



NEWS ABOUT THE REGENERATION OF SOUTH ACTON

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Welcome to the twenty seventh edition of the Acton Gardens newsletter where you will find updates to help keep you informed and involved throughout the regeneration of South Acton.

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PHASING UPDATE

Phase 6.1 (Central Square)

Phase 6.1 is fully built and occupied. Central Square has provided a Sainsbury's Local and a dentist, offering NHS and private dental work for the community. This phase also includes a youth club and community centre with office space above, which have seen great interest since opening last summer.

The community centre offers hire space for local businesses, social enterprises and start-ups. The youth club spans two-floors and provides an efficient use of space for a diverse range of projects. We're currently looking for suitable tenants for the café and flexible work unit.

Phase 6.2 (Hawthorn)

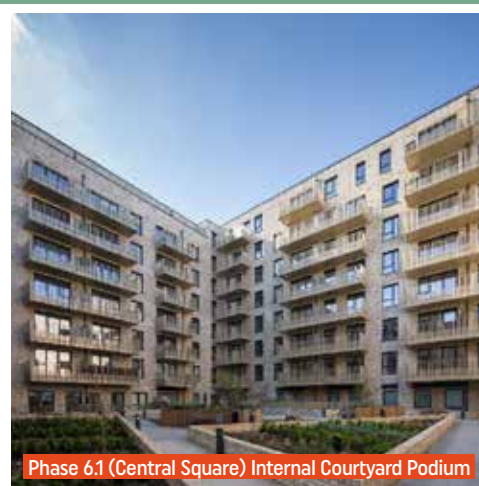
Construction works are progressing well at Phase 6.2. We held a 'topping out' ceremony to celebrate the last concrete being poured into the main structure which will complete the community hub, due for completion in autumn 2020. Hawthorn will provide space for retail outlets, a new nursery and a health centre.

This phase will provide a further 160 new homes, featuring a podium courtyard design.

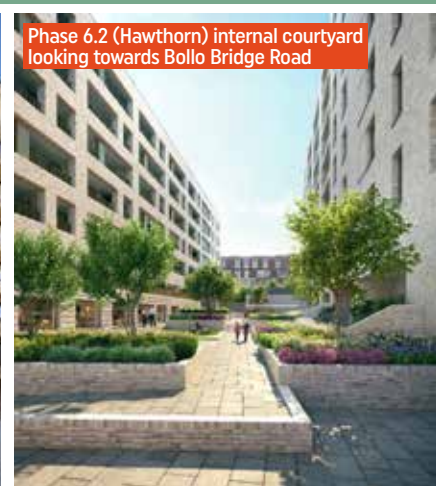
Phase 7.1 (Boreal)

Phase 7.1 is made up of 246 new homes and is progressing well. Habbington House and Tolkien House are now fully occupied. Davenant Way and Rossetti Avenue are now complete, providing two improved streets. In Broadlands House and Betjeman House are now also fully occupied.

Refurbishment works to Avenue Park have been completed by Acton Gardens in December 2019. A full renovation is anticipated in late 2020. A public consultation, led by the London Borough of Ealing, was held in December 2019 and a further one is anticipated in early 2020.



Phase 6.1 (Central Square) Internal Courtyard Podium



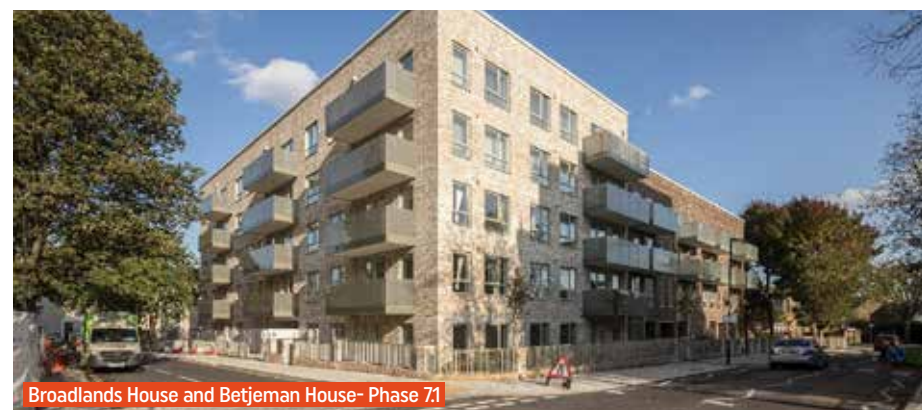
Phase 6.2 (Hawthorn) internal courtyard looking towards Bollo Bridge Road



Phase 7.1 (Boreal) Townhouses



Habbington House- Phase 7.1



Broadlands House and Betjeman House- Phase 7.1

Phase 9.1 (Lindley)

Located on the corner of Bollo Lane and Enfield Road, Phase 9.1 delivers 68 new homes. The new building is nearly complete, with the first core handed over in September 2019 with residents starting to move in. The hoarding line has been removed and the landscaping has progressed around the front of the building. The remaining works are on track to complete by the end of January 2020.

Phase 9.2 (Lindley)

Phase 9.2 secured planning permission in December 2018 for 203 new homes, set around a raised podium garden, together with a small new commercial unit at the ground floor overlooking West Park. Demolition of Buchan House, Anstey Court and properties on Osborne Road is now complete, and construction of the groundworks for the development has started.

Phase 9.4

Phase 9.4 was granted planning permission for 209 new homes in September 2019. Phase 9.4 is situated on the southern corner of Enfield Road and Bollo Lane. Demolition of the first properties to make way for this phase commenced in November 2019 and full construction is due to start in April 2020.

Phase 8.1 and 8.2

The next phase of Acton Gardens to come forward will be Phase 8.2 and 8.1. Phase 8.2 is proposed on the site of Barwick House, the South Acton Working Men's Club and Brouncker Road. The future Phase 8.1 is proposed on the site of Carisbrooke Court and Ludlow Court. A public exhibition was held in October 2019 at the Acton Gardens Community Centre to present the current designs for resident feedback. A planning application for this phase of development was submitted in December 2019. The application can be found on Ealing Council's planning portal with the reference number: 195428REM.

Lindley - Phase 9.1 CGI



Hanbury Road looking north to Phase 9.2 CGI



Phase 9.4 CGI



Aerial view of Phase 8.1 and 8.2's existing buildings



COMMUNITY

The Acton Gardens Community Board is the formal resident involvement structure between the residents of Acton Gardens and South Acton and L&Q, Countryside and Ealing Council.

At the Community Board's AGM in December, six residents were appointed to vacancies on the Board.

Acton Gardens would like to congratulate and welcome the new Board members:

- Janet Coker
- Kerron Lezama
- Cathyann Thomas
- Raymond Charles Moll
- Maria Ashcroft
- Slobodan Vuckovic

Acton Gardens board member wins at Creating Places Awards

On 26 November, L&Q celebrated the residents who make a real difference to their communities at the annual Creating Places Awards held at Le Meridien Hotel in Central London. There were six award categories on the night and we are proud to announce that Local Hero of the Year went to Acton Gardens Resident Sally Carlton.

Sally was recognised for her work as Vice Chair of the Acton Gardens Community Board as well as her commitment to the Community Chest, the Design Sub-group and local families through her work at the South Acton Children's Centre.



Phase 7.1 Block W4 viewings

Resident Board members were recently invited for a first view of Lancastrian House overlooking Avenue Park. As Board members play an important role in consultations for future phasing, this was an opportunity to receive useful feedback and comments on the layout and sizes of the new properties.

BOARD

Community Board training



On 1 August 2019, resident members of the Community Board took part in an Assertiveness training session to help increase their interpersonal effectiveness. All participants received a certificate upon completion of the course.

On 5 September 2019, resident Board members took part in a welfare benefits course to help increase their knowledge of the benefits system to support their neighbours and wider community. There will be similar training sessions in 2020 for Board Members to attend.

Design sub group meeting

The Community Board were invited to a design subgroup meeting for phase 8.1 and 8.2 along with L&Q, Ealing Council and Countryside on Monday 9th September. The meeting provided an opportunity for residents to look at detailed plans and speak to architects and other staff involved in the regeneration project about any queries and comments they had.



The next Board meeting will take place on 16 March 2020. If you would like more information on the Board, please check our website or contact us.

COMMUNITY CHEST FUNDING



The Acton Gardens Community Chest has £50,000 available each year to fund local projects that support and benefit residents. Applicants can apply for up to £5,000 for their project. To date, we've funded over 100 projects, including health and wellbeing, art, environmental, educational support, community days, support groups and sports projects.

If you are interested in applying for funding to benefit your community, please visit: www.youractongardens.co.uk/community-chest

EVENTS AT ACTON

Open House London

On Saturday 21 September, Acton Gardens became a hub of activity to celebrate Open House London, the world's largest architecture festival.

As part of the two-day festival which gives free public access to over 800 buildings, walks, and talks across the city, Acton Gardens hosted tours for nearly 50 visitors. Those that came along got to see inside existing homes at South Acton and new homes at Acton Gardens as well as experiencing some spectacular roof top views from Blackburn Court on Bollo Lane and Barwick House on Strafford Road.



Acton Gardens Phase 8.1 and 8.2 Public Exhibition

A public exhibition took place in October 2019 for phases 8.1 and 8.2 which are proposed to be built where Barwick House, Carisbrooke Court, Ludlow Court, the South Acton Working Men's Club and No.81 - No.95 Brouncker Road currently stand.

The afternoon and evening exhibition was well attended, and the team were so pleased to see so many residents and neighbours coming along to ask questions and provide feedback.

GARDENS



Acton Gardens Community Hub celebrates topping out

In September, a special ceremony was held at Acton Gardens to celebrate the topping out of phase 6.2 and the new community hub.

Led by Ealing Council Leader Julian Bell, representatives from Countryside, L&Q and Ealing Council oversaw the last concrete being poured into the main structure.

The Acton Gardens hub within phase 6.2, which is expected to open in autumn 2020, will contain a new doctor's surgery, a children's nursery and 160 new homes.

Acton Gardens Annual Construction Event

In October, Acton Gardens held their their 2nd annual construction event. The day was well attended with 60 students from West Thames College and Twyford High School attending a variety of workshops. The emphasis of the event was to encourage young people in education to seriously consider taking up a career in the construction industry.

Throughout the day students learnt about the various areas of the construction industry and got a chance to try out skills in a variety of practical trade workshops including plumbing, carpentry and brickwork. This was followed by two class- based workshops with architect and engineers and a site tour of phase 71.



EVENTS AT ACTON GARDENS CONTINUED...



Christmas Tree Light Switch on

The 2019 Acton Gardens Christmas lights switch on took place on 21 November.

The event attracted a wide range of residents this year and there were lots of activities including music, Christmas goodies, card making, facepainting and Santa and his Christmas Elf participating in the festive fun.

The big switch on lit up the community centre with the Christmas tree right in the centre of festivities.

The Berrymede choir sang festive songs and were applauded by the residents for their efforts. Other young residents from the Bollo Brook Youth Centre also contributed by performing a range of songs that were well received by the teenage and adult audience.

The event helped residents and staff get into the Christmas spirit early.



Christmas Jumper Competition

Congratulations to sisters Julia and Joana who are the winners of the Christmas jumper competition. Julia and Joana attended the Acton Gardens Christmas tree light switch on and was selected for having the best Christmas jumpers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Acton Gardens have a host of events coming up



More information about the events will be available on our website and in future newsletters.

THE ACTON GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Acton Gardens Community Centre

Since its opening, Acton Gardens Community Centre has had the privilege of being host to the following private/public events and activities.

Celebratory gatherings such as wakes, birthday parties, baby showers, engagement parties and

communions to name a few. The community centre has also played host to a free concert performed by Bell Music Academy, the European Elections, Descendants book launch and week of dance, Acton Youth Association Knife Crime Awareness Event and The Mayor of London's away day.

Winter Fiesta Event

In order to celebrate our first holiday season here at Acton Gardens, the community centre and MHDT London hosted a 'Winter Fiesta' with a number of activities for all age groups. The event attracted around 180 residents and a cross-section of the community, who were pleased with the occasion. There was lots of food, activities, smiling faces and positive feedback from those who attended.

The team here at the centre also used the opportunity to engage with the residents and gain some insight into some of the requirements regarding future projects. As well as projects, there will also be more community events in the coming year, so please keep a look out for them and we look forward to welcoming you to the centre.



BOLLO LANE YOUTH CENTRE



It has been a busy few months at Bollo Brook Youth Centre, with a number of projects taking place. The work of the centre has been celebrated by the GLA at a photography exhibition about 'Inspiring Youth Work' at City Hall, with photos and words by local young people.

Artist Matt Small had a month-long residency at the centre, working on an 8 foot high mural of Jamal Edwards MBE, a former attendee at the centre. The piece is made of recycled plastic and metal and eventually will be displayed in Acton.

As well as performing at the lighting of the Christmas tree outside the Acton Gardens Community Centre, young people from the youth centre hosted a showcase of their musical talent at the South Acton Social Club. Twenty young people performed original tracks in front of over 100 attendees, ranging from rap to garage and R'n'B, and with lyrics in Croatian and Lingala as well as English.



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OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Acton Gardens now operates on an appointment only basis. You will need to book an appointment or attend our drop-in surgery if you would like to meet with a staff member in person.

You can also call the teams from Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm or visit our website www.youractongardens.co.uk

TEAM	CONTACT	DAY AND TIME AVAILABLE
LB Ealing staff: Leon Joseph Kuldip Mann Peter Smith Amar Sokhi	020 8825 6402, 020 8992 2017 or 020 8825 5987	Tuesdays from 1 - 4pm and Fridays from 10am to 1pm
L&Q (Acton Gardens) Regeneration staff: Anna Allan Keisha Samuels Serena Mann	0300 456 9998	Tuesdays from 1 - 4pm and Fridays from 10am to 1pm
L&Q neighbourhood team: John Dakin Nadine Ofosu-Adjei	0300 456 9998	Appointment only Fridays from 9.30am to 4.30pm



PEP INFO

Ealing Council employs PEP to support and independently advise South Acton residents through the regeneration.

Keith Mann, of PEP, can be contacted on 0800 374 864, 07836 233891 or emailed at keith.m@pep.org.uk.


Keith also holds a surgery the first Tuesday of each month 2pm to 6pm, at the Acton Gardens Community Centre, Munster Ct, Bollo Bridge Rd. The next surgery is on Tuesday 4 February 2020.

No appointment necessary.

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