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Your December update



Welcome to this month's edition of our community newsletter. We are excited to share the latest updates and upcoming events to highlight what is happening in our neighbourhood. Read on for all the important info you need to stay connected.

From everyone here at OPDC, we would like to wish you all a happy festive season, and we look forward to seeing you in 2026!

Old Oak Masterplan Framework endorsed by OPDC Board



The Old Oak Masterplan Framework was endorsed by the OPDC Board at its meeting on 20 November, in another big step forward in delivering our Old Oak regeneration project.

This means that the vision for the area is starting to take significant shape including ambitious plans for new homes, spaces and commercial space for new jobs.

Over 50 people joined us at our recent drop-in sessions for the Masterplan Framework, which we have been engaging on in various forms since 2023. Key themes that have emerged over the course of our engagement include the use of public realm and open spaces, future management and maintenance, the importance of community spaces, and the need for safe, accessible and connected walking and cycling routes. We will reflect on these themes as we bring forward detailed proposals for individual sites in the future.

Thank you to everyone who joined us at these sessions - we really appreciate the time you took to attend and talk to us. The display boards from the sessions remain online for anyone who would like to review the information presented - please see below to view.

You can also view the version of the Masterplan Framework that was endorsed by the Board below. A final version will be published in the new year.

At the drop-ins, we also shared the early ideas for short term improvements to walking and cycling along Victoria Road and Old Oak Lane - working in partnership with Ealing Council.

Although the formal feedback period on the improvements has now closed, the display boards from the sessions can be found online - please see below. There will be further opportunities for you to share your feedback on the plans as they develop.

Thank you once again for your continued involvement in the future of Old Oak.

Old Oak
Masterplan
Framework
Boards

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Victoria Road
and Old Oak
Lane Boards

North Acton Square is open for business



North Acton Square has recently been transformed with new shops, a coffee shop and food outlets now open!

The project has been delivered by The Republic - Community Projects in partnership with Ealing Council, OPDC, Imperial College London, City & Docklands, ADD Properties and Downing.

Together, we have created a fantastic new space that supports local enterprises and celebrates creativity.

At the centre of the new square are six refurbished shipping containers, designed by architects Christian Senkpiel (who is based in Park Royal) and Tomato Studio. They now host a mix of independent businesses, including:

- Awakener Coffee
- Hamsa the Barber
- Sound Burger street food
- The Old Oak Tap micro pub
- A design-led retail shop
- An information hub for the Park Royal Design District

Located next to the converted containers, a Village Hut has been constructed to provide additional new meeting space for the local community. Built at the nearby Minerva Works Circular Economy Hub in Park Royal using recycled waste materials, the hut will support a host of community activities.

The new businesses are now open, so if you're in the area, be sure to drop by and check them out!

Redesignation of the Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum



Have your say on the Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum's redesignation

The Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum has applied to be redesignated for another five years, which will enable the community to play a much stronger role in shaping the area.

How to get involved

You can view the application online via Brent's and OPDC's consultation platforms (please see both below), as well as at Harlesden town centre and Wembley (Brent Civic Centre) libraries. Paper copies are available on request.

The consultation runs for eight weeks from 24th November 2025 until midnight on 19th January 2026.

Brent Council is leading the consultation. If you'd like to comment, please visit Brent's consultation platform below, email planningstrategy@brent.gov.uk, or write to Planning Policy, Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ.

[Brent's Consultation Platform](#)[OPDC's Consultation Platform](#)

Draft Updated West London Waste Plan Consultation



West London Waste Plan consultation

Have your say



The first consultation on the Draft Updated West London Waste Plan (Regulation 18) is now live!

The London boroughs of Brent, Ealing, Harrow, Hillingdon, Hounslow and Richmond-upon-Thames, along with OPDC, are inviting comments on the plan, which sets out the proposed planning strategy for waste management in the plan area up to 2041, including identifying sites proposed to be safeguarded for waste use.

How to get involved

You are invited to submit your comments via Ealing's online consultation portal below, where you can view the consultation documents and find out how you can get involved.

Printed copies of the Draft Plan and other documents are also available to view at OPDC's office, The Collective (Old Oak), as well as other selected venues across the plan area. A drop-in session will be held in the OPDC area on **Tuesday 20th January 2026** between 3–7pm, at Oaklands Social, Oaklands Rise, 19 Green St, London NW10 6FT. Please visit Ealing's consultation portal to find out more.

The consultation runs for eight weeks, and all responses must be received by midnight on **Thursday 5th February 2026**.

Ealing's Consultation Portal

Paid Artist Commission for Park Royal Mural



OPDC is excited to invite artists to help us transform one of Park Royal's key gateways - the pedestrian subway at Masons Green Lane!

The pedestrian subway provides a key connection into Park Royal, and we want to work with artists to transform it into a vibrant and welcoming public route.

We want to commission an artist to help us design a mural that will transform the underpass into an accessible, and visually striking space that reflects local diversity, community pride, and promotes sustainable travel.

The deadline to apply is midnight on **Sunday 25th January**. If you have any questions, please contact us at info@opdc.london.gov.uk

For the full brief and to apply for the commission, please see our consultation page below.

OPDC's Consultation Platform

OPDC Community Drop-ins



Our community drop-ins will be back in the new year, with the first drop-in of the year taking place on **Tuesday 20th January from 3-7pm at Oaklands Social @ Oaklands Rise** (formerly known as The Lab).

Members of the OPDC team will be available on a monthly basis at Oaklands Social to meet with residents, answer questions and share updates about ongoing work in Old Oak.

Address: Oaklands Social @ Oaklands Rise, 19 Green St, London, NW10 6FT

Everyone is welcome to drop by at any time during the session to talk with the team, raise any questions, or hear more about current projects.

There's no need to book or register, just come along at a time that suits you. We look forward to seeing you there!

Volunteering opportunities - how can we help?



In October, our Engagement Team volunteered at St Dunstan's Church to help sort through generous community donations of clothing and essential supplies for sanctuary seekers. With a van full of contributions to organise, the team worked together with residents to sort and arrange everything to be given out at the jumble sale the next day.

The jumble sale supported 175 adults and more than a dozen children.

We're always on the lookout for new ways to support local charities/organisations, and that's where you come in. If you need a few extra pairs of hands, whether it's just for a one-off project or something ongoing, we'd love to hear from you. We want to work with local groups and projects that could use some volunteer support!

Drop us a line at info@opdc.london.gov.uk and tell us what you're up to. We'd love to hear from you!

Winter Support - offering a helping hand this Christmas



Our three host boroughs - Brent, Ealing, and Hammersmith and Fulham - are all offering winter support to residents, including holiday activities, food programmes, and advice on keeping energy bills down.

Please click the links below to see the support being offered in your area.

**LB Brent's
winter support
page**

**LB Ealing's
winter support
page**

**LB H&F's winter
support page**

News and Announcements



Circular Economy School - Recruiting Now!

Do you know someone who is looking to learn practical skills in sustainable making and product development, and has an interest in the circular economy?

The Circular Economy School is a brand-new programme in Park Royal where local young people can learn how to turn waste materials into sustainable products - and gain real skills and experience for future careers in design, making, and the circular economy. **We're looking for 10 young people aged 17–21**, living in Brent, Ealing, or Hammersmith & Fulham, to join our paid workshop programme starting February 2026.

Who's behind it?

The school is funded by OPDC, and run by three circular economy projects based at Minerva Works in Park Royal - [Absolute Beginners](#), [Rescued Clay](#), and [Recollective](#).

How to apply?

To find out more, please visit Absolute Beginners' website below, where you can fill out a short application form. The closing date for applications is **5pm on Friday 16 January 2026**. Successful candidates will be notified by email in late-January.

[Absolute Beginners Website](#)

Small Grants Update



Local young people take to the stage at the Lyric Theatre

OPDC's Small Grants programme has supported charity Action on Disability to deliver a series of free drama and performance sessions at the theatre, working directly with young people who are supported by the charity.

These sessions included live performances for family, friends, funders, and staff. The sessions were built around *Theme Street*, where young people created characters, wrote script scenes, and developed performance skills in singing, acting, and stage presence!

Through these performances, the young people have been able to develop their self-confidence, improve their communication, social and performance skills, build positive relationships, and improve their overall wellbeing!

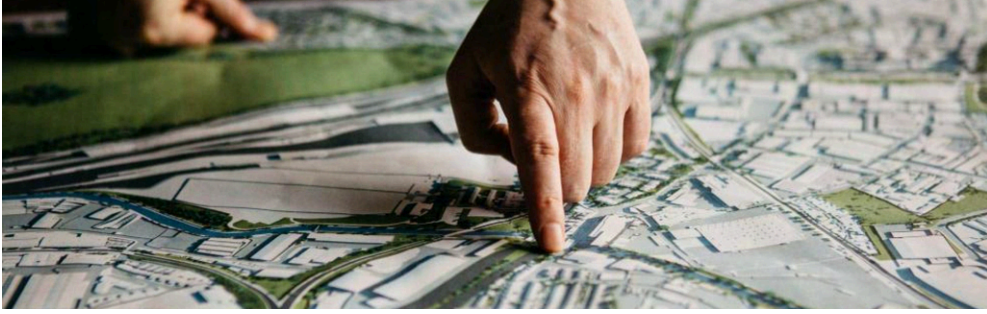
Well done to all participants and we look forward to seeing more performances in the future. We are delighted to be working with and supporting such a talented group of young people!

For more info on Action on Disability and to attend any future performances, please see their website below.

[Action on Disability's Website](#)

If you are interested in applying for our 26/27 Small Grants Scheme – watch this space as we'll be launching applications soon!

Live planning applications



- [23/0235/FUMOPDC](#): 93-97a Scrubs Lane - new development of 63 homes (Use Class C3) and 129 sqm of ground floor commercial uses (Class E)
- [25/0179/REMOPDC](#): Frogmore Industrial Estate, Acton Lane, NW10 – reserved matters application with full details of appearance, layout, scale, means of access and landscaping pursuant to outline planning permission
[21/0182/OUTOPDC](#) dated 13 October 2022 for redevelopment for a data centre with ancillary offices, work units and a café/shop
- [25/0196/FUMOPDC](#): Unit F, 6 Premier Park, NW10 - demolition of existing warehouse and phased redevelopment of site for a 25,000sqm data centre
- [25/0197/FUMOPDC](#): 2 Scrubs Lane, NW10 - demolition of existing community building and redevelopment for a 28 storey building comprising co-living accommodation and community use floorspace

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