

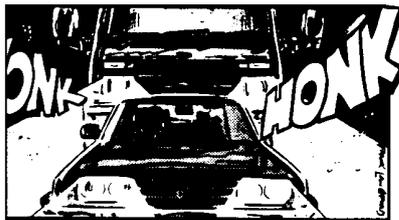
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Council plans may turn Beaumont Estate into a rat-run!



The narrow roads on the **Beaumont Estate** will become a traffic rat-run if the plans by the Council to block off the **Capworth Street** and **Vicarage Road**

junction. Traffic travelling from the **High Road** will be unable to get to **Church Road** except by using **Beaumont Estate**.

Lib Dem Focus member Bob Sullivan highlighted this problem to the Council's traffic chief at a recent meeting on the council's Mini Holland plans for Leyton. Bob was concerned that the radical plans for blocking off **Vicarage Road** will have a dramatic effect on the lives of Beaumont residents. He asked that the Council come back with alternatives to stop any rat-running on the estate.

Focus will keep you informed of developments.

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Disappointing exam results for borough schools

The league tables for last summer's GCSE exams were published in January and showed that over half of our secondary schools in Waltham Forest were below the national average of 57.1 per cent whereas all the secondary schools in Redbridge were all above the national average.



Focus says: The Council need to address why our schools are lagging behind most schools in England and particularly why nearby Redbridge again out performs Waltham Forest.

Join Caroline Pidgeon's fight to keep London and Britain in Europe

Lib Dem Mayoral candidate Caroline Pidgeon today warned that leaving Europe will lose millions in investment for London.

With her Conservative opponent advocating leaving the EU and the Tory and Labour parties torn and divided over Europe, Caroline and the Lib Dems are the only major party calling for Britain to remain in the EU.



Lib Dem Mayoral candidate Caroline Pidgeon

Caroline Pidgeon told Focus: "Let's be clear, withdrawing from Europe will be a disaster for London. I support a thriving Britain with real influence across the globe; we should stay in to fight climate change, tackle cross border crime and terrorism and protect jobs."

Join the fight to stay in Europe at:
www.libdems.org.uk/europe-petition

**Don't let the divided Labour and Tories ruin our future
Join the Lib Dem fight for London and Europe**

LOCAL SURVEY

I will be voting for Caroline Pigeon to be the Mayor of London YES NO

I will be voting for Lib Dem candidates for the London Assembly YES NO

Join us in voting in the Referendum for the U.K. to remain in the EU YES NO

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Council Tax payers charged for Labour's propaganda

Labour's free events, fireworks and propaganda paper delivered every two weeks as well as the allowances that they pay to themselves cost millions. Although taxpayers have always paid for this,

Council Tax Going Up

Having frozen Council Tax before the local and General Elections they are now going to increase it. **As from 1st April your Council Tax will go up 1.86 per cent.**

The Council's charge to Band D payers is an extra £26.97 a year.

Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) fees going up

Having reduced CPZ fees to £25 before the elections they are now putting them up 40 per cent to £35.

Council Tax benefit receivers take a hit

Having kept low charges to council tax benefit receivers before elections, those who are the most vulnerable in our society will have to pay a swingeing 24 percent of their Council Tax bill.

Councillor allowances

Having cut councillors' allowances by 5 percent before the elections they are now granting themselves a whacking increase. Council taxpayers will be forking out over £1 million to give to councillors. Labour councillors will pay a percentage of this straight to the local Labour Party.



Focus Team Local Action

Capworth Street

- Lighting

Following residents' complaints the **Focus Team** is chasing the Council to fix the many faulty lights in **Capworth Street**.

Marsh Lane - Dog Mess

Following residents' complaints to Focus about the amount of dog mess in **Marsh Lane**, the **Focus Team** contacted the Council who said that they will monitor the area with a view to catching the perpetrators. If you see it happen and know who it is please contact the **Focus Team** in strict confidence.

Lea Hall Gardens

- Rubbish dumping

The **Focus Team** is chasing L&Q Housing Association to stop people getting into **Lea Hall Gardens** to dump their rubbish.

Council U Turn on parking

The Council is now planning to make only 5 minute free parking and give drivers a 10 minute leeway before fining them for overstaying the time. **Focus says:** Why spend time and money changing the signs, just leave them as they are and give the extra 10 minute leeway giving drivers 25 minutes free parking.

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Ruckholt Road - noisy road hump

Residents are complaining about the newly laid road hump in **Ruckholt Road** by the **Bike Shack** which is causing scraping and bumping noise as vehicles cross the hump.

Focus has contacted the Council to reduce the level and height of the hump so that vehicles don't crash against the tarmac when going over it.

Primrose Road - uncollected rubbish bins

Residents have had to put up with their rubbish bins uncollected for over two weeks. **Focus** sorted it out but there is a major problem due to heavy parking in the narrow road which makes it difficult for the large rubbish lorry to get down **Primrose Road**. The cleansing department is looking into this problem.

We Want To Hear From YOU - I Think Something Should Be Done About:

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