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## Duncan Terrace Gardens – update

Following recent press coverage of some local residents' objections to the tree works in Duncan Terrace Gardens, Eric Sorensen – chair of the Angel Association – has written to this week's Tribune:

“Following your article last week (Tree felling on hold as streets split over park, 15 February) about the proposed improvements to Duncan Terrace Gardens, we should emphasise that a great deal of information has been provided by the Council about their proposals here. There have been consultation meetings on site and numerous opportunities to discuss the proposals in detail. In this case it is not reasonable to complain about lack of consultation.

We share the views of Jill Nicholls and the Duncan Terrace Association that it is high time that these Gardens were improved. A good balance is needed between the fine trees, which will remain, the shrubbery which needs some clearance, and giving space for other plants to grow. There will be better designed pathways and the whole area, which is a very

important green space for this part of the borough, will be given a badly needed lift. We also hope money can be found to repair and paint the railings which clearly have not been touched for many years.

We are confident that Greenspace will do as good a job here as they have done at Islington Green which is now a real asset for the borough. Let us hope there is no more delay and that the Duncan Terrace Gardens works get under way as soon as possible. “

Members and guests are invited to a

### **HERITAGE WALK ROUND HISTORIC ISLINGTON**

Angel Association committee member David Webb is going to lead one of his much appreciated walks round our local area, showing features of interest, and placing them in their historical context. This time he will focus on **the history of the New River**. Expect a lively commentary on the different styles of buildings, roads, railings, doors and windows. Even those who think they know our area well will find surprises.

For example – did you know “The Fort Royal” erected by Parliament during the Civil War was in Islington and do you know why it was called “Royal”?

The date is **Sunday, April 13th**, the time **2 pm sharp**, the meeting place **outside the Mall at the top of Duncan Street**. The walk will last for about two hours, and end at a pub..... No need to book, just turn up. All welcome.

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## UPDATE ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ANGEL ASSOCIATION

Last year it was decided that the Association's Constitution needed to be brought up to date, and revisions were approved at the 2007 AGM. The Charities Commission has raised objections to two of the revised clauses dealing with the objects of the Association. To summarise, in clause 2 (ii), we had substituted the verb "inform" for the verb "educate". The Charity Commission says that giving information is not charitable, and the original wording must stand. A new clause 2 (iv) covering traffic movements has also caught the attention of the Commission, who suggest the following wording "to advance public safety by the promotion of safe traffic movements throughout the area of benefit."

In order to press on with finalising the revised constitution, **the committee proposes to accept these amendments – unless any member objects.** If you have any objection, please let the Secretary, Gillian Comins, know, in writing, before March 1<sup>st</sup>.

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