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## REMEMBRANCE DAY

A number of events will be held in Haringey to mark Remembrance Day in November.

**Armistice Day, Friday  
11 November  
10.45am**

Mayor of Haringey Cllr Gina Adamou and Cllr Sheila Peacock will join local school children, residents and Father Roy Pearson at the war memorial in Tottenham Cemetery.

**Remembrance  
Sunday gatherings,  
13 November  
All at 10.45am**

Wood Green War Memorial, High Road, N22 Mayor of Haringey, Cllr Gina Adamou will lead the civic party.

Tottenham War Memorial, Town Hall Approach Road, N15. This will be preceded by a 9.30am service at Holy Trinity Church, Philip Lane.

Hornsey War Memorial – details to be confirmed. Check [www.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.haringey.gov.uk) for updates.

## ALEXANDRA PALACE EVENTS

Alexandra Palace Way, N22  
[www.alexandrapalace.com](http://www.alexandrapalace.com)

## FAIR

### Dolls House & Miniatures Fair

**23 October 2011**

An amazing Dolls House Fair with over 200 tables let, with exhibitors showing an incredible range of beautifully made dolls house furnishings, accessories and dolls houses.

10am-4pm

Adult £6

Children £2.50



## EVENT

**5 and 6 November**

November marks the 75th anniversary of the first public TV transmissions from Alexandra Palace.

To celebrate come and join us for a weekend of fun and a chance to explore and experience the original BBC studios like never before.

Log on for more information [www.alexandrapalace.com/whatson/75th-anniversary/](http://www.alexandrapalace.com/whatson/75th-anniversary/)

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are normally held in the Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22, and are open to the public. Meeting times and dates can change. Check [www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings) for the latest information.

### November

#### Cabinet

Tuesday 8, 6.30pm

#### Planning Committee

Monday 14, 7pm

#### Full Council

Monday 21, 7.30pm

### December

#### Planning Committee

Monday 5, 7pm

#### Cabinet

Tuesday 20, 6.30pm

## WATCH

If you can't come along to a meeting and you have internet access, you can now watch main council meetings through the council's website, live or at a later date. Just follow the 'videos of council meetings (webcasts)' line from the home page or meetings page at [www.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.haringey.gov.uk)



## Have Your Say Haringey

### CURRENT CONSULTATION

#### Short-term use of Hornsey Town Hall Square

Following a temporary relaxation of street trading licensing arrangements across the borough, Haringey Council is exploring options for the use of the area outside Hornsey Town Hall, Crouch End.

The views of residents and businesses are being sought on what kind of occasional activity – such as cultural events or markets – could take place on the Town Hall Square.

To take part, complete the online questionnaire at [www.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.haringey.gov.uk), email [hth@haringey.gov.uk](mailto:hth@haringey.gov.uk) or call 020 8489 1794 to request a paper copy of the questionnaire.

## Family Information Service Directory

The 'one stop shop' for parents to find up to date information about services for children and young people ages 0-20. Click on [www.haringey.gov.uk/fisd](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/fisd) or call 020 8489 1000.

# Day in the Life



*Helen Constantine (right) greets the Duchess of Cornwall and Prince of Wales at the Community Assistance Centre*

## Helen Constantine

*If you looked at Helen Constantine's job title, you might be forgiven for thinking her role as Head of Business Management Services was a bit hum-drum.*

Well, you'd be wrong.

Helen was the person who spearheaded emergency efforts at the Community Assistance Centre set up by the council immediately after the Tottenham riots.

"It became clear very quickly that people like those who fled burning buildings – and lost virtually all of their possessions – needed help from several different quarters and it seemed sensible to make this available under one roof," explains Helen.

"So we assembled everyone, from emergency housing specialists to voluntary groups expert in advising people

traumatised to varying degrees by their experiences."

Adds Helen: "Then there were the business people who needed different sorts of help. They had lost their livelihoods, as had the people working for them – so they needed help from council business advisors with everything from temporary premises to insurance claims."

What really struck Helen during her 16-hour days at the centre was the generosity and community spirit which welled up in people touched by the plight of victims of the disturbances.

Helen says: "That initial local community spirit rippled out – first to other parts of London, then across the country and eventually internationally.

"Towards the end we were receiving donations from as far afield as Australia and China. Just goes to show there are

some really good people out there."

Those donations were just some of the hundreds received – from food and clothing from local people, to new goods and thousands of pounds from businesses and shops.

"I guess my enduring emotion will be pride," continues Helen. "Pride in the 400-plus volunteers giving time and expertise – and in the stoic attitude of those caught up suddenly in the riots. Also, pride in how we put our regular emergency planning into action in a short time to help so many people.

"It was also comforting to receive visits from Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall and other dignitaries, but at the end of the day this was all about ordinary people coming to the aid of others in trouble and showing true community spirit."