

Remembering Marks Gate and North Chadwell Heath

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MIKE

The community in Marks Gate and Chadwell Heath has grown in recent years, and is now home to people of many different ages and cultures. The area became part of Greater London in 1965 and has been urbanised over the years, but local people still enjoy the parks and green spaces.

"I had a pretty happy upbringing there and I suppose I have a strong belief that you can have nostalgia for a place but it's really important to celebrate changes that happen as well. So, I think a lot of people move away and they kinda see the place almost like a freeze-frame time-zone, time capsule. Communities change, move and grow, and I think that's good."



An Eastside Community Heritage workshop with Eastern Avenue Baptist Church's Knit and Natter Group, 2022.

WARREN STUDENT

"I think it's quite multicultural, I think there's a lot of diversity in the areas - makes it quite a nice place to live in for different cultures."

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"I would make it more eco-friendly, more sustainable."

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"You can go to like shops after school with your friends, like parks, Sainsbury's - mostly people from the school go to Anne's."

Over 59 different languages are spoken in the community!



M.A.D (Mum's and Dad's) Fitness, a running group who meet every Wednesday for Buggy Bop sessions at Antony Green, 2022.



Eid Party organised by Marks Gate Relief Project at St Mark's Church, Rose Lane, 2021. [Marks Gate Relief Project].

A student from The Warren School

"I live in Mark's Gate. I like how it's a very homey area (...) where I live there's a school, there's a park, there's like a bunch of shops and we're all together, a very good environment, a good community. (...) I like the way that the community works together."

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"All places change, you know, some would say they've changed for the worst, others would say they've changed for the better - but places just change."

Ward Councillor Sade and Marks Gate Relief Project at their weekly community catch-up at Marks Gate Community Hub, 2022. [Marks Gate Relief Project].



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An Eastside Community Heritage Exhibition

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