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Over the past few weeks, Angie has:

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- Attended the Ealing Chamber of Commerce annual lunch
- Attended Berrymede Junior school governors' meeting
- Met with residents of Gordon Road and surrounding areas to discuss concerns about the Dickens Yard development plans
- Met with leader of the council, Jason Stacey to discuss various local matters
- Attended the inaugural meeting of the Southfield Ward Conservative Committee
- Joined celebrations at the official opening of the newly refurbished mosque in Acton and addressed the gathering
- Wrote in the Ealing Gazette about her concern over plans to introduce poly-clinics and phase out GPs in Ealing and Acton
- Attended the thank you party for local helpers in the London election campaign to elect Boris Johnson and Richard Barnes
- Attended the Creffield Area Residents Association AGM
- Spent a day on a training course for School Governors
- Visited the Art Exhibition preview at St. Michael's church as part of the Bedford Park Society annual festival
- Attended the opening day of the Bedford Park Society Festival
- Met with local GPs and Ealing PCT management to discuss Government plans for poly-clinics in Ealing and Acton
- Sent formal objection to developer's application to overturn a protection order on the Goldsmith Allotments in East Acton
- Attended a meeting with Ealing Police Chief to discuss local crime issues

Angie joins the celebration of the grand opening of Acton Mosque

After 20 years of dedicated service from the Acton Muslim Welfare Association and tireless fundraising across the whole country, the newly refurbished Acton Mosque was re-opened on Sunday, 1st June.

Angie Bray was delighted to be invited to attend and speak at the ceremony. "I think it is a fantastic achievement and congratulate all those who worked so hard over the years to make this possible. It will give a boost to our local Muslim community as it is hoped that it will become a social and educational centre as well as a place of worship."



Angie with Deputy Mayor, Cllr Seema Kumar

Angie investigates poly-clinics issue in Ealing

Angie has been investigating the hot topic of poly-clinics in the light of the Labour government plans to introduce them across London. She met with Dr Adam Jenkins, Chairman of Ealing, Hammersmith and Hounslow LMC (London Medical Committee) and his Deputy, Dr Dennis Heavey, to discuss how plans for polyclinics might affect Ealing and Acton patients.

GPs have raised concerns that larger poly-clinics will affect the close relationship doctors have with their patients in smaller surgeries. Some poly-clinics might have patient lists as high as 50,000! However they told her that the current plans for replacing the surgery in Mattock Lane on a larger site in the old Daniel's building on Uxbridge Road have got the support of the local GPs and their patients. This particular case, they say, is not creating a poly-clinic but upgrading the GPs' facilities. What would concern them would be moves by the local Primary Care Trust (PCT) to force smaller practices to close and to merge GPs in an area into one poly-clinic.



Angie with Dr Dennis Heavey (from the left) and Dr Adam Jenkins in their surgery

Angie took these comments to the Chair of Ealing PCT, Marion Saunders and the Assistant Director of Ealing PCT, Rochelle Bloch. Angie was reassured that in the case of the Mattock Lane surgery the changes are about improving the facilities not building a poly-clinic. Angie said 'I am glad to hear that Ealing PCT is acting responsibly and I have been told that there are no plans as yet for any poly-clinics in the central Ealing and Acton area. However PCTs do want to see more practices grouping together in the future and we know they have the power to close surgeries that do not meet certain standards. We will be watching what happens very closely.'

Party with Parris on 7th October in Ealing Town Hall

If you wish to attend this fundraising event, where the Guest of Honour will be Matthew Parris, please call Elvira on 0208 992 4367 to reserve a ticket.

Save our allotments! – says Angie

Angie stepped in to support East Acton residents and their local Councillors after learning that the Goldsmiths Allotments are under threat by the developers who own the land. The company has appealed to overturn the planning condition designed to protect the area.

"I have given the allotment holders my full support and urged them not to allow what appears to be an opportunistic application to succeed. I know that they have the support of the Council and their local Councillors John Ross and Jim Randall. I will do whatever I can to help remove this threat too" said Angie, who has also suggested asking for the Mayor of London Boris Johnson's support in fighting this proposal.

Angie meets local businessmen at the Ealing Chamber of Commerce lunch

Angie attended the annual Ealing Chambers of Commerce lunch at the Pillars Restaurant, as a guest of Patrick Kennedy. The room was packed with many local businesses and councillors including the new Mayor of the Borough, Cllr Ian Green. Angie was delighted to get the opportunity to discuss some of the key concerns for local businesses in Ealing.

These included working towards full-hearted regeneration programme for the centre of Ealing and also the vital importance of getting Crossrail underway.

Angie said afterwards "There is a really dynamic local business community in Ealing and it was excellent to see so many of them attending the lunch. There are obviously worries about the current downturn in the economy and also whether Ealing will measure up to the competition when the new White City development opens for business. But the loudest message was that Ealing needs Crossrail to get going as soon as possible and I will be doing everything I can to make sure it does."



Angie with Patrick Kennedy, the President of Ealing Chamber of Commerce and former Tory MP for Ealing North, Harry Greenway

Angie goes Green at the Bedford Park Festival



Angie with Peter Eversden, the Bedford Park Society Chairman

Angie and her partner Nigel, joined the fun at the Green Days Fete and Craft Fair, held on Acton Green, marking the beginning of the Bedford Park Festival.

They visited a number of local community group stalls and were especially keen to learn about a new pamphlet, issued by the Bedford Park Society, which tells residents how they can make their properties more environmentally efficient – even if their home is listed.

She also spoke to Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) about the rise in burglaries in the recent hot weather. The SNT were advising residents how to ensure their homes are secure before going out.

Speaking after the event Angie said; "The weekend was a fantastic start to the Bedford Park Festival. Local residents get the chance to get together and have fun, discuss local issues and raise some money for good causes."

A toast for Barnes and Boris!

Ealing & Acton Conservatives celebrated their successes in the recent London Elections by throwing a party to thank all their many helpers, who worked tirelessly throughout the campaign. Richard Barnes, who is now a Deputy Mayor, was there to thank everyone personally and gave a rousing speech and Angie told the gathering they each deserved to give themselves a large pat on the back.



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