



DELIVERING FOR BARNET
**BRENT CROSS
CRICKLEWOOD**

The Brent Cross Cricklewood regeneration programme is the biggest redevelopment and growth programme Barnet Council has ever undertaken. It is a commitment to the future of the borough, and that includes ensuring that the benefits are felt by people who live and work here today as well as those who do in the future.

This means new jobs and infrastructure to support them. It means building a sense of community and providing resources for that community. It means offering a new railway station which is fit for the 21st century and embedding that new station so that it is one of the first parts of the scheme to open.



Brent Cross Cricklewood regeneration programme Spring 2021



The new railway sidings

A platform for our future

Brent Cross West station is going full steam ahead of its planned opening in 2022.

This will be London's first major new mainline station in over a decade, and will offer direct links to central London, two international airports, and Eurostar services from St Pancras. At peak times there will be up to eight passenger trains per hour, with over 2 million journeys expected in the station's first full year of operation, rising to five million by 2031.

Signals and overhead lines at the station went live in August, and foundations work for the platforms began in October. The new sidings were completed in March with capacity for up to 24 trains, creating room for the new station to be built, along with a crossing for staff to access the vehicles.

Over the May bank holiday the first part of the new overbridge was installed. When it opens to the public next year the bridge will offer a pedestrian and cycle route across the Midland Main Line for the first time in 150 years.

In last 2020, architects Studio Egret West revealed their ambitious plans for the eastern entrance, which include a range of innovations to make it both visually stunning and

environmentally sustainable. From the moment people walk into the station they will be met by a roof canopy of glazed panels resting on timber columns, while vines will run from floor to ceiling, and ornamental trees will sit in the entrance.

The glazed canopy will maximise natural light, and the proposed open-sided construction will ensure there are no requirements for mechanical ventilation. There are plans to build with natural materials such as glulam timber, which is a sustainable alternative to steel or concrete as it consumes less energy during the manufacturing process.

Minimising the impact of construction across our development is our number one priority. We distribute a three-month programme of work to residents within 500 metres of the station, or other works. Our website is also kept up to date with current information of works so you can see what's happening in your area.

Roads and walks

Our focus on improving transport links is not limited to rail, but also includes roads, walking and cycling routes too

Last year our contractors Conway Aecom began making improvements at some of Barnet's most congested routes: the Cricklewood Lane / Claremont Road junction, and the Cricklewood Lane / A5 Cricklewood Broadway / Chichele Road junction. Our goal is to reduce congestion and delays, and provide additional capacity for vehicles, while also introducing signal modernisations, footway improvements, and new controlled pedestrian crossing facilities.

Throughout the Brent Cross Town development there will be a network of walking and cycling routes to support sustainable travel too. The town will incorporate 50 acres of parks and playing fields, including eight public squares, and seven new and improved parks, landscaped to encourage walking and cycling, all with the vision of a '15-minute town' in which shops, offices, restaurants, parks and the rail station are all no more than a quarter of an hour away.



Celebrating Barnet's independent businesses



Our website regularly features stories on local independent businesses from our area. These include Wright's Fruit And Veg which has been serving fresh produce from Oaklands Road for more than a century, Sean's Loaf microbakery in Cricklewood which is run by a chef who has worked across the globe from London to Australia, and the award-winning Cricklewood Coffee which began outside Cricklewood Station and now delivers across north London.

Visit our website to read these stories, sign up to our newsletter to receive them in the future, and email us if you run, or know of a local firm, which deserves to be shouted about. Because our borough is nothing without the people who live and work here – and their success stories deserve all our support.

Contact us

More information on the Brent Cross Cricklewood regeneration programme, including an interactive map of works taking place in the area, can be found at our website [TransformingBX.co.uk](https://www.transformingbx.co.uk)

You can also contact us directly on TransformingBX@barnet.gov.uk or follow our Twitter account [@TransformingBX](https://twitter.com/TransformingBX)

And we have a regular e-newsletter with news about the project, ranging from construction landmarks, to works updates, to profiles of local businesses.

