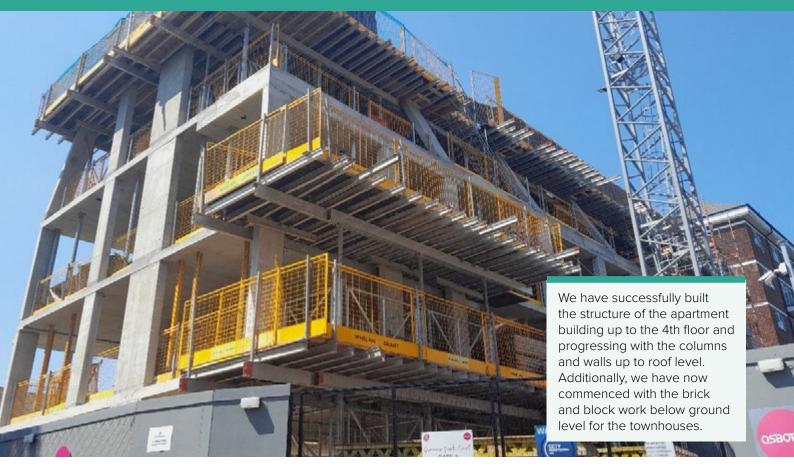
# **QUEENS PARK COURT** NEWSLEITER

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### PARKING

e-surfacing works of Queens Park Court car park will commence on the 24 July 2023. These works will be carried out in two phases to ensure the smooth progress of the project. Phase one will involve breaking out the existing surface of the car park, making necessary alterations to the drainage services, and laying kerbs and edgings. This phase is scheduled for completion in the first week of September. Following the completion of phase one, Osborne's site office will be stationed

at the North end of the car park adjacent to Queens Park Community Gardens. We will write to residents again with further information about phase two works to the Southern part of the carpark closer to the time.

Should you require further information please contact your Resident Liaison Officer, Sunny Adefarakan by email at **sunny.adefarakan@osborne.co.uk** or by phone to **07425 789 883.** 







# I LOVE QUEENS PARK – INTERVIEW WITH JOHN BAPTISTE

e had the pleasure of speaking with John Baptiste who was happy to share his memories and his affection for Queens Park having lived in the area for over 60 years.



What do you love about Queens Park? What is there not to love about Queens Park, you can get to anywhere in England from Queens Park. You can go to Euston, Paddington and Kings Cross with buses that run regularly to all those main stations. I love Queens Park and I love the area, from here you could go to Timbuktu.

What was it like when you first moved to Queens Park?

I moved into Queens Park in 1963, and initially, I was uncertain as I didn't know much about the area. However, the moment I stepped inside my new home and turned the key, a voice inside me said, "John, you're home!" I knew instantly that this was the place for me. Now, I'm one of the last remaining original tenants on the estate.

How has Queens Park changed? I've witnessed a lot of changes in the local area and on the estate, as well as the growth of the children who once played here. During the summers, we would organise three or four events for the children, including trips to the seaside. I also served as the treasurer for the Queens Park Community Forum, as well as supporting the community with sports activities for younger children. The area used to be bustling with children who, despite occasional fights, knew one another. It was a multicultural community, with people also from the avenues coming together.

If there was anything you would tell someone about Queens Park, what would it be? Move in! It's a wellorganised area with excellent transportation links, as there isn't a bus that doesn't pass through here. You'll find a variety of restaurants representing different cuisines. With shopping accessibility to Harrow Road, Harlesden, and the large supermarket nearby, you don't have to travel far for anything.

What do you think about the new development? The new homes have the potential to uplift the local area positively. If managed and monitored effectively, they can contribute to creating a very pleasant environment.

## WE ARE OPENING FOUR NEW HOUSING SERVICE CENTRES

he first of four new Housing Service Centres was officially opened on Monday on the Mozart estate in Queens Park. Residents will be able to drop in and speak faceto-face with the housing team about a range of issues including repairs and maintenance, or to seek advice if they need support with paying their bills. Find out more our new housing centre.



The centre on the Mozart Estate, Bruckner Street, in Queen's Park was the first the initial rollout, three further facilities in Pimlico, Bayswater and Soho will be opened in the coming months ensuring residents across the borough benefit from the support our housing team has to offer. Find out more here: **www.westminster.gov.uk/news/four-new-service-centres** 

### **CONTACT US**

Osborne's Resident Liaison Officer **Sunny Adefarakan** is happy to speak to you about any queries or concerns regarding the works and you can contact him on **07425 789883**.

Should there be an emergency or a problem on the site; the Osborne out of hours contact number is **0845 130 7966.** 

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