

FOCUS

Your Local Newsletter



Referendum
Special



Are you fed up with being
let down by politicians?

Vote Yes!
5th May

Labour Leader Ed Milliband, Leader of the Green Party Caroline Lucas with Charles Kennedy and Baroness Shirley Williams at the launch of the YES Campaign

Are you fed up with being let down by politics and politicians?

Too many MPs act as if
they have a job for life -
protected by a cosy voting
system that makes it
harder for voters to vote
them out.

All that can change on
Thursday 5 May in the
**Fairer Votes
Referendum.**

Vote: Yes!

Make all MPs work harder

Every MP will have to work
hard to earn and keep the
support of electors.

That's because each MP will
need to win more than half
of the votes to be elected.

A stronger voice for you

Ranking candidates in order
of preference (1,2,3...) gives
you more say - in who wins
and who doesn't.

If your favourite doesn't
win, you can still have a say.

Tackle MPs' 'jobs for life'

Too many MPs have their 'safe seats' for life.

Fairer votes will force complacent politicians to sit
up and listen, and reach out to the communities they
are seeking to represent.

**Now it's your chance to
change things for good**

Thousands of Waltham Forest residents get income tax cut



Labour's financial legacy has left Britain needing to borrow an extra £400 million, every single day, just to get by.

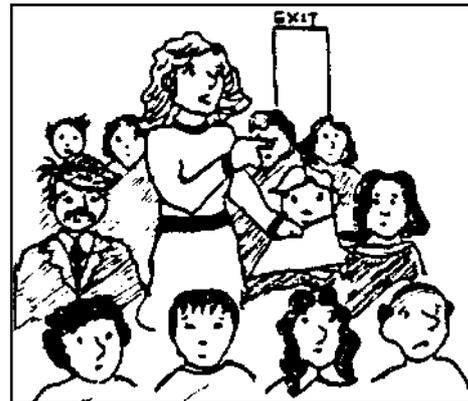
Labour also left us paying £120 million in interest on our debt each and every day - for that we could build a new primary school every hour.

In all this debt the good news for Waltham Forest is that 88,000 residents will be getting a £200 income tax cut and 3,700 will be lifted out of paying tax altogether.

If you are a pensioner you will receive an extra £4.50 a week - and those retiring now will be on average £15,000 better off over their retirement.

The Liberal Democrats in Government are making sure that eventually personal allowances will rise to £10,000. This will mean more Waltham Forest residents receiving a tax cut and even more low paid workers paying no tax at all.

New residents' forum



Following the axing of the very popular Community Councils, your **Liberal Democrat councillors, Bob, Winnie and Naheed**, are setting up a new residents forum, so that local people can have their say and find out about what's going on in the area.

The first meeting is on **Thursday 19th May at the Score Centre in Oliver Road, starting at 7pm.**

Plans for 590-594 High Road Leyton - REFUSED



The plans to convert the corner of **Leyton High Road** and **Hainault Road** into flats etc. has been refused by the Council's Planning Department.



The planners say that the developments design, height and bulk would constitute an over-development of the site, out of character with the street scene and townscape, and would thus be detrimental to the visual amenities of the area.

Of course the developers could appeal or produce another plan more in keeping with the area. **Focus** will keep you informed of any further developments.

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We want to hear from YOU

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I think something should be done about ...



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between 10.00am and 12 noon
at **Leyton Library**
corner of Leyton High Road
and Ruckholt Road
no appointments necessary

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