

## NDF LEAFLET RESPONSES – JUNE/JULY 2013

### **1. What do you like about West Hampstead & Fortune Green?**

Quiet area with plenty of local shops  
A lot of facilities if you have children  
Easy access to transport, banks & supermarkets  
Villagey – West End Lane shop fronts to be preserved  
Community feel  
Everything  
Playing football with friends at Templar House  
Peace Park  
Beautiful area, traditional buildings and appealing to look at  
Easy access to transport  
Beckford School  
Lots of cafes  
Good parks  
Very residential and quiet  
People are friendly in general  
Transport access  
The people  
Lots of green space & local shops – it feels like a village  
Close to Hampstead Heath and lots of green space  
Clean, quiet  
The Community, local residents  
George the greengrocer on Mill Lane  
Good views  
Mill Lane  
Peace & quiet, easily accessible  
The diversity of people, lovely neighbours  
The atmosphere, the transport facilities, the farmers' market  
Communication – transport main attraction  
Excellent transport links  
Quiet, lots of families, easily accessible  
Village feel, green, similar age people, low crime, good transport links  
Friendly, very convenient, farmers' market  
Central, nice feel about it, brilliant transport  
Nice friendly area, generally clean, good transport  
Loads – handy for transport to a lot of places  
Farmers' market  
West Hampstead Life blog and twitter account  
Bookshop, Wet fish cafe  
A nice area with friendly people  
Safe, farmers' market, nice places to eat  
Availability of transport, farmers' market

Village feel, green environment  
Good communications, good transport connections, good mix of people  
Farmers' market; green space; landscaping planting  
Outdoor gym at Peace Park  
Farmers' market, certain shops, nice neighbourhood, access to transport  
Village feel, new pedestrian area outside Thameslink station, Peace Park  
Parks, Shops, Sidings Community Centre, farmers' market, good amenities  
Maygrove Peace Park; shops on West End Lane  
Peace Park  
Good transport, neighbourhood very friendly  
Farmers' market, transport links are good  
Friendly atmosphere, transport links  
Community events and festivals, accessibility of area  
Fire station, the parks, farmers' market, the library  
Peaceful and residential neighbourhood, transport links, green spaces, safe for children  
Transport links  
Victorian buildings  
New station  
Farmers' market, community garden initiatives  
A dormant sense of neighbourliness seems to be waking up  
Local websites such as West Hampstead Life  
Neighbourhood feel, farmers' market, festivals, green areas  
Sense of community  
Good balance between vibrant city life and calm diverse neighbourhood  
Good transport, community centres, good shops, green spaces  
Peace Park, preserve the area  
Friendship, atmosphere, village feel, community groups, good transport  
There is a lovely village atmosphere to the area and neighbours are very friendly  
The variety of restaurants, shops and cafes in the local area  
I like the village atmosphere, the fact that there are not many chain stores, farmers market  
Green spaces, the charity shops, general mix of buildings and landscape, absence of tower blocks  
It's reasonably accessible to central London, it's a good sized area  
Great for families and great transport to central London  
Everything – it is my village!  
Community, Library, some of the shops  
Nice people and atmosphere  
Not lots of high buildings, keeps old buildings maintained well  
Small shops on West End Lane  
Nice family residential area with good schools & nurseries  
Victorian village feel and independent shops  
The community groups, community cohesion  
Fortune Green,  
Farmers market  
West End Books, Peppercorns, David's Deli, The Kitchen Table, La Brioche, La Brocca  
Community events – Jester Festival, FoFG events, Book shop readings etc

West Hampstead Library  
New Thameslink station pedestrian space & farmers market  
Fortune Green – and films on the green  
Mill Lane and West End Lane – and all the local and independent shops  
West Hampstead Life blog –makes me feel I belong  
New school on Mill Lane and surrounding area  
New guerrilla gardening project on Fordwych Road  
Small businesses on Mill Lane  
School improvement at Emmanuel School  
Kid's playground improvement  
Accessible to transport & shops  
Accessibility & community groups  
Peaceful compared to Camden Town  
Schools are also lovely  
1 Mill Lane development  
Outdoor gyms

## **2. What don't you like about West Hampstead & Fortune Green?**

Nothing really  
The feeling of community is threatened when every space is built on and piled high with high-rise buildings.  
Parking restrictions  
Expensive to live in  
Some children are too noisy  
More car parking  
Too quiet if you're a young person  
Shisha cafe on Rhondu Road  
Not enough schools/6<sup>th</sup> form colleges  
Nothing  
It seems that local shops are replaced by chains  
Rubbish in the street  
State of the Black Path  
Road works – burst pipes  
Nothing  
Need carers for vulnerable people  
Dog mess  
Area around the tube station can be quite intimidating at night  
Variety of shops on high street  
Traffic  
Kilburn – rundown  
Big tall blocks of flats  
Far too much building up of the area  
Not enough infrastructure – schools, doctors, parking  
Developments on Mill Lane are being built without any co-ordination or consultation

Mess around recycling areas  
Motor vehicle crime  
Fly tipping  
Nothing particularly  
Tesco parking on West End Lane  
Poor access at Underground station  
Nothing of note  
Very busy in rush hour  
Too much new development  
No community space, too expensive  
Gangs in Peace Park  
Traffic  
Pricey to live around here  
Building in the area  
West End Lane congestion  
Iverson Road is too dirty and dusty  
Fly tipping on Maygrove Road and Iverson Road  
Destroying the tight community, too many more people  
Rubbish in Peace Park  
Less of a sense of community than other parts of London  
Too many new housing developments  
Too many take-aways, kebab shops, dry cleaners, estate agents  
Greedy development  
Transient population who seem not to wish to contribute – how can this change?  
Bad and lazy architecture – bland and cheap  
Litter  
General uncaring attitude about area  
Parking around Fortune Green – Gym members  
Huge expansion of multi-occupancy blocks increasing crowding and making it unaffordable for locals  
Lack of police presence, gangs/drug dealing in Peace Park  
Overdevelopment of the area, traffic, lack of parking, congestion, pollution, over-crowding  
Not everywhere is accessible for disabled people  
Dog poo on Fortune Green  
Traffic jams in West Hampstead – especially West End Lane  
The fact that it is sometimes hard to park on weekdays  
Pedestrian congestion near Overground and post office  
Too many cafes and estate agents, doing away with shops  
Not the greatest shops  
The thought that I might have anything changed  
Takeaway shops, estate agents, cost of accommodation  
Can't think  
Litter on streets, not clean enough  
Cars are driving too fast on narrow roads  
Chain stores (Tesco etc)  
Crowded transport interchange – narrow pavements

Social cleansing, cost of housing, we need affordable housing that doesn't cost so much  
Proliferation of charity and other low end shops on West End Lane – we should be encouraging small vendors such as butcher, deli, cheese, coffee etc  
The balance of affordable/student accommodation vs encouraging younger more affluent families to move here – the later would give more of a permanent sense of community  
Lack of parking  
Poor bike routes  
Endless traffic issues on West End Lane - the road being dug up & Tesco parking  
Lack of independent shops – 2 Tesco & 1 Sainsbury too much for a small community  
No fishmonger, no butcher  
Lacking of social and affordable housing, so “ordinary” young people can live here  
“American shutters” on shop fronts – resulting in a disconnection from our streets  
Managing agents, housing associations & landlords who don't fulfil their obligations – particularly rubbish, poor maintenance, neglect etc  
Too much car traffic on Mill Lane & West End Lane  
Inadequate pedestrian crossing on Finchley Road  
Property price bubble  
Motorcycle shop parking around Achilles Road  
The crossing by FG needs to move as it's in a very dangerous position – drivers coming up from WH have a total blind spot where people stand on right to cross  
Lack of good school places  
Extortionate rent prices  
Parking restrictions  
Once a week rubbish collections  
Maintenance of council housing estates  
Wayne Kirkham Way – not safe; overgrown; poor lighting  
The area around the WH stations isn't safe for pedestrians  
Lack of cycle routes  
No full sized sports pitch

### **3. What would you like to change about West Hampstead & Fortune Green?**

Rubbish collections in evening, so doesn't disrupt traffic  
More affordable & social housing, especially homes with 5 bedrooms  
Make it safer  
More affordable housing  
More parks, playgrounds for kids  
Nothing  
More affordable housing  
Better rubbish collection  
Facilities for children are limited  
More community events  
Longer opening times for the Library, including Sundays  
Better nurseries for under 2s  
Less traffic

Lower rents for young people  
Butcher's shop  
Stop the new builds – the area is overcrowded  
CCTV on West End Lane  
Visible policing  
Fewer road works  
More light at night on Sherriff Road  
Pavements are too narrow  
Tall buildings  
More independent shops, no charity shops  
General uplift of the area  
More character shops – not estate agents and coffee shops  
More children's things in parks  
Enforcing parking restrictions  
Separate recycling for bottles, paper and food  
More cycling routes  
20mph speed limits  
More parks and open spaces  
More independent shops, more play areas  
Fishmongers  
Preserve and expand green spaces  
Less chains stores and supermarkets – West End Lane feels soulless  
More delis, restaurants and bars  
More quality developments  
More independent shops  
A quota on takeaways  
Local town hall meetings  
More greening in the streets  
Peace Park – make safe and livelier  
Not so many building plans  
Keep the area neighbourly  
Graffiti around the tube station should be cleaned up  
Try to improve the mix on high street – how about a butcher?  
Limit the pace of change to sensible growth, not multiple major developments  
More police, more schools, longer library opening hours  
Improvements to the Peace Park  
Disabled access to Underground & Overground stations  
More regular rubbish collections  
Reduce the number of pedestrian crossings and bus stops by the stations –they cause congestion & pollution  
More parking  
Nothing  
It would be great to have more sports facilities  
Nothing really except rising house prices  
More involvement in community decisions

Speed bumps on Holmdale Road

Underpass linking stations, fewer chain stores (get rid of Tesco), more school places

Restrict heavy commercial vehicles from West End Lane & Fortune Green

Make West End Green a more inviting place

Build affordable housing, not just expensive flats

Make sure there are enough schools/doctor's surgeries etc to support the expanding population

How can transient residents be encouraged to be part of living here?

How can landlords and managing agents be managed?

More active green spaces – including micro spaces, tree pits, greening the area, green walls, green roofs, allotments

Make the Library an active and lively hub for all community initiative

Restrict car access to school areas (Mill Lane)

Establish cycle routes

Semi-ban on large/dangerous/polluting vehicles (4x4)

Congestion charge on 4x4

Make it a plastic bag free town!

More affordable housing

Increased family activities

More pedestrian bridges over the railway lines

Swimming pool and sports facilities

Improve Iverson Road park

Bike lanes

Astroturf on Sidings outdoor pitch – and extend onto Liddell Road site

Clothes shops & sports shops

Link West Hampstead Underground & Overground stations