ABERFELDY NEWS





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THE FUTURE ABERFELDY **YOU DESERVE**



The facts on the Aberfeldy New Masterplan, shaped by the local community, pages 2 and 3



Aberfeldy Regeneration The FACTS

You have helped us shape a brilliant new masterplan for the area, which will continue to deliver the homes and community facilities you've told us matter to you.

We want to make sure you know the truth around our regeneration plans.

- **⋈** www.futureaberfeldy.co.uk
- @Aberfeldystreet
- @Poplar.harca
- @Aberfeldyvoice

Scan and add vour support





More social homes

We're building an extra 116 homes for social rent.



Safer streets and crossings



Keep the 309 bus

We support the 309 bus route. TfL make decisions on the bus routes, not us.

You will still be able to drive on

and off Aberfeldy using the A12.

Very little will change. New routes

will be close to the existing ones.

Accessible green spaces

and child-friendly parks

for families to enjoy.



Less traffic and cleaner air





- The new walking and cycling route will be open and well-lit with lots of activity, including new shops.
- Aberfeldy will look, feel and be safer with improved street design - getting rid of blind spots, adding CCTV and smart lighting.
- Stopping rat runners and better walking routes means less pollution and quicker access for local drivers.
- We're already delivering a new community centre, new space for the mosque, parks, GP and shops- with lots more to come.







More shops, cafes and opportunities for existing and new retailers.







Regeneration set to deliver new, improved parks

Park improvements will include:

New high-quality planting and landscaping New play areas and sports facilities New pathways, tables, benches and seating

Braithwaite Park

- Brand new gates and links will open access onto Benledi Road and Blair Street
- A new enclosed play area will be provided, with equipment suitable for all ages to enjoy



Leven Road Open Space

- New, adventurous sports and play space
- Top of the range and best quality multi-use games for ballsports, as well as a fantastic new running track
- Premier outdoor gym equipment, and places for fun, free active play and climbing





Millennium Green

- New landscaping will improve the relationship between Millennium Green and Abbott Road
- New links, as well as places to sit, work and play



Jolly's Green

- Beatiful new planting and superb landscaping, as well as new links and play spaces
- Upgraded amenities alongside boosted access and connections to the local area



ABERFELDY SQUARE ABERFELDY SQUARE



'Feldy Community Centre is now open!

Aberfeldy residents came out in force to celebrate the opening of the brand-new community centre, The 'Feldy, in June.

The new space, right in the heart of Aberfeldy Square, provides extra facilities and support for the local community. It was delivered as part of the regeneration of Aberfeldy Village, led by the partnership between EcoWorld London and Poplar HARCA.

We worked closely with the community on the design and fit out of the new centre. There is a focus on the things that you have told us you need most - including support for health, education, skills and training

and employment. From yoga to karate, English classes, money advice or help to get a job-there is so much support available.

If you haven't had chance to visit yet, we offer a warm welcome to everyone! Pop in and find out more about the Feldy's extensive programme of events and services all in this beautiful new space.





A new nursery opened for business in Aberfeldy Square on 4 September 2023. It's a real boost for local families who can sign their little ones up to this beautiful childcare setting, right in the heart of Aberfeldy. This is a key example of how local regeneration is delivering vital facilities which directly benefit the community, alongside affordable housing for those who need it.

Matchbox Nurseries have been operating in Aberfeldy for 20 years, so it's wonderful this local business now have the opportunity to branch out into this additional space.

For more info or to book, please email Kim:

⊠ kim@matchboxnursery.co.uk

COMMUNITY NEWS HOUSING UPDATE

Local community set to benefit from new faith centre

The programme of regeneration in Aberfeldy is community led, which means it's crucial that local people have the infrastructure and facilities that matter most to them.

As part of this commitment, on Monday 20 November Aberfeldy Islamic Cultural Centre signed an agreement with Poplar HARCA to secure a new site.





The AICC will move into 2a Ettrick Street, once the Aberfeldy GP Practice transfers to its purpose-built new location in Aberfeldy Square. AICC members, Poplar HARCA representatives and local stakeholders joined together to celebrate the occasion with a special blessing of the new premises.

ABERFELDY CENTRE

December 2023

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Useful numbers

Poplar HARCA Head office/repairs

020 7510 0500 / 0800 035 1991

Poplar HARCA Employment and Training

020 7510 9970

Domestic Violence helpline

08002795434

Culloden Primary School

020 7364 1010



MON

ESOL Entry Level 1: Introduction to Speaking and Listening 9.15AM - 3.15PM

Contact New City College 0202 7510 7736

Sisters in Strength 9.30AM-12.00PM

Navigating life together as women

Across the Board 3.30 - 4.45PM

It's family game time after school

*CHRISTMAS *

Snow Much Fun Thurs 7 Dec, 3.30-7.00PM

Get into the festive spirit with family friendly fun & market stalls

Elders Christmas Lunch Tues 19 Dec, 1.00-4.00PM

Enjoy a three course Christmas lunch for our seniors 60+. £6 per ticket

Santa's Little Helper Thurs 21 Dec, 4.00-6.00PM

Kid-centric Xmas fun. @2 per child / Family discount available

TUES

Easy cooking 9.30 - 11.00AM

Make delicious dishes on a budget

At Work 9.30AM - 12.30PM

Employability workshop Contact Shahnaz 07414768300

Yo Bingo! 11.30AM - 1.30PM

Gather over coffee and good company. For: 50+ Fees apply

Knitting the Air 4.00-7.00PM (5 Dec only)

Help visualise air quality data through knitting.

Pump it up: Dance to exercise 5.45 - 6.45PM

With Nuffield Health Age:18+ For: Women only

Counselling 6.00-7.00PM

One-to-one support for overcoming abuse.

WED

Clean slate 9.30AM - 12.30PM

Financial health support

Claim to the Max 10.00AM -12.00PM

CAB one to one help. Book via 020 3855 5234

Royal Collection Trust 2.00-3.00PM (06 Dec only)

Explore the painting collection of His Majesty over Zoom.
Painter in focus: Hans Holbein

Adventures in Motion 3.45-4.45PM

Multi-sports after school For: 8-11 yrs

Pump it up: Stretch 6.00 - 7.00PM

Age:18+, Fee: £3 per session

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Across the Board: Adults 6.30-8.30PM

(13 Dec only)

Adult game time.

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Get online 9.30AM - 11.00AM

Learn to navigate all the Microsoft packages with confidence. Contact 020 7510 9770

Knitting club 11.00AM - 12.00PM

Fee: £2 per session

Let's talk English: Conversational Class 11.00AM -12.30PM

Get confident with presentation and talking. Fee: Free for those on benefits

Pump it up: Yoga 11.00AM-12.00PM Starts 16 Nov

Improve your mind, body and soul. For: women only

Muscle Movers 1.00-3.00PM (07 Dec only)

Muscle Movers Looking for some physio support. Get help in a group setting with NHS experts.

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Halaqa 10.00AM - 4.00PM (8 Dec only)

Relax with Rosa Reflexology, Indian head and hand massage. 20 min/£5

Halaqa

10.30AM - 12.30PM

Female cultural discussion forum

Family Fun Homework 3.30 - 5.00PM

Get homework out of the way for more weekend fun.

Age: 5-11 yrs

Community Pantry 2.00-4.00PM

Food assistance for families and individuals experiencing financial difficulties.



Silverback Taekwondo 11.30AM-12.45PM

Age:8-17 yrs Fee: £20 per month +25% for second child



ABERFELDY BIG LOCAL POPLAR WORKS

Aberfeldy women's group

Aberfeldy WOMEN'S GROUP

AT ABERFELDY BIG LOCAL
OUR VISION IS TO
EMPOWER WOMEN TO
PARTICIPATE OR LEAD
INITIATIVES THAT BUILD
SKILLS AND SOCIAL
INTERPRISE

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BE A PART OF THE WOMEN'S GROUP PLEASE CONTACT RINA ON 07436568524

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Cafe to Let at Poplar Works

Interested in growing your hospitality business? There is an exciting opportunity for a new operator to let the cafe space at the Poplar Works site – 384 Abbott Road, E14 OUX – licensed by Poplar HARCA and The Trampery.

The café area is 70m2 (753 sq ft) and has seating for approximately 30 people. There is also an

outdoor terrace with the potential for seating on warmer days. It comes equipped with furniture, air conditioning and kitchen equipment free of charge.

Interested? Get in touch to learn more and arrange a viewing!

Large Studio Space Available at Poplar Works

Introducing The Jacquard Room - an impressive 1188 sq ft studio space on the ground floor of Poplar Works.

The space includes wifi, communal kitchen and toilet facilities and costs £2574 per month plus VAT, business rates and utilities.

This is an exciting opportunity for a growing creative business to let a rarely available workshop or studio space!

Learn more and get in touch to arrange a viewing.

∀ Visit: thetrampery.com
 and search: 'studio'



THE ROOTS BARBERS

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Emy: A Multilingual Barber with a Decade of Expertise

The Roots (Aberfeldy Street) welcomes Emy, a seasoned barber with an impressive 10 years of experience, has been making waves in the world of hair grooming.

What sets Emy apart from the rest? Well, not only is he self-taught, but he also started his journey as a barber as a mere hobby. However, his innate talent soon flourished into a full-blown profession, thanks in part to her family's background.

Born in Russia to Ghanaian heritage, Emy's unique cultural blend shines through in more ways than one. Not only does he excel in the art of barbering, but he also boasts an impressive language repertoire. Emy is fluent in Twi, Russian, Ukrainian, and Macedonian, and he can even read Bulgarian. His multicultural background and linguistic skills make him a true global citizen in the world of barbers.

His expertise knows no bounds, as he specializes in catering to



all hair types. Whether it's Afro, straight, Asian, or curly hair, Emy is your go-to barber for the perfect cut. He is equally skilled in scissor cuts, skin fades, and all types of fades, ensuring that every client leaves his chair with a stylish and confident look.

Emy's clients can attest to his exceptional talent and passion for his craft. So, if you're in search of a barber who can masterfully



transform your hair, look no further. Emy invites you to experience greatness at his capable hands. Don't miss the opportunity to get a haircut that leaves you feeling your best – book an appointment with Emy today!

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E14 BIKES MORE LIFE HOMES



E14 Bikes

E14 Bikes on Aberfeldy Street will cover all your cycling needs. Services include repairs, hiring, buying and selling new and used bicycles.

They cater for all ages and sizes and are one of the very few places that can repair electric cycles and scooters.



Opening times 10am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

For more information contact Leon:

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Donate your pre-loved items

Do you have furniture, clothes, shoes or homeware that you no longer need? Are they in a condition where they can be reused?

Rather than throwing them out, donate them to More Life Home.

More Life Home offers a free furniture collection and recycling service in Tower Hamlets. They can even come to your home to collect bulky items.

Just scan the QR code, complete a short donation form and they will be in touch to arrange a collection.

Or for smaller items, you can drop them off at their shop at 41 Aberfeldy Street.



'Looking for volunteers to join our fantastic team, to find out more contact Aisha on the details below

Items donated get redistributed to

communities in need of low cost or

from landfill they help communities

free furniture. By saving furniture

make their house a home.

(i) @morelifehome

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Local knitters craft for air quality change

Over 70 east London community knitters are creating a special textile artwork, to raise awareness of local air quality.

Knitters of all abilities are using knitting to show air pollution data from two Aberfeldy Breathe London air quality sensors.

An exhibition of their work so far was held at the Making Space Gallery on Aberfeldy Street at the end of September and was a huge success. Over 250 people attended to find out more about the project.

Culloden Primary School's student Council also came to learn more about air quality and shared what they learnt with the rest of the school in assembly. The knitting collective started in March 2023 and will be knitting the data for a whole year. The result is a really impressive artwork, which is helping to build knowledge and understanding on an issue that directly affects the health and wellbeing of the whole community.



There is still lots of data to knit! There are monthly knitting meet ups held at the 'Feldy centre- everyone is welcome and no previous experience is needed.

If you would like to join, get in touch with Caroline on



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Aberfeldy Youth Project

Everyone at, The Aberfeldy
Project/Aberfeldy FC is excited
with teaming up with Poplar
Harca to launch a vibrant youth
space. This collaboration aims to
provide a dynamic hub for young
minds, fostering creativity, skill
development, and community
engagement. Together, we're creating
opportunities that empower the
youth, building a stronger, more
connected future. Join us in shaping
tomorrow's leaders!



LOCAL CARERS ASSOCIATION SEND COMMUNITY HUB

Local carers association celebrates new location

Tower Hamlets Carers Association are celebrating moving to a new office in Aberfeldy Neighbourhood Centre. They marked this with an event held on 15 November, which was attended representatives from Poplar HARCA, who helped to facilitate the move, and was covered by ATN BANGLA.

The new location will allow the Association to continue its important work, providing training and support for over 4000 members in Tower Hamlets.

For more information:

f Tower Hamlets Carers Association





HOUSING UPDATE

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Keeping your home safe and warm

As we move into winter, condensation and mould can become more common. This can have a negative impact on health, so we've put together some information on how condensation forms, and some top tips on keeping your home warm, dry, and safe this winter.



Decant Process

Poplar HARCA's housing team require all tenants to register on the housing list, by completing a housing application it will help us assess your housing need. Some of you will have already received a housing application in the post. Please return this, and the right to return form if you want to return to a new build home on the estate.

Contact one of the decant advisors if you need help completing the forms or have any questions.

Please contact Jasmine on:

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Or Mujahid on:

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✓ Mujahid.Abdul-Majeed@ poplarharca.co.uk



Contact Fintan, from Poplar HARCA, on:

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☑ fintan.tynan@poplarharca.co.uk

You can also contact Independent Tenant & Leaseholder Advisor, Mo Ali, on:



YOUR FUTURE ABERFELDY

Come and talk to us about the regeneration of Aberfeldy

Aberfeldy drop-ins at Your Future Aberfeldy Hub & Poplar Works

Your Future Aberfeldy Hub 43 Aberfeldy Street E14 ONU

Thursdays 2-6pm

Find out more at:

www.poplarharca.co.uk/Aberfeldy

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