



HANWELL  
BIG LOCAL  
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Welcome to  
our first issue!

Partnerships  
**Local Trust** | **Big Local**



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# Hanwell Big Local Partnership

**The Partnership is composed of Local Residents and Representatives from local organisations who are passionate about seeing positive development in the Hanwell Big Local Area.**

Through consultation of the Community the Partnership put together the Community Vision and Plan. The Partnership are responsible for overseeing the implementation of projects.

Our Local Trusted Organisation is **EASE Ltd (Empowering Action and Social Esteem)** and are responsible for being the first point of contact for the project, administering the financial funds, coordinating meetings, administration and contact with The Local Trust.

...And introducing  
**The Hanwell Hound**  
I'm available at all  
events!



## Message from the Chair



It has been a long time since the Local Trust approached Ealing and offered them £1M for an area within the borough, culminating in our winning bid for Hanwell. Four years of progressive researching, consulting, planning, learning, developing partnerships, finding match-funding and trying to spread the word about Hanwell Big Local have passed.

Community development is never straight forward and with the changing political and economic climate it has been a challenging time for many members of our community and for the voluntary sector as a whole. We finally received the funding in January 2015 and over the last year we have done what we can to get the projects off the ground.

We have developed a ten year strategy to work towards our vision of creating a neighbourhood that will be a vibrant and safe place to be. A place where people feel they belong, can thrive and are inspired to create opportunities to work and play together.

All projects have to fit into at least one of the four themes:

- **Accessibility** - helping to make services cheaper, more accessible, reaching more people from different backgrounds and cultures- breaking down physical and social barriers
- **Health and Leisure** - improving physical and mental wellbeing by creating services and activities that bring people together, socialising and learning new things and having fun.
- **Environment** - improving the physical environment, encouraging community

growing projects, making use of wasted space, increasing recycling and becoming sustainable.

- **Employability and Enterprise** - encouraging volunteering, creating apprenticeships, supporting local business and encouraging start-ups and supporting learning opportunities for children, young people and adults.

When we consider projects we also ensure that we are working within our principles of

- Communication
- Equality
- Co-ordination
- Safety

The partnership have decided to extend some of our first year established projects for another 2-3 years. We have room for small projects and pilot schemes and input from every resident either as a participant, partner, member of the partnership or volunteer.

We are aiming to build and grow the work and the team to support it. This will allow us to have a strong foundation and test and implement smart ideas over the next three years with a strategy for the future. This is an exciting opportunity for all of us, let's make the most of it as a community and get involved!

Please visit [www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk](http://www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk) for more information. We really need feedback and input from Hanwellites - let us know how to improve our area, our services and our plans for the future.

**We can't do it without you!**



## What is Hanwell Big Local?

Hanwell Big Local is a new 10-year community project covering the Cuckoo, Gurnell and Copley estates. It's led by local residents who have volunteered to work on the project but it belongs to ALL the residents in these areas. We have £1million to be spent improving the lives of people in the area.

Current Projects are:

- An affordable door-to-door bus service
- Youth activities
- Gardening apprenticeship scheme
- Support for our local businesses on Bordars Road and Greenford Avenue
- Hanwell Community Centre development and Heritage projects

These projects started as ideas put forward by local people. They will develop and evolve and we will be putting more ideas into action over the ten year period.

Our focus for the next three years is to really build solid foundations towards sustainability in the future. We want to build our staff team so that HBL can;

- respond to local needs that emerge throughout the three year cycle
- encourage people to get involved
- make sure we are reaching as many people as possible in the area
- creating learning and volunteering opportunities
- be flexible and support new ideas and small projects

We want to fund training opportunities that help people to

- gain work experience
- get employment
- Start or improve their self-employment/ business prospects
- Support existing services to build capacity

We want to invest in different methods of communications to build awareness of what HBL is doing;

- Notice Boards
- Events
- Social media, website & newsletter
- Volunteer roving reporter team with Wordpress training
- Any other ideas or suggestions to build on our communications

# Upcoming Events & Activities 2015/16

## HOLIDAYS SCHEMES 2016

### February Half Term

Details will be promoted

### Easter Holidays

Details will be promoted

### Summer Holidays Scheme

Details will be promoted

Join our mailing list to keep updated  
[www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk/](http://www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk/)

## EVENTS

### Hanwell Big Local Annual Stakeholders Event

Saturday 5th December 2015  
6 pm - 9.30pm At Hanwell  
Community Centre by Invite only  
Greenford Avenue Customer

### Appreciation Day

Saturday 5th December 2015 12-4pm  
Everyone welcome from  
Hanwell Big Local area!

## POP-INS

### Job Club

Tuesdays 9.30-1.30pm

### Information, Support & Advice

Tuesdays 9.30-12.30pm

Hanwell Community Centre

## WARD FORUM MEETINGS

### 1st March 2016

### Cleveland Ward 7-9pm

Location to be confirmed

### 9th March 2016

### Hobbayne Ward 7-9pm

Location to be confirmed

Dates for the June meetings are  
to be confirmed. Information will  
be available on our website  
[www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk](http://www.hanwellbiglocal.org.uk)

## PAST EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### Half Term Holiday Scheme

16-20th February 2015

### Hanwell Heritage Hop Event

14th March 2015

### Blank Canvas 5 WKS Art Workshop 13-19yo

24th February-24th March 2015

### Easter Holiday Scheme

31st March-9th April

### Art Club 6 weeks Art workshop 8-13yo

14th April-19th May 2015

### Hanwell Carnival

20th June 2015

### Summer Holiday Scheme

20 July - 24th Jul & 3rd Aug-14th Aug 2015

### October Half Term

26-30th October 2015



# Youth Projects



The Hanwell Big Local, alongside **EASE** have funded play schemes during the school holidays at the Hanwell community Centre. These have been very popular, always fully booked and well attended with waiting lists.

Activities included Arts & Crafts, Boxing, Cooking, Gardening, Sports, Sewing, Poetry and Music.

The HBL funded ECT buses were used to go on trips to Hounslow Urban Farm, Dinosaur Golf and the Cinema. During term-time there has been an After-school Art Club run by the Little Art Room. Over October half-term there was a scheme at Gurnell Grove with activities including Photography, Craft / Sewing & Sport.



# Horticulture Project



## Small Grant Awards

**Hanwell Big Local has awarded sums of between £50-£500 to local residents and groups in the local area for activities and projects that will get people involved and help raise awareness.**

Money was awarded to fund;

- Photography workshops at Copley Close Youth Club.
- Discounted spaces at RollaDome Rollerskating Rink
- Subsidised spaces at PULSE Basketball Club
- Pupils at Hathaway Primary School to do an Arts Award
- The purchase of Musical Instruments
- Greenford Avenue Traders Association Winter Event

We welcome applications from Residents Associations, individuals who want to do a project with their neighbours' faith groups or other community groups to take advantage of this funding.

Get the application form by emailing [hbladmin@empowering-action.org.uk](mailto:hbladmin@empowering-action.org.uk) or by calling **020 8575 6139**.

Complete and return it to the same email address or alternatively post to:  
**HBL Administrator c/o EASE  
Hanwell Community Centre,  
Westcott Crescent, W7 1PD**

**The Horticulture Project is an exciting way to create apprenticeship opportunities for 2 people from the HBL area aged 16 and above. The apprentices will be trained to level 2 or 3 qualification and given work experience with Cultivate London.**

They will be maintaining the Copley Woodland Conservation Area, existing community open spaces, growing projects and supporting local more vulnerable residents to improve and maintain their gardens.

After the two year apprenticeship the newly qualified apprentices will be supported to set up their own business to continue these projects and provide maintenance and landscaping services for public and private clients.

Over the next three to five years we aim to

- Develop and maintain the Copley Wood
- Create or improve and maintain two community gardens
- Create community herb, vegetable and fruit gardens
- Create a community orchard
- Help to make people feel safer in the area by improving front gardens and communal spaces

**Do you want to get involved? Do you want to start your career? Like gardening but not got a garden of your own? Feeling lonely and want to meet people? Want to get out more and get healthy? Horticulture is a great way to start feeling great!**

Contact Adrienne at Cultivate London on [Adrienne@cultivatelondon.org](mailto:Adrienne@cultivatelondon.org) or telephone **020 8992 4941**.



## Hanwell Association of Traders "Support for our local businesses" Project

One of HBL's main project is "Support for our Local Businesses". HBL is working in partnership with HAT on this project. The purpose of this project is to identify potential businesses and provide a support service in the Hanwell Big Local area.

The kick-off phase of the project started in June 2015. Twenty six businesses were identified as potential participants in the project. 100% of the businesses were approached and invited to join the project. Liaison with businesses was done on a one to one basis and this was followed up with a letter explaining the objectives and support on offer from Hanwell Big Local and Hanwell Association of Traders.

The reaction to the project was extremely positive, particularly concerning a longer term goal to set up a traders group and create an identity for the shopping parade

Following HAT's initial meetings they have issued a questionnaire to capture what priorities and areas of the project traders wish to participate in. This will allow us to understand challenges/barriers they have both in their business and the difficulties they see collectively along the parade. At a high level we captured the following areas of concern: lack of parking and street drinkers/drugs.

This project has now moved into phase 2 of the project and HAT will be collecting questionnaires from businesses. HAT will work on an individual basis to support businesses over the next couple of months. HAT have offered business support, advice around parade concerns/frustrations and help with visual marketing. HAT will be identifying skills and leaders who can be utilised going forward for the benefit of all on the parade.

**There will be a Customer Appreciation Day on Saturday 5th December 2015: a fair offering music, artisan stalls, decorations and balloons, posters, flyers and entertainment to promote shops and connect businesses with residents.**

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## Ealing Community Transport

**When we consulted people in the early days, many asked for help to get transport to various places and activities. This led to the Partnership approaching Ealing Community Transport.**

We wanted to provide a flexible transport service that encouraged people who are finding it difficult to get out of their homes to get to services provided for them. We wanted to remove one of the barriers so a door-to-door service was created and all you had to do was register and ring to book transport.

We wanted to support local organisations and/or groups for them to be able to get people on trips out of the area to allow people to have different experiences, and see different parts of London or the countryside.

We wanted to give local people the opportunity to gain skills and confidence through volunteering and having access to apprenticeships and job opportunities as escorts and drivers for Ealing Community Transport. Working with Ealing Community Transport made all this possible.

Please take advantage of this service and help us share the information with everyone who needs it most.

If you are part of an organisation and run services that could be accessed by more people, let us know how we can support you and let your clients know. If you have a neighbour who is over 50, or is disabled or is vulnerable because of mental health problems or simply someone who seems isolated and/or struggles to get out of the house because of personal or practical problems, let them know about this service.

- **Register and book your first free trip and see how easy it is to get to the shops, job club, lunch club or art class!**
- **Register your club or group and organise your trip to the theatre, the seaside, a farm, a football match or a special event.**
- **Register with Ealing Community Transport as a volunteer and get on the mailing list to hear about training or job opportunities.**

**Call 020 8813 3210 and mention Big Local to take advantage of this great opportunity.**



## Hanwell Community Centre

**We believe that one of this area's greatest assets is our fabulous Hanwell Community Centre which is rich in history with massive potential. It is a rare treasure at the beating heart of a unique London Community. It must be protected for the Community, regenerated with enthusiasm, energy and dedication and be made sustainable for the future.**

The partnership feels that it is important to make every effort to ensure that Hanwell Community Centre becomes a vibrant and thriving hub of enterprise, education and leisure, with arts and sports and lots of other services requested by many residents during our consultations.

With this in mind, Hanwell Big Local supported the coming together of a community led Steering Group in line with these objectives. This led to the birth of a new community led social enterprise: Hanwell Community Centre Consortium Ltd known as HCCC (H triple C). HCCC successfully undertook the registration of the building and of all the land around the Community Centre as an "Asset of Community

Value", this included Littlejohn playing fields which were registered as a Village Green in 1994. This Asset of Community Value status means that the Community should be given the opportunity to produce a business plan and compete to run Hanwell Community Centre to manage it when Ealing Council stop funding and managing the Centre in April 2017. HCCC is currently working on registering the company as a charity and awaiting the formal announcement of the tender from Ealing Council, which is expected to take place between November 2015 and January 2016.

The council will then call for potential contractors to indicate their interests in running Hanwell Community Centre through completing a pre-qualification questionnaire. From these applicants the council will draw up a shortlist of 3 to 5 potential partners who will present fuller proposals. The selection of the preferred bidder for running Hanwell Community Centre is expected in August 2016.

**It is the focus and commitment of HCCC to be on the shortlist.**

HCCC will be shortly asking for the Community's support to show Ealing Council how much the Community can help shape and run excellent local services at Hanwell Community Centre, how it can make those services more responsive to local needs and how it can offer social value to the Community while delivering better value for money and empowering our Hanwell Community to do more.

**For more information on Hanwell Community Centre Consortium (HCCC) please visit our Facebook page or email [HCCW7@gmail.com](mailto:HCCW7@gmail.com).**

## Pictures from Hanwell Carnival & Heritage Hop

We played a major part in organising & funding this event for all ages on Saturday March 14th at Hanwell Community Centre.

There was live music from Hats Off to Led Zeppelin, Jazz Mondays, Acton Zappa and Hanwell Ukeles as well as Music Workshops for anyone to join in with. In addition there were Arts & Crafts, Tours of the Centre, Refreshments, Historical Exhibitions and Films.



Hanwell Carnival 20th June 2015



Hanwell Heritage Hop 14th March 2015

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# Empowering Action and Social Esteem

EASE Ltd

**EASE has been working within the local community since 2001 and offers a range of adult and child services based on community need. EASE's ethics are built on community cohesion and involvement. Through their work EASE has a great knowledge and understanding of the varied communities requirements.**

As Hanwell Big Local's Local Trusted Organisation, EASE has married its

community awareness with the Hanwell Big Local project to provide support, not only as a bank account, but to publicise the project throughout the Big Local area and represent both parties in all aspects of promotional work. EASE, alongside managing the large HBL budget also manages the youth projects and the Hanwell Big Local administrator. **We are proud to be part of the Hanwell Big Local Project.**



**Tel 020 8575 6139 | [www.empowering-action.org.uk](http://www.empowering-action.org.uk)**  
**Hanwell Community Centre W7 1PD**  
**We are Copley Close Children's Centre**

## LONDON PULSE BASKETBALL CLUB

**Every Saturday at Hanwell Community Centre for young people, 7-18 years old!**

**For more info [www.londonpulse.org](http://www.londonpulse.org) or call Damian 07932 933644.**

**Women-only group on Tuesdays 9.30-10.30am.**

**Train and learn to play in a welcoming and friendly group. Contact [anne@londonpulse.org](mailto:anne@londonpulse.org) or just turn up on the day!**



## Ealing Community and Voluntary Service

Ealing Community and Voluntary Service (Ealing CVS) is a registered local charity and has been supporting the local voluntary and community sector for over 30 years.

We offer practical support in a number of ways which include: group development; training and skills courses; help and training around safeguarding; support with recruiting

volunteers; help and support with finding and applying for funding, and more.

**More information about what we do can be found at [www.ealingcvs.org.uk](http://www.ealingcvs.org.uk)**





# WE NEED YOU!

You can be part of Hanwell Big Local by:

- By telling your friends and neighbours about the project
- Using and benefitting from the projects and activities
- Joining the partnership
- Keeping up-to-date with what's happening by visiting our website and checking our noticeboards
- Volunteering your time and skills
- Joining our email contact list
- See our website for more information about how this project will benefit you and the community and how you can contribute and get involved.



**Hanwell Big Local Area**



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