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Your Local Newsletter



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Residents protest ignored!

The recent protest by over 1,200 residents against the road closures in Walthamstow showed that the Council's **Mini Holland** plans of closing local roads does not have the support of all residents.

Protesters not against the scheme or cyclists, but against the road closures

The protesters went out of their way to say that they were not against the scheme or cyclists, but against the road closures. The Council's plans have succeeded in causing division and anger across the Borough. The closing of roads forces vehicles onto the already congested main roads like **Lea Bridge, Hoe Street, and Leyton High Road.**

Congestion and pollution bad for all

All of this is detrimental to residents, cyclists, pedestrians and bus users. A **Focus Team member** was in the Town Hall listening to the Mini Holland debate. He was shocked by the arrogant, illiberal attitude with which Labour Councillors treated residents' concerns. They were not prepared to review the Mini Holland plans despite residents' and their own Labour MP's request.



Residents protest outside the Town Hall against the road closures

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Survey

Should the Councils Mini Holland scheme be reviewed in light of the increased road closures and congestion on our roads?

YES NO

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Dangerous vehicles left on Sansom & Lansdowne Roads



Unroadworthy vehicle reported to the council

Focus Team member **Liz Phillips** has contacted the Environmental Department of the Council about dangerous vehicles left on **Sansom and Lansdowne Rds.** She has also asked for

Sansom Road to be cleaned as it hasn't been done for a long time.

Liberal Democrats working all year round

Labour Council continue to put propaganda above services

Can you believe it? Labour has recently promised to cut services by over £13million including adult social care, services for children, public health and street services but will still employ 11 full time staff producing Labour propaganda. We get 26 editions (one every two weeks) of Waltham Forest News, an 80 page glossy magazine and a 50 page Enjoy Life booklet.

Focus Team member Clyde Kitson says, "Propaganda before services is the message this Labour Council is promoting."

Barking - Gospel Oak Line - Electrification Update

Rail users in our area will be pleased to know that work to electrify the **Barking - Gospel Oak Line** will start in 2016 for completion by June 2017. Unfortunately it is likely that there will be a delay in getting the new trains introduced on the line but, at least, there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

FOCUS comments, "This is welcome news after a long campaign; this green light for electric trains should improve the passenger experience."



4-car Bombardier Avenra electric trains are on order

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Close to Home

Wanstead High Street E11 on the 308 bus route has been named as one of the country's best high streets in the annual Great British High Street competition due to the independent and diverse shops, cafes, restaurants, bars and village feel.

Cann Hall Resident Rupert Alexander says, "We are fortunate to have good public transport in our area to enable us to travel, shop and socialise in different parts of Waltham Forest and neighbouring boroughs. This is so good for our quality of life as residents."

Problems - Ideas - Views:

Elsham Road - dogs mess



Dogs mess is a problem in **Elsham Road** but this is not

the only road that has this problem.

If you see any people letting their dogs mess on the pavement and you know who the dog owner is then let the Council know or contact the **Focus Team**.



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Focus Team Local Action



Selby Road, Chichester Road, Mills Court and Woodhouse Road - Fly tipping

In the last **Focus** we highlighted the problem with fly-tipping and to report the problem to the Council. **Focus** has noted that many residents have reported fly-tipping in **Selby Road, Chichester Road, Mills Court, and Woodhouse Road**. This seems to be a major problem in the area. **Focus** suggests that the Council do some active work in the area to catch some of these rubbish dumpers.

New Neighbourhood Teams

The Council have set up a new **South East Neighbourhood Team** for **Cann Hall** and nearby wards. The Team will have an officer specially dealing with street cleansing, noise, enviro crime, waste, anti social behaviour and grounds maintenance. They can be contacted via the Council's no. **020 8496 3000**. **Focus says:** this team will deal with residents queries much quicker.

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