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Fun events and activities this winter at Brent Cross Town

Get into the festive spirit at Brent Cross Town with a programme of free seasonal events and activities for all ages. Events include the annual Winter Lights Switch-On on Wednesday 25 November at Claremont Park from 4pm to 5.30pm, featuring live entertainment, school choirs, seasonal treats and the much-anticipated light switch-on. There will also be brand-new immersive winter light installations transforming the neighbourhood throughout the festive season, alongside family craft workshops and festive film screenings at the Visitor Pavilion on Saturday 5 and Saturday 12 December. Whether you're looking for family fun, creative activities or a chance to connect with neighbours, there's something for everyone to enjoy this winter. Find out more about the winter programme here.

World famous artwork unveiled



This month, a giant 41-square-metre hand-painted mural located at the side of the Visitor Pavilion, was unveiled. Inspired by one of the world's most famous artists, Claude Monet, the 'Water-Lily Pond' artwork transforms the area into an open-air gallery that everyone can enjoy. The mural was chosen by young local students from

Clarion School as part of 'Murals reMastered', a project delivered by the National Gallery and Global Street Art, giving them the opportunity to help shape the cultural identity of their neighbourhood.

Learn more about it

GAIL's opening this week



Your choice of coffee spots continues to grow, with GAIL's opening tomorrow at 7am on Arbour Street, directly outside Brent Cross West station, just in time for Christmas. Enjoy freshly baked bread, pastries and cakes, alongside coffee, breakfast and lunch to eat in or take away. Whether you're grabbing something on your way to the train or catching up with friends over a coffee, there's a new neighbourhood spot to enjoy. Keep an eye on the Brent Cross Town website and Instagram @brentcrosstown for updates and details of what's happening on opening day.

Visit Instagram

Sauna experience at Brent Cross Town



Looking for a new way to relax and unwind? A new saunce experience, Slomo, is opening its first permanent London location opposite Brent Cross West station on Thursday 26 November. Bringing an urban sauna garden to the neighbourhood, offering communal sauna sessions, a range of classes, guided sauna experiences and wellness rituals; creating a unique new space for rest and wellbeing close to home. You can now book your slot online via their website www.slomo.me

Book your slot

Last chance to have your say on the West London Oribital



Transport for London (TfL) has been inviting residents to take part in a consultation on proposals for the West London Orbital (WLO), which officially closes tonight. **Wednesday 18 November 2026**.

The WLO is a planned rail link intended to connect communities across West London and become part of the London Overground network.Residents, businesses and community groups are encouraged to take part.

Details here

Drop-in to see us tomorrow



We host community drop-in sessions at the Brent Cross Town Visitor Pavilion on the third Thursday of every month. We invite you to talk to us about any concerns or feedback you may have or ask your questions about the development. Our next drop in session is on Thursday 19 November from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. This is our final drop-in for the year, the next one will be on 21 January.

If you are unable to attend, you can email us at TransformingBX@barnet.gov.uk

More information here

In case you missed it....updates from across the borough

Light + Flight Festival this weekend



Following a fantastic first week of activities, why not join the second week of the Light + Flight Festival this Saturday and Sunday (21 and 22 November) to celebrate Barnet's cultural hubs. The festival has been shaped by local people and brings together performances, art and activities inspired by what communities said they value most about the borough. On 21 November, From Barnet with Love comes to the RAF Museum and artsdepot, followed by further performances on 22 November. Families can also enjoy a lively day of music, movement and fun for all ages.

Book your free tickets

Flu Vaccinations available



Flu can be serious, particularly for older adults, pregnant women, young children and people with certain health conditions. It can lead to complications, and in some cases, life-threatening illness. Many residents are eligible for a free NHS flu vaccination but may not realise they qualify. Getting vaccinated is the best way to help protect yourself and those around you during the winter months, while also reducing pressure on NHS services. If you're unsure whether you're eligible, check today and make sure you're protected this flu season.

Check your eligbility

Winter grants for older residents



Older Barnet residents struggling with rising energy costs may be eligible for support from Age UK Barnet's Winter Home Checks and Grants project. From 1 November 2026 to 31 January 2027, eligible residents can apply for a £200 grant, plus £100 for each additional eligible adult in their household, alongside a free home visit from a handyperson to install simple draught-proofing measures. The scheme is open to residents born on or before 27 June 1960 who receive means-tested benefits and have savings below £6,000.

Apply here

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