

YOUR BOWES PARK

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LUSH LITTER PICK

Do you, your family and friends want to help us clean up Booze Park, I mean, Bowes Park?

At 3pm on Sat 19 May we will meet at The Ranelagh and wind our way through Bowes Park's streets, parks and open spaces, equipped with litter pickers and a lot of bags.

We will end at The Prince, well, whenever!

See you there!

Calling young Creatives

Would you like to see your artwork, photograph, poem or article in the Newsletter? If so, send your entry with name and age to us - the best will be featured AND win a prize.

WHAT'S ON

APRIL 01 - Easter Egg Hunt and Myddleton Road market
21 - Myddleton Road Community Garden Plant Sale
21 - Weekend of Play, Finsbury Gardens

MAY 05 - Myddleton Road Community Garden gardening
06 - Myddleton Road market
12 - Vintage and Flea market, Blue House Yard
19 - Lush Litter Pick

JUNE 03 - Myddleton Road Market, 5th birthday
07 - Folk Group at Mum's lounge
09 - Community Garden Summer Party

JULY 01 - Summer Festival, Myddleton Road
07 - Myddleton Road Community Garden gardening

AUG 04 - Myddleton Road Community Garden gardening
05 - Flea market, Myddleton Road
11 - Street food & Craft Beer market, Blue House Yard

SEPT 02 - Myddleton Road Market
08 - Finsfeste, Finsbury Gardens

Thank you to our Bounds Green Ward Councillors

The last two decades have seen Bowes Park transform into the wonderful and cared-for environment you see today. A lot of people have invested time, sweat and tears to make great improvements to the area, not least our exceptional local Councillors Joanna Christophides, Ali Demirci and Clare Bull who have provided constant support, sometimes overtly, sometimes behind the scenes and have worked unceasingly for the good of this area. They are knowledgeable, approachable, encouraging and constantly available to help the local people improve the area, holding regular surgeries to help sort out problems.

Sadly, the three will not be representing Bounds Green after May 2018. I am sure there are many in our Community who will be very sad to lose these committed people.

We wish them well in their next endeavours, and thank them from the bottom of our hearts for their involvement in so many beneficial developments, their unfailing attendance at our social events and for being so visible and generally leaving Bounds Green Ward in an infinitely better state than when they arrived.



BowesPark
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Myddleton Road Market

myddletonroadmarket.co.uk

First Sunday of each month

11am-4pm

The award winning community market continues. Look out for details.



Finsbury Garden

The gardens are well used and much loved but they do need looking after. Thankfully Haringey is able to do some general upkeep but if we want to have flowers in the beds we need to come together to make it happen. Look out for details of upcoming **Finsbury Diggers** dates so you can come and join us. Tools are provided but do bring your own if you have them. Also, with thanks to a grant from Haringey, we shall soon have a second picnic table in the Gardens.



Hello from the BPCA Chair

Welcome to the Bowes Park
Community Association Spring
Newsletter!



You may already know me from Killick Stores, the shop I had on Myddleton Road for three years. I've lived in many places but have never felt so welcomed as I have here. It was the reason I opened the shop and it is the reason I wanted to become the new Chair.

The BPCA has tirelessly cleaned up the streets and parks, interacted with government, received grants from detailed funding applications, provided garden spaces when none existed, and held free events for all to enjoy. Not many communities can say that! The most important part of my message is to thank the previous Chair, Joanna Burke, for her enormous dedication, encouragement, humour, good sense, professionalism and support and.... well, a huge thank you to an amazing person. We'll miss you.

Please get in touch if you need assistance of any kind, if you would like to get involved, or if you have new ideas to make our neighbourhood even better.

Emma

Rubbish - it's a constant battle!

Did you know? For those with wheelie bins, Veolia pick up household waste every fortnight and recycled waste every week. Not everyone has wheelie bins so some households are directed to put their rubbish on the footpath for pick up, as are all shopkeepers. This is the rule on high streets throughout London (ever been in Soho at around 5pm?!)

Did you also know that Veolia collect rubbish from Myddleton Road three times a day, six days a week, and twice a day on Sunday, and that they sweep the street every single day?

Chamber music

insieme.co.uk

Bowes Park based Chamber Music ensemble 'Insieme' is a mixed group of singers and instrumentalists known for their engaging and imaginative concert and opera programming. They are in residency at Lauderdale House, Highgate with concerts on **10 June, 23 Sep and 09 Dec**. Tickets from lauderdalehouse.org.uk



Family First Aiders

familyfirstaiders.org.uk

Family First Aiders is a locally run organisation set up in 2011. Founder Emily says "We are the only not-for-profit organisation that specialises in teaching baby and child First Aid to parents. I wanted to make sure that all local parents had the opportunity to learn First Aid in a fun, affordable and family friendly way."

Family First Aiders dedicates 100% of their profits to providing free courses for families most at risk in the local community, are recommended by Health Visitors and have received awards for their work. Get in touch with Emily via website above for details of classes.



Bowes Park Community Choir

bowesparkcommunitychoir.org

Every Tuesday : 7:15pm - 9:15pm, Bounds Green School

Another successful term with Musical Director Matt Hardy and our fantastic accompanist Laurie O'Brien, plus we've had a significant increase in the number of members to more than 100. At our winter concert in December we were delighted to be joined by Catherine Lima who provided a lively jazz interlude to the programme. The concert raised £1,221 for Homeless Action Barnet.

Meet... Vicky & Ben

Vicky & Ben have lived in the area since 2015 with their two small boys Nelson and Conrad. By day they are a Book Conservator at the British Library and a Social Worker, but by night they are half of the cult band Flotation Toy Warning.

The band's recently released second album received great critical acclaim in France and they will be off on tour again soon.



Bowes Park Ceilidh

audevers@phonecoop.coop

The Bowes Park Ceilidh tradition was revived last October. The event was a sell-out and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Music and dance calls provided by professionals, Chris Carpenter & Peter, helped the evening to go with a swing. The ploughman's supper was very popular, as was the raffle. All profits went to local charities. If you would like to get involved to [help organise the Autumn 2018 Ceilidh](#) please email Audrey.



Want to help?

We are always looking for volunteers to help with events and garden clean-up days. It's a great way to meet your neighbours and feel part of the community. Email yourbowespark@gmail.com for details

Want to join?

If you don't have the time, but want to support the BPCA, you can become a member. To join please visit bowespark.org.uk

Myddleton Road Community Garden

myddletonroadcg@gmail.com
Twitter : [MyddletonRoadCG](#)

The **Spring Plant and Cake Sale** will be on **Sat 21 April 11am - 1pm**. If you'd like to contribute to the sale please bring donations on the morning.

Look out for details of the **Summer Garden Party on Sat 09 June**.

Join us for our **monthly gardening sessions on the first Saturday of every month, 11am - 1pm**.



Walking Group

walksbowespark@yahoo.co.uk

The group has been going for leisurely, social and local walks for nearly 12 years now. Walks take place on the **last weekend of the month** in either Hertfordshire or Greater London. New volunteer guides are always welcome, as are new members. Email the address above for details of upcoming walks.

Folk Group

bowesparkfolk@gmail.com

Mum's Lounge, Myddleton Rd

Thurs 7 June £7

Oka Vanga : award winning folk duo

Thurs 5 July £5

Summer Showcase : local talent and sing-a-long

£3 off entry with this Newsletter

Vacancies

Please get in touch if you can help us with the following volunteering positions, they don't take up much time! [Newsletter deliverers](#), [Comms](#) or [FinsFeste helpers](#)

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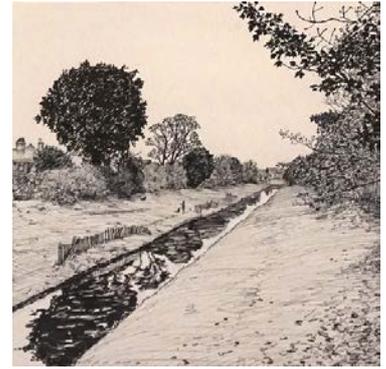
The New River Tunnel

This Victorian gem is one of our area's very few Listed Buildings. It was beautifully repaired and restored in 2011 and is a popular subject for many local artists.

Sadly, because it has become a graffiti haven, Thames Water have decided to install a very tall fence which will both obstruct the view from the Gym and cut off access to a much favoured spot. We think that such a fence will 'adversely affect the setting of a listed building', which is against the Council's policy.

We hope to convince Thames Water that the fence isn't a solution, but swift graffiti removal is.

Drawing courtesy of gabrielaschutz.com



Window Show

boundsgreenwindowshow.com

Bounds Green Window Show turned Bowes Park and Bounds Green into a big exhibition for a few days over the last weekend in February. A fantastic 53 houses exhibited displays of all kind; colourful and brightly lit windows showed suffragette posters and space-scapes, participatory weaving projects and parades of animals. They wanted to find a way to celebrate the creativity and diversity of our fantastic community, for each other and for the people passing through. The



Window Show was inspired by community display projects around the country. We're planning to **run the show again early next year** and would love to light up many more windows across the area. To find out more and for pictures of the show visit the website.

MINI BOWES PARKERS

What a wonderful Blue Tit from Beatrix (aged 5). Please ask your grown-up to contact us for your prize! Look out for details of the Haringey Weekend of Play in Finsbury Gardens on **Sat 21 April, 2-4pm**

