

HOLLOWAY PARK *community*

PROJECT UPDATE February 2025

Reaching for the Sky at Holloway Park

We would like to introduce you to Joanne, who is working as a crane operator here with us at Holloway Park and who also happens to be a local Islington resident.

Joanne was only the second woman in Europe to work in crane operation. Even today 10 years into her career as a skilled crane operator, she told us that although now there are quite a few women, it is still unusual to be a female crane operator.

We asked her what is it like being up high in a crane? Joanne said 'It is a bit scary at first being up there, and the money is good, but the hours are long. I would encourage women to come into construction, opportunities are there especially for women, which were not there before.' She advised it is important for women who are interested to be flexible and professional in their approach to the work as they need to prove themselves to their colleagues who may not have seen a woman crane operator before.

Joanne got started by doing some research on cranes and got an apprenticeship at 42 years old. Three months at a residential training centre later, Joanne had skills to equip her to start work with 10 different construction jobs available to her, including slinger, crane supervisor, and driving dumper trucks.

Joanne was able to retrain for a career in construction through a government scheme. There are schemes and training available for those looking for a career in construction and Islington residents can contact



Next Drop-In Session
will be the **5th March**
between **2.30 pm to 4pm**

Bike Maintenance Workshops at Holloway



Workshops have been taking place to teach students how to repair and maintain their bicycles. The course is due to finish at the end of March which will give the students a qualification.

Consultation for phases 2 & 3

Scan the QR code below to join the mailing list and sign up for our workshops or email

info@hollowayparkconsultation.co.uk





Join the free 6-month Make & Mend programme to build your sewing and tailoring skills

Starting this April in Holloway Park, you'll get:

- 3 hours of tailoring workshop per week (in term time)
- Training on using a sewing machine, making and altering clothes
- Guidance on starting your own business or finding your dream job
- A sewing machine to take home once you've graduated from the course!

This programme is delivered by **Kundakala** and is available to ethnic minority women with a household income under £25,000 per annum. You'll also need to commit to attend and engage for the full length of the programme.

Register your interest: call **07933 787129** or email info@kundakala.org

Career in construction - Apprenticeship opportunities

We're actively recruiting apprenticeships at Holloway Park, a major construction site on Parkhurst Road. Whether you're interested in office-based roles like logistics or engineering, or hands-on positions such as plumbing, electrical installation, carpentry, brickwork, tiling, and more—there's something for everyone!

iWork, from the Islington borough, will guide you through the application process and even support you in getting the necessary qualifications to succeed.

To find out more or apply, send your CV to Wahidul.Islam@islington.gov.uk today!

PROGRESS ON SITE

- C1: Level slab + Balconies + Verts
C2: Level 3 slab + Balconies + Verts + Decking to level 4
- D1: Level 2 slab + Level 3 Slab 70% + Level 4 decking
D2: Level 3 slab + Verts + Level 4 decking
D3: Level 3 + Verts + Level 4 decking + Level 4 slab
- E1: Ground Beams + Slab sections + Decking to Level 1 (40%)

UPCOMING WORK

- C1: Level 6 slab + Verts
C2: Decking to Level 5
- D1: Level 4 & 5
D2: Level 5 decking
D3: Level 5 slab + Verts
- E1: Complete Ground Floor + 50% Level 1 Slab + Vert
E2: Level 3 Verts & Level 4 Decking

CONTACT DETAILS

For any queries that you'd like to discuss, please contact us at:

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CONSTRUCTION WORKING HOURS

0800 – 1800 Weekdays 0800 – 1300 Saturdays

If you wish to speak to the Council about this project, please contact Islington Construction Monitoring Team:

Lee – 020 7527 7272 or islington.gov.uk/ReportASB

