

Bancroft TMC Newsletter

Dear Residents,

We have resumed normal service delivery from the estate office and have been busy with securing resources to reconnect the community and improve the estate to make it a cleaner, safer and greener estate.

Play Area Upgrade

We are very pleased to report that we have secured external funding to renew the children's play area and with up to £80,000 worth of investment we are hoping to make a big impact. We will ensure regular updates are given and hope to celebrate the opening of the new play area in or around August 2022.

Community Garden

The very popular Community Garden suffered from neglect due to non-use during the Covid Pandemic and more recently storm damage. Once again, we have been successful in securing funding from the Inspiring Communities Funds and have now carried out the much-needed repairs and a makeover. All the troughs have been allocated on an annual licence to users who have been patiently waiting for the garden to reopen.

Rickman House Mural

The TMC and Magic Me, a local Arts Organisation, have made a joint bid for funding to engage with Bancroft TMC residents and design a Mural to go on the side of Rickman House. **Magic Me** has experience of bringing together different generations through art, linking people of different ages, ethnicity, culture and faith to build integrated communities. If you want to know more about Magic Me please visit <https://magicme.co.uk/about-us-2/about-us/>

If you are interested in taking part in this project, please send us an email to: enquiries@bancrofttmc.org.uk

Temporary Mosque/ Porta Cabin on Green

The Council will finally be demolishing the temporary Mosque/porta cabin following concerted pressure from the TMC who were keen to reinstate the green and for the dilapidated unused building to be removed. The works are scheduled to start at the end of March and will take around 3 weeks to complete.

Wickford Street Development / Office Relocation

We are in conversation with officers from the Council and have identified premises within the estate where we hope to relocate to during the redevelopment of the site. Preliminary site surveys have started as we slowly start preparing for our move. We hope that any disruption to services will be minimised as much as possible during the move.

Covid-19

The Government has eased the rules however Covid is still with us and there are steps you can take to reduce the risk of catching and spreading Covid-19.

We want to keep you, our staff and contractors safe there the following safety arrangements are still in place:

- Please wear a face mask when you visit the office to protect yourself and others
- Our staff and contractors will continue to wear a face covering and appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)
- If anyone in your home is self-isolating, please let us know as soon as possible before a home/repair

For more information on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do>

Out of hours

During office closures and out of office hours please call Tower Hamlets Out of Hours Service on: **0207 364 5015 / 0800 376 1637**.

To report ASB please contact Tower Hamlets Homes on **0207 364 5015**. If you witness drug related ASB please contact the Bethnal Green Safer Neighbourhood Team on **0208 721 2849**. Call **999** for serious crime and for less serious crime call **101**.

We would like to wish you all a Happy Easter and Ramadan Mubarak.

The TMC office will be closed on:	
For Easter Good Friday: 15 April – Closed Easter Monday: 18 April – Closed The office will reopen on Tuesday 19 April 2022	For May Bank Holiday Monday 2 May 2022 The office will reopen on Tuesday 3 May 2022

Stop and think – not down the sink

Checklist for managing fat, oil and grease in your kitchen

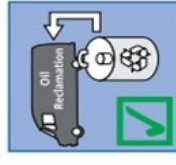
DOs



Do wipe and scrape plates, pans and utensils before washing (and put the waste into the bin).



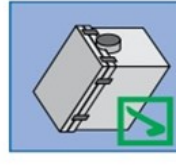
Do collect waste oil in a suitable secure container.



Do arrange for oil to be collected by a licensed waste contractor.



Do use strainers in sink plug holes (and empty contents into the bin).



Do maintain Grease Traps and Enzyme Dosing equipment regularly.

DON'Ts



Do not put cooking oil, fat or grease down the sink.



Do not pour waste oil, fat or grease down the drain.



Do not put food scrapings into the sink (place in the rubbish bin).



Do not sweep waste into floor drains (place rubbish in bin).



Do not pour boiling hot water down the sink to try to dissolve fat and grease. It does not work!

The above simple guidelines will significantly help to maintain free flowing water both within the drains of the premises and in the sewerage system.

Recycling

You can recycle all of the following using your pink sacks and purple recycling bins:



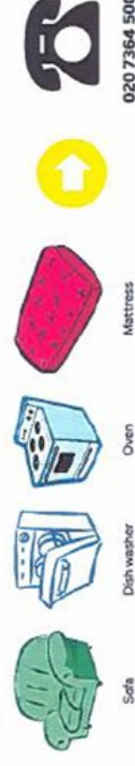
Non-recycling

Place your non-recyclable items in the rubbish bin or chute. Examples of non-recyclable items include:



Bulk rubbish

Large household items can be removed for free by the Council. Call Streetline on 020 7364 5004 to arrange a collection. Do not dump bulk rubbish in communal areas of your block or estate.



020 7364 5004