

# FOCUS

**Your Local Newsletter**



**No. 254**

## Labour Council given bloody nose over CPZ plans

### Residents vote overwhelmingly NO to a CPZ

The Labour Council's proposals to make the whole of Cann Hall Ward a Controlled Parking Zone failed miserably after residents voted a whopping 'NO' to their plans.

After the Olympics, the parking signs were all taken down by Newham, Tower Hamlets and Hackney Councils, but Waltham Forest kept them up in the hope that residents would vote 'YES'. Well, they got a big shock as angry residents set up campaigns to stop the Council from getting their way.

Many thanks to those of you that returned our last **Focus Survey form** on the CPZ. For every one that was in favour of a CPZ there were four that were against it.

The Council's consultation received a similar response. Many roads had between 90-100% saying 'NO'. Only three roads had a majority voting 'YES' – Devonshire Close, Saul's Green and Tavistock Road.

As a result there will be no more roads added to the CPZ in Cann Hall.

If you wish to see how residents voted in your road, please go to: [www.cannhallliberaldemocrats.org.uk](http://www.cannhallliberaldemocrats.org.uk)



### Focus Survey raised an issue!

One major problem was highlighted in the **Focus Team** survey. A resident who lives at the Wanstead Flats end of **Ferndale Road** raised the issue. This small part of **Ferndale Road** is a cul-de-sac. We are told that parents regularly park in the centre of the road to take their children to, or collect them from, **Davies Lane School**. Such action blocks residents' cars in. They can't get out! Similarly footballers park there while playing football. As the resident tells us he had to go on to the Flats, stop the game of football, and get the offender to move his car.

**Lib Dem Cllr Liz Phillips** has contacted the council's Highways Department requesting action to be taken to resolve this problem. **Focus** will keep you informed of the outcome.

### Can You Help?

If you would like to help us deliver our Focus Newsletter - then please contact The Focus Team - details on the back. Thank you.



Liz, Adrian, Rupert and Clyde wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year



# Lakehouse Lake Project

Focus Team member, Adrian Trett, and other members of this group have recently been involved in the clearance of scrub along **Dames Road** to discourage anti-social behaviour in the area (see photo).

Adrian tells us that the team is looking for more volunteers to help with this work. If you feel able to help with this please contact Adrian (details below) or email **Bob Howell** at:

[bob.howell@btinternet.com](mailto:bob.howell@btinternet.com).

Events for 2013 are being organised and future dates will be given in **Focus**. In the New Year work will begin to reline the pond to stop water leakage. This will take about 12 weeks.



This shows the scrub clearance

## Liberal Democrat Councillors Surgery

2nd & 4th Saturday every month  
(except bank holidays)

between 10.00am and 12.00 noon at:

**Buxton Primary Phase School,**  
(formerly Cann Hall School)

corner Woodhouse Road/Cann Hall Road  
No appointments necessary

## Garage sites in Argyle and Marlborough Roads

Cllr **Liz Phillips** has found out that council garages in **Argyle Road** (adjacent to 7 Argyle Road) and **Marlborough Road** (adjacent to 32 Borthwick Road) are being demolished and the land transferred to East Thames Housing Association who will develop the land for affordable housing, subject to planning permission, after consulting resident living near the proposed sites. If you have any views on this please let **Cllr Liz Phillips** know.

If planning consent is granted, the development will take 9 - 18 months.

## Overdue work

Cllr **Liz Phillips** is chasing up extra lights in **Cobden Road**, and work on tree roots causing problems in **Matcham Road**. The latter was due to start at the beginning of July. **Focus** and our websites will keep you in touch with developments.



## CCTV cameras are coming!



After many, many requests **Focus Team member Rupert Alexander** is pleased to advise that the council has agreed to place redeployable CCTV cameras in the 'dumping hotspots' in **Huddleston Road** at the junction with **Winchelsea Road**, and the nearby **Pevensay Road** railway bridge.

Concerned residents hope the presence of the cameras – to be installed by November 2012 – will deter the anti-social issues that have been blighting our community for so long.

## Harrow Green Library update!

Cllr **Liz Phillips** is attending talks with the Library Action Group, the council and the CBHA, trying to reinstate Harrow Green as a community library, run by volunteers. There has been a suggestion that such a library could be run from a room in the Epicentre, although this would be on a much smaller scale. No definite decision has been taken and Liz will keep you in touch with developments through **Focus** and the websites.

## We Want to Hear From YOU

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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*I think something should be done about ...*

**Please return to THE FOCUS TEAM, 53 SANSOM ROAD E11 3HD**

The Liberal Democrats may contact you from time to time to keep you informed on issues we think you may find of interest. Please let us know if you do not wish the information above to be used for this purpose.

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