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## UPMINSTER & CRANHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

# On-street parking charges will NOT be introduced in Cranham



Proposals to introduce on-street pay & display parking meters in Cranham covering Avon Road, Moultrie Way, Marlborough Gardens, Front Lane and Moor Lane have been rejected out of hand by the Highways Committee.

Cllr Clarence Barrett explained to the committee, that a 90 minute period of free parking is already in place around Avon Road and works very well indeed. It would have cost £23,000 to install parking meters, which is not cost effective and detrimental to local trade and shoppers. 'Cashless parking' was proposed for bays in Marlborough Gardens by

the Cranham medical centre, impacting on users.

Numerous objections were received from local residents and traders opposing the proposed scheme who supported the existing restrictions in Avon Road. In addition, Cllr Gillian Ford recently presented a 200 strong petition to the Council on behalf of local businesses and residents, and separately raised concerns with the Cabinet Member over the local impact.

The Highways committee rejected the proposals by a majority of 10 to 1. We now hope to get the same parking scheme in Cranham Village as the one operating in Avon Road.

Cllrs GILLIAN FORD and CLARENCE BARRETT

## Upminster Tap Room Update



Plans to convert a small building at 1b Sunnyside Gardens opposite the St Mary's Lane Shell Garage into a Tap Room, ie a Micro Pub, were emphatically rejected by the Council's Planning Committee, with 9 Councillors voting against giving planning permission and one abstention.

There was a huge number of objections from local residents; the Council received over 70 letters of objection and 2 petitions, again objecting. Local resident Mick Griffin spoke well on behalf of residents, pointing out the existing problems of parking in Sunnyside Gardens and the inevitable noise nuisance to residents whose windows are several feet away from the building. Councillor Linda Van den Hende has been in touch with Council Officers

regarding parking problems in Sunnyside Gardens at the junction with St. Mary's Lane. Upminster Councillor Ron Ower recommended that Planning permission be refused on the grounds of lack of parking, pointing out that many people would want to drive to the Pub also noise and the dreadful knock-on to the amenity for local residents. Councillor Linda Hawthorn seconded this and, as above, Planning Permission was refused.

Ron has also commented that he is certainly not anti- pubs but this location was totally inappropriate.

Your Residents' Association has been very active in supporting the Town Centre and will continue to do so.

Cllrs LINDA HAWTHORN, RON OWER,  
LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

## Freedom Passes now Extended into Brentwood

As from 31st May, the Metro train service between Shenfield and Liverpool Street was taken over by TfL Rail. This means that holders of Freedom Passes and 60+ Oyster Cards can travel from Upminster, via Romford, to Brentwood and Shenfield for free (provided they use the "stopping" train - ie a train that stops at stations along the way). It's also worth knowing that passes can be used on the 498 bus from Romford to Brentwood. If you take a 347 from Upminster, you can get off at Bampton Road (first stop after Gubbins Lane on the A12), cross the road and get the 498 to Brentwood High Street.

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## Congratulations Cllr Brian Eagling



I am pleased to inform you all that Brian and Bunny became Mayor and Mayoress of Havering after the election at the AGM Council meeting on Wednesday 20th May. This is the second time that Brian has become the Mayor and that is some achievement. Some of you may remember when Brian was Mayor in 2000, he organised the Party in Harold Wood Park and

his chosen charity then was the Humpty Dumpty appeal for the baby unit at Harold Wood Hospital, for which he raised £150,000. Brian's new charities will be First Step (for children with disabilities) and The Neonatal Unit for special care babies at the Queen's Hospital. If you wish to support this charity by attending events or wish to donate, please contact Brian on 01708 373027 or email eaglibri@talktalk.net.

Some of the events will be as follows:

A Night at the Dogs, an Indian restaurant meal, the Mayor's Ball, etc.... These events and others will be announced in the *Bulletin* and Brian will be delighted if you could support him.

## StreetCare Ward Meeting

Kindly note that a representative from the Council's StreetCare Department will be at our Upminster Ward meeting on

Wednesday 1st July, at St Joseph's Social hall, St Mary's Lane, at 8pm.

Amongst StreetCare's responsibilities are rubbish collection, footway carriage repairs, fly tipping, etc. Please bring your questions.

## Bulletin Distributor Needed

We are looking for some help in receiving Bulletins for the Dury Falls estate and then breaking them down into smaller bundles for onward delivery. If you can spare any time to help on this, please call 07863 116029 or 01708 641317.

## Sign up to Community email Alerts

Quite often there are matters of interest to the community which

may fall in between the publishing timeframes of the *Bulletin* (EG planning applications). I propose to set up an email alert group which will update residents of developments and information in Cranham and Upminster on an as and when basis. Anyone wishing to be included need only send me an e-mail to: cllrclarencbarrett@yahoo.co.uk with "Community email alert" in the heading. For data protection, your email address will not be seen nor shared by other members of the email group.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

## Upminster Police issues

The good news is that burglary has reduced in the area, but where it occurs it is normally the UPVC doors that are forced. Please remember to lock them, even when you are at home. Whilst burglary has reduced,

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motor vehicle crime has increased, both the theft of cars and theft from vehicles. Number plates are

frequently removed and this can be avoided by the use of anti-theft screws which can be purchased from Halfords. Don't leave anything on view in the car as it encourages break ins. Our Safer Neighbourhood Team have been visiting local primary schools to talk about crime prevention, home security and stranger danger. Don't forget if you want to speak to a police officer, the Corbets Tey office is open from 7 - 8pm Wednesday and Thursday and 2-3pm on Saturday. If there are any issues you have regarding policing in Upminster please let me know.

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDEN

## Planning Applications

I spoke on behalf of residents on two separate planning applications at a planning meeting in May. The first was for the installation of 6 floodlights in Hall Lane Playing Fields, 13 metres high, galvanised columns on the pitch near to the pavilion. However this was granted permission and works are expected to start in September. The second application was for a single storey flat roofed kiosk adjacent to 151 Avon Road (Fish and Chip Shop) at the junction with Front Lane. This is the third attempt to develop this site and the committee refused planning permission.

Cllr GILLIAN FORD

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and is looking forward to a flourishing future for Upminster and surrounding areas. We are currently forging links with local garden centres, nurseries and florists to encourage all things horticultural around the area. For more information:  
www.upminsterhorticulturalsociety.co.uk  
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## Oglethorpe Summer Fair

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together they have raised over £4,000 for the Breast Cancer charity. Congratulations to Esin, Janice, Alison and Angela. Donations are still welcome at [www.wtwalk.org/moonwalklondon2015/esin](http://www.wtwalk.org/moonwalklondon2015/esin)

## 2,000 Non-UK Drivers Skip Toll Daily

Statistics derived from a recent Freedom of Information request reveal that over 2,000 non-UK registered vehicles a day fail to pay the Dartford Crossing toll. The Highways Agency estimated that between 30th November 2014 and 6th January 2015, approximately 83,000 vehicles which are registered overseas failed to pay the toll, this equates to around 2 percent of the daily traffic using the crossing. In terms of recovery, up to 16th February 2015 some 18,700 cases were passed on to a European debt recovery agency. Failure to pay

the charge can mean a fine of up to £105. The agencies practice is to add the administrative cost of recovery to the outstanding toll fee. Ideally, this shouldn't be a problem at all because the Crossing was paid for in 2002 and, like the rest of the M25, there should be no charge. However, as we are now stuck with this congestion charge it is unfair that non-UK registered vehicles can dodge the charge in such vast numbers. With the technology at our disposal, it should be possible to check departing vehicles at our ports to make sure they have had paid the toll, rather than chasing the debt all over Europe.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

## Youth Services Consultation

Havering Council has launched a consultation on youth services: <http://www.havering.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Youth-Services-Consultation.aspx>

Paper copies will be available at libraries, MyPlace and other

Council buildings. The closing date to receive comments is Monday 24 August at 5pm. The consultation follows on from the Council's budget in February, when measures were agreed to help bridge a funding gap equivalent to a third of the Council's budget over the next four years.

The budget consultation received public comments on youth services, so in February, proposed cuts were reduced to preserve a core budget of £250,000 with a view to spending the money in a different way. The proposal is to move away from council-run services to funding an external organisation to run youth services, either by current youth service employees or an existing voluntary sector organisation such as the YMCA. Included would be the management of the MyPlace Centre in Harold Hill and possibly the Robert Beard Centre, Hornchurch; external organisations can access external funding that the council cannot.

Cllr GILLIAN FORD

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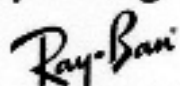
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accepted we can only accept the original on this date and time. Pledge cards will also be available on the day for the adults who wish to encourage the children they know to read. Don't forget the Summer Reading Challenge officially starts when you have broken up from school. Contact you local library for session times.

## The Curious Case of the Lee Valley Levy



Included in our council tax bills is a payment towards the upkeep of Lee Valley Regional Park, 100,000

acres of parkland situated in parts of north east London, Hertfordshire and Essex.

Established by an Act of Parliament in 1966, the park is part funded by all London boroughs, together with the whole of Hertfordshire and Essex to around £11m. The levy for Havering in 2015/16 is £249,438. Based on user figures compiled in 2012, the average number of visitors annually from Havering was 30,730...divided by our contribution that works out at £5.07 per visitor! For other areas of London the contribution per visitor is as much as £40 (Kensington & Chelsea), £38 (Hounslow) and £35 (Westminster).

At a time of unparalleled cuts to local government funding, can it be right we are paying for a park, as good as it is, some 26 miles away when we need the money to invest in our own parks and open spaces? Although the levy has reduced over the past few years, it would nonetheless take another Act of Parliament to dissolve the financial arrangement. On the plus side, the Lee Valley Leisure Trust has just been set up to manage the three Olympic venues and 11 other major sporting and leisure facilities on

site. This should provide the opportunity for the Park, over the next five years, to become more financially self sufficient and less reliant on council tax payers across London, Essex and Hertfordshire.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

## 370 Bus

We often have queries regarding bus routes in the area and this month has been no exception. Due to necessary carriageway resurfacing in the Ockendon Road, route 370 had to be diverted. Having contacted council officers we discovered that unfortunately communication from Transport for London (TfL) was lacking and neither council officers nor your ward councillors were made aware of the diversion route. Whilst notices were placed on some bus stops this was not done in all cases. We know this led to confusion and a very long diversion with limited

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information. We have spoken to officers and reminded them that TfL have a responsibility to inform customers of route changes. We have been assured that any future diversions will be better communicated. Let's hope so.

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

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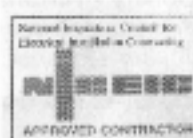
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display two Roomes Stores  
related exhibits – an invitation to  
the opening of the store in 1927  
and an old-fashioned mangle  
used in washing clothes.  
Stephen Roome, a member of the  
local retail dynasty, has  
confirmed the rarity of the  
invitation in that the family does  
not have a copy in its archives.  
Meanwhile the mangle was  
donated by an Upminster  
resident who salvaged it from  
being dumped after a spell as a  
garden ornament. The cast iron  
frame of the wooden-rollered  
mangle has 'Roomes Stores  
Upminster' cast into it and  
probably dates from around 1930.  
The Museum is next open on 4-5  
July from 10.30am to 4pm. Entry  
is free.

## Music is Magic

The recent fund raising event  
organised by Diane Mandie at the  
Windmill Pub raised £650 for  
a cerebral palsy charity. Diane  
pointed out she had terrific  
support from family and friends.  
Also thanks go to Fishy Business,  
Studio Florist, Batemans  
Newsagents, Baccarat Cafe,  
Manhattan Nails, Aesthetics  
Beauty, Marks and Spencer and  
the Windmill Pub.

## Gallows Corner Update

We have been advised that TFL  
will be launching a public  
consultation on designs to  
improve safety at Gallows Corner  
next year. The consultation on the  
proposals should happen in early  
2016 and the purpose will be to  
improve road safety and reduce  
the number of accidents. As we  
know this junction is one of the  
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Cllr DARREN WISE

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CLlr LINDA HAWTHORN

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The Love Food Hate Waste Team are holding a Free cookery workshop to teach you all about how to reduce the amount of food you throw away.

Booking is essential - Contact the Waste Team on 01708 432 563.

**Stories and Craft - The Gruffalo  
Tuesday 7th July, 10.30-11.30**

Suitable for ages 3-5 years

Enjoy a story about this much-loved character plus a fun craft session.

£4.00 Library Members / £5.50 Non Members.

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Indian Head Massage £15 for 30 minutes (Includes consultation time).

Please contact the library to book your place (payment must be made within 3 days of booking).

**Adult Craft Workshop -  
Congratulations / Well Done  
Cards Tuesday 14th July, 1.30-3.00**

Come along and make a card for that special occasion.

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£6.00 Library Members / £7.50 Non Members.

Booking Essential.

## A Magical Evening

On Saturday 11th July the Rotary Club of Hornchurch & Upminster presents "An Evening with the Ilford Magical Society" at the New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster at 6.45pm for 7.15pm with a fish & chip supper.

Entry by programme, £15, available from Ray Hare tel 01708 223 218.

## Cream Tea

At Moor Lane Church, Moor Lane, Cranham. From 2pm to 5pm on Saturday 4th July. The cost is £3 per person. The 346 bus stops right outside and everyone is most welcome.

## St Laurence's new Rector

The Revd Susannah Rudge was instituted as the new Rector of the Parish of Upminster at a ceremony in February. It was a joyous occasion in the presence of many clergy from the area, church members and others from the community.

Born in Solihull, Susannah trained as a priest at Westcott House, Cambridge and completed, as part of her training, a number of ministerial placements ranging from Salford to New Zealand. She has been as assistant curate for the past 4½ years at St Francis Church in Bournville and is the first lady Rector in the long line of Rectors of Upminster stretching back to the 13th Century. We welcome her to our Community.

## Upminster Floral Art Society

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**Wednesday 1 July 10.30-11.30 - Storytelling Session** (suitable for ages 2-4), £3 per child, booking required call 01708 222660 or email

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### JULY

- 5 Sunday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day & Classic Cars Display** 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm.
- 5 Sunday - **Tithe Barn**, Hall Lane Open Day 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 7 Tuesday - **Oglethorpe Women's Institute** have Guest Speaker Lois Amos on Upminster Hall. Our meetings are held at Cranham Social Hall, 103 Front Lane, RM14 1XL at 7.45 pm. Visitors are welcome as our guests for their first visit, a £4 entry fee applies thereafter. The Christmas Celebration meeting in December is always for members only.
- 17 Friday - **Havering Antique and Collectors Club** meet at the Neighbourhood Centre, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood are holding their AGM; 7.30 pm for 8 pm start. For further details please call our Chairman Mrs Jan Halsey on 01708 373574.
- 18 Saturday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 18 Saturday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day** 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm
- 19 Sunday - **Upminster Windmill Open**

**Day & Classic Cars Display** 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm.

- 19 Sunday - **Tithe Barn**, Hall Lane **Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 19 Sunday - **Havering Mind** are holding a **Wings & Wheels Car & Motorbike Show** plus light aircraft flying. 10 am - 6 pm at Damyns Hall Aerodrome, Upminster; Fun fair, beer tent, BBQ, trade and craft stalls. £10 per car public entry. Anyone wanting to exhibit their cars or have a trade/craft stand please contact Ciaran.white@haveringmind.org.uk for more information.

### AUGUST

- 1 Saturday - **The Havering Branch of the East of London Family History Society** hold meetings on the first Saturday of every month at Trinity Church, Station Rd, Upminster RM14 2SJ doors open at 1pm, meeting starts at 2pm. This month the talk is 'My Ancestors came from Essex.' with Eric Probert. The Computer Group meets at the same venue 11am - 1pm where a Q&A session is followed by 'Electronic Family History Using the

Internet' with Rob Parker. Teas and coffees can be purchased. Members and visitors welcome to either or both. Admission free.

- 1 Saturday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 1 Saturday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day** from 2.00 pm to 5 pm.
- 2 Sunday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day & Craft Fair**, from midday to 5.00 pm.
- 2 Sunday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 4 Tuesday - **Oglethorpe Women's Institute** will be making banners and decorations to celebrate 100 years of the W.I. Our meetings are held at Cranham Social Hall, 103 Front Lane, RM14 1XL at 7.45 pm. Visitors are welcome as our guests for their first visit, a £4 entry fee applies thereafter. The Christmas Celebration meeting in December is always for members only.
- 9 Sunday - **Cream Tea** at St Laurence Church Main Hall, Corbets Tey Road, Upminster, RM14 2BB; 4.30 pm, £3.50. To book please contact the Parish Office on 01708 220696.

## ASSOCIATION DIARY

### JULY

1 Wednesday **Upminster Ward Meeting** at St. Joseph's Social Centre at 8.00 pm

9 Thursday **Cranham Ward Meeting** at Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens at 7.45 pm

**PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO UPMINSTER OR CRANHAM WARD MEETINGS IN AUGUST**

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