

What's On at Hilldrop Community Centre

Autumn 2024



Our **Christmas Fair and Wreath Making workshop** is planned for Saturday 7th December – more details to follow. If you would like to get involved contact elaine@hilldrop.org.uk

Our **Community Christmas Dinner**, for members of the Tuesday Lunch Club, will be held on 17th December. At this event we cook up a festive 3 course meal for approx. 100 people and, where possible, provide a gift along with a raffle and prizes. If you would like to donate to our *feel good community action*, please contact elaine@hilldrop.org.uk

Nature Neighbourhoods

In partnership with **Octopus Community Network**, a series of workshops aiming to put local communities at the heart of saving nature. Focusing on the Tufnell Park area there shall be a series of community conversations to mobilise everyone.

Our next Community Conversation is on **Wednesday 18th September, at Hilldrop Community Centre, 17.30 – 19.00**, where we will be talking about Regulation and Implementation.

For further information: <https://www.octopuscommunities.org.uk/nature-neighbourhoods>

To register please contact info@octopuscommunities.org.uk

Annual General Meeting of Hilldrop Area Community Association

Tuesday 8th October at 7pm at Hilldrop Community Centre,

Join us as we review our 2023-24 year and discuss our plans for the future. Meet our board, staff & volunteers and find out more about our services. Refreshments provided – you must book a place at this meeting. **RSVP to office@hilldrop.org.uk 0207 607 9453**

Become a Trustee with us!



Can you offer relevant skills to support and advise us? Would you like to learn more about community leadership and management? Get in touch to get involved!

Nominations for new Trustees must be made to the Chair by **12pm Tuesday 24th September 23** in order to be considered for election at the AGM

Contact: chair@hilldrop.org.uk

The Hilldrop Food Hub

Tuesday Lunch Club & Social: Join us for tea & coffee and a free hot lunch served at 12.30pm. We provide a supportive environment in which to relax and make friends. Guests are welcome to browse our book collection, get involved in craft activities or just relax in our warm/cool rooms.

Tuesdays (term-time) from 10 – 2.30pm (4pm during winter) in the Small Hall & Training Room.

*Tea & coffee from 10am. Lunch served at 12.30pm **Free but donation welcome***

All inquiries: elaine@hilldrop.org.uk. **The service is drop-in** If you wish to refer someone who may need additional assistance please contact Elaine. *There is no lunch club during the school holidays.*

Tea, Tech and Biscuits (at the Tuesday Lunch Club)

Students from PPCP are available at Hilldrop on Tuesdays 11-2pm to support people using digital devices. Drop in and make an appointment during our Tuesday lunch club.

Tufnell Park Ward Safer Neighbourhoods Team

Pop in and meet your local police team, discuss crime issues and priorities for the Ward
Wednesday 13th November at 6pm

Hilldrop Gardening Group

The **Hilldrop Community Gardens** are always seeking green fingered volunteers to join us for our weekly gardening sessions. *Thursday afternoons (term-time) from 11am - 2pm. Free.*
To register please contact: elaine@hilldrop.org.uk

Walking Art Workshops

If you enjoy creative activities linked to getting out and about, the **Walking Art Workshop** is free to Camden & Islington residents. We'll be running **regular 5 week courses**

Wednesdays from 10.00 to 12.30 (term-time). Meet in the Small Hall. Please arrive promptly to take part in planned walks. If you're interested in joining, please email helen@cutmoose.com

Sewing Course with Islington Adult Community Learning

Free 10-week course for sewers who want to improve their skills, get creative with their own projects or collaborate on community works. All levels are welcome. Equipment provided.

Thursdays (term-time) starts 12th September . 10am to 12pm. Large Hall. Free

To register your interest please email: acl@islington.gov.uk or pop in to speak to the tutor on Thursday mornings.

Eritrean Family Support Group

These weekly sessions are led by Seble – pop in to have a chat and get involved
Wednesdays (term time) 12.30-2.30pm Small Hall Free

Tabiya Group

Members only - group of home schoolers who hire the centre to deliver engaging learning activities for their children.

Hilldrop Ukulele Group

Singing and ukulele playing of classic and contemporary songs; rehearsals leading to group performances. Singers and other instrumentalists are welcome.

Fridays (term-time), 12.30-2.30pm, Main Hall. £1 - £2 contribution per session

Contact: office@hilldrop.org.uk

CHOIR: The Camden Harmony Singers (term-time only)

The Camden Harmony Singers are a friendly community choir who sing a variety of music styles from folk to jazz, gospel to pop and songs from many cultures, traditions and faiths.

Singers of any ability are welcome to join, from complete beginners to those with more experience.

Wednesdays 6.30 - 8.30pm in the Main Hall (term-time – starts 11th September).

Please check term dates & prices at www.camdenharmonysingers.com. **Fees apply** but the first session is free to new members. Contact: info@camdenharmonysingers.com

Bengali Womens Group (term-time only)

Members only social group for Women of Bengali heritage to network, exercise and socialise, also to practice Bengali and Arabic, and study the Quran.

Tuesdays 10am-12.30pm Main Hall. Saturdays 10am – 12.30pm Small Hall

For more details contact: office@hilldrop.org.uk

Alcoholics Anonymous

Support group to help men and women achieve and sustain sobriety. *Sundays 12pm - 1.30pm*

For more details contact: office@hilldrop.org.uk or National helpline 0800 9177 650

Olokoro Community Group

A members-only gathering for the local Nigerian community that takes place on the last Sunday of each month from 6 – 9pm. For more details contact: office@hilldrop.org.uk

Children's Activities & Services

Our wonderful Stay and Play closed in May 2024. We are in discussions with community partners and hope to bring new services to parents and under fives in the new year.

Play Project - After School Club & Holiday Playschemes

Affordable childcare with a full range of fun and stimulating activities geared toward primary-aged children (4-11yrs) and run by our qualified, friendly and experienced staff.

Our **After School Club** runs from 3.45pm-6pm, Monday to Friday during term-time with 'walking bus' collections provided to children from Hungerford and Tufnell Park Primary Schools.

Our **Holiday Play Scheme** runs from 8.15am-5.30pm Monday to Friday during the Half Terms, Easter and Summer Holidays (excluding all Bank Holidays)

Fees Apply. Visit www.hilldrop.org.uk/play-project for further information

Contact: iola@hilldrop.org.uk Play Project Manager

Bright Futures Early Help Service

The Bright Futures Early Help team work with 5-19 year olds and their families to link them with services and activities designed to improve outcomes for children and young people. Advice sessions run on Wednesday afternoons from 2pm - 3.45pm at Hilldrop.

To make an appointment with a practitioner, contact the helpline on 020 7527 4343 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) or email early.help@islington.gov.uk.