

West Ealing News

Welcome to our Meeting

Thursday, 8th Oct 2026



www.westealingneighbours.org.uk

Hi,

My name is Eric Leach. I'm vice-chair of West Ealing Neighbours (WEN) and I have lived in West Ealing & Hanwell for 48 years

WEN is a 22 year-old Residents' Group with a 340 e-mail members address book and 7,400 Facebook users

WEN is a founder member of Save Ealing's Centre, Ealing Matters & Friends of Victoria Hall



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Why are we Here?

- Council run Area Committees were replaced by Ward Forums in 2008..... Ward Forums ceased in 2022
- Ealing Council has not run a significant public meeting for residents for many years
- WEN has been running twice yearly public meetings in West Ealing, like this one, since March 2024
- We invite residents and Local Councillors to attend and share information as to what changes are planned for West Ealing and how and when change is being implemented

Agenda

- West Ealing Neighbours AGM
- Know your local Councillors
- St Mary's Cathedral Café & Farmers' Market
- Rough Sleepers in Dean Gardens & Melbourne Avenue
- West Ealing Community Library Matters
- Pop-Up Theatre Proposal in Walpole Park
- 577 New Bedsits / Co-living planned for West Ealing Centre
- Development Sites Update:
 - Dean Gdns, Gurnell, Green Man, KwikFit, Hastings Rd,
Manor Rd, St James' Ave, Old Woolworth's Site
- Any Questions / AOB

The meeting will end at 9pm when the bar to your left will be open

WEN AGM

Election of Officers



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Know your local Councillors



Liberal
Democrats



Green Party



Conservatives



Labour

Wards in W13 Area

The postcode area of W13 is covered by 5 separate wards represented by 15 different elected Councillors

They are:

- Ealing Broadway Ward – 2 X Conservative and 1 X Libdem Councillors
- Hanwell Broadway Ward – 3 X Green Party Councillors
- Northfield Ward – 3 X Labour Councillors
- Pitshanger Ward – 3 X Labour Councillors
- Walpole Ward – 3 X Libdem Councillors

Contact details for all local councillors can be found on London Borough of Ealing website at www.ealing.gov.uk

W13 Wards

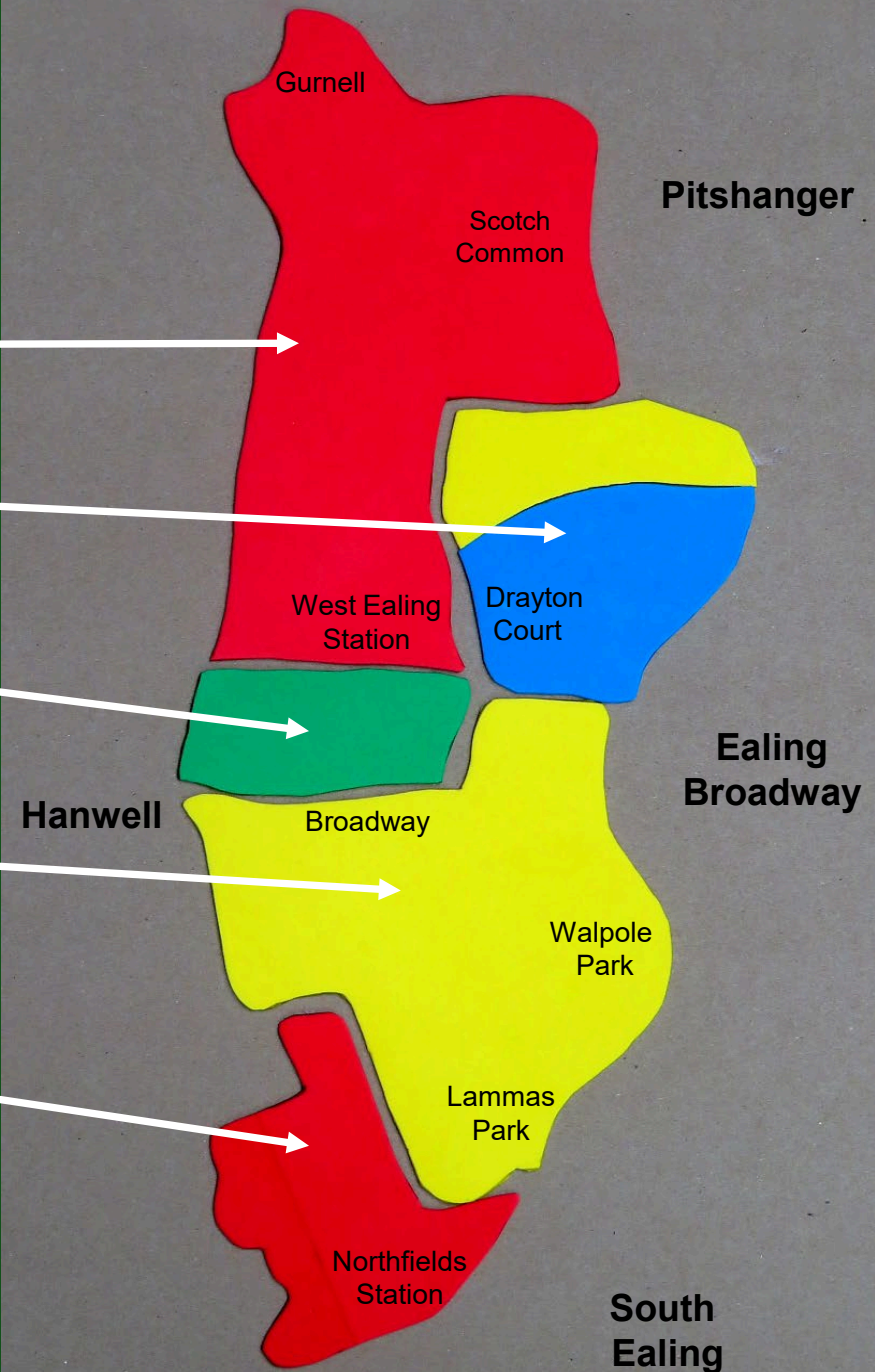
Pitshanger (Labour)

Ealing Broadway (Tory & Libdem)

Hanwell Broadway (Green)

Walpole (Libdems)

Northfield (Labour)



New Hanwell Broadway Ward Councillors

2026 Change from Labour to Green Party

Cllr Andrew Walkley

Cllr Clare Welsby

Cllr Natalia Kubica



Green Party

New Walpole Ward Councillors

2026 Change from Labour to Libdem Party

Cllr Will Francis

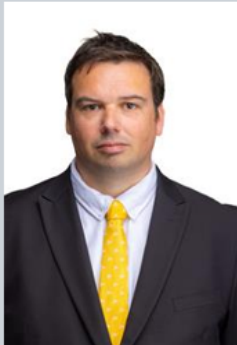
Cllr Ksenia Maximova

Cllr Matt Mellor



Walpole Ward Councillors

Meet the team

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We offer monthly surgeries on an in-person and online basis by appointment. Due to security advice, we don't publish the date or location. To book, please just email one of us and we will arrange to meet with you. Alternatively, please email or phone.

St Mary's Cathedral

New Café now Open



West Ealing Farmers' Market

Every Saturday
Avenue or Leeland Rd?
9-1pm

we're
back?





WEST EALING COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Run by volunteers to serve the community



Become a
WECL Friend



Opening Hours



Tuesday – Friday 10am–5pm



Saturday 10am–2pm



Events & Activities

- ✓ Free Digital Skills Training
 - ✓ Ealing Repair Café
 - ✓ Arts & Crafts for Kids
- Story Time & more!

Visit wecl.org.uk for details



Help Out – Volunteer With Us!

We're looking for
volunteers!

Drop in or email

Friends@wecl.org.uk



West Ealing Community Library

Melbourne Avenue W13 9BT

Friends@wecl.org.uk

wecl.org.uk

Customer Service Point

Here to help you with advice and support on council services

Access council services

Get in touch with the right people

Online and face-to-face support

Advice on the services available to you

www.ealing.gov.uk/myaccount

Find us here on:

Wednesday & Thursday

10:00am - 5:00pm

Closed for lunch
1:00pm - 1:30pm



EALING COUNCIL



Help & Advice?



wecl.org.uk

West Ealing Community Library

- New partnership between WECL and Age UK
- Weekly Dementia Club every Sunday - closed session (library not open to general public).
Contact <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/ealing/>
- Age UK Volunteer Recruitment Days at the Library:
last Wednesday of each month 1pm-4pm





Rough Sleepers

- Rough sleeping in Melbourne Ave & Dean Gardens
- Upsets Library users?
- Encourages ASB, drug dealing, drug taking and day drinking
- What can be done to help these homeless people?

Libdem Action Plan

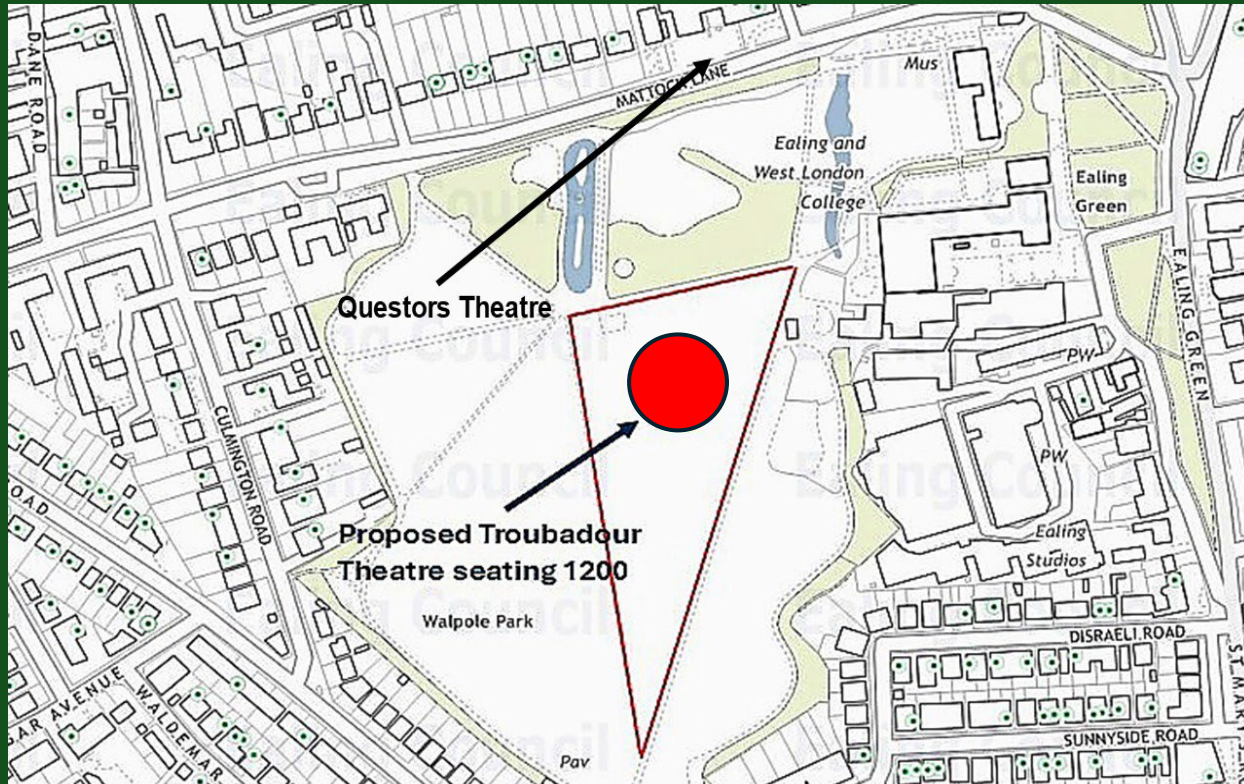
ASB & Rough Sleepers

- Advising residents to use MET Engage to report cases of anti-social behaviour.
 - Exploring ways to spread awareness of MET Engage and to show people how to use it.
- Discussing proposed environmental solutions reduce anti-social behaviour with residents and local stakeholders.
- Contacted Greggs to see if they will invest in anti-shoplifting layout at their shop.
 - They have responded to say they are considering in making such an investment.

Troubadour Pop-up Theatre

Walpole Park

- Subject to Planning Approval
- Seating Dome for 1200 people
- Proposed Tenure 3+ years
- e-petition with over 5000 objections will trigger special Council Debate



577 Bedsits in central West Ealing?

What is co-living?

- Temporary housing with shared kitchens and lounge areas
- Units with a floor area below the minimum 37m² – typically only 21m² or less
- Unsuitable for families and won't contribute towards building a sustainable community
- Will they be genuinely affordable?
- Concerns that lack of on-site supervision or management could lead to an increase in antisocial behaviour
- Planning permission approved for 577 co-living spaces:

St James' Avenue Development	215 units
Old Woolworth's Site	268 units
KwikFit Site	94 units

Total: 577 units

Development Sites Update

Dean Gardens Development

- Nothing Happening Here!
- Two half-finished Tower Blocks abandoned when builders, Henry, went bust in June 2023
- Site derelict for 3 years - now a public eyesore overlooking Dean Gardens local park
- Leader of Council's West Ealing Action Group stated that a new contractor would be procured by Aug 2026
- When will it be demolished?



Gurnell Development

- Planning Application for 300 flats & a new Leisure Centre approved by LBE in Jan 2025 at a cost of £150 million
- Demolition completed and construction started in 2026
- When will the £50 million new replacement leisure centre be completed?



Green Man Estate



- Original Regeneration Plans started 19 years ago in 2007 to replace 464 flats with 693 but subsequently increased to more than 900
- Construction of Phase 4 was suspended when Rydon Construction pulled out and a new contractor, part of the Real Group, went bust
- Following recent talks with the Higgins Partnership and housing association A2Dominion, LBE have now approved initial plans for completion of Phase 4 to build the last 400 housing units and a new Church Hall

KwikFit Site

W13 9BE

- Nothing happening here!
- Now used as a car park for local businesses
- When might construction of the 94 'co-living' housing units commence?



Majestic Wine Site

Hastings Road

- 412 student homes
- Construction underway
- Shoe Repair Shop remains!



Manor Road Site

- Construction of 20 storey building underway
- Chaos in Manor Road continues!



St James' Avenue W13

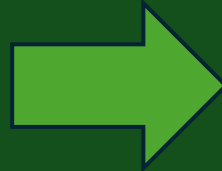
99-103 and 105-114 Broadway, W13 9BE

- Art Deco buildings either side of St James' Avenue now demolished
- Recent complaints about dust & noise during demolition
- Plans approved for 215 co-living units (HMOs)



Old Woolworths Building 96-102 Broadway, West Ealing

- Approval for an 'apartment hotel' with 268 co-living suites
- 8 storey Building with external design sympathetic to that of the old 1922 Woolworth's façade
- Construction has now commenced



Any Questions?





Want to Help Us?

Volunteers Needed



**Thank You for
Coming to our
meeting!**