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PRESS RELEASE

## **The N2 Food Project flies from the Grange Big Local nest**

*After teaming up to launch the [N2 Food Project](#), giving out free, home-made meals to residents in need, Grange Big Local and CommUNITY Barnet officially part ways with [East Finchley Neighbourhood Support](#) as they become a fully independent Community Interest Company in their own right.*

Cooking together and sharing food is one of the best ways that we can show solidarity and care for one another. It was this common value that initially brought together local chef Giuseppe Sollo, East Finchley Neighbourhood Support, Grange Big Local, and CommUNITY Barnet to create the N2 Food Project: a weekly food collection service, hosted by the Phoenix Cinema, right in the heart of East Finchley.

With hundreds of meals given out weekly to local residents and grassroots organisations, the service has been a crucial lifeline for our community in these challenging and difficult times.

Grange Big Local have supported the core N2 Food Project team since October 2020, helping them build the infrastructure for the project and making sure the t's are crossed and the l's are dotted, so they could get on with the essential cooking and public-facing distribution work.

For Grange Big Local, one of our core principals is building capacity in our local area through the redistribution of resources, and by upskilling and empowering local residents to run their own projects that directly respond to the local need that they see every day. It is about creating resident led projects that are embedded in our community, leave a legacy, and will remain active for a long time to come.

So, now the time has come for Grange Big Local and CommUNITY Barnet to part ways with East Finchley Neighbourhood Support as they are now fully insured as a CIC in their own right. We are so proud to have joined them on their journey so far and are excited to see what the future holds.

The Grange Big Local team.