

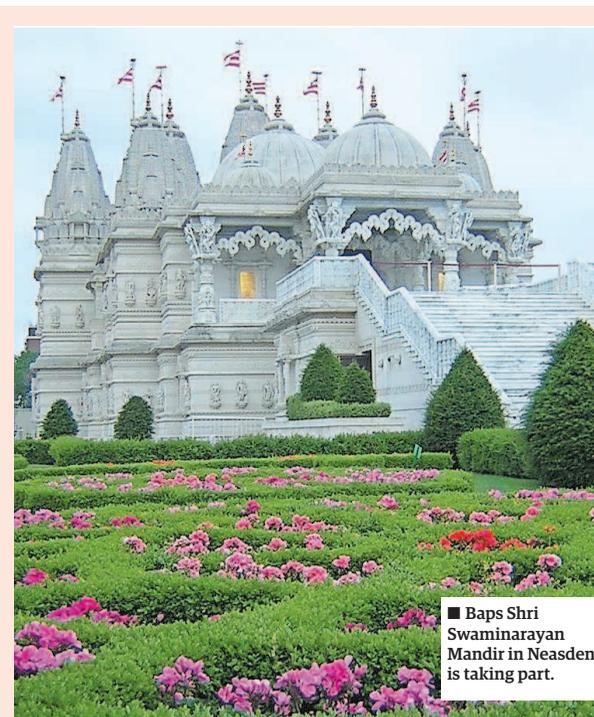
ENVIRONMENT

Harvesters pick a bumper crop for tasty jams and jellies



■ Brent's fruit harvesting season is under way with a bumper crop already picked by local groups. Kensal to Kilburn Fruit Harvesters and Willesden Fruit Harvesters along with Mapesbury Residents' Association (MapRA) have been picking fruit that they share with local schools and community groups. Visit their stall at Queens Park Day this Sunday for a glass of fresh apple juice made using a traditional fruit press. See pages 12 and 13 for festival information.

PROPERTY



■ Baps Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Neasden is taking part.

Best Brent buildings open their doors this weekend

Londoners can visit some of Brent's most unusual buildings, many of which are not usually open to the general public.

During Open House London, participating homes, offices and public buildings open their doors for the weekend.

Highlights in Brent include

the Baps Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Hindu temple, opened in 1995 and built with 5,000 tons of marble and Bulgarian limestone hand-carved in India; Winston Churchill's WW2 underground bunker in Neasden; and Kilburn's Tin Tabernacle, an 1860s corrugated iron chapel.

APPEAL

Pledge a plant and beautify a garden

An appeal has been launched asking residents to make a "plant pledge" by buying plants and shrubs for the Victorian walled garden in Gladstone Park.

The garden, next to The Stables in Dollis Hill Lane, is believed to date back to 1825 and was visited by William Gladstone, Mark Twain and Randolph Churchill. Contact GladstoneWildlife@gmail.com

POLITICS

Foreign politicians to visit Harlesden

A delegation of MPs and senators from Jamaica will take a tour of Brent Central today (Thursday) as part of a visit to the country.

Dawn Butler, Labour MP for the constituency, will also take the group around Harlesden High Street where they will meet traders.

The visit was organised by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK.

POLICE

Man, 44, arrested by terrorism police

A 44-year-old man in north west London has been bailed following his arrest by terrorism officers last week.

The man was held on suspicion of encouragement of terrorism and dissemination of terrorist publications.

He must return to a police station in December. Police refused to give further details on where the arrest took place.

HEALTH

Meeting on future of Brent services

People in Brent are invited to a public meeting and workshop where the future of health services in the borough will be discussed.

A five-year plan to transform services is currently being drawn up by authorities. The meeting takes place on September 26 from 6.30pm at Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley.

ACCIDENT

Woman in her 50s is hit by a moped

A female pedestrian has been injured after she was hit by a moped in Stonebridge.

The woman, who is in her 50s, was struck in Hillside just before 9pm on September 9.

Her injuries have been described by police as non-life threatening.

The moped rider, who is in his 20s, stopped at the scene and was not arrested.

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