

## **CRICKLEWOOD**

### **Cricklewood Town Team – plans and successes March 2020**

Town Team volunteers work in partnership with residents and statutory bodies to improve the environment in Cricklewood, including working with local businesses through our Business Association.

Over the past year, we have been working on these projects:

- The Brent NCIL-funded pedestrianisation of [Oaklands Road/Broadway](#) will include monitoring of the air-quality on the Broadway and aims to reduce the environmental impact of traffic for residents. Work starts in April with trees planted and the Air Labs monitoring and Press Play activity will then be in place. The Wright family market stall will remain. We plan to have a range of activities on the pedestrianised space. The Oaklands Passage art has certainly brightened up the Passage and helped to reduce anti-social behaviour – thanks to funding by Argent Related, through SembleUK as part of #BXSCommunityFund, and NorthWestTWO Residents Association. The inspiration was by local residents with artist Kevin Keating.
- At Cricklewood station on Platform One plans are in place to develop a garden on land provided by Network Rail, which will be funded by GTR\_Govia's Passenger Benefit Fund. Additionally, our history project will install panels in the Waiting Area detailing aspects of Cricklewood's fascinating history, including aeronautical developments, factories, the suffragette at Clitterhouse Farm and the story of the activities at the Crown public house from the 18<sup>th</sup> century.
  - At Cricklewood Station and travelling south? Look out on your left when you approach Platform One and admire the [amazing installation](#) by local artist Alistair Lambert celebrating the aeronautical history of Cricklewood, particularly that of Handley Page. This was also a NorthWestTwoRA project funded by GTR\_Govia Passenger Benefit Fund. The development of Alistair's work can be seen on Instagram #alistairlambert and [www.alistairlambert.co.uk](http://www.alistairlambert.co.uk) also have a look at this [youtube link](#)
- CTT are very concerned about the implications for local residents and businesses in the Victorian central Cricklewood area of the developers' plans for the 5 large sites for more than 1400 new homes. This includes, in Cricklewood Lane the B&Q site and the Co-op building, and on the Broadway the Galtymore, Beacon Bingo and Matalan sites. CTT support the work of NorthWestTwoRA which enables local residents to understand the short and longer-term implications of these massive builds. [www.northwesttwo.org.uk/](http://www.northwesttwo.org.uk/)
- In response to many concerns from our Business members and local residents, CTT are re-establishing a triumvirate approach between Mapesbury, Fortune Green and Childs Hill SNTs with police actively working to alleviate concerns for local residents and businesses.

- The TfL Legible London signpost installation awaits the completion of the road widening in Cricklewood Lane. This road widening will enable an additional lane so that traffic driving out of Cricklewood and turning left into Claremont Lane have the road space in which to do this.
- The Cricklewood Community Library will open within the month; CTT encourages residents to get involved in the range of planned activities. It's been a hard struggle to raise the funds and credit goes to this local success. [www.cricklewoodlibrary.org.uk/](http://www.cricklewoodlibrary.org.uk/)
- Clitterhouse Farm continue their excellent work with local schools and students encouraging learning and leadership. All details are on their website [www.clitterhouse.com](http://www.clitterhouse.com) and on Twitter [@clitterhouse](https://twitter.com/clitterhouse)
- The search for community space in Cricklewood continues; the Town Team aims to use the space for local involvement in environmental and well-being issues. [www.cricklewood.net](http://www.cricklewood.net)

**Community Action on Dementia-Brent, based at Ashford Place in Cricklewood**, are working across Brent to facilitate a dementia friendly borough, in line with the LB Brent's strategic aims. With a range of about 18 Dementia or Memory Cafes in different locations across the Borough the focus is on giving those living with dementia a voice to ensure that they are able to live independently for longer. See [www.cad-brent.org.uk](http://www.cad-brent.org.uk)

**Ashford Place** supports the vulnerable and disadvantaged by providing information, advice and guidance to an increasing number of residents, some about to lose their home and job. The continuing impact of austerity on individuals alongside the reduction in mainstream public services ensures the need for local community support of Ashford Place. [www.ashfordplace.org.uk](http://www.ashfordplace.org.uk)