

# FOCUS

**Your Local Newsletter**



**No. 258**

## Vansittart, Pevensey, Winchelsea and Huddlestone Roads Fly-Tipping hotspots!

Lib Dem Cllr Liz Phillips and Focus Team member Rupert Alexander met with Ray Hodson, the council's enforcement officer, to tour an area of E7 blighted by fly-tipping. The meeting was positive - resulting in the Enforcement Team agreeing to a new system - liaising with Kier, the cleansing team, - before large fly-tips are removed from the **Winchelsea Road** area.



Dumped rubbish in Vansittart Road

Rupert says, "The Focus Team encourages people to take their environmental responsibilities seriously. Dumping spoils the environment we all share. Our household waste needs to be disposed of in a correct manner. This promotes Cann Hall Ward being cleaner and brighter".

Cllr Liz Phillips says, "Fly-tipping can be reported, and bulky household waste such as sofas and mattresses, can be collected for free from our homes by phoning the council on 020 8496 3000.

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### Buxton School

The Focus Team wish to congratulate all at **Buxton School** for achieving a much improved Ofsted report following a recent inspection. All aspects of school life are officially regarded as 'good' - the achievement of pupils, the quality of teaching, the behaviour and safety of pupils, the leadership, management and governance of the school.

The next step is to achieve the top grade of 'outstanding' which the school is working very hard towards.

Congratulations to both staff and pupils alike.

### Dames Road Children's Play Area

Cllr Liz Phillips has written to the Council to ask why the slide and roundabout equipment in the play area still haven't been replaced. Months ago they were taken away because they were dangerous.

Focus will keep you in touch with any developments.

This shows where the slide was - Where is it now?

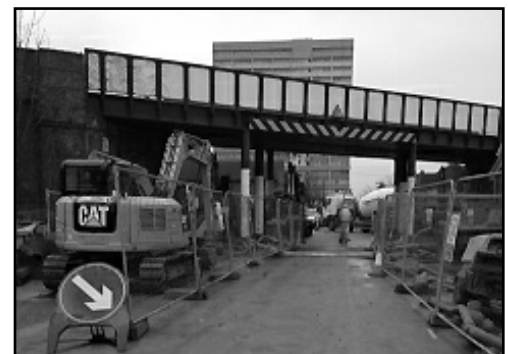


### Electrification of the Barking - Gospel Oak Line

New bridges are being installed along the **Barking-Gospel Oak line**, which runs through our Ward, to prepare to electrify the line. Transport for London (TFL) has pledged £25m towards this work and the Government the rest, a total of £90m.

Longer trains are needed to alleviate daily overcrowding but new diesel trains are uneconomical.

Cllr Liz Phillips has already had course to complain to Network Rail about Health and Safety issues around the **Lansdowne Road Bridge**.



Lansdowne Road railway bridge

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# Dog Fouling - what is the solution?



Following our regular street survey results; the **Focus Team** has noted how this issue appears top of the list on every occasion!

The question is what can be done? Dog owners are reminded again to be responsible and to "poop and scoop". It is also

difficult for residents occasionally to confront those dog owners especially if the offenders act in an intimidating fashion, with aggressive looking dogs. Do we need more rigorous penalties to enforce this? We already have roundels imprinted on the pavements to remind dog owners in certain streets. The question is what can be done about it? Would on the spot fines deter such activity? Please let **Adrian Trett**, have your views.

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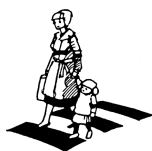
## Lakehouse Jubilee Pond Repairs

Since mid-March, the repair work to the pond has been continuing, and local residents should be looking forward to having an improved visitor experience including a new accessible path, pond dipping decks, a wild play area while the re-lining of the pond should prevent any further leakages.

The works should be completed by this summer and the first date for pond dipping is planned for Sunday 15th June. If you would like to get more involved with the **Lakehouse Pond Project** activities, then, please contact **Focus Team Member Adrian Trett**, and he will put you in touch with the team.

## Dames Road crossing dangerous?

**Cllr Liz Phillips** has asked for a meeting with the Highways department of the council to explain why



she and residents believe that the zebra crossing near the Dames Road Children's Play Area is dangerous and to ask them to replace it with a lights controlled (pelican) crossing.

## Cann Hall Focus Team



Adrian, Liz, Clyde & Rupert

## 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

## Survey - Fireworks v Harrow Green Library

Many thanks to those of you who returned the survey forms. Every one who responded thought that the council should not have spent £130,000 on fireworks. The vast majority wanted it spent on keeping the library open.

Other suggestions included road surface repairs, environmental improvements, repairs to homes and improving peoples' safety. Focus will be following up these suggestions.

## Sheridan Road mobile phone mast

As some local residents may be aware, the mobile phone mast currently located in **Sheridan Road** is planning to be heightened from 12.5 to 15 metres high. For some this may bring relief to the inconsistency of mobile signal in the area, to others this may be more of a concern.

Whatever your views, please forward them to **Cllr Liz Phillips**.

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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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