

# BAM BULLETIN

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ***Are there any changes to what we can recycle on the Estate?***

We can now recycle plastics which have the number 1-3 in the small triangle. This includes plastic bottles and many fruit/vegetable containers, but not all. We can still not recycle yoghurt pots for example. Graham Hamilton is investigating a bin for batteries (currently available on the West End Land and Fortune Green sites), and a bin for tetrapak containers (i.e. waxed cartons) on the Estate. As noted in the last bulletin, we can now also include shredded paper with other paper and cardboard. The Estate Office will distribute an updated recycling leaflet to all tenants once it is ready.

## Garden News

The Garden Committee is very sorry to announce that our head gardener James Newton, who has been with us for nearly 3 ½ years, will be leaving us at the end of November. Our gardens have never looked so good as at present, and we hope you will take the time to stop and thank him before he goes. He intends to complete the work on the Buckingham Mansions front gardens before he takes off on an extensive trip to include Australia and India.

As part of the consultation and plans to improve the appearance of Marlborough Mansions west rear garden, a Magnolia Tree (*Magnolia Soulangeana Alba Superba*) is being planted, replacing a Forsythia. The purple Heuchera around the Forsythia will also come out and James will plant Crocus and snowdrops instead.

The privet hedges on both sides of Cannon Hill have over the years become increasingly uneven both in height and width and strength, with many hedges completely covering the brickwork. In order to paint and repair the brick walls, and allow for proper re-growth, our gardener will need to cut back some of the hedges in the future, starting next year. The Garden Committee is preparing a consultative document to be circulated to all Leaseholders, for discussion, in the near future.

Camden Council will be planting a Birch Tree on Cannon Hill to replace the Birch tree that died and which was removed last year. The work is scheduled to take place sometime between November and March.

## Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) Fortune Green CA-P Review Questionnaire

You will soon be receiving a questionnaire from Camden Council regarding the Fortune Green Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) scheme.

The questionnaire will, with your assistance, give us the opportunity to open discussions regarding extending our current buffer zone to include the remainder of Heath Drive to where it meets Redington Road. The BAM CPZ sub committee will be writing to all residents in the near future to explain their proposed course of action.

## Contractors

There have been a few incidents of damage to stairs and walls in the last couple of months by contractors employed by Leaseholders. All leaseholders are reminded that they will be held responsible for any such damage caused to common areas by their contractors. It is

imperative that any works / moving in / out are reported to the Estate Office in advance, in order that arrangements may be made to protect common area Carpets, Walls and the Lift interiors.

## Environmental Committee

In the last Bulletin we asked you to contact us if you had any ideas for the environmental committee. We plan to hold our first meeting in October, and welcome anyone who would be interested in participating. In particular, if you have ideas on how we can save energy and reduce our energy bills on the estate, we want to hear from you. We recently renewed our gas contract and price quotes had increased by 50% from two years ago. Please contact Ian Cohen or the Estate Office.

## Give and Take Day.

An opportunity for Household items to be taken for disposal or exchange. - The next Give and Take Day will be on Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Hungerford Primary School, Hungerford Road, N7 9LF.

## Health and Safety

It has been brought to our notice that Children have been climbing and playing on the Hot Water Pipes (low level Marlborough East). We would urge parents to ensure that this stops, since it is not only dangerous, but will cause damage to the lagging.

The BAM CPZ Committee have approached Camden Council to convey our concerns about the poor street lighting in Cannon Hill. Camden Council's Senior lighting Engineers have said they will inspect, but say there is no finance available.

## Halloween Friday October 31<sup>st</sup>

It is time for trick and treating on the BAM Estate again at the end of next month. If you are brave enough to have little scary monsters come to your door on Halloween we need to know so that we can compile lists of flats where children will be welcome. Please contact either Florence Zinzen on 07941 964 609 or Birgit

Ivarsson on 07740 289 189, or alternatively Nikki in the Estate Office. We will put up posters with more details closer to the actual date.

## Contact Us

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## Looking for...

### Part time nanny/mother's help Babysitters & Cleaners Available

*Cleaner Available* – Our cleaner Matti is looking for more work. She is very thorough, dependable and efficient, and has a sweet personality. Her mobile is 07970 648 379. References are available from 32 Avenue Mansions.

*Cleaner available.* Already working for 2 families in the BAM estate, I am looking for more hours. Refs. available. Adriana: 07816 991 422.

*Babysitter available.* I just moved to 62 Marlborough Mansions, I am studying 'A' levels and available most days and evenings. Refs. available. Hannah Jadavji, 07967 447 964. email: [hannahsiuyin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hannahsiuyin@hotmail.co.uk)

*Babysitter available.* My babysitter, Marie, is looking for more work on evenings and weekends. She lives in the area and is very good with children. Her number is 07986 179 845. Refs. available from 11 Marlborough Mansions (07941 964 609).

*Nanny available.* Trained and experienced teacher from Hungary, available mornings from early until noon. Tunde: 07877 265 441. Refs. available from flat 43 Marlborough Mansions.

*Nanny available from January.* My name is Sherrie Kercagu-Joseph, I have been working with children for 7 years. The family with 4 children I am currently working for are leaving London in January. I am then looking for a full time position. 07813 591 306. Refs. available.