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## Are residents being forced to vote for a CPZ?

The Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ) which are now operating in the roads between **Leyton High Road** and **Francis Road** have helped residents to park in their roads. Unfortunately it has caused parking mayhem in the non CPZ roads north of Francis Road. It will not be long before the lack of parking will force residents of **Morley, Claude, Norlington** and the other roads to ask the Council for a CPZ.

**Focus says:** CPZs are like a disease. Once a road has a CPZ all the nearby roads are affected by extra vehicles parking. This forces residents to ask the Council for a CPZ even though, previously, they were totally against one.

**Lib Dem Focus member Bob Sullivan says:** I believe that the Council wants to make all roads CPZs. Like it or lump it parking becomes very difficult when a road is surrounded by CPZs. If you want to be able to park in your road then you or other residents may be forced to agree to a CPZ.



Morley Road - showing heavily parked on a normal weekday

**The Lib Dem Focus Team Working for you all-year-round Not just at election time**

## Ooops! Another costly mistake by the Council!



Coronation Gardens sign on the corner of Ruckholt Road

The information signs erected by **Coronation Gardens** and **Ruckholt Road** are excellent, but unfortunately



Ruckholt Road sign at Coronation Gardens

they are in the wrong place.

Coronation Gardens information board is at Ruckholt Road and the Ruckholt Road sign is at Coronation Gardens. Visitors to Leyton must be really confused.

**Focus** has notified the Council of this and sent them a photo. We await any action.

## Francis Road street drinking



There has been an increase in street drinking particularly along the corners of **Francis Road**. Many residents believe that more shops sell alcohol and the lack of local police on the streets encourages street drinking.

**The Focus Team** has contacted the police and have asked for action on this problem.

## Jersey Road - drastic pruning of street trees!

The trees in **Jersey Road** have been pruned hard back leaving them like stalks after a fire.

**Bob Sullivan** has previously confronted the tree contractors after they viciously cut back the trees around **St Mary's Church**. They said that they would not have cut them back as much but were instructed to by the Council.



The trees in St. Mary's Churchyard

Since that pruning, Bob has noticed that across Leyton the trees are being pruned in the same way. Some of the trees across Leyton are over a hundred years old. **Do we really need to take such drastic action on our trees?**

# Council workers in fear, but council keep it quiet!



The Council has been fined £66,000 for putting staff at serious risk of being contaminated by deadly asbestos despite warnings as far back as 2002. This means that Council staff have been exposed to asbestos for a decade.

**Focus says:** It may take up to 20 years for asbestos health problems to manifest themselves. The Council had to pay legal costs of £16,000 and lawyers fees of £50,000 but now

may be open to hundreds of thousands of pounds of costs if council workers fall ill in years to come.

**Focus says:** Someone should be held responsible for this gross incompetence. So far no councillor or Chief Officer has been reprimanded - or sacked. This Labour Council wants the whole incident kept secret. Council officers and senior councillors should be made to take responsibility for putting council staff at serious health risk.

## Lib Dem Focus Team keeping you informed

**Are you concerned about your area and want to do something about it? Then why not join the Lib Dem Focus Team**



Since the election on the 7th May thousands of people (over 20,000 and still rising) have joined the Lib Dems. Why not join the Local Lib Dem Focus Team, contact **Bob Sullivan** on **020 8556 8335** or email to:

[bobsullivan@btinternet.com](mailto:bobsullivan@btinternet.com) You will be very welcomed.

**If you have a problem, ideas or views then contact the**

**Lib Dem Focus Team**

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Most of us are quite happy to allow a 16 or 17 year old to serve us in a shop or protect us in the army. We allow them to get married and pay taxes. In the next two years we are going to decide whether we stay in or out of the European Union. It matters to their jobs, their families and their future. There are over 6,000 youngsters in Waltham Forest who will be denied a say in this decision. In the Scottish Referendum 16 and 17 year olds took an active part in that decision. Lib Dems have actively supported changing the law on this issue to give young people a voice.

What do you think?

Please sign our petition below or our online petition at:

<http://change.libdems.org.uk/votes-for-16-year-olds>

## Albert Road - dumping

The dumping of rubbish is not just in **Albert Road** which we

have reported, but across

Leyton.

Apparently the Council is unaware of the annual cost to council taxpayers of collecting this dumped rubbish although the Council's contractor, Urbaser, is paid £7m per year to carry out street cleaning, bin collections and grounds maintenance. There is however no breakdown of cost for the extra collections of fly-tipping.

**Focus says:** Please report any dumped or fly-tipped rubbish or arrange collections of your own bulky household items by phoning **020 8496 3000**.

If there is a problem then get in touch with the **Focus Team**.



Dumped rubbish reported by the Focus Team

## Votes for 16 and 17 year olds?

**Should 16 and 17 year olds be given the right to vote in the EU referendum**

**YES**

**NO**

Name

Phone No.

Address

Email

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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