The Canonbury Society

CONSERVING CANONBURY FOR 40 YEARS 40TH BIRTHDAY SPECIAL ISSUE

CANONBURY SET TO SURVIVE MAJOR CHANGES TO CONSERVATION

BY DAVID IRELAND

Canonbury's Conservation Area is set to come through major changes to the UK's conservation landscape relatively unscathed, in the view of Islington Conservation and Design Manager Kate Graham and Islington Head of Development Management Louise Reid.

The 2011 Budget will also mean planning changes, though probably not before 2012, because 'the default answer to development will now be yes'. A draft wording of this presumption is being published for consultation in May. Central Government will also institute a National Planning Policy Framework. There are some signs that Central Government is gearing up for a fight with local objectors.

Three significant changes in the way conservation is tackled locally and nationally are pending: a review by Islington Council of all 40 of Islington's conservation areas followed by action appraisals; a Localism Bill being introduced by the government; and major cuts to local government spending being imposed by Whitehall.

CONSERVATION AREA REVIEWS

The Islington Conservation Area Reviews, due to be unveiled this Spring, reviewed all of the borough's conservation areas; their strengths and weaknesses, and what could be improved. These reviews will drive Conservation Area Character Appraisals, probably about five each year, involving consultation with residents and resulting in recommendations.

"Canonbury is one of the more important conservation areas in terms of quality, it's not vulnerable," says Kate. "Canonbury works...it's very cohesive, being predominantly residential, an historical estate, developed over a finite period of time and easier to manage for development."

Properties won't be taken out, but could be added, according to Louise. The somewhat arbitrary inclusions and exclusions of St Paul's Road buildings within the Canonbury Conservation Area might change, for instance.

One proposal would be to improve a conservation area by adding 'eyesore' buildings that could be redeveloped. Islington could end up with more than 40 conservation areas leading to more of the borough attaining conservation status. There could be, for instance, Holloway Road South and North conservation areas.

THE LOCALISM BILL

The Localism Bill, published in December, alarmed The Institute of Historic Building and Conservation. It argues that "a new local management tool, the Neighbourhood Development Order (NDO), could negate Listed Building and Conservation Area procedures."

Louise disagrees: "My informal view is that Islington is very unlikely to have NDOs. They can't be pushed through by just six residents or by a developer. We don't have to adopt NDOs."

Kate argues that Neighbourhood Plans (which will be expressed by NDOs) 'can't be in conflict' with the current guidelines of the Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas Act.

SPENDING CUTS

Islington is likely to be the worst affected of all London Boroughs from spending cuts imposed by the Coalition Government on local councils – a 12% cut in Government grant money and an overall 9% cut in spending power for 2011/12.

"Conservation will not be as badly affected as other departments or other boroughs," says Kate. "It's not been easy, but we have been preparing for this. We're going to try and get a \pounds 10 service out of the \pounds 8 in my purse," adds Louise.

The Canonbury Conservation Area has 437 statutory listed buildings, out of the 4,500 spread across Islington's 40 conservation areas.





Open the door to the Canonbury Society's 40th Birthday Special Issue newsletter (1971-2011).

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NEWSLETTER SPRING II

A NEW TUBE LINE FOR **CANONBURY**?

BY JAMES COATES

Forty years ago, when the Canonbury Society was founded, the Victoria Line was only three years old. It greatly improved Islington's tube services to the West End and boosted property prices.

Now there are far more travel options from Highbury & Islington and Canonbury stations via the new Highbury & Islington - West Croydon loop, part of the £1bn East London line revamp - which opened on 28 February. A journey round the full loop takes one hour, but along the way passengers can get off at Shoreditch (five minutes' walk to Liverpool Street) or Canada Water (change onto the Jubilee Line for Canary Wharf and beyond). Trains run about every 8 minutes.

But the biggest impact on Canonbury would be the construction of Crossrail 2 (also known as the Chelsea-Hackney Line) which would have a station at Essex Road. The line would run with full-size trains to the Angel and then to Kings Cross/St Pancras and the West End.

The chances of the line being built in the next 15 years have been boosted by the suggestion of a station at Euston, the planned terminus for the High Speed Rail line to Birmingham. The alignment has already been "safeguarded" by an Order made in 2008 by the Secretary of State for Transport.

Don't hold your breath - these projects have a habit of taking much longer than planned. Crossrail 1, now well under way, was first planned in the 1980s.





LECTURES REVIVED

A one-time local institution - the Canonbury Lecture - has been revived by popular request. The first lecture was given by Terry Waite. The new series of lectures, initiated by long-term Canonbury residents Nicholas Barrington and

Margaret Evans, began on 7 April at St Stephens Church with reflections on 10 years' of peacebuilding in the Balkans, delivered by The Revd Donald Reeves, Director of the Soul of Europe. Look out for future lectures.



of snow in Winter 2010. Nick Coates

CANONBURY NEIGHBOUR

PHYLLIS MENDOZA : SPLENDIDLY FEISTY - AND FRIENDLY - AT 90

Longevity seems to be a happy feature of the Canonbury area. Phyllis Mendoza will celebrate both her 91st birthday and 50 years in Grange Grove on 24 September 2011.

Phyllis was born in 1920 and attended primary schools in Canonbury. After secondary school at Dame Alice Owen's in Goswell Road, Phyllis worked for the Civil Service. During the war, she evacuated to Rhyl, North Wales, where she met her husband Maurice.

Phyllis became an ardent trade unionist. She and Maurice moved to Grange Grove in May 1961 which had been damaged in the 27 June 1944 V1 bombing of Highbury Corner. Under the Civil Service Marriage Bar, Phyllis had to resign her civil service job, prompting her to move into psychiatric social work which became her long term career.

We like to think of Canonbury as a friendly area but in late 1964, three women accosted Phyllis, saying "don't you feel a bit guilty living in a home like this?" Phyllis replied sharply "I've worked for every stick in this house - damned cheek."

Phyllis enjoys life in Grange Grove, especially post-retirement. "People were much friendlier than I was aware of -I never knew them so well when working - they've been very good to me."

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PLANNING WATCH

The Canonbury Society is objecting to two major planning applications in partnership with other local organisations.

85 CANONBURY ROAD

The Canonbury Society, Upper Street Association, Highbury Fields Association and other local objectors have seen off repeated attempts so far, two refused applications and a rejected Planning Appeal - by the Notting Hill Housing Trust to build a large, dense and inappropriate residential development on the site of the former Ford Garage. The opposing parties have very different interpretations of the Planning Appeals Inspector's report, so the Trust may well be back once more with a new application.

BINGO HALL (FORMER CARLTON CINEMA), ESSEX ROAD

Following representations by the Canonbury Society and Canonbury Road residents, Islington Council rejected an application for a huge enlargement and partial change of use of this iconic Grade II Art Deco building. The applicants, the Resurrection Manifestations church, appealed. A planning inquiry - at which opposing evidence was given by the Canonbury Society, St Stephens Church, and Canonbury Road and Halton Mansions residents - was held in January and February 2011. The Inspector's decision should be made before the Canonbury Society's AGM on 25 May.



BLUE PLAQUE HONOURS SIR BASIL SPENCE AT I CANONBURY PLACE

Sir Basil Spence (1907-1976) was commemorated with an English Heritage blue plaque at his former home and office at 1 Canonbury Place on 23 March.

A successful and eclectic modern architect, Sir Basil was among the leading British practitioners of his generation. He was best known for his ground-breaking design of Coventry Cathedral. The unveiling of Sir Basil's blue plaque took place on the 55th anniversary of the laying of the cathedral's foundation stone by HM The Queen.

Number 1 Canonbury Place was the celebrated architect's home and office from 1956 until his death in 1976. It was built by John Dawes from 1767-71.

The Bleinheim oak tree in the garden was presented to Sir Basil by Sir Winston Churchill in 1959 in gratitude for his chairmanship of the competition committee for the design of Churchill College, Cambridge.

Gillian Blee, daughter of Sir Basil Spence, unveiled

the plaque. Her husband Anthony Blee, practice partner of the 'Blue Plaque' architect, spoke about his father-inlaw's work.



NEW DIRECTIONS: CANONBURY'S CHANGING STREET NAMES

BY DAVID IRELAND

"If you've got to Lower Road, you should head north; you'll pass Willow Terrace, then go into Canonbury Terrace; at the end of that road take a right, past King Edward's Hall, then a left into St Marys Road; stay on that road until you hit Hopping Lane, turn right, then keep going - you'll pass on your right the entrances to Middle Road, then Crescent Road - and at the big crossroads, turn left and you'll soon be at the Newington Road and Balls Pond station "

Lost? It's quite simple really. You actually started in Essex Road, went past Canonbury Grove and on into Alwyne Villas, before doing a dogleg (after passing the old Tower Theatre) into St Marys Grove, joining St Paul's Road, going past the entrances to Canonbury Park North and South, before finding yourself at Canonbury Station.

These are all examples of local Canonbury streets whose names have changed over the years. Newington Road and Balls Pond station was closed in 1870 and relocated to become Canonbury Station

Some of the name changes took place at random intervals.

- · Canonbury Terrace was built in about 1824 before becoming part of Alwyne Villas in 1854
- Alwyne Square started off as Canonbury Park Square in 1863 before acquiring its new name in 1879
- · St Marys Road turned into St Marys Grove in 1938

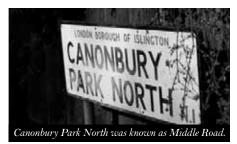
Other, mass changes in London were more systematic. The Metropolitan Board of Works (MBW), acting on the recommendation of the



You can track the history of your own street name through the National Archives. Elénore de Bo

Building Act and General Purposes Committee, started a programme in 1857 of altering names, abolishing subsidiary names and giving a single name to a unified street. Despite its sturdily Victorian name, MBW was neither very popular nor very honest, and was replaced by London County Council in 1889, sparking more name changes. A further bout of re-naming took place between 1929 and 1945.

One of the main reasons for name changes in Canonbury's case was the piecemeal development of its streets and squares. Canonbury Square was



first planned in 1805, but with the builder, Henry Leroux, going bust in 1809, was not completed until c1830. Alwyne Villas is made up of Canonbury House (c1795), Canonbury Terrace-as was (1824), the larger villas opposite (1849) and the much older Number 4 (in part, 1526).

A good way to track the naming history of your own street (if it's Victorian) is online via Your Archives, part of The National Archives. The Census Street Index for Islington Registration District appears for the years 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871 and 1891.



Canonbury Grove was once known as Willow Terrace

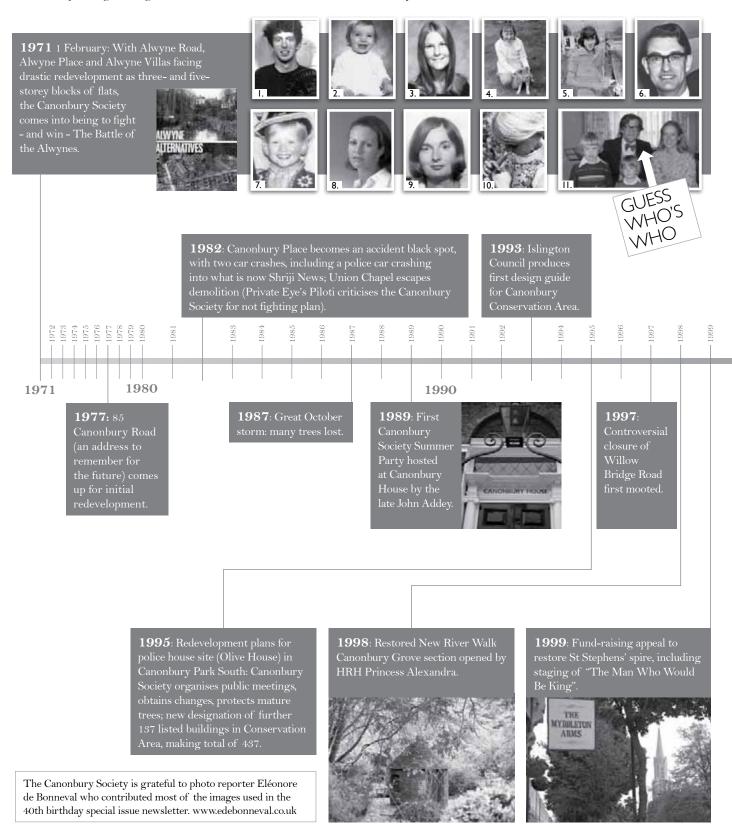
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CANONBURY SOCIETY 40 YEARS ON: KEY DATES IN OUR HISTORY

BY JACK LAMBERT

In this special commemorative issue celebrating the 40th birthday of The Canonbury Society, we share highlights over the last four decades in our timeline from the founding of the Society to the latest planning challenges. Our Chairman Philip Walker recounts how much has changed... and how little... in the last 40 years. Sir John Tusa shares his love of Canonbury and we ask where were you in 1971 with photos of our committee members from the early 70s. You can guess who's who -- answers are on page 8 in the committee member list. Thank you for the role you have played in making The Canonbury Society what it is today.



to help celebrate the canonbury society's 40th birthday, local resident sir john tusa tells us: WHY I LOVE CANONBURY

I like looking down and along the gardens of Alwyne Place and Willow Bridge Roads. The grand old trees of Canonbury Park are a wonderful backdrop to our secluded backyard. I like New River Walk with its unflappable heron; not long ago it stooped to snap up a minnow just six feet from me.

I like Jack Lambert in his waders clearing the water of green algae. I like the Shriji families in their corner shop, the best of local citizens and neighbours, strong supporters of England except – rightly -when India is involved.

I like Shelley in Mirela Hair Studio who gives up 10 minutes of her time to clean up my virtually hairless dome. I like the cheek of the fox who strolls across our balcony and scales our walls leaving his muddy claw marks behind.

I like the contrast between Essex Road (Lower Street) and Upper Street. The former is real London – try Raab's the bakers staffed by and serving real Islington people; the latter is cosmopolitan London - graced by Euphorium calling itself a traditional English baker but staffed entirely by Poles!

I like the Islington Gazette with its detailed reporting of local issues – and an arts section. I love the huge magnolias tree in the west side of Canonbury Square; when it blossoms, spring is

2002:

parking zone implemented; first Friends of Rose Bowl charity

2003: Tower

2004: 36" water

here. I love the wedding groups who use the square for glamorous wedding pictures.

I like the classic London illogic that puts numbers 1-7 Canonbury Place in a cul de sac and then defeats taxi drivers by putting the rest of us separated by Canonbury Academy around the corner. I like the grandeur of certain houses, the quiet domestic convenience of most.

I love the Victoria Line. When I return to the bustle of Highbury and Islington station, I am coming home.

Radio and TV presenter Sir John Tusa hosted BBC 2's 'Newsnight' programme and served as managing director of the Barbican Arts Centre and BBC World Service.

2008: Fresh redevelopment plans for 85 Canonbury Road.

2010: Second redevelopment application and planning appeal for 85 Canonbury Road both turned down;

Canonbury Society receives Mayor's Civic Award

2007: Local

literary tour guide, actor and politician Peter Powell dies.



2011: Planning Appeal for redevelopment of Bingo Hall/former Carlton Cinema site, Essex



BIRTHDAY MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN 2011 by philip walker

As well as being our inaugural year, 1971 was a good one for Canonbury and Islington. Arsenal won both the League Cup and the FA Cup, the Victoria Line extension to Brixton was completed and no school-



leavers were registered as unemployed. The population of Islington was 200,000, down from 413,000 in 1911, but about the same as now. This is remarkable since a dip to 158,000 was recorded in the 1981 Census.

Forty years later, one can't help being amazed at what has changed, but also paradoxically, how little has changed!

For the worse (in my opinion) has been the everchanging framework for planning policies and public consultation which has led to confusion and ambiguity. The lack of clarity over how the new Localism Act will operate in an area like Islington is an example. I also worry about the reducing number of independent shops. One of our enduring campaigns is to 'Save our shops!'

Aspects of living in Canonbury and Islington which I believe have changed for the better include street lighting, and the impact of the congestion zone and emphasis on public transport. We are benefitting from the recently improved rail links to Canary Wharf, Croydon and beyond. One of our little gems, New River Walk, has changed beyond recognition. Islington's decision to plant significantly more trees last year is to be applauded.

I would like to think that The Canonbury Society has played a supporting role in the general public's better understanding and appreciation of the built environment and the importance of conservation.

We took part in two public planning enquiries - 85 Canonbury Road and the former Carlton Cinema in Essex Road. For more information about our campaigns and our work, visit our website at **www.canonburysociety.org.uk**

We enjoyed two good parties in 2010. Our heart-felt thanks go to our wonderful hosts for the summer and winter parties, respectively George MacIntosh and Nina Konrad and Jerry Norton.

Forty years from now in 2051, it is our profound wish that whatever we, as a community, have achieved so far in terms of conservation, will still be as visible and as relevant to our day-today living as it is now.



2000: Estorick Collection opens; Canonbury Society lobbies for two year referral of Willow Bridge Road closure, and for extension of heritage street



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FRIENDS OF THE NEW RIVER WALK LOOK BACK

BY JACK LAMBERT

September 4, 2011 marks the 17th anniversary of the founding of the Friends of the New River Walk. Our objectives in 1994 were to promote the restoration, improvement and maintenance of this much loved park created by Islington Council in 1953/4 from the remains of Sir Hugh Myddelton's historic aqueduct which since 1613 had brought clean(er) drinking water 38 miles to London from springs and the River Lea. The Canonbury section of the New River was piped underground in 1890, and the channel left full but stagnant.

By the early 1990s, the ponds in the Canonbury Grove section had silted up, edging had rotted away and water circulation systems had fallen into disuse. All requests for restoration were thwarted by lack of funding. The situation changed when the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) offered grants

Canonbury neighbours regularly pitch

in to clean up the New River Walk

to suitable historic sites, provided that applicants raise one-third of the cost in matching funding.

An informal consortium of the Friends, Islington Parks Department and Thames Water engineers put together a $\pounds 275,000$ proposal for restoration of the Canonbury Grove section of the New River. It was approved on 20 December 1995 by the HLF, its $\pounds 175,000$ grant being matched by $\pounds 60,000$ from Islington Council, and $\pounds 40,000$ from the Friends. (The northern Douglas Road and Astey's Row sections had been altered in the 1970s and no longer had sufficient historic material remaining to be considered by HLF).

The Friends raised \pounds 3,000 at their launch party in June 1995, with Thames Water donating \pounds 5,000. A year later, we recruited over 220 supporters,

> ranging from Friends to corporate patrons, who increased funds raised to \pounds 31,000. Further activities, such as sponsored walks along the working river in Hertfordshire, parties and a theatre evening helped us reach our \pounds 40,000 target by December 1996.

> Work started in October 1996. The restored gardens were opened by HRH Princess Alexandra on 18 June 1998, in the company of 300 guests, one hungry heron and bins full of fish, including six large carp. The heron (or descendant) still visits regularly, and the carp have grown and multiplied.



Since the 1998 opening, volunteers from the Friends have helped to maintain both the Canonbury Grove and Douglas Road sections. The Douglas Road section was restored between 1999 and 2001 via a $\pounds 21,600$ donation by the Friends to Islington Council. Further donations totalling some $\pounds 14,000$ have been made for the Astey's Row section, for new lighting, teak benches, surveying and planting.

It seems that feeding the ducks is not the only source of spiritual solace around the round hut – this is also the preferred venue for regular Tai Chistyle exercises. Perhaps the hut is on a ley line?



THE CANONBURY SOCIETY - CIVIC AND SOCIAL

BY ANGELA POTTER

Looking back to the 1970s, Upper Street was a dingy row of dilapidated shops – not a restaurant in sight! Most houses were leasehold, and many still in multi-occupation. Houses were shabby, but affordable – provided one could enfranchise the lease and renovate on a shoestring! The risk of finding dry rot and woodworm was outweighed by the spacious gardens.

The Canonbury Society, formed in February 1971, was quite a different animal. We moved into our house in Alwyne Road in 1972 and I joined the committee a few years later. Demolition

was a threat, and compulsory purchase was still happening to houses with large gardens.

In 1989 John Addey of Canonbury House proposed a summer party in his garden. We were horrified. The Canonbury Society was a civic amenity society—not a social club. Reluctantly we formed a subcommittee: Peter Powell, Gill Hopkins, Felicity Seighart, Rosemary Brown, Anne Revell and myself (apologies if I've missed someone). The rest is history, except to say that the original formula remains. What a significant moment it was. I truly believe that the social aspect of life in Canonbury, gently managed by the Society, has created a unified neighbourhood. The Summer Garden Party and Christmas drinks party are always well attended. Since the advent of the Friends of the Rose Bowl charity, the same people turn out for other social and fundraising events. It is quite amazing and very rare in London. Although we no longer live in Canonbury, I remain a trustee for the Friends. With that hat on, I (and my fellows) am very grateful for this. Well done, Canonbury Society!

GHOST STORIES: SIGNS OF CANONBURY'S PAST

BY DAVID IRELAND

'Ghostsigns' are adverts hand-painted on buildings between the late nineteenth century and the 1960s when they were replaced by billboards. Over 700 ghostsigns nationwide have been logged by The History of Advertising Trust. Often painted by professional signwriters, they were high on the sides of buildings so they could be seen from the tops of trams or double-decker buses.

The N1 district of Islington has nine logged in the archive including' Hovis Builds Health' in Camden Passage; 'Albert & Pearl: Purveyors of Fine Food & Beverages' in Upper Street; and 'Redfern's Rubber Heels: Makes Walking A Pleasure' in Grant Street. Their preservation was championed by the late Peter Powell. Canonbury's two ghost sings are not in the archive.

The first is in Alwyne Lane, halfway down Alwyne Villas, advertising John Mather or Mathe. One of the problems facing ghostsign hunters is that many of the older ones are literally fading or crumbling away. Mr Mather was a 'Builder & Decorator' and 'Plumber & Hot Water Fitter', who claimed 'Sanitary Work A Speciality'. Despite an extensive trawl through Islington's Local History Centre, we don't know any more about when and where Mr Mather lived (perhaps a reader might?)

Canonbury's other ghostsign, advertising 'Canonbury Stores' and painted on the back of present-day Ashleys newsagents straddling Arran Walk and Canonbury Street, is better documented, thanks to Ashok Chawda, who has run Ashleys since 1985.

He believes the name was changed by his predecessor, Ashwin Patel when he took over the business in 1974–75. "In those days people anglicised things," he says drily of a less multicultural time.

Mr Chawda was visited by the great grandson of the Canonbury Stores shopkeeper who said his grandfather was born on the premises before World War Two, and moved away as a child. But his father ran Canonbury Stores between the wars.

Although 'grocer' appears in the ghostsign, Mr Chawda believes in those days it was hardware and bric-a-brac. Around 100 years ago, there was a bakery in the basement and the alcoves still exist. Canonbury Stores was once part of a parade of Canonbury Street shops comprising a garage (George's), a dairy/ grocer and an off-licence.





NEW START FOR ROSE BOWL CENTRE

The doors of the Rose Bowl Centre opened again on 5 April following a major refurbishment. Now being run by experienced youth centre provider Hoxton Hall, the centre is offering a range of exciting new programmes for young people.

The Friends of the Rose Bowl (FORB) have worked hard to ensure this new start and have committed an annual contribution to the centre of £40,000; so community support is vital. "We need local friends more than ever," said FORB chair Jane Simmonds. "A great big thank you to all of our supporters and in particular the Canonbury Society."

Canonbury residents turned out to support a very successful 2011 auction held at The Canonbury on 3 March, and there will be other fundraising events during the year. Keep up with FORB's news on **www.friendsoftherosebowl.org.uk**



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LOCAL GARDENS OPEN FOR CHARITY UNDER THE NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME 2011

Sun 17th April

Malvern Terrace Gardens, Barnsbury, 2 - 5.30pm; teas, music, plant sale

Sun 5th June

Islington Gardens 2 - 6pm Barnsbury Wood (off Crescent St, N of Thornhill Square) 1 Battlebridge Court, Wharfdale Road 44 Hemingford Road 36 Thornhill Square; teas, plant sale

Sun 12th June

16 Furlong Road (New)	2 - 6pm
1a Hungerford Road	12 - 6pm
62 Hungerford Road	2 - 6pm
90 St George's Avenue	2 - 6pm

Wed 15th June

St Mary's Grove (New) 6.30 - 9pm Nos. 20, 22, 32, 36; refreshments, plant sale

Sat 18th June

5 Northampton Park 6.30 - 10pm; refreshments

Sun 19th June

Amwell Gardens 2 - 5.30pm. 24 & 27 Myddleton Square Lloyd Square Garden New River Head Garden 11 Chadwell Street; Refreshments

Wed 6th July

King Henry's Walk Garden (New) 6 - 9pm; refreshments, music, plant sale

Sun 10th July

Canonbury Park North 12 - 4 pm Nos. 29, and (New) - 55 & 58 Note: 37 Alwyne Road will not open in summer 2011 but hopes to open in September. For further information, consult The National Garden Scheme Yellow Book or www.ngs.org.uk

CANONBURY SOCIETY 40TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2011

Wednesday 25th May at 7.30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.) St Stephen's Church, Canonbury Road

Celebrated architect, champion of low-rise development and long-time Canonbury resident, Harley Sherlock, MBE will discuss 'Canonbury Past to Present' during the Canonbury Society's 40th annual General Meeting.

Committee members will report on parking, planning, finance, trees and Canonbury Society events. Officers for the year ahead will be elected. Send your nominations to Rosemary Brown, 11 Canonbury Park South, London N1 2JR.

This is your chance to discuss local issues and meet your neighbours. Drinks and nibbles will be served following the meeting.

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as garden parties and th The minimum subscrip welcome. Please tick as	his Newsletter FREE. Attend special events such a AGM. Help support conservation in Canonbury. btion is $\pounds 1.00$, but further donations are always appropriate, complete your name/address details, payable to 'The Canonbury Society'.
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Meet your neighbours at our 40th Birthday Summer Party. mer Party 2010

Since the Canonbury Society Summer Garden Party was launched in 1989, themes have included stripes, neon brights, summer blues, environmental green, polka dots, hats and hippies. But in 2011 we return to our first-ever theme colour of white.

So don your whites and help us celebrate the Canonbury Society's 40th birthday at the Summer Garden Party on Sunday 26th June. Nigel Harris and his string quartet will be performing for us.

Join your neighbours from 1 - 4 p.m. in a Canonbury garden. Further details of the party will be distributed to members this summer.

CANONBURY SOCIFT OMMITTEE EMBERS 2011

WHO Goodbye and thank you to Jane Simmonds for many years of service to the committee. Continuing thanks to 9. Gill Hopkins (webmaster) and Beate

GUESS WHO'S

WHITE ON CANONBURY SOCIETY

SUNDAY 26TH JUNE 2011

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY