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1. Night Shelter

Amanda Weiss, Shelter Co-ordinator, reports that the Together in Barnet Night Shelter is operating from October to the end of March 2017, thanks to the several local churches and synagogues offering overnight accommodation to homeless people. Over the Christmas period they will be welcomed at one of the synagogues. At all these venues, places are provided for 15 people, with an extra two for emergencies. So far this year, permanent accommodation has been found for four homeless people. Amanda may be contacted on 0775 740 4876.

In the Chipping Barnet area the parish church of St John the Baptist is taking part, organised by Elaine Nicholson: elainen34@live.com

For details of the scheme, run in liaison with Homeless Action in Barnet, see J&P Newsletter 32, March 2016.

2. Green News

In The Times of 23rd November there was a photo of Stephen Lake, Dean of Gloucester, in hard hat and high-vis cope, blessing the 180 solar panels installed on the roof of the nave of the 11th century cathedral. A light to lighten our path?

Green Christian (www.greenchristian.org.uk) announce a one-day workshop for all who are interested in their way of life: "Nurturing Creation - (Re)discovering a radical creation-centred way of being" at St Aloysius Church,20 Phoenix Road, London NW1 1TA (near Euston Station) on Saturday 28th January 2017, 11am to 4.30pm. Booking essential. Apply to georgedow@greenchristian.org.uk.

3. From Church Times

Dame Judi Dench tells Church Times that she realised she had the gift of drawing the audience into the action when, many years ago, her parents went to see her in Romeo and Juliet at the Old Vic. As she crouched over the corpse of Tybalt, she sighed "Where is my father and my mother, Nurse?" At which her father replied from the stalls "Here we are, darling, in row H."

4. Hope Corner Community Centre 185 Mays Lane

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Their aim is to serve the residents of Underhill Ward from their new centre next door to the Cooperative on Mays Lane, Barnet

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Drop-in services

General advice (Monday to Friday, 9.30am-5.30pm) Community Café – beverages, sandwiches, light lunches Conversational ESOL (check with centre for times) Referral for local Food Banks (Trussell Trust & Christ Church)

Surgeries

Enquiries about Dollis Valley regeneration (Wednesdays 2pm-4pm; Fridays 10.30am-12.30pm) Barnet Homes residents housing advice (2nd/4th Thursdays, 3pm-4pm) Local Councillors Advice Surgeries (2nd/4th Fridays, 6pm-7pm)

Weekly events open to the general public

Mondays

Stress Release (10am-11am) Irish Dancing (5pm-6.30pm) Pilates (7.30pm-8.30pm)

Tuesdays

Homework Club – suitable for Y6-Y11 (3.30pm-5.30pm) Pilates (7.30pm-8.30pm)

Wednesdays

Tea & Tech – for seniors and anyone who finds technology is all too much (9.30am-11am)
Pilates (7.30pm-8.30pm)
Play Club – after-school creative club suitable for Primary / Junior school age (3.30pm-4.30pm)
Homework Club (3.30pm-5.30pm)
Smile, Sweat, Stretch (6pm-7pm)

Thursdays

ESOL classes (10am-12 noon)
Breast Feeding Support (10.30am-12.30pm)
Homework Club (3.30pm-5.30pm)
Seniors' Dance (2.30pm-3.30pm)
Fixation Theatre – - creative theatre group for children, suitable for 4-6yrs (4pm-5pm); 7-11yrs (5pm-6pm)

Fridays

Play Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)
Film Club – for children, most fortnights (5pm-7pm)

Bookings - birthday parties, anniversaries, meetings, etc.

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