

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Northway Gardens

Over the last two years a miraculous transformation has taken place in Northway Gardens. In place of a dull public place there is a riot of colour and scents throughout the summer followed by subtle changes in colour in the autumn.

During lockdown this was a source of joy and solace to all limited to a daily walk as their only outing.

Hopefully it will continue to flourish as life gradually returns to normal.

We all owe a very big thank you to the Sponsors who provided the funds and the Volunteers who worked so tirelessly to bring the gardens back to life.

Eleanor Miller
31 Hill Top

Northway Gardens

BRIAN INGRAM

The Rose Gardens seems to be having their best year yet. It is not just roses and flowers, it is also becoming known as a place for peace and quiet, contemplation and relaxation – as well as picnics and even marriage proposals! The gardens offer year-round colour.

“It is so pleasing when we get compliments from visitors, some who have come a distance and heard of our award winning work,” says volunteer Thomas Palmer.

Northway Gardens Organisation relies on donations from local organisations, businesses and residents including Amber Day



Photo: Shelley-Anne Salisbury

Flowers, Ellis & Co Estate Agents, Gavzey Opticians, HGS Residents Association, HGS Trust, LCS Security and Streathers Solicitors. NGO is currently fundraising for two

more benches and a rubbish bin. Any donations will be appreciated. You can either pay online at [justgiving.com/crowdfunding/northwaygardensorganis](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/northwaygardensorganis), by bank

transfer to Northway Gardens Organisation, 51-50-11, 66631904 or send a cheque, made payable to Northway Garden Organisation, to 69 Brookland Rise, NW11 6DT.



GoodGym Barnet volunteers coming up roses (Photo: Paul Salman)

Kidasha Trek Update

MYKE JACOBS

The situation in Nepal remains critical, particularly during the monsoon season. I am still walking from London to Rome without leaving home for Kidasha (kidasha.org). I have passed 400 miles (4,500 laps) – the total raised is £11,573. My target is £18,000.

In July, it rained and rained, making it unpleasant to be out

walking and often reducing my path to a slippery, muddy patch, so I didn't quite reach my monthly target. Notable landmarks passed include Paris and Fontainebleau.

Kidasha is not my only charity. This month, I took 2 days out from my Kidasha trek to do a sponsored walk for Immunodeficiency UK (immunodeficiencyuk.org), the charity that supports patients like me with primary immune deficiencies and our families. These very rare conditions (often called 'Zebras') can be very frightening and life-limiting, but, thankfully, not in my case. There are about 5,000 such patients in the UK with around 400 identified conditions. Treating us can involve complex (often experimental) treatments. Many have to have



Photo: Ruth Jacobs

blood plasma infusions very frequently and, during this pandemic, nearly all had to shield at home – not go outside at all – for over 18 months so far.

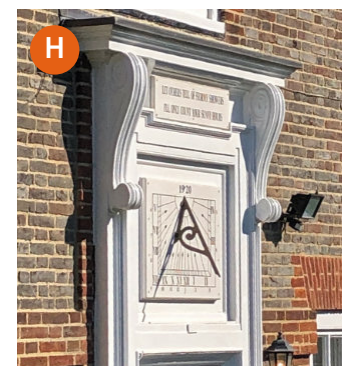
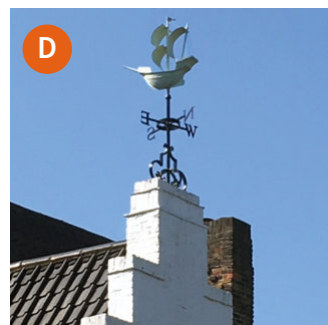
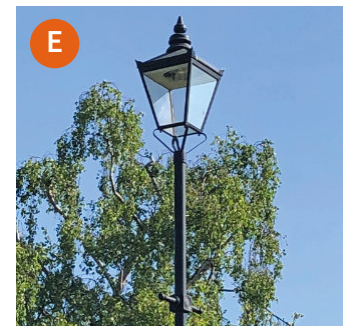
Please donate to either charity at <https://bit.ly/3xMxEPO>.



Sunshine Corner looking resplendent (Photo: Emma Howard)

Where on the Suburb

How much of a Suburb aficionado are you? Can you identify the location of these eight landmarks? (Answers back page.)



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