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The Journal of the Islington Society

Four months an eternity in politics.

Since the last Islington News, 335 people have been elected to Parliament for the first time, the myth that one election result has any bearing on the next has been debunked, and two party politics has almost certainly reached its end.

After the Brexit vote in 2016, frustration with the political system was tempered and the 2017 election saw over 80% of votes cast for the two main parties promising to deliver on the referendum result. But failure to “Get Brexit Done” in prolonged battles proved tiresome and the Labour vote fell outside of the major conurbations. Despite that, Labour had more than 10 million votes and a higher number than in 2005 when holding a majority of seats.

The latest election brought a thumping majority for Labour even though the total votes secured dropped to 9.2 million. Voters were motivated almost entirely by a desire to remove the Tories. There are already polls suggesting that voter intention might be “anyone but Labour” next time. Unease with the Labour Party was evident in Islington where Jeremy Corbyn, forced out of the PLP, easily overcame the official Labour candidate, not helped by a reticence to speak to the press or attend hustings. It seemed a curious strategy for a candidate almost unknown in the north of the Borough, based on the belief that a low key campaign would reduce publicity to the fact that Labour faced a serious challenge in North Islington for the first time in living memory.

Despite this result, the Labour Party was equally reticent about the circumstances of the unexpected by-election in Hillrise Ward, held in August. Unsurprisingly, having gone to the polls twice already in 2024, the turnout was miserable, under 15%. This time the tactic

worked because the vote of dissatisfied with Labour’s move to the right split and comfortably outweighed those dissatisfied with it being too left wing. The Greens will have been disappointed with fourth place as their constructive approach to opposition did not seem to have cut through. Moreover, the Labour councillors in the camp dissatisfied with Labour’s move to the right now outnumbers the Green councillors, making them the official opposition.

A more lasting change came on September 19th when London’s last daily newspaper was published in hard copy for the last time. In truth, the Evening Standard has endured a long decline, as the letters page was reduced to a half page part filled by the editor’s response to letters and then deleted altogether. The radio listings disappeared, followed by the television listings, later editions ceased so that the news items, such as they were, were little advance on the morning papers.

There has been an inevitability about the decline of printed news. Whilst advances in what a portable telephone can do have reduced the inane conversations (usually “I’m on the train” which most people in earshot knew already), for some reason they cannot be folded away like the newspapers they have replaced when the user reaches his or her destination. This has the effect of reducing walking speeds and oblivion toward other transport users.

We are fortunate in Islington to have two weekly newspapers. The Gazette may be struggling under repeated merger of newspaper groups, buoyed only by its long association with Islington, but the Tribune enjoys an enthusiastic editorial team grateful to have found a platform for their journalistic skills. AB

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Society events and activity

Planning Watch

Our comments on recent planning issues are summarised on page 4. A report of the talk by Victoria Lawson appears on page 3, and on our sponsorship of Islington in Bloom on page 5.

Fiona Monkman, who is the Head of Architecture for Islington Architects, the Council's in-house architectural practice, gave a fascinating presentation to members of the Islington Society on 10th June. She provided examples of the many projects for which she has been responsible, including ones which have won her national awards, notably the M J Long Prize in 2022 for her work on Centurion Close. The award is one of the suite of W Awards run by the Architects Journal and Architectural Review and recognises women in the UK demonstrating 'Excellence in Practice'.

During the 25 years she has worked in the practice, there have been many changes, both in the demographics of the borough and its political priorities, but her work has consistently been dedicated to the values and quality of social housing and the principle that there is no reason why social housing and its surroundings should be poorly designed and of inferior quality. She has been driven by a fierce political commitment, and a belief that good architecture need not be expensive but has the power to improve lives and should be enjoyed by everyone.

Islington Society members embarked on the annual Bill Manley/Harley Sherlock Memorial Pub Crawl on 14th June held in memory of pub crawl founder Bill Manley, and Society founder member Harley Sherlock.

Visiting pubs in the north of the borough, the crawl started at the Robin Ale and Cider House followed by the Old Dairy and Stapleton Tavern all on Crouch Hill, finishing at the White Lion in Stroud Green Road. The Old Dairy, a Grade II listed building, won the Islington Society Geoffrey Gribble Award in 1998 as it was judged to have made a significant contribution to improving the environment of Islington and fits well into its surroundings.

One member, Charles Manson, said: "What an excellent way to explore different parts of Islington, sample some real ales and make new friends."

Islington Society committee member and pub crawl organiser Andrew Bosi said: "A regular fixture on the Society's calendar, the pub crawl visits a different part of the borough each year – we must have visited around 90 pubs in over 30 years".

Islington Society: What we do

- we support conservation planning work to preserve the borough's historic fabric and individual buildings of distinction
- we campaign for a high standard of design in new buildings
- we encourage best practice through awards for good architecture in new or refurbished buildings
- we organise a varied programme of events including talks, walks and site visits
- we campaign for better public transport and for priority for people travelling on foot or by bike
- we produce publications that celebrate Islington's history and its social and cultural diversity
- we publish neighbourhood walking trails to foster exploration awareness and pride of place
- we build links between residents officials and councillors
- we send advisers to Council groups dealing with development, the environment and transport
- we are represented on the London Forum of Amenity & Civic Societies, which takes up cross-borough issues and is a member of Civic Voice
- we publish a regular newsletter The views expressed in the Islington Society's Journal are not necessarily those of the Editor or the Society's adopted policy.

Our web site is www.islingtonociety.org.uk

Victoria Lawson outlines Council's plans to Society members

Islington Council Chief Executive Victoria Lawson outlined the five key missions to create a more equal borough in a talk to Islington Society members at the Town Hall on October 2nd. From being Child Friendly and Empowering People, to Community Wealth Building having a Safe Place to Call Home and being Greener and Healthier she explained the challenges the Council faces and the plan to address them.

Lawson, who joined Islington just nine months ago, has had a 20-year career in local government that followed positions in the Ministry of Defence and as a civil servant. She has spent this year meeting residents, colleagues and partners to fully understand how people see and feel about our borough.

Firstly, Lawson outlined a range of challenges in particular an unprecedented demand for temporary accommodation, Adult Social Care and Children Services which as statutory responsibilities of councils must be provided, as well as a budget gap of £23 million for 2025/26 and £107 million over the period to 2029/30.

An increase in children being looked after, around 300 in Islington, and in those with special educational needs as well as falling birth rates, school absence reaching 21% in primary students and 29% in secondary students have also been challenges.

Building new council homes, tackling poverty and economic inequality against a backdrop of rising construction and living costs are key areas to address to build community wealth.

With 1 in 50 Londoners and 1 in 23 children in temporary accommodation, a rise in homelessness of 27% in the last 12 months in Islington and the need to invest in the Council's 36,000 properties are also amongst the challenges.

Lawson then outlined the Delivery Plan for 2024-26. To address the child-friendly challenges, the Council aims to support families, re-organise schools, improve school attendance

and ensure Lifelong Corporate Parenting for looked-after children.

In the community it plans to support low-income households to claim full benefits, deliver 1,000 apprenticeships, tackle the causes of poverty and create more training, employment and business growth opportunities.

To help empower people the Council seeks to: demonstrate how residents' feedback has contributed to the delivery of services; improve access to Council services in person, by phone and online targeting satisfaction levels of 85%; and use community spaces to best serve the needs of all residents.

On homes, £200 million is set to be invested in homelessness, £17 million in Thriving Neighbourhoods, 154 Council homes will be completed and planning consent for another 178 secured, with another £200 million invested in homes to address fire safety, repairs, damp and mould as well as support for private renters through expanded licensing and a borough-wide approach to anti-social behaviour.

Recognising that Islington is the second most densely populated borough in the country with the second lowest amount of green space at just 13%, the Council plans to plant 600 trees a year and add 1.5 hectares (3.7 acres) of green space by 2030. The aim is to increase household recycling or composting from the current 29% to 36% and deliver more Liveable Neighbourhoods covering 50% of the borough by 2026.

To boost the health of local residents the Council wants to improve mental health support, increase capacity of drug, smoking and alcohol services, be recognised as a carer and age friendly borough, and encourage active travel.

Lawson was keen to stress that although the Council is under significant financial pressures, it is in a better position than many other councils.

The presentation was a shorter version of that shared with our Corporate Resources Scrutiny if Members wish to have a copy: [Annual Leader's Presentation 2024 \(islington.gov.uk\)](https://www.islington.gov.uk/annual-leader-presentation-2024)

Society responses to Planning applications

The Society will be reviewing the just-submitted planning applications for the Archway Campus/Holborn Infirmary site and Finsbury Leisure Centre (P2024/2512/FUL, deadline 24 Oct) with a view to lodging objections.

We are concerned about proposals to change the Grade I listed St Saviour's, Aberdeen Park. The listing includes specific reference to its internal details. We are also concerned about the partial demolition of a Victorian wall on Newington Green Road which appears to have been undertaken for a development that is not happening.

In addition the committee is, or has

been, monitoring plans at sites including: London Metropolitan University, Holloway Road; Buckley Building, 49 Clerkenwell Green; RBS (Regent's House), 40 Islington High Street; 48 Chiswell Street; Marlborough Building, Holloway Road; land at rear of 28 Amwell Street; and changes to the New Barnsbury Estate plans.

The Society supported Islington Council's Article 4 application regarding restricting Permitted Development Rights and we note that the Planning Inquiry on Edward Rudolph House, 69-85 Margery Street (formerly The Children's Society) was held in September.

Islington Play Association crisis

Islington Play Association, the voluntary group that runs adventure playgrounds such as Crumbles Castle and Toffee Park on behalf of the Council, is facing a financial crisis. It has asked all its staff to take a pay cut, with the alternative being no job and no play centre.

The cost of living crisis, and the long term impact of Covid, is still being felt and staff living in Islington face an unsustainable existence if they take the pay cut. It is just one of the many manifestations of the crisis confronting the

government aware of the need to restore cuts to public service funding and the need to boost the economy by avoiding tax cuts or increased borrowing.

Voluntary groups undertaking services on behalf of the Council are not bound to follow pay rates agreed by the Council, but councillors are clearly uncomfortable with the plight of IPA. Unfortunately the scope for intervening is more or less non-existent.

Books from our President and late Vice-President

Suicide of the West, by Richard Koch & Chris Smith, £14.99 available on Amazon, ISBN 0-8264 9023-9.

A History of Islington, by Mary Cosh, published by Historical Publications at £18.95, ISBN 0-948667-974

53 Cross Street - the biography of an historic house by Mary Cosh & Martin King, published by the Islington Archaeology & History Society

Record number of entries for Islington in Bloom

With 270 entries in 2024, Islington residents have again shown their commitment to creating a greener borough. The competition, which is run jointly by Islington Council and Islington Gardeners, is now in its 21st year, and has had more entries than ever. Taking part in Islington in Bloom provides an opportunity for local people to support efforts to create a more environmentally friendly and attractive borough. Cllr Rowena Champion, Executive Member for Environment, Air Quality & Transport, said at the awards ceremony: “The competition proves that you don’t need to have a garden to take part; creating a greener window sill, balcony or shared space on an estate can be transformative. Plus, there are lots of opportunities to get involved in your local park or green space, through friends groups, volunteering with community rangers, or by adopting a tree pit.”



The Little Angel Theatre Community Garden

The Islington Society sponsors an annual award for the best community garden. This year the winner was The Little Angel Community Garden, followed by The Old Fire Station in Mayton Street behind Morrison’s on Holloway Road and the Hilldrop Area Community Garden.



Mayton Street



Hilldrop Community Garden

A walk along St. John Street, from Clerkenwell to the Angel

This walk follows the full length of St. John Street, from Smithfield to the Angel. As with previous walks it takes as its framework the revised register of Islington's locally listed buildings completed in 2021 by the Islington Society and available on the society's website. Because there are many historic buildings on this walk, much is nationally Grade II listed and the remainder on the local list is often comparatively humble. A full picture of St. John Street considers both categories. As you walk towards the Angel, the odd numbers are on your left, the even numbers on your right. .

We start at **Nos. 3 and 5**, built as a butcher's shop and offices. It is dated in the pediment 'REBUILT BY W. HARRIS 1897' with a low-relief carving of a boar. It is of an original design, with Art Nouveau influences, built of yellow brick with stone dressings and a roof of Welsh slate. The piers between the bays have bases of pink polished granite, with pilasters supporting narrow entablatures, still visible in the current Pret a Manger livery.



Farmiloe's, as rebuilt after the 1868 fire

Across the road, walking northwards, are **Nos. 34 and 36**, once the warehouses of George Farmiloe and Sons Ltd, lead and glass merchants. The original building was destroyed by a disastrous fire in 1868. Firemen, one of whom was injured, failed to stop it spreading to an oil store nearby and many neighbouring properties had to be rebuilt. The Farmiloe building itself was rebuilt relatively quickly in 1868, of yellow brick and granite with stucco on the ground floor and stucco dressings. There is a central round-arched entrance and to the right a carriage entrance with ornate iron gates and a fascia with sunk Roman letters LEAD & GLASS/GEORGE FARMILOE & SONS LIMITED/ MERCHANTS. The interior retains a fine staircase and panelled boardrooms.

The fire spread as far as **Nos. 44 and 46** which were rebuilt in 1877 for Edward Richard Parker, provision merchant, designed by architect Charles Bell. There were bacon

smoking ovens in Smokehouse Yard at the back, which still has the feel of Victorian Smithfield about it. Nos. 44 and 46 were designed in the Italian palazzo style favoured for industrial buildings of the time. The window arrangement on the first and second floors has a strong rhythm to it.



The Smokeyard

Nos. 47-53 is an 1890s late Victorian Baroque building with its date, 1892, on the gable end. Its facade follows the curve of the street, which shows off its pilastered and corniced frontage to its best effect. Some of the late Victorian buildings on this part of St. John Street were speculatively built, as demand from the meat trade at Smithfield was so high. This was one of them. The stained glass in the ground floor windows is modern.

No. 97 is a brick building with decorative terracotta panels and a roundel in the pediment which displays the date 1895. **No. 99** makes a fine contrast with its neighbour, in a more restrained Dutch influenced Queen Anne style.

At the junction with Clerkenwell Road, **Nos. 116 and 118** is a former pub and hotel, the Criterion, built in the mid 1870s again in an Italian palazzo style. It closed in the 1960s but has retained some of its pub frontage, particularly the green tiling.

Cross Clerkenwell Road and on the left is Albemarle Way, **Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6** are locally listed, a late Victorian terrace of shopfronts in an

historic area close to St. John's Square. They are set in an important architectural grouping, close to an 1879 chain factory by Ebenezer Greg and a Grade II listed Giles Gilbert Scott phone kiosk.



Albemarle Way

No. 3 has a timber frontage with a side entrance to the upper floors, and a large multi-paned display window with timber panelled stallriser beneath. Despite alterations over the years, the original historic shopfronts are largely intact.

Return to St. John Street and **Nos. 148 to 154**. Once brewery buildings these are now offices c.1900. The ground floor is granite and the upper floors yellow and white brick. The upper floors have a giant order of pilasters supporting entablature which breaks forward over them. Next door, at Nos 156 to 162 are the old **Cannon Brewery** buildings, dated 1893, by architects Bradford and Sons. Cannon was taken over by Taylor Walker in 1930 and the brewery was closed in 1956. Like many buildings associated with brewers it is self-important, with elaborate ornamentation.

The old **Nicholson's distillery** is next. Nicholsons was one of Britain's leading distilleries in the 19th and 20th centuries. **No. 201** is dated 1828 in the frieze, designed by the architect John Blyth. It is a substantial four storied building with giant pilasters and a simple entablature on top.

On to **Nos 238 and 240** formerly the George and Dragon public house, now **The Peasant**, though closed since April. **The Peasant** is a handsome, well-detailed example of a late C19 public house with high-quality brickwork, a good pub front and some original internal pub fittings and decoration of note. No. 238, although altered internally, is an integral part of the design. It is a shame it is not open for a refreshment.



The former rectory to St. Peter's Church in 2016

Further north, we come to Wyclif Street and to what was No. 14, **then rectory to St. Peter's Church**. The church was on the corner with St. John's Street and demolished after World War II bomb damage. The rectory was designed by Jesse Christian Hukins and built in 1874-75. The rectory is a remaining link to the church and a contrast to the mid-1900s utilitarianism of the surrounding estates. It is now incorporated into the National Centre for Social Research. It is currently (October 2024) covered in scaffolding.

On to **Nos. 383 to 399**, a terrace of nine, three storey, late Georgian houses, of London stock brick with rooves concealed behind plain parapet coping. These were New River Company houses and are mostly of the standard type found on the company's estate. They were built in 1823-4 by George Bishop, a Holborn bricklayer, for Daniel Toohey of Clerkenwell, a victualler. No. 399 was much rebuilt c.1845 for John Bland, a butcher, and apart from a brief period around the end of the 1900s has remained a butcher's shop, retaining an attractive shopfront and interior fittings installed in 1928 by J. Cannon & Son, of Stoke Newington.

No. 406 and Nos. 412-416 St. John Street were built on the site of the original Alice Owen alms houses and school. When the old buildings were cleared the land was leased to William Griffiths, builder and surveyor of Edgware Road, who may have designed them. They have four storeys plus parapet and pedimented windows on the first floor. They have the stucco window surrounds of their time and probably had stucco ground floors as well, the shopfronts being inserted later. These houses are attractive early Victorian buildings on a historic site. The **Red Lion**, also locally listed is ideal for a drink at the end of the walk. AC

PTE shortlisted for prize

Council housing development at Dovercourt praised.

Pollard Thomas Edwards have been shortlisted for the RIBA Neave Brown award for their design of the Council's first in fill project on an existing estate, Dovercourt in Canonbury.

The Award is for the consultation prior to construction, and satisfaction with the result.

The construction company who made such a hash of building it are mentioned but their performance should not be relevant to the prize.

Government drops demand to review London Plan

The decision of the last government to demand that the Mayor review the last London Plan, with particular regard to its housing policies, has been revoked. This means that the Mayor can begin work in earnest on a new London Plan. The present one is widely regarded as out of date having been originally drafted in 2017.

The government continues to blame the planning system for the lack of new housing, but there is some recognition that what is needed is social housing or housing that people can afford to occupy. Buy to leave is a double disaster because it does not provide any homes and consumes space into which homes might be provided.

The last plan included provision for small space development, which would seem to be particularly apposite in Boroughs like ours with so little available space, but this did not survive the Examination in Public.

Private sector development has been relatively stable and the decline in building can be

attributed to the lack of public sector funding, and in part by the declining number of people working in the construction industry. The private sector exists to make money, not enforce government policy, and keeping supply below demand is the most effective way of maintaining profit margins.

The concept of beauty is no longer government policy, and debate will range as to what parts of the green belt can now be considered grey belt ripe for development. In Islington's case it is Metropolitan Open Land, which should have equivalent status to the Green Belt, that will need protection if new homes and their surroundings are to maintain a necessary quality.

MHCLG will soon launch a consultation on a proposed new 'Decent Homes Standard,' which, along with Awwab's law, will aim to strengthen protections for private renters and social housing renters respectively. The proposals would implement set timescales for the tackling of hazards such as damp and mould, and new access to information requirements for housing associations.

University merger

City University, which became City, University of London a few years ago with a little noticed insertion of a comma, has changed its name again. Following merger with St. George's it is now City St. George's, University of London.

St. George's is the Hospital Medical School linked to the hospital in Tooting. Prior to 1980, the hospital and medical school was at Hyde Park Corner. The old names will continue as trading names until the end of March 2025.

Islington Pub news



The former Wetherspoons pub at the Angel, so named, was sold on to become the Junction. It has now changed again, taking a famous name from the past, the Peacock. In the *Islington News* of Summer 2010 you can read about the original, a few doors along Islington High Street. Another pub to feature in a previous issue of *Islington News*, the Peasant in Summer 2009, has sadly closed after repossession by the freeholder. It was the venue of the Society Dinner that year and is described in Andrew Clayton's latest "Walk". The Alma in Chapel Market has been refurbished and the Drayton Park has reopened with a rebuilt and reorganised interior. The Toffemaker is now the Dame Alice Owen.

DCMS news

Culture Secretary Delivers Speech at Labour Party Conference

Culture Secretary Lisa Nandy delivered a speech at the Labour Party Conference last week. In it, she declared the end of a “violent indifference to culture,” the launch of cultural youth hubs, a reset of the Government’s relationship with civil society, that the review of Arts Council England would go ahead after a general review of the funding landscape for the arts, and proclaimed support for the creative industries in general and embedding arts in education. Ahead of the speech, she also stated she was seeking a ‘consistent’ approach for object repatriation for both local and national museums. .

Government Response to Consultation on Development of Land Adjoining Hampton Court Station Site

The Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) has concluded its consultation on a proposal to develop a mixed-use building on the site of the former Jolly Boatman pub adjoining Hampton Court Station. There were 61 responses, covering the impact on the local area, the benefits of the scheme, its viability, concerns surrounding the environmental impact, etc. After considering the evidence presented, the Culture Secretary Lisa Nandy has given consent to go ahead with the proposed development.

DCMS Publishes Employment Statistics in Cultural, Media, and Sporting Sectors

DCMS has published statistics on employment in its sectors, which overall indicate a slowdown in growth throughout the creative industries after years of rapid development. Statistics on the value of the creative industries over the 12-month period found that at the end of June 2024 they were worth £123.74 billion, down 1.3% from £125.36 billion in the previous year. However, over the same period, the sector also experienced 1.1% growth in the number of jobs, with 44,000 additional jobs being added.

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Transport News Round-up

New Piccadilly trains

The Mayor recently visited the production line in Goole to inspect the new trains for the Piccadilly line. They will be the first tube trains, as distinct from sub-service Underground trains, to have air cooling. The Mayor remains hopeful that the government will relax its fiscal rules to fund infrastructure schemes, and that they might include those in London including the resignalling of the Piccadilly line. The trains are due to enter service during 2025 but unfortunately they require modification to the platforms which will result in several weekend closures and the ubiquitous rail replacement bus.

HS2 at Euston

It is inappropriate to compare spending on Winter Fuel Allowance with infrastructure: one is investment in the future, the other repayment of debts of the past. But infrastructure schemes have to provide value for money and not create more problems than they solve.

Lord Hendy appears obsessed with Euston and HS2 apologists repeatedly refer to it as an essential central London location. It is on the fringe of zone 1, further in journey time from the City, the West End or Canary Wharf than Old Oak Common. In the 1980s, until they were rumbled by Chris Smith and Phil Jeffries, the now closed King's Cross Thameslink was being touted for the terminus of HS1. Thatcher was resolutely opposed to spending public money on the Channel Tunnel Rail Link and so the pretence was created that adding two tracks to the Thameslink line would enable four tracks to be built for HS1 at no extra cost.

The difference now is that we no longer have a Prime Minister implacably opposed to railways.

The case that Euston is outdated, and overcrowded to a dangerous extent is well made, but the solution is not to bring more passengers

to it. Paddington has quietly improved its circulation area, with a new link between the Elizabeth and Bakerloo lines; Liverpool Street is further advanced with plans to address overcrowding than Euston, albeit that the proposals have aroused considerable disquiet from conservation groups.

Not just Euston overcrowded

It is 120 years since narrow island platforms combined with a station entrance at one end of the platform were condemned as unsafe. Eighty years later Chris Smith secured improvements to Angel station which addressed this issue at one of the four Northern line stations. An opportunity for Drayton Park when Arsenal built its new stadium with a bridge at the far end of the station platforms was lost and the station closes whenever there is a high demand for its use. After a serious incident last year, campaigners in Clapham are stepping up a campaign for something to be done at Clapham North and Clapham Common stations.

Bus diversions

One of the adverse impacts of LTNs, though the problem predates most of them, is the increasingly wide berth given to bus routes when a diversion becomes necessary. At worst, people of limited mobility are prevented from using the service altogether. Future Transport for London is pursuing this and the lack of dolly stops when bus stops are closed –an increasing phenomenon. I understand that the diversion of routes 21, 43 and 141 south of Finsbury Square is to last for two years, removing the interchange with Moorgate station in one direction. The disruption is for such a long period that GoAhead has adjusted its recorded messages on the 21 to give the temporary stops now being served.

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Forthcoming events

Society events

A visit to Union Chapel has been arranged for November 5th at 12 noon. Places are limited and applications were sought by e-mail.

The AGM will be held in the Town Hall on Monday November 11th, not the 4th as previously reported. It commences at 7 p.m. and will be followed by a talk by Andrew Clayton on the history of Holloway Road through its buildings.

Society visits

Visits are often arranged at short notice. Members are notified by e-mail. It is possible to have an e-mail address without any electronic device, and to access messages at the library.

London Forum

The next London Forum open meeting will be the A.G. M. on October 17th, held as usual at the Gallery in Cowcross Street. It is open to all members but those intending to go are asked to register beforehand.

Heritage Alliance

20th November: How should heritage be funded? This is a free on line event from 12 noon for which registration is required.

25th March: Advance notice that this will be the date for the annual Heritage Day.

Heritage Alliance organise regular events for its paid up members.

Islington Council

Early Autumn Meetings (Town Hall, 7.30 or 6.30 (*))

October 21st: Planning Sub-Committee A

October 22nd: *Licensing sub-Committee A

October 24th & Nov. 28th (7 p.m.): Executive
November 7th: *Licensing Sub-committee B
November 14th: Planning Committee
November 19th: *Licensing Sub-Committee C
November 26th: *Licensing Committee
November 26th: Planning Sub-Committee B

Greater London Assembly

October and November Meetings in the new City Hall, Kamal Churchie Way, London, E16 1ZE at 10 a.m. except where stated, also live streamed.

October 16th & November 6th: Environment
October 24th: Transport (2 p.m.)
November 7th: GLA Plenary session
November 13th: Transport.
November 21st: Mayor's Question Time
November 26th: Planning & Regeneration

Next Newsletter

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