



NEW BARNSBURY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026

In December 2025, Islington Council's planning committee voted in favour of our proposals for New Barnsbury. This marks a major milestone for the project.

It was wonderful to celebrate this moment with everyone who joined us before and after the committee meeting. We really enjoyed catching up with you all and are grateful for your continued support as we work towards the next exciting milestones for New Barnsbury. Your presence and engagement at the committee meeting is especially important as it truly makes a difference to the outcomes, so thank you for being part of this.

Once complete, New Barnsbury will provide:

- 1,116 new homes, including 426 much-needed affordable homes
- Two improved public parks, with over 6,000 sqm of new play space
- 15,750 sqm of open space for the community to enjoy
- A new community centre and nursery, both with more space and better design.
- A new 306 sqm multi-use games area (MUGA), co-designed with former resident and local artist Stazzy alongside New Barnsbury residents
- 123 new trees planted across the masterplan



Construction Update

We're preparing to start the main demolition works at Blackmore House towards the end of January, we will follow up with a confirmed start date. This phase will take a couple of months, during which time the building will be carefully taken down section by section using a large demolition machine. Once the building is removed and all the old foundations are cleared, we'll level the ground to create a platform for the new homes.

Following this, we'll begin piling works to lay the new foundations, marking an important step in the construction of the new homes. Piling involves installing strong supports deep underground to make sure the new buildings are stable and safely supported.

Works will take place Monday to Friday from 8am until 6pm.

The permanent hoarding will be installed later this year, whilst the works take place at Blackmore House there will be metal fencing in place to secure the area works are taking place in.

The areas where these works will take place are active building sites and can be dangerous, so please advise your families not to enter any areas that have been closed off for works.

Over the next few months, Andy Hunt will be running construction drop-in sessions. If you have any questions, queries, or concerns about the works, please feel free to come along and speak with Andy. The details of the first session can be found in the upcoming events section below.



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Keep us up to date

Properties on the estate regularly become available, so it's important that we have your up to date housing needs details. This means we can let you know if you may qualify for a move due to changes in your household size or medical circumstances.

To update your details, please get in touch with our Resident Liaison Officer, Jane. You can contact her on 07557 747408 or email best@newlon.org.uk. You can also drop into the Newlon office, opposite the community centre.

Keeping us informed will help us support you better throughout this next phase at New Barnsbury.

More photos from committee night!



Upcoming events

Construction Drop-in



Wednesday 14th January 2026
6pm - 8pm



Seminar Room, Barnsbury Community Centre,
12 Jays Street, London, N1 0FE



Light refreshments provided

These drop-ins will take place bi-monthly. We will send reminders ahead of each session, but please note the following dates:

- Wednesday 11th March 2026 - 6pm - 8pm
- Wednesday 13th May 2026 - 6pm - 8pm
- Wednesday 15th July 2026 - 6pm 8pm

Demolition Celebration

Dates for this event will be confirmed shortly, but we want to celebrate this milestone with you!

During this event we will invite residents to view the demolition works and hear speeches from the Newlon and Mount Anvil teams. There will be celebratory drinks and light refreshments as well.

Once confirmed we will share the details of this event with you, so keep an eye out for more information!



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