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Claude Road car park ownership denials

There is a small car park in **Claude Road** that has fallen into disrepair. A local resident has tried to get it repaired but no one will admit that they own it. The Council, Ascham Homes and Housing Association L&Q have all denied ownership and responsibility for maintaining it.

The **Lib Dem Focus Team** believes that it may have been left off the plans when the housing stock was transferred to L&Q in 2002.

Focus has asked the Council's Asset department to check the records of the L&Q stock transfer. Someone must own the car park? **Focus** will keep you informed of developments.



Claude Road Car Park

Liberal Democrat Focus Team Working for YOU All Year Round NOT just at election time



Tyndall Road - dumping



Focus Team members Imran and Andrei reporting the dumped mattresses

Focus Team members **Imran Mahmood** and **Andrei Ilies** were quick to report, and get cleared, four dumped mattresses in **Tyndall Road**. Mattresses and any bulky waste can be collected by the Council for free. Just ring the Council on **020 8496 3000** and arrange for collection.

They also arranged the removal of items of furniture from **St Georges Road**. Attention was drawn to drains needing cleaning out in **Francis Road** and **Murchison Road** and holes in the pavement in **Tyndall Road**. All of these reports have been actioned by the Council.

EXPOSED: Labour deceit!

To cover up their mismanagement of the Council the Labour Party has been delivering a leaflet across Waltham Forest claiming sole responsibility for a zero per cent in Council Tax. What they fail to say is the Government has given the Council millions to keep Waltham Forest Council Tax at zero increase.

Labour are also trying to scare residents by saying that the **Lib Dem** budget planned to raise the Council Tax by 10 per cent this year and next year by 10 per cent. Both figures are lies as the **Lib Dem** budget this year was for a zero increase, and next year's would also be a zero increase.

The Council spends millions on propaganda but can you believe it. With an election coming next year beware of Labour lies!

Calling all cyclists

Liberal Democrats across the borough of Waltham Forest are carrying out a survey amongst the growing number of cyclists there are. We want to find out what risks or hazards you face in the streets or roads of the borough. We will then work with the council's cycling officer to devise plans to reduce those problems.

Please let us know of specific locations where you have difficulties, what the difficulties are and, where possible, what you think could be done to remedy the problem.

Either write to, or email, your response to any member of the **Focus Team**.



New plans to curb High Road Betting shops

Following our petition opposing betting offices in Leyton, local **Lib Dems** have welcomed the announcement by Local Government minister Don Foster that **Lib Dems** will bring forward plans to curb betting shops in Waltham Forest and elsewhere.

Further good news is that plans to turn the furniture shop at number **661 Leyton High Road** into a Paddy Power betting office has been refused by the Council's Planning department. Paddy Power is now applying to the Council for permission to turn the closed restaurant at **377 High Road** into a betting shop. Your **Lib Dem councillors** have again lodged their objection to this application.



377 High Road
Do we need another betting office?

Focus - Keeping you in touch

Boris gives the go ahead for the Fire Service cuts!



Scorched earth in Epping Forest

The recent grass fires in Leytonstone and the big fire in **Hoe Street** highlighted why we need our local fire engines to stay - not be cut. In August Mayor Johnson overruled the decision by the London Fire Authority to block the fire service cuts. Locally this means that Leyton, Leytonstone and Chingford fire stations are each to be reduced to just one fire engine.

Focus Team member Imran Mahmood says: *Boris has ignored his own Fire Authority to push the cuts through. Lib Dems will continue to oppose these cuts. We are still running our online petition which you can sign at: <http://eepurl.com/uzftb>*

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www.leytonandwanstead.mycouncillor.org.uk

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I think something should be done about.....

RETURN TO: THE FOCUS TEAM, 24 THORNHILL ROAD, E10 5LL

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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Lib Dem Councillors Surgery

Due to works being carried out at Leyton Library the Lib Dem councillors surgery will now be at
Leyton Sports Centre
(Leyton Cricket Ground)
every Saturday from 10.00am to 12 noon.
No appointment necessary.

Hainault Road/ High Road development latest



View of the proposed site looking towards Hainault Road

More and more flats are being built in our area. Recent plans by developers Bellway have been submitted to the Council to build 112 flats on the corner of **Leyton High Road** and **Hainault Road**. There will be 85 one and two bed flats, 20 three beds and 3 four bed flats. Given that most of the development is in the **High Road** there are no retail units being built.

Focus will keep you informed of the outcome of the application.

Liberal Democrats - Service & Action All Year Round