



Barbican Association NEWSLETTER

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A lull in consultations, but more to come

In the last newsletter I said that consultations were like buses, they all come at once. Well, after a flurry in the autumn (Local Plan, Noise Strategy, Licensing Review, and more recently the Health and Wellbeing Strategy*), there's been a lull.

We had expected consultations over Beech Street but we understand the proposals and the consultation on Beech Street will not now take place until later this year. Beech Street is an unlovely, polluted road, and there are aspirations to improve it – which seem to come under several headings. The Cultural Hub wants a nice environment for all the cultural activities that go on in this area, with the Arts Centre in particular wanting improvements to what is a major access route to the Centre. The Barbican Area Strategy also includes improvements to Beech Street, as does the more recent designation of the area round the Barbican and Golden Lane as a Low Emission Neighbourhood.

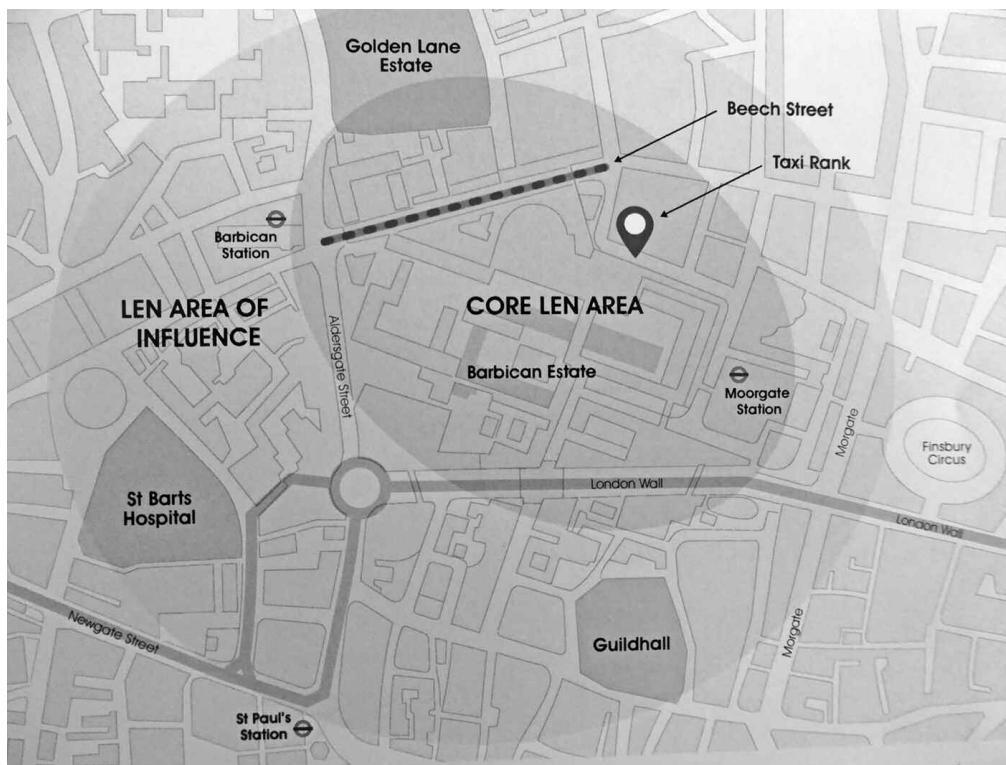
CHAIR'S CORNER

Low Emission Neighbourhood

Many of you attended the launch of the Low Emission Neighbourhood (LEN) in January. The main aim of the LEN is to reduce air pollution by reducing emissions from vehicles, and the City wants to use the LEN as a pilot for measures to reduce air pollution that if successful can then be rolled out across the City. Beech Street will clearly feature as part of the LEN, and the City is considering ways in which emissions can be reduced in the street – by restricting traffic, favouring electric and other low emission vehicles, and reducing traffic altogether by freight consolidation, using taxi ranks, etc. Read more about the LEN on P 4.

One project of particular interest to Barbican residents is the installation of electric charging points in Barbican car parks. Many residents who would be interested in changing to an electric car are frustrated at the moment because there is no

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The City's Low Emission Neighbourhood, the first of five in London, was launched last month. It centres on the Barbican Estate and aims to tackle poor air quality in the area with a range of measures to be implemented over the next two years. Read more on P4.

*You can find the BA responses on www.barbicanassociation.co.uk

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means for them to charge their cars when they park at night. The RCC has set up a working party with resident representatives to determine the options and best solutions for residents in the Barbican. The power supply to the car parks needs upgrading and this is planned for the current financial year, so that charging points can be installed in 2017-18. Improvements to cycle parking are also being looked at, and the City continues to consider micro-consolidation sites for deliveries in the City car parks. However, there is a City policy that in residential areas deliveries should not take place between 11 pm and 7 am, so the BA will continue to remind them of that as they bring forward proposals.

Though the Beech Street consultation has been delayed – as has work on wayfinding in the City – there are some other consultations in the offing. The BA's cultural hub working will, I hope, soon be meeting with City and Arts Centre representatives to hear more about the Cultural Hub activities.

Construction sites

More immediately, a revision of the City's Code of Practice for Deconstruction and Construction will be out for consultation in the second week in February. This is the code that governs how buildings are demolished and constructed in the City, and its aim is to minimise noise, dust, waste, pollution, and general nuisance. It's therefore an important document for anyone living next to a building site – which many of you are.

The BA asked for it to include some more explicit examples of what the City calls "best practicable means" – so that residents who observe building sites can see whether the contractors are complying with the code. An example of this is that vehicles should be equipped with some "white noise" technology that means that their warning beepers cannot be heard beyond the site but are still audible nearby by people who need to know they are reversing or moving. We understand that the new code will include such a list.

We have also suggested to the Noise Pollution team that at the outset of a large construction/demolition next to residents there should be a three-way meeting of resident representatives, Environmental Health and the contractors to go through the "methods statement" – the contractors' description of how they will do the work (which has to be approved by environmental health), so that residents can understand what to expect on the building site – and be in a better position to challenge the contractors when they are not complying.

We have noticed with several of the building sites nearby that when the nuisance becomes particularly acute and residents resort to calling out Environmental Health it is often because the methods statement is not being complied with. Environmental Health

themselves admit that they cannot routinely inspect every site and they rely on neighbours to be their eyes and ears. Their (24 hour) number is 020 7606 3030.

The other major thing we have been making a case for is that hours of construction work (currently 8-6 Monday to Friday and 8-1 on Saturday morning) should be altered for construction sites that adjoin residential areas so that there is no work on Saturday mornings, or at least no noisy work. Officers are resistant to this (pointing out that it may prolong a project), but Westminster has recently imposed a ban on noisy work in residential areas on Saturday mornings.

So we will continue to push for this. If you think this would be helpful, please do contact your ward common councilmen, and urge them to support this change. In the meantime, the BA will respond in detail to the new code of practice.

As I reported in the last issue, the BA responded to the City's new noise strategy and it is now out. It seems that residents were prominent among groups who responded to the strategy – though not as prominent as churchgoers and bellringers (who particularly want church bells to be treated as an iconic sound). The City is welcoming suggestions for how it should prioritise its actions, so if you have suggestions let me know.

Representing residents

We're coming up to our AGM in April (27 April 7.30 pm – put it in your diary). So I've been thinking about what we've been doing over the year – and how and what the priorities are for the coming year.

And one of the things that strikes me is how much we are in need of new volunteers to get engaged in BA activities and become its elected members. If you count up house groups and the various BA subcommittees (on planning, security, communications, sustainability etc) and RCC working parties (on the central heating, the gardens, and now charging points for electric cars),



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and, of course, elected common councilmen on the City of London itself (look out for the ward elections next month), a lot of residents are involved one way or another in providing a resident view and looking after residents' interests. But it would be good to have some new faces on the BA's general council. I say that not because the old ones are no good (they are very good) but because at least two of them will be standing down this year, and I'd like to encourage others to stand. The house group representatives on the BAGC of course contribute greatly, but the BA's constitution says that its officers (chair etc) can only come from members elected to the general council. It would be particularly good to attract residents with young children, who are under-represented at the moment.

The BA is also looking for a new editor (or possibly two) for its newsletter. Maggie Urry, who has done a great job in producing this newsletter, wants to stand down so we need a new editor for the newsletter. We've also revamped the website, and it is much easier for BA committee members to add content to (but they need prodding), so we'd like the new editor to consider how the website and the Newsletter could be used together to communicate better with our members. So we are looking for a content editor for the Barbican Association. We are also considering whether we need a social media editor. Please see our advert below, and if you have some ideas please get in touch.

In the meantime, we would like to thank Geoffrey Rivett for establishing and maintaining the BA's website for so many years and Maggie Urry for running the newsletter.

Jane Smith
chairBA@btinternet.com

BARBICAN ASSOCIATION

Editor for BA Newsletter and Website

The Barbican Association is looking for a resident with editorial skills to take over the editing of the BA's newsletter and also act as a content editor for the BA's website.

The current editor is stepping down from the Newsletter and the BA has a new website, so we think this is an opportunity to look at new ways of using both the newsletter and the website to communicate with members and residents more generally. We are also looking for ideas for using social media in association with the website.

We welcome questions about the role and expressions of interest. Please get in touch in the first instance with Jane Smith at chairBA@btinternet.com
Closing date: 17 March 2017

RCC: Service Charges under scrutiny

All long leaseholders pay service charges. These charges pay for estate staff such as concierges and cleaners, maintenance of the residential blocks and common areas of the estate that are private to Barbican residents, such as the gardens, plus the under-floor heating. They also include an element of the City's central management costs for items such as IT. All long leaseholders will be aware that service charges have increased over the years, but it appears that, in some areas, increases have been well in excess of annual inflation. Last year, the Residents Consultation Committee (RCC) set up a Leaseholder Service Charges Working Party of residents and BEO officers to examine service charges and suggest improvements to the way service charges are communicated, controlled and managed.

The service charge has two components: routine spending on running the estate, and non-routine spending on "major works". A current example of major

works is the concrete investigation and repair. Major works tend to be irregular, so they may be high one year and virtually non-existent the next. However routine costs also vary. Routine costs include, amongst other things, repairs requested by residents to communal areas and exterior windows of their flat. These are maintained by the landlord, so these repairs may appear to the resident to be 'free of charge' – but they are not free. This work gets recharged via the service charge to all flats in the block.

For example, a resident reports a fault with their window, which is then repaired by the Barbican Estate's contractor. The cost depends on the position of the window, the time taken by the contractor, and if it could be repaired or required new glass or a new wood frame. The contractor's invoice is paid by the BEO and is not seen by the resident. The cost gets added to that block's account for general repairs. Along with any other general repairs, the costs go into the

service charge for that year, and thus the repair for this window along with all the other "reactive" repairs get shared amongst the flats in that block. The same principle applies to repairs to front doors, Garchey, carpets in corridors and lift lobbies, repairs to balconies to prevent water ingress and so on.

One area the Working Party will examine is this invoicing and recharge process, to check it is delivering value-for-money to residents. Prompt repairs, properly done usually save money in the long term. We wish to be sure these and other service charge costs are appropriate and properly controlled.

Jane Northcote and Tim Macer (as members of the RCC Leasehold Service Charge Working Party)

For any questions about the service charge, contact your House Officer; for questions about the RCC or its working parties, contact the RCC representative for your block.

Action on Air Pollution

The City of London's Low Emission Neighbourhood was officially launched at a well-attended meeting last month. Fittingly it was held in the Girl's School which is in the centre of the designated LEN area. The core area covers the Barbican Estate and the southern part of the Golden Lane Estate, while a wider area of influence takes in St Bart's Hospital, Guildhall and the rest of the Golden Lane Estate.

The launch came just as the problem of poor air quality in London hit the headlines, with many days seeing particularly high levels of pollution. London breached its annual limit on air pollution in just the first 5 days of 2017. It also follows a recent High Court ruling that the government had not done enough to meet EU limits on air pollution.

Poor air quality is estimated to lead to more than 9,500 premature deaths in London each year. Further, thousands of sufferers from heart and lung diseases find their conditions worsened by poor air quality, and pollution contributes to a wide range of other illnesses. Children are particularly badly affected.

At the launch, residents heard that the City has some of the highest levels of air pollution in the UK. The City's LEN is the first of five being developed across London, and has £2m of funding, half from

the City Corporation and the rest from the Mayor of London. The intention is to develop a range of measures to reduce air pollution with the aim of rolling them out by April 2019.



London's poor air quality has hit the headlines already this year

Ben Kennedy, the City's LEN project manager, said the plans were "ambitious and transformative" and intended to produce a "dramatic improvement" by 2019. He said it would make the Barbican, "a more liveable neighbourhood with less traffic and a healthier, greener public realm."

He said the worst levels of pollution were seen in Beech Street, often heavily congested and with a high number of pedestrians, where nitrogen dioxide levels were regularly above the "safe" level and

had been rising. One of several targets the City has set itself to achieve by April 2019 is to cut nitrogen dioxide to safe levels. Mr Kennedy said a feasibility study would look at options for Beech Street which might include restricting it to electric vehicles or zero emission vehicles, or making it "access only".

Other targets included reducing and consolidating deliveries to cut traffic, inspecting vehicles on construction sites to ensure they meet low emission guidelines, introducing a requirement into planning regulations that projects be air quality neutral, stopping drivers idling engines when stationary, providing more bicycle parking, and encouraging people to walk or cycle instead of driving cars.

A Barbican working party, with resident involvement, has been set up to produce a scheme to increase the number of charging points for electric cars in the Estate. Across London, buses are being converted to reduce emissions, while new taxis would also be required to meet tougher guidelines. The City has already stopped buying diesel vehicles, except where there is no alternative.

Trees and plants can also assist in reducing air pollution. Residents can find a list of suitable plants at <http://www.cityinbloom.org/2017.html> and also find out about an air quality challenge to use such plants in an installation. Entries close on March 31.

You can download the CityAir app to a smartphone or tablet to find daily forecasts of levels of air pollution, and walking routes to avoid the most polluted areas.

Maggie Urry

The Barbican Tuesday Club

The Tuesday Club started 2017 with its annual New Year Luncheon. Some of the 23 members attending were a bit apprehensive about the menu it being at the Slug & Lettuce, but they laid on an excellent festive meal for us (not a mollusc in sight) and we hope to return next year. Our February outing is to the Museum of London for their Fire over London Exhibition and we are planning to visit the Police Museum at the Guildhall Library in March.

Speakers are lining up – word has got around how welcoming the Tuesday Club is. Subjects include the Architecture of St Pauls, Footsteps of the Famous, the World of Leather (not the store!) plus our friendly PCs on the latest frauds and trading standards.

So why not join us on a Tuesday



Tuesday Club members enjoying their New Year lunch.

afternoon in the Lilac Room, 02 level of Seddon House, 2.45 to 4.00pm.

Just come along or perhaps ring June (tel: 020 7588 1623) in case it is one of our awaydays.

We look forward to meeting you.

June Giles

GAG: Speed Garden design brief agreed

A design brief has been put together for the planned updating of Speed Garden, as a basis to invite landscape architects and designers to tender for the work. The brief was discussed and approved at a meeting of the Gardens Advisory Group early this month. GAG is a working party of the Residents Consultation Committee which meets quarterly so that residents can influence and be consulted about the design and maintenance of the gardens and planters around the Estate.

Firms seeking to win the work will need to demonstrate a wide range of expertise and come up with a scheme that satisfies some demanding requirements. The winner must show experience in working within guidelines related to listed buildings and landscapes, reflecting the Estate's listed

status. Further they will need to show they can engage with a community such as ours, have skills in designing play areas, and take account of the City's biodiversity and air pollution policies.

They will be asked to design a garden that meets residents' aspirations, addresses their concerns, and reflects the City's commitment to high quality services. Planting should offer seasonal interest and value for wildlife, provide shady areas for people to sit in summer, and ensure privacy for flats overlooking the garden.

The play area, which is aimed mainly at pre-school children, will be rebuilt to complement its setting, provide appropriate challenges and innovative play while being safe. The garden design should also create "more opportunities for positive social and

Free compost for your window boxes

The Barbican Estate Office is organising a day in March when residents' can claim bags of free compost for their window boxes. A skip will also be provided where old compost can be dumped. So this is your chance to revitalise the soil in your window boxes ready for spring plants. Look for details of time, date and venue on the weekly BEO email.

Maggie Urry



Goldfinches enjoying niger seed in a bird feeder. Photo: Janet Wells. Find more photos on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/barbicanwildlifegarden/>

inter-generational interactions" while minimising anti-social gatherings. On top of all this it must be easy to maintain and look good from the podium level and surrounding flats.

It will take some time to assess proposals and select a successful design, and there will be resident involvement in the choice through GAG. So do not expect a "speedy" transformation, but do watch out for more details as they emerge.

Fann Street: Wildlife Recording in our Secret Garden

"Tom heard the clock strike 13 and discovered a secret garden" – I can't promise the City clocks will strike 13 (although you never know!) but there is a "secret" garden to be found just off Fann Street and it only needs your "magic" key to enter; the same key as used to enter all the other garden areas accessible to "residents only".

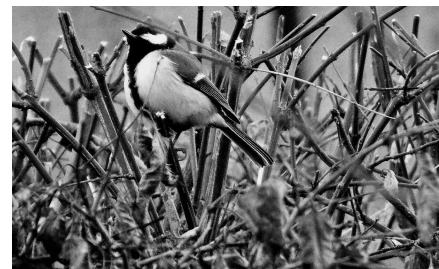
You may think there is nothing much to be found in a garden at this time of year; that all the plants and wildlife are hiding away attempting to survive the cold. However, a brief walk around the wildflower meadow (please use your imagination here and plan a return visit in June to see the wildflowers all humming with bees) will still reveal activity both in the flower beds and in the bushes and adjacent trees.

In the last 16 weeks of 2016 over 20 wildlife species have been seen, including birds, mammals, amphibians and insects. And this list is set to grow. Currently at the top of the list, having been seen every week since we first started making observations,

is the great tit – look out for them flitting through the tree tops.

Perhaps a more visible and very pretty bird you can currently see visiting the well-stocked bird feeders, are flocks of goldfinch – look out for their bright red faces and black and gold wing feathers. Their song is also very attractive – forget about nightingales singing in Berkeley Square, we have goldfinches singing in a Barbican garden! And you might even be lucky enough to glimpse the kestrel who dropped by recently or perhaps the heron who arrived to view the new pond which is awaiting planting.

In 2016 the Wildlife Group who volunteer on Wednesday mornings (9.45am-12ish) and care for the garden, decided they wanted to become "Citizen Scientists" and record the wildlife they were seeing, both for their own interest to see exactly what wildlife the garden is supporting but also to contribute to the wider scientific data bases collated by various wildlife-related organisations.



A great tit on the grass. Photo: Janet Wells

We do have residents who prefer not to be involved in the active gardening sessions (although more volunteers would be very welcome) but prefer simply to visit the garden and add to the observations of the birds and wildlife on a regular or occasional basis. If you feel you would like to get involved with this (or the gardening) please contact me at duncala@icloud.com But even if you only wish to have a few "mindful" moments in a busy week then the "Secret Garden" could be just the place to provide renewal and relaxation – do please visit soon!

Allison Parkes, Barbican Wildlife Group

Terrorism challenge for City Police

Another year and as I sit down to write this piece we are already into the month of February – what happened to January?

As we are now in 2017 I thought I'd share an article with you which Ian Dyson, Commissioner of the City of London Police Force prepared recently outlining his view of the challenges facing security in 2017:

"In 2016 the world witnessed a deeply worrying increase in global terrorism with horrifying attacks in Nice, Paris, Brussels and elsewhere. In 2017 the City of London Police, as well as other security practitioners across the City, will maintain our committed

resolve to do all we can to deter and defeat terrorist activity.

"The UK threat from international terrorism remains at severe, and we do not expect a significant change in the coming months. This means that spontaneous attacks will continue, most of which can be expected to be low sophistication utilising common weapons such as knives, axes and hammers. More sophisticated attacks can also be expected at random locations.

"The unparalleled use of the internet and technology to radicalise and reach audiences, often away from the gaze of the security services, will be a key challenge. As

SECURITY MATTERS



ISIS suffers defeats in various areas of the globe and their members disperse, there is a risk that they will return home or travel to other areas of the globe to mount attacks. There is also a risk that those resident in the UK may mount attacks instead of attempting to travel.

"The City is one of the safest parts of the capital, but we are never complacent especially when it comes to countering terrorism. For the security sector, testing and exercising your emergency plans are essential, and Project Griffin and Project Argus are two such facilitation tools which play a key role in preparedness. Work with your business neighbours to extend your security reach and 'buddy' your exercising."

David Bradshaw C.C.

Chairman, Barbican Estate Security Committee



Ian Dyson, City of London Police Commissioner says: "The City is one of the safest parts of the capital".

Useful contact numbers

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| 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 |

BA DISCOUNT SCHEME

The Barbican Association has negotiated the following discounts with the suppliers below. You may need to present your BA Membership Card to take advantage of these. The scheme members offer discounts or incentives to Barbican Association members to buy their products or utilise their services and are publicised in each issue of Barbican Life Magazine, on the www.barbicanlife.com website and in the Barbican Association's quarterly newsletter for so doing. Contact Lawrence Williams on 020 7588 0898 – or by email at barbicanlife@gmail.com – for further information.

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FOOD AND DRINK

Artillery Arms 15% discount on food and drink on presentation of BA membership card. The Artillery Arms is at 102 Bunhill Row, EC1Y 8ND. Telephone 020 7253 4683 for table bookings. Website www.artillery-arms.co.uk

Chiswell Street Dining Rooms 20% off total food bill in the evenings Mondays to Fridays. To take advantage of the offer please bring proof of membership. Not applicable with any other offer. To view menu or to reserve a table visit the website www.chiswellstreetdining.com

Coq d'Argent A complimentary glass of Champagne when ordering from the a la carte menu (up to 6 Max, not to be used in conjunction with any other offers). To redeem, Barbican Life members will need to mention 'Barbican Life' when making their booking or present their membership card on arrival. Coq d'Argent, No 1 Poultry, EC2R 8EJM Tel: 020 7395 5000.

The Coriander Indian Restaurant. Family-run business, fresh Indian food. 55 Aldersgate Street, Barbican EC1A 4LA T: 0207 600 4747 or 0207 7964 499 www.thecoriander.com/barbican-coriander.html Barbican Resident Special Discount.

Take Away Collection - 15% Take Away delivery - 10% Dine in - 10%

Fish Central Bustling neighbourhood seafood restaurant serving the well known as well as the more exotic varieties of the freshest fish. 10% off the total bill – restaurant only. 149-155 Central Street, King Square, London, EC1V 8AP. Tel: 0207 2534 970

Gattis City Point 10% of final bill in the evenings, Monday to Friday. To take advantage of the offer please bring proof of membership. Gattis Restaurant, City Point, 1 Ropemaker Street, EC2Y 9AW. Tel: 020 7628 8375. www.gattisrestaurant.co.uk Take-away and deliveries also available.

The Jugged Hare British Gastro Pub with open kitchen and separate private events space on the corner of Chiswell Street and Silk Street. 20% off the total food bill Monday – Friday dinner and all day on Saturdays and Sundays. 49 Chiswell Street. London EC1Y 4SA. www.thejuggedhare.com

HIX Oyster and Chop House Restaurant offers Barbican Association members 25% off the total bill valid every day, lunch and dinner on a la carte, set and Sunday menus. Reservations compulsory. Also bring your own wine on Mondays only, and Hix won't charge you corkage. Offers valid until May 2017. 36-37, Greenhill's Rents, Cowcross St, London EC1M 6BN. Tel: 020 7017 1930. Website: <http://www.hixrestaurants.co.uk/restaurant/hix-oyster-chop-house>

L'atelier des Chefs Love cooking! Join us in our cookery school for a truly unique cook and dine experience! We offer a fantastic selection of hands-on, interactive cooking classes in London, ranging from 30 minutes up to 4 hours. Open Monday – Saturdays, upcoming classes can be viewed on our website www.atelierdeschefs.co.uk. Barbican Association members can get 10% off our classes and in our cookware shop. 10 Foster Lane EC2V 6HR, 0207 796 0110.

London Wall Bar and Kitchen Museum of London – podium level: A complimentary glass of Prosecco with a main course order. Residents will need to show their BA Card to redeem the offer, one glass per main course ordered, normal licensing laws apply, not valid with any other offer. For reservations call: 020-7600 7340

Moshi Moshi Sushi Moshi Moshi is a calm, discreet place serving authentic Japanese sushi and izakaya-style dishes. It offers all Barbican Association Members a 10% discount on their total bill on presentation of the BA Membership card. Liverpool Street, Unit 24, Liverpool Street Station, London EC2M 7QH (above platform 1, behind M&S). Tel / Fax: 020 7247 3227

Neo 14-17 Carthusian Street, Tel: 0207 726 8925. Special pizza and drink offer for BA members – any Pizza and a glass of house wine or soft drink for £9.95. Neo's pizza dough is made fresh every morning and only quality fresh toppings are used. Special offer applies from Saturday through to Wednesday.

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

2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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| Mailing Address | Member type: Leaseholder / Corporation Tenant / Sub-tenant (please delete as appropriate) | | |
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| Telephone Nos | | Fax | |
| E Mail | | | |

Membership fee £8 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.

Membership cards: Membership cards are printed in batches either monthly or bi-monthly depending on the print run required

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

Roger Howorth, Assistant Membership Secretary, 63 Thomas More House, Barbican, London, EC2Y 8BT. E mail: roger@rogerh.com

The Barbican Association keeps a database of the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e mail addresses of Association Members. Information from the database is used by our General Council and Affiliated House Groups for maintaining and increasing membership, distributing our publications, managing and reporting on our finances and accounts, and carrying out other objects of the Association. We also disclose information about our membership to the Corporation of London (including the Barbican Estate Office) in order to maintain their recognition of the Association. By becoming a member of the Association, you consent to the use of your information for these purposes.

STANDING ORDER

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| To | Bank | Branch Address |
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| Bank | Branch Title | Sorting Code Number |
| Lloyds Bank | | 30-91-79 |

For the credit of:

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| Beneficiary's Name | Account Number * | Quoting Reference |
| Barbican Association | 27933660 | |

Commencing

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| Date of first payment | Amount of first payment if different | Amount in figures | Amount in words | Due date and frequency |
| | £ | £ | | 1 January annually |

Date of last payment

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

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| Name of account to be debited | Sort Code | Account Number |
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This replaces my/our previous standing order for the transfer of £ to the same account (cross out if not applicable)

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| Name(s) | Signature |
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BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

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

Sabor Iberico. Spanish Tapas Restaurant, 107 Whitecross Street. Hola! Come and enjoy our delicious range of Spanish tapas from Mon-Sat with a 10% discount for Barbican Association Members. Please do bring proof of membership and mention before seated. Book a table @ 02073746713 or saporibericoreervations@gmail.com. Hasta pronto!

'SMITHS' of Smithfield offers Barbican Association members a 20% discount in the Top Floor Restaurant and Second Floor Dining Room on food only with a Barbican Association membership card. Max 6 people. The discount is available up until March 31st 2017. Top Floor Restaurant is open: Mon – Fri 12pm to 3pm, 6pm to 11pm; Saturday 6pm to 11pm; Sunday 1pm to 3:30pm. Dining Room Mon – Fri 12 pm to 3pm, 5.30 pm to 11pm. Sat 5.30pm to 11pm. For reservations call 020 7251 7950 or email reservations@thisissmiths.com.

Web: www.smithsofsmithfield.co.uk/

St Barts Brewery New bar/restaurant on corner of Long Lane and West Smithfield. 20% weekend discount off all food and drink on production of Barbican Association membership card. Bookings not necessary but advised. 66 West Smithfield, EC1A 9DY. Tel: 020 7600 2705. To view menus see website www.stbartsbrewery.com

The Well Gastropub. 20% off total food bill Monday to Friday on presentation of Barbican Association membership card. Please mention on arrival. The Well, 180 St John Street, Clerkenwell, London EC1V 4JY. Tel: 020 7251 9363.

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.

Vino & Vino Italian wine bar – wine shop – lunch – aperitivo. FREE Italian tapas with your wine from 5 pm. 15% off food on presentation of Barbican Association membership card. Open Monday-Friday, 10 am to 9pm. Over 60 carefully selected Italian wine labels to choose from, ham and cheese platters, large bruschettas and salads served daily. www.vinoandvino.co.uk. 16 West Smithfield, EC1A 9HY.

Vivat Bacchus 15% off total food and drink bill on presentation of the Barbican Association membership card. Valid until end-November and may then be extended. If you love fine wine and good meat, you should come visit us at our Farringdon restaurant: 47 Farringdon Street, Holborn, London, EC4A 4LL. To book a table: 020 7353 2648

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

SERVICES

Abracadabra 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 Abracadabra Services Ltd., 10 Glasshouse Yard, Barbican, London EC1A 4JN or call Allan Lee on 020 7336 7686. Fax: 020 7336 7687. Email: info@abraseve.co.uk Website: www.abraseve.co.uk

Certax Certax Accounting (EC London) 5% off the first years Tax & Accounting services if you are looking to change accountants. Aimed at individuals, companies, contractors & landlords. Contact Marie on 07903 585959. 81 Rivington St., Shoreditch, EC2A 3AY. www.certaxaccountinglondon.co.uk

Computer Saviour Friendly visiting computer specialist undertakes maintenance, repairs, installations, networking virus removal etc. – all your computer needs. 10% discount for Barbican Association members. Call Neill Hoskins on 079 600 89528 or mail neill@computersaviour.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@mbbebarbican.co.uk”

Prince of Wales Dry Cleaners Service includes, dry cleaning, laundry service, linen service. We also clean leather and suede, and do alterations and repairs. We also provide shoe repairs. Free pick up and delivery service. Special offer laundering 5 shirts for £7.50. Offering 10% discount on first orders and any bulk orders. 17 Prince of Wales Rd, London NW5 3LH Phone: 02072 671540 and 07590 377245

REtailoring We are a local tailoring service offering both Bespoke and Made-to-Measure suits and quality alterations to all types of garments. We are happy to offer 10% discount on all items for Barbican Association members. REtailoring, 12 East Passage, London. EC1A 7LP. Tel: 020 7600 4600. Opening Hours 9:30 to 6:00 Monday to Friday, Saturdays by appointment

Urban Locker Self Storage Your stuff, close by at Paterson Court, Peerless Street, London EC1V 9EX. Tel: 020 3637 0850. Catering for all your storage needs. Business and Domestic, Safe and Secure 10% Discount on any solution when presented with the BA membership card

FURNISHING

Alma Home 10% discount on furnishings. View at showroom at 8 Vigo Street, London W1S 3HN, or in Selfridges. See also website www.almahome.co.uk. Contact Tisha Richbell on 020 7377 0762 or by email: tisha.richbell@almahome.co.uk for further details.

Ligne Roset City Contemporary furnishings. 10% discount available to Barbican Association members, but not available in conjunction with any other discount. See website: www.ligne-roset-city.co.uk for furniture details. 37-39 Commercial Road, London E1 1LF. Tel: 0207 426 9670

MAR-DEN We source and sell a range of art deco, midcentury and modernist furniture. We already have fantastic clients in the Barbican and would now like to offer all residents a 10% discount. Please contact Frances on 07940 762885 , or email info@mar-den.co.uk. Alternatively you can enter 'barbican' in the discount box and purchase items online. Please visit www.mar-den.co.uk

MILK Concept Boutique 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 Victoriana 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 Web: www.mydreamkitchen.co.uk

HEALTH, BEAUTY AND WELLBEING

Acupuncture Access Acupuncture Access at 193 Whitecross St offers 20% off initial consultation to Barbican residents, and 10% thereafter. Beat-off burn-out with this deeply relaxing treatment. Herbs are not used, which keeps the overall cost of treatment down. www.AcupunctureAccess.co.uk | 07553 636841

Barbican Dental Care 10% off normal fees; 25% off customised home whitening; 30% off combined “thermal diffusion “and customised home whitening Amanda Lenihan, Barbican Dental Care, Lower Ground Floor, 2 Cophthall Avenue, London EC2R 7DA. Tel: 020 7256 2477. Website: www.barbicandentalcare.com

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. www.barbicandentis.co.uk

Barbican Physio A team of highly qualified and experienced physiotherapists offer a broad range of physiotherapy services. 15% discount on physiotherapy fees for self-paying Barbican Residents on presentation of BA card. Entrance off Podium Level. No. 1, The Postern, Wood Street, Barbican, London EC2Y 8BJ. Tel: 020 7606 6530. Website: www.barbicanphysio.co.uk

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

Cissors Palace Hair Salon 10% off for Barbican Association card holders. Minimum spend £25. Cissors Palace, 1 Lauderdale Tower, Barbican. Telephone 0207 588 0051 for information or to book appointment.

City Psychotherapy Psychotherapy and Jungian analysis for adults by UKCP accredited psychotherapist. 10% discount on initial consultation for BA members. Consulting room 2 mins from Barbican tube station. To arrange an appointment please call Catherine Cox on 020 7796 3454 or email ccox@citypsychotherapy.org . For further information please visit www.citypsychotherapy.org

Clear Coaching and Training Moving you from where you are now to where you want to be. 1-2-1 coaching in the Barbican with accredited Coach, DISC assessor and NLP Practitioner. 10% discount on Coaching Sessions. Contact Michele 020 7628 0887 / 07939 047 094 E-mail: michele@clearcoachingandtraining.com www.clearcoachingandtraining.com

Health in the City Formerly the Feelgood Centre and now moved to Room 57, 65 London Wall, EC2M 5TU, is offering Barbican Association members a 10% discount on a wide range of Therapies and Treatments which are available from specialist practitioners. For a full listing please check the website: www.feelgoodcentre.com. For booking or further information call 07946 084 848 or email feelgoodcentre@yahoo.com Web: www.healthinthecity.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. To arrange an appointment contact Marc Hekster 07775 629 432 or email. info@insightlondon.co.uk

London Eye Optique London Eye Optique Optometrists is offering Barbican Association members 10% discount on all complete pairs of spectacles. *Terms and Conditions apply. London Eye Optique Opticians, 2a Cherry Tree Walk, Whitecross St. Barbican, London EC1Y 8NX Tel: 0207 256 9778.

To find out more about our services please email us on optician@londoneyeoptique.co.uk or alternatively visit our website www.londoneyeoptique.co.uk

No74 Hair & Beauty No 74 is delighted to give a 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 , 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 Web: 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

Yoga with Olivia Come meet your fellow residents at our Barbican yoga class at St Luke's Community Centre, Wednesdays 7-8pm. We also specialise in private one-to-one tuition. 50% discount on your first class upon presentation of your BA membership card, plus 10% off your first purchase of a group class pass or private lesson. For more information see www.yogawitholivia.co.uk or contact olivia@yogawitholivia.co.uk.

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