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Save our Green Belt

Havering Council are currently preparing a new a borough wide planning strategy, known as a Local Plan, which takes into account changes made to the Mayor's London Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework which was published in 2012. As a result, this is the one occasion where developers can make a bid to take areas out of the Green Belt.

Currently, there are 47 separate areas in Havering which have been identified by developers, four of which are in the Upminster ward and three in Cranham, with others on our borders. The majority of these sites have been identified as 'residential'. However, the Council's own officers have clearly stated that Green Belt land is not required to meet Havering's housing target.

The timetable for this work is lengthy and will involve extensive public consultation on proposals and an examination in public. Public consultation will take place later this year/early 2016.

Please be assured that your Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association councillors are very clear that we will fight to keep our Green Belt intact and preserve our green and open spaces for future generations.

This is an emerging issue and we will keep you updated on developments. Please do write in to the Planning Department in Mercury House to register your support to keeping Havering's precious Green Belt.

Cllrs LINDA HAWTHORN, RON OWER, LINDA VAN DEN HENDE,
CLARENCE BARRETT and GILLIAN FORD

Help Reduce our Waste Lines!

The Council have a duty to collect household waste and it is a service which consistently rates highly in terms of resident satisfaction. However, as the population grows and the number of households increase, so the cost of collecting and disposing of waste increases significantly year on year. Couple this with council funding reducing at a similar rate, it is clear we face a considerable financial challenge. Waste is an expensive business. Our levy to the East London Waste Authority, who dispose of our waste, is £13m per year. Add on the £4m cost of the waste collection service and it equates to around £204 per year per household. Havering households generate around 96,000 tonnes of waste per year. While some 36% of this is recycled, there is still a large amount which goes into landfill, and with landfill taxes at £82.60 per tonne, there is a hefty cost. By working together, the more we can minimise, limit or recycle our waste the more



chance we have of reducing this enormous cost. Further information and tips on waste diversion can be found on the Havering Council website.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

Upminster Ward Speaker

Representatives from Pinney Talfourd Solicitors will be attending the Upminster ward meeting on 7 October at St. Joseph's Hall, St. Mary's Lane at 8pm, to talk about Wills and Lasting Power of Attorney. These talks are very interesting and informative so please come along.

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

Hall Lane Playing Fields Friends Group



Hall Lane Playing Fields Friends Group would like to invite you to join them at their meetings, to be held on the fourth Thursday of September, October, November and January. The meetings will be held at the Upminster Halls Sports Association Pavilion by the Tithe Barn at 7.00pm. If you

require any further details about the group, please contact 01708 641317.
gillian.ford@haverling.gov.uk

Cllr GILLIAN FORD

Front Lane Yellow Lines in Place

Following concerns raised by numerous residents, we have extended the double yellow lines along Front Lane (opposite the Cranham Social Hall) in order to deter parking on the bend which was not only causing an obstruction to vehicles, and especially buses, but created an unnecessary hazard. Requests for parking restrictions are very popular across the borough and we will make sure that outstanding schemes in Cranham are followed up. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please contact us.

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Many thanks.

for new members to join. If you are interested for Cranham contact
Kenneth.McNish@met.pnn.police.uk and for Upminster
Sarah.L.Morris@met.pnn.police.uk

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

Chairman's Corner



Local long-time resident Chris Wilkins took over as our Chairman earlier this year. Chris has a

wealth of experience in local government, especially in Housing, and will be writing regularly for *The Bulletin*.

"It is well over a year since the local elections and it is good to see our Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association councillors helping to shape, determine and set policy in the Council. The last

budget setting process was very tough, but our councillors were at the forefront of decision making regarding services. Examples of this include:

- Ensuring Upminster Library remains open for 6 days per week
- The continuation of the Local Studies and Archive Services
- Library computers remain free to use
- Increasing funding to Children's Services
- Scaling back on parking fees in parks

However, due to further reductions in government grant funding, (to be covered in more detail in future *Bulletins* by Cllr Barrett) more pressure is now placed on future budgets for Havering. Again, our local Councillors, working in partnership and while listening to local residents, will endeavour to ensure that difficult financial choices are made sensibly and to achieve the best possible outcomes for our residents.

Finally, if you have any suggestions or points of view regarding Council services and

where savings could be made, please email
bulletinra@yahoo.co.uk"

Chris Wilkins

Corbets Tey Regeneration Group



I'm pleased to say that the Corbets Tey Regeneration Group is now up and running, with a committee, so funding

can be sorted for various improvements. The bus stops are shortly to be made disabled friendly, and once this has been done, further improvements to the pavement will be requested. We are looking into items such as a red telephone box, planters,

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Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

The Entertainers

We are trying to recruit some new members into our Concert Party. We are a happy bunch who entertain around the borough in clubs, residential and nursing homes to raise money for charity. We sing, dance and do sketches etc. but we do group work so you don't have to sing on your own if you don't want to.

We meet on a Tuesday morning in Hornchurch for rehearsal so if you are interested you can come along and watch to see if you would be interested. Please phone Bunny 01708 373 027, Ivy on 01708 220 824 or Paul on 01708 442 334.

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All Saints Church Cranham, The Chase, Cranham are holding a Healing and Wholeness service on Wednesday the 23rd September at 8.00 pm conducted by Fr. Keith Turner.

It is hoped this will become a regular monthly service on the 3rd or 4th Wednesday of the month. For further information contact Mike Willcocks 01708 501 505.

All Saints Church also hold a regular 10.00 am Mass with hymns on ever Thursday morning, any one wishing to

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attend mass or come for a blessing are very welcome. It is followed by coffee, biscuits and a chat in the Vestry hall.

Upminster Park

I am pleased to say that the play-site at Upminster Park was finished in time for the school holidays and was well received. The Play area has a wide range of play equipment for children of all ages.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

September Events at Upminster Library

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Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

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General Open Days: 5, 6 and 19,
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Friday 25 September - 10.30 -
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222660.

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All are welcome, so come along
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Battle of Britain Service 2015

On the 70th Anniversary of The Battle of Britain in September 2010 I was fortunate to be allocated a Spitfire for a flypast at the Battle of Britain Service at the Military Cemetery situated at the rear of St Andrew's Church Hornchurch.

I am delighted to announce that this year on the 75th Anniversary of The Battle of Britain, I have once again been fortunate to be allocated a Spitfire for a flypast. As 2015 is such an important anniversary, the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight have been swamped under with applications or "bids" for their aircraft to take part in displays and flypasts. Displays have to be paid for but flypasts are free.

At the end of 2014, Flight Lieutenant Parkinson MBE (who flew our Spitfire in 2010) and who is now the BBMF Operations Officer together with Squadron Leader Mason, the Officer Commanding the Flight, received a 200 page spread sheet listing all 800 "bids" for their aircraft.

After two days a provisional pencil draft of a programme had been made after poring over maps and computers.

After another three days the original 800 "bids" had been reduced to 300. Discussions took place with the RAF Events Team who allocate the Red Arrows and other RAF aircraft to make an agreed programme, then every venue has its own file.

As I had made a very strong case for a Spitfire I was overjoyed to receive an acceptance letter in March.

So, if you attend St Andrew's Military Cemetery on Battle of Britain Sunday 13th September 2015 between 10-00am and 10-15am you will see our own Spitfire as it does three low passes over us.

Alan Taylor, Verger, St. Andrews Church

Welcome Abigail

Over the years we have had a number of younger members of our community contributing to *The Bulletin*. We welcome our newest journalist Abigail who

starts Coopers Coborn School this month.

Abigail's column

Happy New Year!!!

No I am not crazy, I do know



when the year starts, the first of January! Though for us younger residents, especially

those who are still in school, the New Year really begins in September, not January as we know it!

September is the time when we all move into our new years at school or even a completely new school! So why doesn't the new school year start in January?

I am Abigail and I will be writing each month for the *Bulletin*. This September my new year starts with a new school, new friends, new independence, learning how to play a new instrument (the electric guitar) and of course writing this column.

I will be writing about all the issues that affect us younger residents, things like safety, community issues, news stories and local events.

I would like to wish you all a happy new year a best wishes with all the new things entering into your lives from September.

Havering Police Cadets

The Havering Volunteer Police Cadets are looking to increase their numbers and so currently have vacancies across all its units. From September there will be four units across Havering.

For those interested in joining or finding out more about the Police Cadets please come along to one of our open evenings.

Junior Cadets - Wednesday 16th September, 5 - 6.30pm at Drapers Academy, Harold Hill (10-12yr olds)
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To be held on Saturday
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Object - To raise money for the
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Start - Registration 9.30 am at the
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TRANSPORT - Available by car

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September events at the Forest
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September 10am -4pm Art
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Sunday 20th September 10am-
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or simply come along on the night. You would be made most welcome.

Jimmy at the Cranleigh

Jimmy Jones the "Guvnor of Comedy" will be holding a very special comedy night at The Cranleigh Restaurant and Banqueting Suite, 84 Station Lane, Hornchurch on Friday 20th November. Tickets are available from the Cranleigh at £20 each which includes a Bacon Butty. Telephone 01708 - 443 229. This promises to be a fantastic night. A nice pre Christmas Evening.

HOPE Bereavement Course

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grief strikes we so often find ourselves unprepared. We wonder if we are normal, or going mad! The world seems to expect us to "get over" our loss within a few weeks of the funeral. Yet as time passes we find ourselves wrestling with the same unanswered questions. Joining a group of like-minded people, such as a HOPE Bereavement Support Course developed by West and Coe may help you. The course allows you to talk things over in a friendly, confidential environment where you have the opportunity to express feelings and fears. You will learn about the grieving experience, share feelings, and questions with other people who have suffered a loss. Whoever you have lost, there is a place for you. The sessions last about an hour and a half and are led by trained facilitators on our church premises. They are free of charge and open to people of all faiths and none. The groups will be held on **Friday morning starting on the 9th October, Upminster** **Wednesday morning starting on the 21st October, Hornchurch**

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Tuesday 29th. 'An Illustrated
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the Minor Hall at Upminster
Methodist Church in Hall Lane. All
are welcome. The meeting fee is £2
per head.
The first meeting will take place on
Thursday afternoon when the Guild
Secretary, Ian Leadley, will give an
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Further information from Ian
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AFC Hornchurch

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Tuesday 8th v Redbridge Kick off
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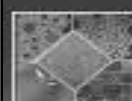
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Saturdays 5th v Cheshunt at 2 pm and **26th** v Brentwood at 2pm.

If you want a game of football to watch on a Sunday, why not come over to the Bridge Stadium. West Ham United Ladies are playing there this season. They have two home matches this month.

On **Thursday 10th** v Basildon at

7.45 pm and on **Sunday 27th** Forest Green Rovers at 2pm.

Future fixtures include games against Tottenham, Brighton, Charlton and Queens Park Rangers. These will all be on Sundays, kick off at 2pm.

Vanilla Bake Club

Love to bake? Please join us. Our bake club's next meet is Monday 7th September at The Old Chapel, St Mary's Lane, Upminster from 18.30 to 20.30. We are a group of

keen but amateur bakers who meet every 6/8 weeks to swap support, stories and baked goods. We all bake something to bring along to share. September's theme is Harvest festival (following the theme is not compulsory). £5 fee to cover hall, tea, coffee etc. For more information contact Sharon@vanillabakeclub.com or check out our website www.vanillabakeclub.com or find us on Facebook or twitter.

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Please note the next 3 demonstrations by the Guild:
 5th September, "Fantasy Toadstall House" by Petra Skinner;
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**Lunch- time
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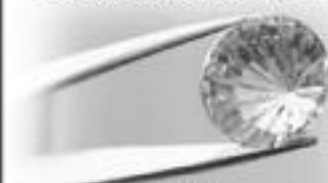
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It seems people leave their car windows open after showing their ID and while disposing of their rubbish someone can quickly put their hand in the window to

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We Are Festival update

At a residents debrief meeting, which was poorly attended, the organisers recognised there had been some shortcomings in the transport arrangements on the Saturday evening, which they will seek to address. Complaints generally were down, especially in respect of noise. Concern about arrangements at Upminster Station was raised to ensure non-festival goers and festival goers were kept separate. They confirmed they will be applying for a license for 28th and 29th May 2016. The license will seek a capacity of 25,000 for each day, the same as this year. In addition there was confirmation they will

not be asking for permission for camping. I will keep residents informed as more details become known. If you have any issues or questions please contact me.

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

U.C.R.A Coach Outing News

Saturday 17 October, Chichester

There is plenty to investigate in this old city. Steeped in history from the dominant Norman Cathedral to the Tudor Market Cross which now-days stands at the centre of the city's cosmopolitan mix of boutiques, high street shops and cafes. A walk around the city walls is fascinating, and there is also a Saturday market to explore. Booking details can be found in the "Association Diary" on the back page of the Bulletin.

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Beverly Marks Stage Show



Beverly Marks Stage School chose to showcase their local talent at the London Starpower

competition in May presenting work in Ballet, Lyrical, Jazz Singing & Hip Hop. The school achieved outstanding results with all the competitors gaining High Score Awards to Curtis Holder and Angela Wise and First Place for the Ballet Group and the Hip Hop Group the Freshman. Solo dancer Jessica Snooks won a First Place award and Harry Osborne won First Place in his division with a 5 star award and the Most Powerful Performance of the competition day. The Lyrical team gained a second place with a high score award. Outstanding achievements for BMSS students, the level of competition was very

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- 5 Saturday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day** from 2.00 pm to 5 pm.
- 5 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 Road, Upminster RM14 2SJ doors open at 1pm meeting starts at 2pm. This month the talk is **'Ernest Shackleton' 'the Endurance Expedition'** with Carol Harris. The Computer Group meets at the same venue 11am - 1pm where a Q&A session is followed by 'Military Genealogy on the Internet' by Simon Fowler. Teas and coffees can be purchased. Members and visitors welcome to either or both. Admission free.
- 6 Sunday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day** from midday to 5.00 pm.
- 6 Sunday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 7 Monday - **Quiz Night** at Crumpled Horn Pub, Corbets Tey Road, Upminster, 7.30 pm for 8 pm start. Tables up to 8. £5 per person to include a Ploughman's Supper. To book ring Carol/Bob on 01708 226154. Raising money for Little Havens Hospice.
- 8 Tuesday - **NADFAS (Havering)** welcomes Mrs Caroline Rayman who will be giving a talk on **'The Two Elizabeths: Bookends of the Empire'** Lecture 10.45 am. Coffee from 10.00 am. Visitors welcome £6. Meetings held at The New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster, RM14 2QH. For further details of the Society and future lectures and visits can be found at www.haveringdfas.org.uk
- 14 Monday - **Essex Wildlife Trust**. 7.45pm in Hornchurch Library. It is a talk by Becky Gibson on the Ingrebourne Valley Nature Reserve and the latest news on the new Visitor Centre. More info from Joy Emerson on 01708 440 297. Requested donation £2.
- 16 Wednesday - **Upminster Floral Art Society** have Sylvia Cheeseman with her demonstration called "Imagine". Doors open 7.15 pm for 8 pm held at the New Windmill Hall, Upminster.
- 18 Friday - **Havering Antique and Collectors Club** meet at the Neighbourhood Centre, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood, 7.30 pm for 8 pm start. Enrolment Night with Speaker Martin Humphries Cinema Museums (with exhibits)
- 19 Saturday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
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- 20 Sunday - **Upminster Windmill Open Day** from midday to 5.00 pm.
- 20 Sunday - **Tithe Barn Open Day** 10.30 am - 4.00 pm. Free Entry.
- 23 Wednesday - **Upminster Townswomen's Guild** have just celebrated 60 years as an active guild in Upminster and have some great speakers and events planned for the rest of the year into 2016. Come along and join us on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 1.45 pm in St Laurence Church, Derham Hall, Upminster. For more details phone Shirley on 01708 224219 or Bertha on 01708 224210 or just turn up! This months speaker is Barbara Faulkner on "Love that Hat".
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Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

Upminster School of Dance

New Adult Tap classes in Upminster commencing September! If you have always dreamed of being the next Fred Astaire or Ginger Rogers, now is your chance. Meet new people, have fun and increase your fitness. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings at the Trinity United Reformed Church Halls.

The Upminster School of Dance is now registering for its new Pre School Ballet class on Wednesday & Friday afternoons at Trinity Church, Upminster. Students from 2 ½ years plus are welcome to come along for a free trial lesson.

For further information regarding the Adult Tap class, Pre-School ballet class or any other dance classes please contact Sarah Sales on 01708 479966 or visit the school's website www.upminsterdance.co.uk

Parking

Kindly note if you have received a letter regarding parking proposals including residents' parking schemes. We urge you to give the Council your views. Further information will follow in future *Bulletins*.

Cllr RON OWER

Community Rally for Lightning Strike Pensioner

A house in Humber Drive was struck by lightning last month setting the entire roof on fire and causing significant damage. The emergency services responded to the incident very quickly and were able to contain the flames.

The householder is an elderly lady who was thankfully unhurt but understandably distressed by the strike. Against this backdrop of calamity, local resident Kirstie Allen has set up a justgiving page to raise money for the pensioner so she can afford to put right the damage. The initial target of £1,000 has already been surpassed along with offers of free support coming in from local builders and decorators.

Out of this horrid experience it is great to see the local community come together to offer their support and compassion and hope it provides the lady with a little comfort at a difficult time.

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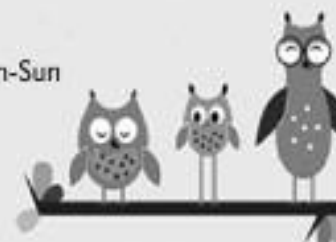
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OCTOBER

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10 Saturday - **Cranham Park District Friends of Guiding** are holding a Quiz Evening at Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens, 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start. Tables up to 10 please. Price £7.50, which includes a Ploughmans Supper. Bring your own drinks and glasses. For tickets contact Barbara Lewis on 01708 250941 or Doris Harding on 01708 226725.

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