

# OPDC

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## Your February Update



Welcome to the OPDC newsletter, your source for the latest updates, opportunities, and stories from Old Oak & Park Royal!

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### Small Grants Scheme – open for applications



Our 2025 Small Grants Scheme is open for applications!

This scheme is designed to celebrate and support all forms of social action within the OPDC area. From creating welcoming spaces for people to meet and develop new skills, to improving health and wellbeing and reducing loneliness, grants of up to £7,000 are available to support inclusive, grassroots initiatives that make a positive difference to local communities.

Please note, this year we are looking to support organisations and projects we have not funded before.

**The deadline for applications is 18th February.**

For more information, to access the Small Grants Brochure and to apply for the scheme, please [click here](#).

If you have any questions, you can visit us at our fortnightly drop-in session on 11th February, from 3–7 pm at The Lab, Oaklands Rise or you can email us at: [info@opdc.london.gov.uk](mailto:info@opdc.london.gov.uk) - we'll be happy to help!

Find out more



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## Drop-by and meet us!



Come and meet the engagement team at our regular community drop-in surgeries at The Lab, Oaklands Rise, NW10 6FT.

Held fortnightly on a Tuesday from 3pm-7pm, please drop by if you have any questions or want to hear about what we're up to.

Our next drop-in session will be held on:

- Tuesday 11th February

This session will focus on our Small Grants Scheme. If you are considering making an application and have any questions about how to apply - or would like to ask about any aspect of the scheme, we would be happy to help. Please just drop by and see us whenever it suits you!

You can find us using this [Google maps link](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have a specific query or detailed question, we encourage you to email us in advance at [info@opdc.london.gov.uk](mailto:info@opdc.london.gov.uk).

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## Upcoming events and community updates

### Find out more about our local area with Joanna!



Qualified tour guide, English teacher and local history enthusiast Joanna Dudzinska invites you to two free Hanwell Walk and Talk events starting from Hanwell Community Centre. These guided walks are a fantastic way to explore the local area, meet new people, and enjoy some fresh air while learning about Hanwell's history and community!

#### Dates and Times:

- **Friday 14th February**, 11am - 1pm
- **Friday 21st March**, 10am - 12pm

#### How to join:

Simply sign up by following the instructions on the Eventbrite link below. Joanna looks forward to welcoming you!

[Find out more](#)



## Community Spotlight



Brent Council is introducing an exciting new programme! Brent Connects provides a space for local communities to come together and discuss the issues that matter most in their area. This programme is a key part of the council's commitment to consultation and engagement, giving residents a voice in shaping the future of Brent.

By working together, the local community can explore and develop new ideas to improve the lives of everyone in our community. Join Brent Connects and be part of the conversation!

There are five meetings taking place across the Borough in March, these include the following two dates in Willesden and Harlesden:

- **Thursday 13th March**, 6pm - 8pm - Willesden
- **Monday 17th March**, 6pm - 8pm - Harlesden

[Book your place](#)

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## Live planning applications



- [24/0176/FULOPDC](#): 1 Lakeside Drive, NW10 – change of use of the existing office building to a hotel and self-storage facility.
- [23/0051/FUMOPDC](#): Holiday Inn Express, Victoria Road, North Acton - redevelopment of student accommodation of 699 bed spaces; 91 homes; ground floor commercial / retail space fronting North Acton Station Square and Victoria Road; and associated amenity space, public realm and landscaping.
- [23/0235/FUMOPDC](#): 93-97a Scrubs Lane, new development of 63 homes and 129 sqm of ground floor commercial uses (Class E).
- [24/0103/FUMOPDC](#): 17 Western Road, Park Royal – redevelopment of the site with a single building for general industrial use, storage and distribution and communal offices, together with associated parking, external operational areas and landscaping.
- [25/0011/FUMOPDC](#): Woodward Block A, 1 Victoria Road, London W3 6AR - redevelopment to provide a 14-storey building comprising purpose built student accommodation with flexible commercial and community space at ground floor.

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## Dates for your diary



Small Grants drop in session, 3pm - 7pm at The Lab,  
Oaklands Rise, NW10 6FT





Small Grants deadline

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