Inside: Community fund now open, Brent Cross West station works progress, £148 million funding agreed



# Welcome to your new e-newsletter from the BXC Regeneration Team

It's already been a busy year for the Brent Cross Cricklewood regeneration programme. Work is well underway on the Brent Cross South development and the delivery of the new Brent Cross West station. In light of the Covid-19 pandemic we also made changes to the way we operate on site and held our first virtual briefing for residents.

At the start of the year we launched our programme website <a href="mailto:TransformingBX.co.uk">TransformingBX.co.uk</a>. While we hope this e-newsletter will deliver important news stories and updates to your inbox, the programme website is the place to find out more about the way we are transforming the Brent Cross Cricklewood area and also keep you informed about construction work happening nearby via the <a href="mailto:interactive map">interactive map</a>.

We have a dedicated email address <u>TransformingBX@Barnet.gov.uk</u> too, where you can contact the programme team directly with any questions you have.

## Milestone moves rail project forward

The completion of new railway sidings marks an important milestone in the transformation of the Brent Cross Cricklewood area. The sidings are parts of rail track connected to the main railway and are used to park and service trains, they have been relocated to make way for the new Brent Cross West station. The milestone was reached safely, and on time, despite the challenges presented by the Covid-19 outbreak. **Read more.** 





# Unanimous approval for station design

Brent Cross West, which will be London's newest train station, is on track for completion in 2022 after receiving final approval at Barnet Council's planning committee last month. It will provide the gateway to the new town centre, Brent Cross South, and connect to King's Cross in under 15 minutes. **Read more.** 

# £148 million loan agreed to accelerate new homes build

Homes England, the Government's housing agency, has agreed a £148 million funding package to accelerate the construction of new homes as a part of our <u>Brent Cross South</u> development. The new Homes England loan will accelerate the land and infrastructure works needed to unlock the delivery of 6,700 homes, which are being built on the 180-acre brownfield site. <u>Read more.</u>





#### **BXS** community fund returns

The BXS Community Fund is back and has increased its pot to  $\pounds 30,000$  to support local initiatives which aim to respond directly to the impact of Covid-19 in the community. Offering grants of up to  $\pounds 3,000$  per project, the BXS Community Fund is now open for applications from both charities and residents until midnight Sunday 28 June. **Find out more.** 

# **Summer opening for Exploratory Park**

Brent Cross South is hard at work to ensure Exploratory Park, the temporary open space in Claremont Way, is finished in August. An onsite team of 25 people has been practising social distancing throughout the lockdown and, behind the hoardings, the park is beginning to emerge. More details on The Exploratory can be found in the BXS <u>newsletter</u>.





## Sustainable energy sourced for BXS

Vattenfall Heat UK has signed an agreement with Brent Cross South developer Argent Related to provide low carbon heating to homes, shops, and other businesses in the Brent Cross Cricklewood redevelopment scheme. Working in collaboration with Argent Related and Barnet Council, Vattenfall will design, build and operate the district heating network over the coming decades, with a view to eventually removing all CO2 emitting sources. Read more.



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