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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 Leyton a Controlled Parking Zone area failed miserably after residents voted a whopping **NO** to their plans. Out of 280 streets only 9 streets voted for a CPZ. This reflects our **Focus Parking survey** which showed 8 out of 10 people were against a CPZ. None of the roads that were consulted in Grove Green Ward voted for a CPZ!

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.

Lib Dem councillors called a residents' meeting in September to discuss the CPZ plans. The hall was jammed with angry residents not only complaining about the plans, but also the fact that many had not received any consultation forms.

Consultation a shambles!

The Focus Team says: *'We have been inundated with angry people who said that the forms had not been delivered to them, their neighbours and even their road.'*

How can the Council claim the consultation was democratic? Since it turned into a shambles it was no wonder angry residents gave the Labour Council a bloody nose by voting NO to a CPZ.'



Good News: Francis Road due for a facelift!

Following the successful Olympic facelift of the shops in **Leyton High Road**, **Francis Road** shopping area, which has been left to deteriorate over the years, has been included in a £9 million pound council project which will smarten up nine shopping areas across the borough.

Apart from the shops getting a facelift and pavements replaced what would you like to see done in **Francis Road** or **Leyton High Road**? Please send your views to **The Focus Team**.

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Seasons Greetings from the Grove Green Liberal Democrat Focus Team



Liberal Democrats - Keeping YOU informed

Parking Problem - Hainault Road, Grosvenor Road and Belgrave Road

The Police Custody building off of **Hainault Road** has limited parking. The Police, as well as using the building for custody, are now using it to accommodate more police departments. This has caused parking problems in **Hainault Road, Belgrave Road** and **Grosvenor Road** as well as **King Edward Road**. **The Focus Team** took this up with the Police who say that the land at the back of the Custody building that they used for parking during the Olympics has been sold and therefore cannot be used for parking police vehicles.



Joint Children Centre for Newport and Riverley Schools

Newport Children's Centre has joined with **Riverley Children's Centre** to offer extended services to families with young children. If you have young children or babies then check with the Centre, in **Dawlish Road**, for the list of services that are on offer both to you and your children.

A LIDL for Leyton?



The area behind the **Police Custody building** has been sold and we have heard that a **Lidl** will be built there.

This will be at the back of the custody building and next to the area between the **High Road** and **Hainault Road** which has already had the plans for a five story

block of flats turned down. Residents now have the prospect of the whole area being used for a large retailer and, if revised plans are presented, a block of flats.

Focus says: *If this is the case we will be speaking to local residents about any plans that are submitted to the Council, so that they have their views heard.*

Church Lane Car Park



The council's plan to axe at least 18 of the 76 of the parking spaces to install a multi-use games area is likely to be agreed by the Planning Committee on 27th November.

Focus - Keeping you in touch

George Mitchell School - NO to an Academy



Teachers, staff and former pupils came together at a recent meeting at **George Mitchell School** to campaign against any measures that would turn the school into an Academy.

Local Cllr. **Bob Sullivan** and former pupil Cllr. **Naheed Qureshi** spoke in support of the campaign.

Although the school is not currently under threat, nearby **Willowbrook School** has already agreed Academy status and **Riverley School** is in the process of becoming one.

Focus will keep you informed of any developments.

Newport School

A planning application has been lodged for two single storey rear extensions, installation of new steps and an infil single storey extension to courtyard. This supports the expansion of Newport to 4 forms of entry. Application No.: 2012/1535/LA

Liberal Democrat Councillors Surgery

Every **Saturday** between 10.00 am and 12 noon at **Leyton Library** corner of Leyton High Road and Ruckholt Road and every **Friday** between 7.00pm and 8.00pm at the **M&S/BP Service Station** corner of Leyton High Road by Leyton Midland Road Station no appointments necessary

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