



# Barbican Association **NEWSLETTER**

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## Nice neighbours with good manners

**N**ow that the Residents' Consultation Committee exists to deal with residents' relationships with the City as our landlord, I've been musing over what the Barbican Association uniquely does. The short answer is "everything else" – i.e. it deals with all other things that affect residents of the estate. There are plenty of these other things, and the BA's work usually boils down to trying to make sure that when developers and builders, filmmakers and hoteliers want to do things around us they act in a good neighbourly way.

Because we live in the middle of "the world's leading financial centre" it is unrealistic to expect that things won't go on around us: that buildings won't be redeveloped and bars and restaurants (and cinemas) won't open. The process of trying to get these operations to act as good neighbours usually starts early. Developers are recommended to consult interested parties long before they put in a planning application. So, to take two current developments, the Arts Centre started consulting residents about their cinema plans and Hammerson started consulting us about their St Alphage plans last year.

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#### Cinemas

The planning application for the new cinemas in the old Exhibition Hall 1 space in Beech Street is now submitted and closed to consultation. The

BA put in objections to the design on listed buildings grounds and also to seek a set of conditions as part of any planning permission (<http://www.barbicanassociation.com>).

We have also discussed these conditions with the Arts Centre, because we would like them to agree to them before the application reaches the planning committee. The conditions are about having stated maximum sound levels, having a sound monitoring regime during the life of the cinema to make sure problems don't occur in several years' time, and about deliveries and the hours of operation of the site. We are waiting for the Arts Centre's response.

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*Spring in the Barbican. The birds – nesting on the lake – and the bees – enjoying the blossom in the Fann Street wildlife garden. Read more about the Barbican's bird and insect residents on page 6.*

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what to do with Exhibition Hall 2, but, thanks to some behind the scenes work by common council members, the Arts Centre Board has at least got the money to remove it in its budget.

## In the east

Meanwhile the Guildhall School and Heron Tower building continues apace, irritating everyone with its expropriation of Silk Street. Heron has been given permission to build temporary offices in Speed 03 car park – but one bit of silver lining is that the car park account should start to see some revenue from that space (more about car parks below).

But the really big development is the redevelopment of the St Alphage site, and that is now out for formal consultation. The BA has had a set of the plans for the proposed “London Wall Place” printed and put them in the Barbican Library so people can consult them. You will also have seen the flyer from the BA’s St Alphage Group, and Tim Macer writes on Page 4 of this issue about what the group is doing. We’d like as many residents as possible to comment on this planning application: it will have a noticeable effect on the skyline and for some residents it will have a profound effect on their near views and sunlight.

The sad thing about all this piecemeal development is the cumulative effect that each nearby individual development has had and is having. Because each redeveloped building tends to be bigger than the one it replaces, the effect is a gradual walling-in of the estate. This is particularly marked on the eastern side of the estate. One of the effects is to make the estate less visible (and “permeable” to use a planners’ term) from the outside. That’s important from the point of view of the estate as a listed building, but what’s more important to those who live here is the effect it has from the inside – on people’s views, their light, their sense of openness. That’s a difficult argument to make in the context of any one development, but it is one that we continue to make in relation to each planning application and also in the current consultations that are happening about the City’s Core Strategy, its medium term development plan.

## Underneath our feet: the car parks

The BA does, of course, also get involved with things that happen within the estate that are driven by the landlord, not least through its seat on the RCC. I write this article following an RCC meeting at which

the car park proposals were due to be discussed – but were withdrawn. The City has decided that it needs to make savings of £100,000 from the car park account in 2011-12 and another £100,000 the following year. So the BEO produced a paper which, though it didn’t explicitly make a recommendation, pointed to the shutting of one car park box. At last month’s RCC meeting Joy Hollister, director of community and children’s services, said she had withdrawn that paper because members and residents were asking her questions (largely about the basis of the costs) that she didn’t have clear answers to. She now proposes to chair a working party to get to the bottom of the costs and make sure they accurately reflect all the revenues and costs of the car parks – and she will then bring back a paper on how to meet the City’s demand for savings. She also promised a clear communication and consultation plan.

The situation is complicated by the fact that the car parks are owned by the City as a private asset but the car park attendants have a third of their costs paid for from the service charges of terrace block residents, to whom they provide a concierge service. So disentangling that is not straightforward. What is clear, however, is the anger that proposals to downgrade the service provided by the car park attendants has provoked. As the Speed House representative at the RCC meeting said, residents are well aware of the City’s need to save money and if involved in the process may well produce a better outcome for everyone.

## Being neighbourly when the windows are open

You may have noticed the signs asking people to behave considerately in the gardens – and wondered why they were there. Last summer there was a flurry of cross emails flying around about untoward noise in the gardens, from

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children screaming and from over-large parties, and counter-emails wondering why people got so upset and getting cross about the estate office sending out officious notes. I do feel for the estate office in these circumstances: it’s only trying to hold the ring between competing demands for the use of shared space. My advice to both disturbed and disturbers is simply to remember what a difference good manners can make. If a neighbour’s noise is genuinely disturbing you, go and talk to the people concerned and don’t assume they are doing it deliberately to annoy you: they probably haven’t a clue

about the effect it’s having on you. If they rebuff you then you can escalate things. If you are creating noise in a shared space such as the gardens (or even your own flat with the windows open) remember that you may be disturbing people (sound carries in funny ways in the Barbican, and people may be working, or sleeping, or just being quiet) and consider their needs as well as your own. We should ask of our immediate neighbours what we ask of our wider City

neighbours: that they don’t encroach on our space, take our light, block our routes, or disturb us with their noise.



*Be a good neighbour in the gardens*



**Jane Smith**  
chairBA@btinternet.com

# St Alphage: decision due in May

The planning application for London Wall Place (the St Alphage redevelopment) is expected to go to the Planning Committee's May meeting for a decision. Although notices variously give 1st and 8th April as the deadline for comments and objections, we are told they will be accepted well after that.

The staff at the Barbican Library have kindly found a place to display the plans and report to us that there has been a steady stream of people going to view them. We are hoping to keep them on display until late April. If you have not seen them, please go along so you can fully appreciate what is being proposed.

We know Barbican residents will make their own minds up about the virtues and vices of this particular development – and the scheme does have its virtues.

However, the BA will be objecting on account of the sheer bulk and scale of the buildings, on a narrow site, which wall off the Barbican. We really don't like the way it projects forwards, encroaching on residents' homes.

There are winners and losers over light, but we are also putting our weight behind those who are losing light. There is also concern over the volume of traffic that taxis and deliveries will generate, and a high concentration of vehicle movements in the short section of Wood Street between St Alphage Gardens and London Wall. All of the servicing will be from Wood Street and Fore Street.

While Hammerson is the developer, it is the City of London Corporation that is promoting this development and which has set the parameters in which

Hammerson is operating. While the City is actively pursuing its policy of 'sweating its assets' (now a common phrase around Guildhall), we as residents need to remind the City that, as our local government, it has a duty to do its best for all of its citizens and not only the powerful. At the BA, we have also been discussing this with our elected Common Council members, several of whom share our concerns. Why not have a word with your Alderman or Councilman about this too?

Up-to-date information about St Alphage and how to respond to the planning consultation can be found at [www.barbicanstalphage.com](http://www.barbicanstalphage.com)

**Tim Macer**

## Dispose of an unwanted bike and help a cyclist

Any trip through the subterranean realms under our Barbican flats suggests that the term 'car park' is at best a partial description: our underground bunkers seem to house more bicycles than cars. Many of these bikes are in regular use – quite a few residents cycle to work five days a week – but others appear forlorn and rejected: dust gathers, turning saddles from black to dull grey; brake cables sag, dangerously slack; wheel rims sink into flat tyres and buckle out of shape under the weight of tarnished frames. It scarcely seems worth the time and effort to maintain a machine you won't be riding again, and you can always hop on a Boris bike for the occasional jaunt around town. But how to get rid of your old bike?

The Barbican Association has set up a scheme to make this easy for you. We are collecting bicycles to send to Bikeworks, a not-for-profit enterprise in Tower Hamlets, which refurbishes old bikes before giving them to community groups or selling them at affordable prices to the community. We chose a local destination for the bikes to minimise the environmental cost of transport.

The Bikeworks approach uses fewer natural resources than if people bought bikes new, whilst our old bikes decay unused in our car parks or in landfill. Clearing out

unused bikes also helps regular Barbican cyclists find a place to lock their bicycles, making their cycling lives easier and reducing the risk of theft, even from under the watchful eyes of our deservedly popular car park attendants...

We're interested in all kinds of bikes for the scheme: any bicycle you've finished with, whether a recent make or an old banger, whether an adult's or a child's, and whether the machine just needs its tyres pumped up to be ready to ride, or is missing brake cables and the back wheel: even a 'dead' bike like this is worth rescuing for its parts. Any parts Bikeworks can't reuse, they recycle. Just email Barbican resident [Garth.Leder@garthleder.co.uk](mailto:Garth.Leder@garthleder.co.uk) and I'll arrange a time to collect.

**Garth Leder**

*A mechanic refurbishes an unwanted bike*



## Sustainability survey

Please help us by completing the Barbican Residents' Property Survey. The form that popped through your letter boxes at the beginning of March is designed to establish what Barbican residents feel about the levels of heating, ventilation, noise and air quality of our homes.

The BA Sustainability Group has been working with post graduate students and staff from University College London who are undertaking *pro bono* research into the energy efficiency of the Estate. UCL have taken temperature and humidity measurements in both summer and winter and a small sample of residents have recorded how they manage the comfort levels in their homes.

The Property Survey is a chance for all of us to record our views. Individual opinions will be kept strictly confidential but the anonymised results should give an indication on the direction of further research. Hopefully this will eventually suggest cost effective ways in which the Estate can be made a more comfortable place to live, whilst hopefully reducing the amount of energy the Estate consumes.

Please help us by completing the Property Survey form and returning it in a sealed envelope marked UCL to the Estate office, your lobby porter or car park attendant. If anyone would like further information or a replacement form or would like to join the Sustainability Group please contact Sarah Hudson at [ba\\_sustainability@btinternet.com](mailto:ba_sustainability@btinternet.com). You can also contact Carrie Behar at UCL [carrie.behar@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:carrie.behar@ucl.ac.uk). The Survey results will be published on the BA website in the autumn. **Sarah Hudson**

# Making a new home in Frobisher Crescent

Living on top of the Arts Centre in Frobisher Crescent is like living on a giant cruise ship. Underneath everything is to hand – food, drink, a superb library and world class entertainment. Robinson Crusoe would love to have been shipwrecked in the Barbican.

When I told friends we were moving to Frobisher they immediately had visions of a cosy Edwardian red brick mansion block, the name somehow isn't synonymous with this relic of 1970's concrete brutalism.

Yet although I'd never been a great fan of modern architecture, it was love at first sight.

So after 33 years in a Victorian stucco terrace in Notting Hill we moved into a light, airy, crescent with a view of St Paul's, Sex and the City skyscrapers, jumbo jets and helicopters as well as dear old St Giles, Cripplegate.

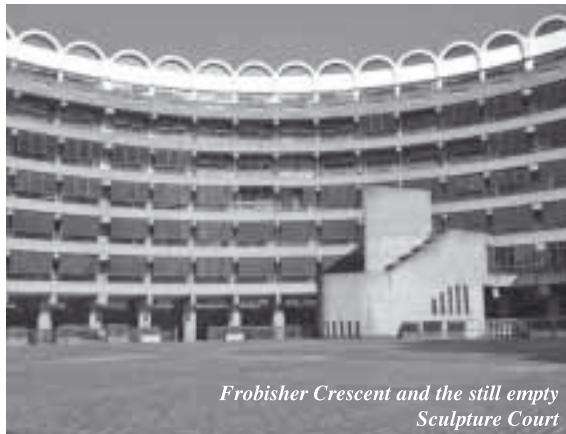
However, this Valhalla hasn't been gained as easily as we fondly hoped when we were given our moving in date of March 1st 2010. Due to building delays it was actually two long homeless months later before we crossed the threshold of Breton House Car Park and stuffed our possessions into trolleys kindly provided by porters Paul and Michelle.

The next challenge was getting our furniture upstairs as we were forbidden by the Barbican Centre from using the Service Lift. Heavy sofas and armchairs had to be lugged up seven flights of stone stairs by rebellious removal men until developers United House took pity on us and allowed us to use the builders' hoist.

Finally installed, we found it lonely and slightly eerie to be the only visible human life in Frobisher. When we did spot a new neighbour on our floor, I fell on him Man Friday style. We now have a House Group which adds greatly to the sociability of the place and our energetic committee is looking after our interests during this period before the handover from United House to the City of London.

We are particularly focused on the improvement of the forlorn and barren Sculpture Court. Exciting ideas are afoot and we look forward to the Court eventually living up to its name.

Gradually we're getting to know this urban village and love the sense of community. Of course, we have to be careful not to tread on toes or to think, as newcomers, that we've got all the answers. But we hope to become part of



*Frobisher Crescent and the still empty Sculpture Court*

the scenery in this most lively and fascinating City enclave.

One of my neighbours reports that her teenage grandson summed up Frobisher Crescent by saying 'It's halls of residence for wrinklies.' In fact we have all age groups from youngsters in their 20s to families with children, and yes, like us, the ubiquitous baby boomers. My husband worked for the Evening Standard in the Sixties and led the newspaper's Build the Barbican campaign. Little did we think then that we'd end up living here, but now we're very glad we do.

**Jennifer Addison**

## Bart's Guild Centenary Fair on 25th May 2011

The Guild of The Royal Hospital of St Bartholomew was founded in 1911 with the objective of making and supplying clothing such as pyjamas, dressing gowns, nightshirts and bed-jackets, for patients in the wards and when they were discharged to convalescent homes. In World War I clothes, blankets and other necessities were supplied to wounded soldiers. In 1940 a second-hand shop at 56 Little Britain, "Bart's Bazaar", supplied clothes, household goods, and tea and sympathy to local residents who were victims of the Blitz. The good work of the Guild has continued ever since and over the years they have raised many thousands of pounds to fund medical equipment, refurbish wards, endow beds and cots and improve facilities for both patients and staff.

The major event of their 100th anniversary year will be a Centenary Fair to be held in the Great Hall of Bart's on 25th May. Access to the Hall is up the wonderful Hogarth Stairs, so called because of the two large paintings by Hogarth on the walls. This entrance is not

## The Barbican Tuesday Club

We meet every Tuesday in the community room, level 02, Seddon House. We would be delighted to welcome any new Barbican residents as members. The meeting starts at about 2.45pm and closes at about 4.30pm. We have a varied programme of talks and outings.

**Tuesday 29th March:** quiz with prize for the highest score

**Tuesday 19th April:** visit to Hever Castle in Kent

The Club will close for Easter on Tuesday 26th April and reopen on Tuesday 3rd May.

**Tuesday 17th May:** Diane Southamies, a Barbican resident, will talk about the life and work of Edith Cavell

**Tuesday 7th June:** Caroline Sands from Guildhall will talk about an environmental project

**Tuesday 26th July:** Annual Summer Party

The annual summer outing will take place either before the Club closes for the month of August or after it reopens on Tuesday 6th September.

**For further information please contact Chairman Audrey Ballard on 020 7588 4330**

often open to the public. At the fair you will not only be able to enjoy the splendid surroundings of this magnificent historical building but you may also be tempted by the stalls, entertainments and refreshments.

Principal Guest will be author Sir Michael Holroyd CBE who will attend for a book-signing. His acclaimed biographies include those of Lytton Strachey, Augustus John, Bernard Shaw, Ellen Terry and Henry Irving as well personal memoirs "Basil Street Blues" and "Mosaic". There will also be a Grand Draw with many valuable prizes. During this anniversary year, President of the Guild, Ann Wickham, will launch her absorbing history of the Guild's service to Bart's Hospital over 100 years.

New volunteers to join the Guild are always welcome. If you would like more information please call 020-7601-7681/8339.

**Gillian Laidlaw**

# Wildlife in the City

**C**old winter takes its toll on small birds. The Barbican Wildlife Group has been monitoring birds in the City's gardens for the last four years. The winter count is part of the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch – a once a year snapshot of the maximum number of birds of each species that can be counted in each garden in an hour. This year the total number of species observed was down slightly at 15 from 18 in 2010. The most common bird in the City is the blue tit – but blackbirds, green finches, great tits, gold finches and more exotic winter visitors such as red wings have been spotted. In summer the rare black redstart has been seen on the Beech Highwalk and in Bernard Morgan garden, which is managed as a weedy habitat for them (at least that's our excuse!)

In the Fann Street wildlife garden the resident blue tits are already eyeing up the nest boxes but the number of other small birds like wrens, robins and sparrows counted this year were reduced – possibly because of the severe weather before Christmas. The Wildlife Group maintains feeders in Fann Street and Bernard Morgan gardens.

**Insect hotels, surveys and bat counts.** The group is also monitoring insect populations as part of a City-wide survey. In 2010 we built an insect hotel, which became the unintended home of a family of wrens. More conventional visitors to the Fann street garden have been painted lady and red admiral and holly blue butterflies and the exotic looking, although not rare, lime hawk moth and privet hawk moth.

The Wildlife group is also taking part in the Count Bat project run by the Bat Conservation Trust.

**Fann Street wildlife garden.** Preparations are already underway for the garden's participation in the London Open Garden Squares Weekend on June 11th-12th when 215 London gardens, many usually closed to the public, will welcome visitors. Barbican residents will, as ever, enjoy free entry to the Fann Street garden with their key.



*A prospective resident inspects a Barbican property*

Volunteers will be in the garden to answer questions and there will be a plant stall.

If anyone would like to share their expertise and help with the insect or bat surveys and bird counts, could donate suitable plants for the garden or volunteer other assistance please contact the Wildlife group's chairman Paula Tomlinson: paula@johnandpaula.com or telephone 020 7628 2657.

**Sarah Hudson**

## SECURITY MATTERS



I asked Christine Phillips, one of our 'resident' PCs who is based in the Barbican Police Office at the base of Shakespeare Tower to write a piece about her and her fellow Officers recent activity in the Barbican and surrounding areas. Here it is:

"The Barbican Police Office at Shakespeare Tower is ideally located for Ward Officers to interact with the community, understand issues that affect them and respond quickly to incidents. Officers encourage people to contact the office directly with information about antisocial behaviour and problems, aware that they are often hesitant to call police if they feel it is not important to others.

We regularly hold Community Partnership Meetings; attend residents meetings, informal group meetings and community events. Surgeries at Waitrose, Whitecross Street enable us to meet more people and gain a broader picture of issues outside the city that have an impact on our area, while participation in BarbicanTalk and Golden Lane Estate websites enable us to get important messages to residents. Information from residents, estate staff, local businesses, councillors and environmental officers have enabled us to organise our patrols more effectively.

During the past year residents assisted tackling the long standing problem of skateboarders and stunt cyclists causing noise and damage to the estate. Details are now taken from all stopped, they receive a warning and their names are kept in a log in our office. Repeat offenders get a home visit as a last chance before legal action is taken. None of those concerned have returned a third time!

Crime remains low on the estate with the main problems being theft of pedal cycles from car parks and a recent increase in damage to vehicles that has affected the whole of the City of London.

Enquiries by a Barbican officer following two incidents of indecent exposure on the estate, led to the arrest of a male, who received a one year prison sentence for the offences. Barbican officers have also identified and arrested for theft a suspect who targeted vulnerable elderly people; arrested youths smoking cannabis in Golden Lane; and identified suspects of an attempted burglary and robbery at the Guildhall School of Music. And a brothel has been closed nearby (Islington area) as a result of information shared with our colleagues in Bunhill Safer Neighbourhood Team.

While ensuring that residents are safe

and happy in their environment, we also take steps to implement safeguarding measures for vulnerable residents. The Pegasus scheme has been introduced to enable people with disabilities or illnesses to contact police in an emergency and more importantly ensure that we know how to get to them quickly in the Barbican. A defibrillator is now located in our office to assist the ambulance service and improve the survival chances of a person going into cardiac arrest."

**David Bradshaw C.C.**

Chairman, Barbican Estate Security Committee

### Useful contact numbers

Barbican Police Office	020 7601 2456
Snowhill Police Station –	
Front Desk	020 7601 2406
General COLP switchboard	
(skateboarding)	020 7601 2222
Emergencies (landline)	999
Emergencies (mobile)	112
Anti-Terrorist Hotline	0800 789 321



**THE RECOGNISED ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF  
BARBICAN RESIDENTS**

**2011 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Barbican Address			
Mailing Address	<b>Member type:</b> Leaseholder / Corporation Tenant / Sub-tenant (please delete as appropriate)		
Names	1 2 3 4		
Telephone Nos		Fax	
E Mail			

**Membership fee £7 if paying by cheque OR £5 if paying by STANDING ORDER: For addresses outside the Barbican add £3 for UK, £6 for Europe, £9 for rest of world to cover postage.**

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**We would prefer you to pay by standing order. It saves our volunteers much time. Please complete the attached form. Alternatively send a cheque payable to 'Barbican Association' with your address on the back.**

Please return this form to

**Gaby Robertshaw, Membership Secretary, 706 Bryer Court, Barbican, London, EC2Y 8DE. E mail: gaby3@tiscali.co.uk**

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Alliance & Leicester Commercial		72-00-05

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Barbican Association	97028605	

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Date of last payment

Until further notice in writing or  and debit my/our account annually

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# BARBICAN ASSOCIATION DISCOUNT SCHEME

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## CURRENT SCHEME MEMBERS

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Small furnishings, contemporary hand-crafted lighting, collectable porcelain, fragrances, travel accessories and exclusive fashion labels can all be found relaxing in comfort amid the whitewash Victorian and petite elegance of The Clerk's House, beside Shoreditch church.

BA Members offered discounts of 5% to 10% on all goods except Fornasetti. 118 1/2 Shoreditch High Street, London E1 6JN, Tel/Fax 0207 7299880

**MyDreamKitchen** 5% discount. Contact Spiro Nicholas, MyDreamKitchen, 708 Lea Bridge Road, London E10 6AW. Freephone 0800 018 5654. Email: [spiro@mydreamkitchen.co.uk](mailto:spiro@mydreamkitchen.co.uk). Web: [www.mydreamkitchen.co.uk](http://www.mydreamkitchen.co.uk)

### HEALTH AND BEAUTY

**Barbican Acupuncture** 10% discount off all prices listed on website to anyone presenting their BA card. 1 Wallside, Barbican, London, EC2Y 8BH. Tel: 020 7638 4322. Email: [Gary@BarbicanAcupuncture.com](mailto:Gary@BarbicanAcupuncture.com)

Website: [www.BarbicanAcupuncture.com](http://www.BarbicanAcupuncture.com)

**Barbican Dental Care** 10% on all services including tooth whitening and revolutionary healOzone treatment. Ground Floor, 80-83 Long Lane, London EC1A 9ET. Phone: 020 7600 4147. Contact Nikki Skews

**Barbican Dental Practice** 10% discount on procedures for BA members on production of their Membership Card. (5% discount for all Barbican residents). 1 Wallside, Barbican. Phone: 020 7638 8200 for appointment.

**Bodymotion Chiropractic Clinic** 15% discount on presentation of Barbican Association membership card. No. 1 Wallside, Barbican. Phone 020 7374 2272 for appointment. [www.body-motion.co.uk](http://www.body-motion.co.uk)

**The Feelgood Centre** 33-34 Chiswell Steet is offering Barbican Association members a 10% discount on a wide range of Therapies and Treatments which are available from specialist practitioners. These include a wide range of massage therapies, makeup, hair styling, waxing, face rejuvenation, acupuncture, homeopathy, hypnotherapy, reflexology, Pranayoga, Feldenkreis, life coaching, life alignment. For a full listing check the website [www.feelgoodcentre.com](http://www.feelgoodcentre.com). For bookings or further information please call 07946084848 or email: [feelgoodcentre@yahoo.com](mailto:feelgoodcentre@yahoo.com)

**Hermes Health Osteopathy** including cranial osteopathy and visceral osteopathy, pilates rehabilitation; 10% discount for BA members on initial osteopathic consultation and treatment (around 45 minutes) and 5% discount for further treatments (each around 30 minutes) up to a maximum of six in any six month period. For Pilates rehabilitation a 5% discount on individual sessions (60 minutes) or 10% if a block of 5 is paid in advance. Information: Hermes Health Ltd., Templeton House, 33-34 Chiswell Street, London EC1Y 4SF. Appointments – Phone 0870 246 1460. Fax: 0870 246 1641 Email: [info@hermeshealth.co.uk](mailto:info@hermeshealth.co.uk). Web: [www.hermeshealth.co.uk](http://www.hermeshealth.co.uk)

**Insight London** Counselling and Psychotherapy 20% discount on the initial consultation for BA members. Fees for ongoing sessions are negotiable according to individual circumstances. Individual, couple and family sessions with a Chartered Clinical Psychologist. Consulting rooms in Golders Green, close to the Underground, 25 minutes from Moorgate. On-street parking is available. Website: [www.insightlondon.co.uk](http://www.insightlondon.co.uk)  
To arrange an appointment contact Marc Hekster 07775 629 432 or email: [info@insightlondon.co.uk](mailto:info@insightlondon.co.uk)

**Jarrold's Hair and Beauty** Unisex Hair Salon and Spa – 5 minutes from Barbican Station. Get 20% off your first visit at

**Jarrold's Hair and Beauty Salon.** Call the salon to book your appointment now or find out more details. 020 7251 6633, 61-67 Old Street, London EC1V 9HW, [www.jarroldshairandbeauty.co.uk](http://www.jarroldshairandbeauty.co.uk)

**No74 Hair & Beauty London** No 74 is delighted to give an introductory 30% discount for the first visit on a single service for all BA Members. Discount 30% off for the first visit, permanent discount 10% off on all hair and beauty services incl. YON-KA massage and facials, Sebastian, Wella & OPI treatments @ No74, 74 Compton Street, EC1V 0BN. [www.no-74.co.uk](http://www.no-74.co.uk), [info@no-74.co.uk](mailto:info@no-74.co.uk), Tel. 020 74 908555, BA card required

**Psychotherapy City** 10% discount on first four psychotherapy, counselling or coaching sessions to BA members on production of their membership card (5% to all Barbican residents). Practice at London Bridge. Contact: Amanda Falkson. Phone: 0777 557 0208. Email: [amanda@psychotherapycity.co.uk](mailto:amanda@psychotherapycity.co.uk). Web: [www.psychotherapycity.co.uk](http://www.psychotherapycity.co.uk)

**Registered Osteopath- Lucy Bracken** 25% discount on the first three appointments 10% discount thereafter to all BA members. Based five minute walk north of the Barbican. Drakes Gym, 1 Pardon Street, EC1Y. Call Lucy on 07712 647 282. or email [Lucybracken@mac.com](mailto:Lucybracken@mac.com)

### RESTAURANTS/BAR RESTAURANTS/BARS

**54 Farringdon** Malaysian & European Cuisine • 020 7336 0603 Mon - Fri 12-3 6-11pm • Sat 6-11pm [www.54farringdon.com](http://www.54farringdon.com)  
Barbican residents 20% discount off a la carte menu

**Barbican Tandoori:** 10% off food on presentation of Barbican Association membership card. Eat-in or take away. Delivery service available within the Barbican estate. 55 Aldersgate Street. Tel: 7600 4747 or 7796 4499.

**The Cuban: Restaurant/Bar.** Latino/Caribbean atmosphere. 20% off meal (food only) in restaurant OR two drinks for the price of one at the Long Bar. 1 Ropemaker Street (in City Point complex). For reservations call 0870 850 8975. Website: [www.thecuban.co.uk](http://www.thecuban.co.uk)

**Hat and Feathers Restaurant** 25% off the whole bill. Based on 2 courses per person in the 1st floor dining rooms – excludes special events, not valid with any other offer or in December. The Hat and Feathers is located on the corner of Goswell Road and Clerkenwell Road. [www.hatandfeathers.com](http://www.hatandfeathers.com) Phone 020 7490 2244. BA members must produce proof of membership to claim discount.

**The Larder** 91-93 St John Street, EC1M 4NU. Tel: 020 7608 1558. Restaurant/Bar/Bakery/Shop. Open for breakfast from 8 am and for Lunch, tea, coffee and dinner from 11 am to 11 pm Monday to Saturday. 10 percent discount on food at all times.

**Missouri American Grill and Restaurant** 20% discount from the a la carte menu or the £12 set two course or £16 set three course menu between 5pm and 11 pm. 76 Aldgate High Street, EC3. Tel: 020 7481 4010

**Moshi Moshi** Serves a range of hot Japanese dishes and sushi using fish that is delivered daily by Chris Bean, a fisherman working off the coast of Cornwall. Moshi Moshi is happy to invite Barbican Association members to a glass of wine and a complimentary platter of sashimi made from our daily Cornwall catch of the day, each and every time they dine with us. Liverpool Street, Unit 24, Liverpool Street Station, London EC2M 7QH (above platform 1, behind M&S). Tel / Fax: 020 7247 3227

**The Passage Cafe** French Bistro. 10% off food for Barbican Association members. 12 Jerusalem Passage, EC1V 4JP. Tel: 020 3217 0090. [www.thepassagecafe.com](http://www.thepassagecafe.com)

**Pho - Vietnamese Cafe/Restaurant** 10% discount at all times. 86 St John Street, EC1M 4EH. Tel: 020 7253 7624. Email: [info@phocafe.co.uk](mailto:info@phocafe.co.uk). Pho is open Monday to Friday from late morning to late evening and on Saturday evenings.

**Smithfield Bar and Grill** 20% discount on food from Monday to Friday, dining at any time, and a 40% discount on food when dining on a Saturday evening. To take advantage of the offer BA members should book ahead and show proof of membership of the BA at the restaurant. The Bar and Grill is open Mondays to Thursdays from noon to midnight, Fridays from noon to 1 am and Saturdays from 6 pm until midnight. Closed on Sundays

and Bank Holidays. 2-3 West Smithfield, EC1A 9JX. Tel: 0870 44 22 541, Fax: 0870 44 22 542, Email: [smithfield@barandgrill.co.uk](mailto:smithfield@barandgrill.co.uk). Web: [www.barandgrill.co.uk](http://www.barandgrill.co.uk)

**Soseki** (Japanese cuisine): Special evening sushi menu for £25 made with fish delivered daily from very own Cornish fisherman. As a special introductory offer, Soseki will be offering Barbican Association members a glass of Sussex-produced Breaky Bottom Cuvée Sparkling Brut (or a choice from an alternative range of aperitifs) each and every time they dine at Soseki. Booking is required. Please mention "Barbican Association" when you make your booking. This offer can be taken up as many times as you wish, but may not be used in conjunction with any other offer, and is not redeemable for cash. Soseki, 30 St Mary Axe 1F, London EC3A 5AA T: 020 7621 9211. Open - Mon 11:45am - 2:30pm, Tues - Fri 11:45am - 2:30pm & 6pm - 9:30pm

**Tart Restaurant and Bar** 20% off all BAR FOOD and COCKTAILS after 4pm Mon-Fri on presentation of Barbican Association Membership card. 117 Charterhouse Street EC1M 6AA. 0207 253 3003

**Tas Restaurant** Glass of house wine or organic juice per head. Must mention Barbican Association. 37 Farringdon Road. Tel: 020 7430 9721

**Vecchio Parioli** Friendly Italian restaurant at the corner of Aldersgate Street and Carthusian street offers Barbican Association members a 10% discount on production of their membership card. 129 Aldersgate Street, EC1A 4JQ. Tel: 0207 253 3240.

**Wood Street Bar and Restaurant** Mon to Wed 10% off total bill when sitting down to dine. Maximum of 6 people in a party. The Barbican Association card discount must be mentioned either when booking or when ordering to take advantage. Barbican Association membership card should also be shown to person taking order. Wood Street Bar and Restaurant, Cnr. Wood Street and Fore Street, Barbican, London EC2Y 5EJ. Tel 020 7256 6990.

### CLOTHING AND FASHION

**Bread and Honey** Men's and women's casual fashions. 10% discount on non-sale items. 205 Whitecross Street, London EC1Y 8QP

**Precious:** Designer fashion in Spitalfields – collections from DVF, Sportmax, Theory, By Malene Birger, Velvet, MIH & Paige Jeans, Shoes, Accessories & Angela Flanders Perfume. Precious is happy to offer Barbican Association members a 10% discount on non sale purchases of fashion, accessories or fragrance on production of their membership card. This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offers. 16 Artillery Passage, Spitalfields, London E1 7LJ 020 7377 6668 open Tuesday to Friday 11–6.30pm Saturday & Sunday 11 – 5pm [www.precious-london.com](http://www.precious-london.com)

### SERVICES

**Abacadabra Services:** 5% discount off regular weekly, fortnightly or monthly cleaning prices and a 10% discount off prices for one-off Spring and end of tenancy cleans. Contact Abacadabra Services Ltd., 10 Glasshouse Yard, Barbican, London EC1A 4JN or call Allan Lee on 020 7336 7686. Fax: 020 7336 7687. Email: [info@abraserve.co.uk](mailto:info@abraserve.co.uk). Website: [www.abraserve.co.uk](http://www.abraserve.co.uk)

**Mail Boxes Etc, Barbican:** 10% discount to BA members on any Fedex International Priority or UPS Express shipment. Members should show their BA membership cards and discount will be applied at time of purchase on the current Fedex or UPS retail price. Not valid with any other offer and only available at Mail Boxes Etc, Barbican. We are open from 8.30am to 6.30pm Monday - Friday. 128 Aldersgate Street, London, EC1A 4AE. Tel: 0203 3261116, email: [info@mbebarbican.co.uk](mailto:info@mbebarbican.co.uk)

**Zipcar:** National car sharing scheme with a Toyota Prius available in the Barbican itself in Bunyan Court Car Park. Cars available by the hour. Price includes fuel, 60 free miles, congestion charge and insurance. BA members may now join at a reduced rate of only £10 plus a £10 FREE driving credit. To sign up go to [www.zipcar.com/barbican](http://www.zipcar.com/barbican)

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