday 18 July, 7pm: Highgate Choral Society Summer Concert** - Gounod St Cecilia Mass - at St Jude on the Hill, NW11 7AH. Book [here](#)
- **Friday 24 July from 7.30 Highgate Society Pub Nights** at The Flask, 77 Highgate West Hill, N6 6BU

## CPRE Front Gardens Network



Read about whole street front garden transformations and watch a recording of the last Network meeting focusing on gardens aiding flood prevention, as well as other resources for anyone advocating for de-paving and re-greening front gardens in the CPRE Front Gardens Network newsletter [here](#).

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### Free furniture for local charities, community organisations and schools

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts are refurbishing an office space in Belsize Park and now have lots of furniture that is surplus to their requirements. If your organisation is interested in acquiring any of it, have a look at the items [here](#) or email Freegle (who are handling the distribution) [here](#).

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### STOP PRESS News

- The **HLSI** has a **brand new website**, making it easier to book courses and events. Check it out [here](#)
  - We have noticed a "Reopening Soon" banner up on the **Brendon the Navigator pub** on Highgate Hill and this week workmen were completing repairs and cleaning up, so we have high hopes of good news soon...
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## Highgate Neighbourhood Forum

The HNF provides an opportunity for everyone in Highgate to get involved in local issues and have a say. We want to hear your ideas and here are some ways for you to join in;

- Join the HNF committee - only four meetings a year to discuss key issues
- Biodiversity group - help support the HNF Biodiversity Network and promote local green initiatives
- Traffic/transport group - help us develop a community-led vision of what the future of travel in the area might be
- Highgate Festival - offer your skills or organise part of the programme or an event

Contact us on [info@forhighgate.org.uk](mailto:info@forhighgate.org.uk)

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