

WORKS UPDATE

JUNE 2026

What's been completed

Demolition works at Blackmore House began in February and are now complete. Thank you for your patience while this work was carried out.

Upcoming works

The main site area (Phase 1a) is currently being levelled so we can prepare it for new homes. This work is expected to continue for the next two months. Sheet piling will take place from late June to early July. This involves installing underground metal sheets to support the construction.



Road closure - important information



- A section of road near Jocelyn House (highlighted in the image) will be closed from 1 June 2026 for construction works to make way for the new foundations in Phase 1a.
- Duration: approximately 2 weeks of work then this will be permanently closed.
- Working hours: 08:00 - 17:00

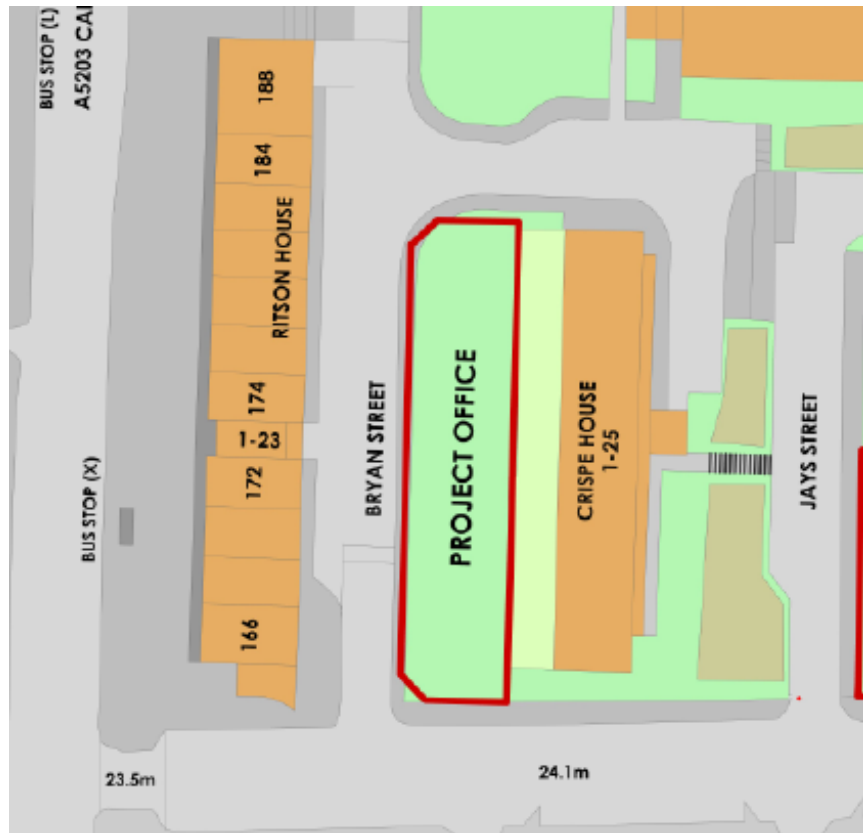
During this time there will be no vehicle or pedestrian access to Jocelyn House from the usual route. Residents will need to access the building via Leirum Street (front entrance). We will do all we can to minimise noise and disruption.

The bins will remain in the same location; however, during the construction of New Barnsbury Phase 1A, they will be relocated to footpath level on a scaffold platform rather than at lower ground level.

Looking ahead

Crispe House

From June, works will begin behind Crispe House to prepare the ground and install foundations for a new Mount Anvil project office. We understand this may be the first time some residents are hearing about this and we want to reassure you that we will share more information in the upcoming weeks including what to expect and how we will work to minimise disruption. The project office is currently expected to be completed in August 2026.



Mavor House

Construction of a new electrical substation will take place behind Mavor House which will support power supply in the area.

Utility works will include trenching to connect power to Copenhagen Street. At the rear of Mavor House, the remaining trees will be removed, as approved by Islington Council, and timber hoarding will be installed to safely separate the work area.

We will ensure that parking bays behind the shops at Ewen House remain accessible at all times.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We appreciate your understanding while these improvements are underway.



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Copenhagen Street Hoarding

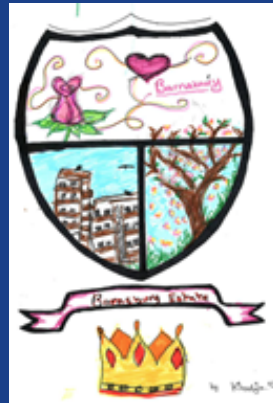
Between October and December last year, Barnsbury residents took part in art workshops led by local artist Nailah to design a section of the Copenhagen Street hoarding around the theme of what Barnsbury means to them.

This was followed by another session at our Eid celebration event, held at Barnsbury Community Centre on 31 March, where nearly 50 residents took part in cultural activities, food and music. Residents who joined the art workshops created beautiful pieces that were entered into a competition. We are aiming to have the hoarding decorated towards the end of this year. Please look out for further updates.

Below are the three winners, who will each receive a gift voucher:



1st place
Sabine, £30 voucher



2nd place
Khadya, £20 voucher



3rd place
Aisha, £10 voucher

Construction Drop-in



Wednesday 8th July 2026
6pm - 8pm



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



Light refreshments provided

These drop-ins will take place every two months. We will send reminders ahead of each session, but please note the following dates.

- Wednesday 6th September 2026, 6pm-8pm
- Wednesday 11th November 2026, 6pm-8pm



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Visit to Kew Wakehurst Gardens

Barnsbury residents enjoyed a recent visit to Kew's Wakehurst Gardens, with a range of activities on offer for all ages. Residents had the opportunity to explore the beautiful gardens at their own pace or take part in organised sessions led by Kew.

Highlights included the Little Explorers guided tour, designed for both children and adults, and an Introduction to Mental Wellness session. This session featured a friendly and informative programme covering what mental wellness means, a short anxiety awareness exercise, a reflection on personal resilience, and practical approaches to wellbeing and mindfulness, with time for feedback at the end. The day offered a great mix of relaxation, learning and time in nature for everyone who attended.



Barnsbury Website

We're currently in the process of refreshing the Barnsbury website to give it a new look and make it easier for residents to find the information they need. The updated site will bring together all the key and essential updates, including construction news, progress on decants, moves and moving in, updates at Old Barnsbury, FAQs, community news, historic consultation information, and contact details for both Newlon and Mount Anvil.

So far, we have shared our proposals with the NBAP group and have taken their feedback on board to help shape the design and layout.

We're excited about the new website and will be sharing more details on timings and the launch date soon. In the lead-up to and after the launch, the team will be on hand to help with any queries and to support residents in navigating the new pages. Watch this space for more updates.

You can visit the current website here: www.betterbarnsbury.org.uk or by scanning the QR code. The current website will be available to access throughout the duration of the upgrade works.



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