



# Open Spaces in the Media

## Summary of coverage September – November 2021



### **New 'carbon-cutting' green spaces scheme launched**

The City Corporation's Carbon Removals Project, which is part of its Climate Action Strategy, appeared in [The Sun](#) [viewable internally only], [The Express](#), [The Scottish Daily Express](#) [viewable internally only], [Epping Forest Guardian](#), [New Start](#), [Environment Journal](#), [Pro](#)

[Landscaper](#), [City Matters](#) and [This Is Local London](#). The reports covered a new wildflower meadow planted in the Epping Forest buffer lands, which will remove carbon from the atmosphere at the site. Chairman of the Epping Forest and Commons Committee, Graeme Doshi-Smith was quoted.

The Chairman of the Epping Forest and Commons Committee wrote in the [Epping Forest Guardian](#) on the sowing of a 42-acre wildflower meadow as part of the Carbon Removals Project. The scheme falls under the City Corporation's Climate Action Strategy.

### **Flying the Green Flag for London's open spaces**

[City Matters](#) led coverage of the City of London Corporation winning 15 Green Flag awards and winning Gold in the Town Category of London in Bloom. Open Spaces Committee Chairman, Oliver Sells QC, was quoted. Further coverage in [London News Today](#), [Epping Forest Guardian](#), [This is Local London](#), [Inside Croydon](#), [In Your Area](#), [Bucks Free Press](#), [The Phoenix Newspaper](#), [Slough Express](#), [Maidenhead Advertiser](#) and [Newham Recorder](#).

### **First ever female superintendent at Hampstead Heath**

[Ham & High](#) reported on the announcement that, from January next year, Stefania Horne will become the City of London Corporation's first female Superintendent to manage Hampstead Heath. The new Superintendent was quoted along with Chair of the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee, Anne Fairweather. Also reported by [Camden New Journal](#).

### **Praise for hero Heath lifeguard**

Chair of the Hampstead Heath Management Committee Anne Fairweather was quoted in a [Camden New Journal](#) story about a lifeguard who recently helped a swimmer in the men's pond who had suffered a heart attack.

### **Illegal mushroom picking**

Epping Forest and Commons Committee Chairman Graeme Doshi-Smith was quoted in [Metro](#) (viewable internally), [Daily Telegraph](#) (viewable internally), [Epping Forest Guardian](#),

[This Is Local London](#), [MyLondon](#) and [City Matters](#) on illegal mushroom pickers caught taking fungi from Epping Forest to sell at restaurants and markets.

[ITV News London](#) reported fungi pickers at Epping Forest are damaging the site's delicate wildlife ecology. City Corporation Land Agent at Epping Forest, Tristan Vetta, was interviewed.

	<p>This tweet generated 81 engagements with a reach of 73,398.</p>
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### **Hampstead Heath lifeguards rescue more than 100 swimmers**

[Camden New Journal](#) reported that more than 100 swimmers have been rescued by lifeguards on Hampstead Heath over the past year. Hampstead Heath Management Committee Chair Anne Fairweather and Paul Jeal, the City Corporation's Senior Swimming Facilities Supervisor, were quoted.

### **Court date for Hampstead Heath swimming ponds challenge confirmed**

The [Ham & High](#) mentioned the City Corporation in news a date has been confirmed for a court hearing that will determine whether the charging regime for the Hampstead Heath bathing ponds discriminates against disabled people.

### **Looking back at summer on Hampstead Heath and West Ham Park**

Chair of the Hampstead Heath Management Committee, Anne Fairweather, wrote in [Ham&High](#), looking back at the activities on the Heath over the summer and ahead to autumn. In his column in [Newham Recorder](#), Chairman of the West Ham Park Committee, Oliver Sells QC, wrote about the educational activities for children which took place in the park during the summer.

### **Hampstead Heath should be accessible to all**

Hampstead Heath Management Committee Chair Anne Fairweather wrote in the [Ham&High](#) on accessibility at the site.

### **Epping and Wanstead fly-tippers fined £4,000 amid rise in illegal dumping**

[Epping Forest Guardian](#), [MyLondon](#) and [World News](#) reported that four people have been fined a total of £4,000 for fly-tipping in Epping Forest. Chairman of the Epping Forest and Commons Committee, Graeme Doshi-Smith, was quoted.

### **New month-long Christmas Fayre comes to the Heath**

[Ham&High](#) reported that Hampstead Heath will host the first Christmas Fayre. The market, organised by the City of London Corporation, opens this Saturday November 27 and runs until January 2 2022. Chair of City of London Corporation's Hampstead Heath management committee Anne Fairweather is quoted.