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• While we successfully opposed 22 applications by developers to take land out of the green belt in our area, we remain alert to any development proposals that will encroach upon our green and open spaces

• To provide greater investment in our roads and pavements and to significantly improve quality control of works undertaken

• To oppose the unsustainable, unrealistic and damaging housing target figures imposed on the Council by the Mayor of London and Conservative Government

• To ensure that Havering receives its fair share of funding through the government 'Fair Funding' review

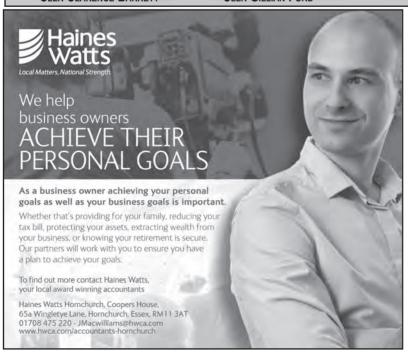
On May 3rd we ask for your vote so that we can continue to support you and keep Upminster, Cranham, Dury Falls and North Ockendon in the hands of local people.

# CRANHAM WARD 2018 CANDIDATES CLLR CLARENCE BARRETT CLLR GILLIAN FORD JOHN TYLER

## **Upminster/Cranham Police Update**

Sgt Bargus - Upminster and Cranham Safer Neighbourhoods Teams continue to conduct patrols across the wards and update on Twitter. Please feel free to follow them #MPSUpminster and #MPSCranham. We are very much aware of recent events regarding youths causing antisocial behaviour within the Upminster High Street area as well as the Clayfield Close area, some of these youths are now known to police and we are engaging accordingly to cease this type of continued behaviour. I also have been advised that some residents have been receiving calls from the Police stating that they are from either Croydon or Hammersmith Police fraud squad stating that they have arrested a suspect with the residents credit card or bank details and then requested that they confirm all details to them including PINS and security code on the reverse of bank cards. THIS IS A SCAM I can assure you that NO OFFICER WOULD MAKE SUCH A CALL please do not give out any details or codes. If in doubt put the phone down and contact the ward team who will advise you. Please report all crime, if it's happening right now its 999 if it has already happened then its 101. It is important that I'm made aware of your concerns please email upminster.snt@met.police.uk or cranham.snt@met.police.uk

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## Planning Applications

As the April Bulletins were being delivered we received news from the Council on the following Planning Applications:

Reference P 0325.18:Additional floor to both existing buildings to provide 8,1 – bedroom flats with bicycle parking and bin storage at Nos.1-8 & 9-16 Grove Court, Little Gaynes Lane/The Grove, Upminster. There is considerable concern locally regarding lack of parking and the visual impact on the area.

**Reference P 0263.18**: Construction of 7 new dwellings rear of 28B Station Rd. Upminster.

Kindly note that you may be receiving this Bulletin after the date the Council has given to receive comments etc. Please note you should still write etc. as the Council accepts items up to the day of the Planning Committee meeting. If you wish to comment on these please send your comments to Neighbourhoods Planning Control, London Borough of Havering, Mercury House, Mercury Gardens, Romford, RM1 3SL or via the council website.

We will advise you on any news on these.

#### Dury Falls 20mph Petition Delivered to Council

A petition to introduce a 20mph zone on the Dury Falls Estate was handed into the Council last month by your Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association. The petition, with over 100 signatories, expressed concerns about the excessive speed of vehicles travelling through the estate. Furthermore, the introduction of a 20mph zone, as seen in other parts of the borough, would offer the following advantages:

- A reduction in speed levels will make for a safer environment for residents and road users alike
- A 20mph zone will improve the character of the area and quality of life of all residents
- It will also contribute towards a cleaner environment by reducing levels of noise and air pollution

We shall keep you advised as the matter progresses.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

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#### Thank You

Having served the community of Cranham as a councillor for 16 years, I shall be stepping down at this election. I have regarded my time in office as an absolute privilege and may I take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all those residents who have supported me over the years. While there have been many changes in the borough over the past 16 years, Cranham remains a lovely place to live and I am very pleased to be part of our community. Once more, thanks for all your kind words of encouragement and appreciation.

Cllr JUNE ALEXANDER

#### **After School Club**

A new childcare provision has opened in Upminster. Essex After School Clubs have opened an after-school club based within Upminster Primary School and a Holiday Club based in Upminster Baptist Church for children aged 4 to 11 years. Essex After School Clubs pride themselves on supporting children's development through a full range

of multi – sports, art, crafts, games and cooking skills. All children receive the highest levels of care and support through promoting healthy lifestyles, providing hot meals and nutritious snacks. For more information telephone Kellie Rust / Deborah Smith on 07912200255 / 07572062557.

#### Stewart Avenue Allotments

**Steward Avenue Allotments** are starting their popular Gate Sales on May 19th 10am - 12 noon. Fresh produce grown on site and plant and flowers which plot holders grow extra for these sales, including Stewart Avenue allotment honey from our bee hives, will be available. Home-made jams, chutneys, marmalades and cakes made from the allotment produce will also be available. Tea/Coffee and Bacon Rolls will be served from the al fresco Patio Café. There is a small waiting list for people wanting their own plots over the allotment anyone interested contact Jackie on: StewartsAAllotments@outlook. com or 01708 641624.

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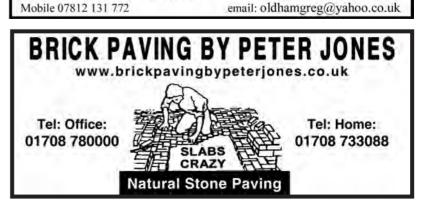
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#### **New Police Page Springfield**

We are always looking to improve our website (ucra.co.uk) and have now introduced a dedicated 'Local Police' page where we will be posting news, advice and contributions in all matters relating to our local police and community safety. If you have any suggestions on improving our website, please let me know.

Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

#### **Wantz Bridge**

Over the years we have received requests for the narrow pavement on the southern side to be expanded. This foot path is often used by children attending James Oglethorpe School. With this in mind, and to take the opportunity to slow traffic down travelling east from St Mary's Lane, the Council have been working here to expand the footpath to make it easier and safer. The work has now been completed.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

## Playgroup

Did you or your child attend Springfield Playgroup? Springfield Playgroup, based at Upminster Baptist Church in Springfield Gardens is celebrating its 50th birthday this year. To celebrate we will be holding an Open Day on Saturday 14 July from 11am-4pm and a celebration service on Sunday 15 July at 10.30am. Further details will follow. We would like to have a display of photographs and people's memories or any other playgroup memorabilia for this special weekend. So we are asking that you firstly spread the word about our planned celebrations and secondly dig around in your lofts, cupboards etc for any photographs you may have, particularly of the first 30 or so years, or take a few minutes to send us your memories of time at playgroup - we already know of someone claiming to be the only child to escape and run home during a playgroup session! The Church have already found

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the request for the playgroup to open in their Church Meeting Minutes from 1968, what can you find? Does anyone know of a Mrs Green who got the playgroup up and running in 1968? If you could scan or take copies of any material you would like to share and email it to springfieldpg13@gmail.com or alternatively drop it into playgroup one weekday morning we would be very grateful. We look forward to hearing from you.

Caroline Kinder

#### **Christmas** Lights

By way of advance notice, kindly note that this year's switch on of the Christmas Lights will be Thursday 22nd November. We were blessed with a nice evening last year with a record crowd of over a thousand local residents. With my colleague Cllr Ron Ower we were able to welcome our colleague the Mayor Cllr Linda Van den Hende who turned the

Further news on this will follow in future Bulletins. The Upminster

Conservation Partnership, of whom I am the secretary, gave a donation towards the lights and we were pleased to advertise in the Bulletin details of local businesses that donated. We in the Upminster and Cranham Residents Association were pleased to sponsor the Children's rides at The Bell School and are happy to do so again this year. If you would like a stall at the lights evening please contact me.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

#### **Charity Sale**

Lawn Sale to raise money for Childhood Eye Cancer Trust. Books, toys, crafts, bric-a-brac etc. Saturday 12th May, 10 am - 12 pm, Trinity Church, Upminster.

## **Painting**

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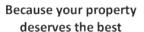


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Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

#### The Good Intent

The smash-hit production, The Good Intent hits the wonderful Brookside Theatre stage in Romford this July. The play tells the story of American Spitfire pilot Raimund Sanders Draper who, battling to control his stricken plane sacrificed his life to save the children of the then Suttons School by steering away from the buildings during Battle of Britain Hornchurch. Original songs underscore this piece of powerful theatre that involves the local war-

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#### North Ockendon **Handbell Ringers**

Did you know that handbells originated as an alternative to tower bells? North Ockendon village was no exception, and had a set cast for the tower bell ringers. Unfortunately, we don't know exactly when this was, but the current team of handbell ringers was formed in 1981. As far as we're aware, we are the only team in Havering and have visited many groups where we play a selection of music and give a talk about handbell ringing. Our weekly practices are held in the hall attached to the Church of St Mary Magdalene, Church Lane, North Ockendon, RM14 3QH on Tuesdays, 7.30 - 9.30pm. If you would like to find out more, either to make a booking or to come along to our weekly practices to learn the art, please contact our Secretary, Ann Hails. (01708459339)

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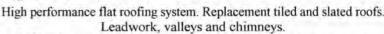


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Cllr CLARENCE BARRETT

#### Wednesday **Music Evenings**

Wednesday 9th May - Going for Baroque presented by Alan Tomlin. An evening Baroque brilliance featuring the music of Pachelbel, Albinoni, Vivaldi, Bach, Handel and others. Wednesday 23rd May - Cinema, Theatre & Fairground Organ Music presented by Brian Luck. An aficionado of cinema and theatre organs, Brian has travelled the world in pursuit of his interest and brings us some of the many recordings he has collected. Main meeting room, 1st floor of Hornchurch Library. Programmes commence at 7.30pm and end at

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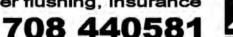






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Wristbands expire November 2018 and are available to purchase all year round for any day the park is open. To purchase call or text Debbie on 07805612706 or Louisa on 07498575296. Please allow up to 24

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## **Upminster** Windmill

Sat 12th and Sun 13th May, 1pm-4pm - Open Weekend Upminster Windmill will be taking part in National Mills Weekend. Although our Mill is closed we

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#### **Diabetes UK**

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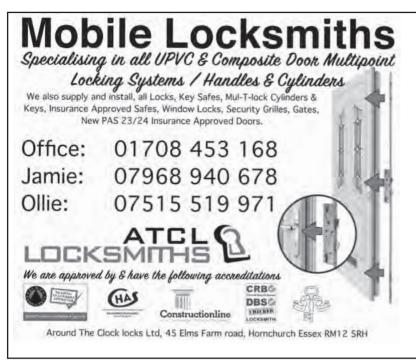
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- Tuesday Upminster and District Horticultural Society, The subject is Bulbs for all Seasons.. The lectures are held in the New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster from at 7.45pm until 9.45pm Admission is free to members and £2 to nonmembers. For more information visit www. upminsterhorticulturalsociety.co.uk
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- Wednesday The Front Lane Community Association Tea Dance at Cranham Social Hall, Front Lane, Cranham, RM14 1XN on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Doors open 2.15 p.m. Come along and make new friends, whilst dancing to music by 'John'. £3.50 inc refreshments. Pay on the door. Further details contact Val on 01708 224166.
- Wednesday **Nelmes Women's Institute** meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and welcome new members of all ages. Meetings are held at Nelmes United Reformed Church Hall (corner of Nelmes Road and Burntwood Avenue, Hornchurch, RM11 3JA). Meetings start at 2 pm promptly. Please contact Ruth McDougall on 01708 448431 or Ruth. wellwisher@gmail.com for further details.
- Wednesday Havering U3A Anne Stott on "The Golden Age of Venice". Havering U3A meets at 2:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month at St. Michael's Church Hall, Main Road, Gidea Park, Romford. www.u3asites.org.uk/havering
- 10 Thursday Upminster and Cranham W.I. are looking for new members. We meet in the St. Laurence Hall (next to the Library) in Upminster on the second Thursday in the month. Doors open at 1.30 pm for a 2 pm start till 4 pm. We have talks on a wide range of subjects. We have lunches, afternoon teas, Outings and more. Why not come along and give us a try and meet new friends. For more information please contact President Margaret Reynolds on 01708 471977.
- 11 Friday RSPB Havering Local Group Indoor Meeting - An illustrated talk will be presented by a guest speaker, which will follow our AGM. Note: If you feel you would like to give some of

- your time to assist the committee and would like to join in with our fund-raising efforts, then please don't hesitate to contact a committee member at the meeting. 7:30pm – 9:45pm. All meetings take place upstairs in the Meeting Room at Hornchurch Library, Hornchurch. Entrance is £3.
- 13 Sunday OASIS A 'disability-friendly' meeting for adults at Cranham Baptist Church, Severn Drive. A traditional Sunday Service is not for everyone. Oasis meetings are accessible, friendly and informal. If you are interested in coming please contact the Oasis Team on: 01708 223551 or 07714 853545. 3.00 to 4.30 pm.
- 14 Monday Havering Branch Essex Wildlife Trust Illustrated talk: - ESTUARIES John and Margaret Rostron discuss how many estuaries are a prominent feature of the Essex coastline. as well as many other places in Britain..

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- 15 Tuesday **Upminster U3A** Libby Rome, "Canine Partners". University of the Third Age meets at 1pm on the third Tuesday monthly in the New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster. Doors open at 12.30pm. For further information about membership and current interest groups, come along to a meeting for free or check out our website www.u3asites.org. uk/upminster.
- 15 Tuesday Cranham Engayne W.I. welcomes new members and visitors. Meetings held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 2 pm to 4 pm at the Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens.
- 17 Thursday Upminster Wine and Social Club meet on the third Thursday of the month at 8 pm in the Cranham Social Hall, Front Lane, Cranham. We hold meetings every month with a variety of speakers and wine tasting. For more information contact Maureen Jasper on 01708

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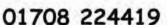
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- 19,20 Saturday/Sunday Upminster Tithe Barn. Open 10:30am - 4pm. Free entry.
- Monday Breathe Easy Havering meet at St Andrews Church, Hornchurch, in aid of the British Lung Foundation on the last Monday of the month. The meetings run from 1.30 - 3pm, £3 donation is appreciated. We are a support group for people with COPD, Asthma or other Breathing Difficulties. For details please ring Joyce on 01708 226696 or Elaine on 01708
- 23 Wednesday Upminster Park Towns Womens Guild meet on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 2 pm to 4 pm in Derham Hall (behind Upminster Library), Upminster. Afternoon tea, talks and outings amongst a friendly group of ladies, all most welcome. For more information contact Deborah Pryor on 01708 226127 or Ann Monk on 01708 226305 or simply come along.
- 30 Wednesday Upminster and District Probus Club meet at The Cranleigh, 84 Station Road, Hornchurch, RM12 6LX. Encore Harmony Singers. Contact Barry on 01708 703783 and leave a message or send an email secretary@ upminsterprobus.com.
- Tuesday Upminster Camera Club Member's evening, with George Kaim "How to improve your photography skills" . Cranham Community Association, 115a Marlborough Gardens, Upminster, RM14 1SR. 7.45pm. www. upminstercameraclub.org.uk

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- Wednesday Harold Wood Evening W.I. meet on the 1st Wednesday on the month at the War Memorial Hall in Gubbins Lane 7.30 pm for 7.45 pm start. Visit from our local Police. Visitors welcome entrance is £4.50, which includes refreshments. For more details please ring Joanne on 0787 5670419.
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## Horticultural Society

Our final lecture in this current season is on Tuesday 8th May. The subject is bulbs for all Seasons. Come and find out how you can have a different bulb in flower every single month of the year. Steve Bradley who is a broadcaster and lecturer will be telling us how to make the best use of bulbs, you can also learn how to use bulbs for pest control in the garden. Steve starred in the TV series Garden Doctors in the 1990's and together with his wife wrote the support material for the Ground Force TV series. He writes articles for several magazines and answers live phone-in questions almost every weekend throughout the year on BBC local radio in Kent, Surrey/ Sussex and Essex.

Please join us it will be good to see some new faces as well as the familiar ones!

Lectures take place in the New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster. The evening begins at 7.45pm and finishes at 9.45pm. Admission is free to members and £2 to non members. For more information visit www.upminsterhorticulturalsociety.co.uk

#### **Single Over Sixty**

Starting on Friday 27th April and thereafter the last Friday of each month, All Saints Cranham, invite all Single Over Sixty (SOS) to meet for lunch from 12.30 for 1pm. Meet like-minded people for good food and good company. Meet at All Saints, The Chase, Cranham. Call 01708 228308 for more information and to book a place.

Rev'd Marion Williams

#### **Vanilla Bake Club**

Love it or loathe it, May brings the We are FSTVL to Upminster, so at Vanilla Bake Club we thought we'd have festivals as the theme for our meet up on 21st May 2018. Food from festivals around the world, foods you might eat at a festival or maybe just something that says Festival to you. If you haven't been

to one of our events before why not come along for half price, £2.50, for an evening of friendly chat, unlimited tea and coffee and tasting our delicious bakes. How better to spend a Monday evening? We meet at the Old Chapel Upminster at 6.30pm. For more information call Jennifer on 07940828154, email vanillabakeclubupm@gmail.com, or visit our Facebook page

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#### **Lunchtime Recitals**

April Thursday Lunchtime
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1.05pm- 1.50pm. Free admission
- retiring collection in aid of the
church music programme.
10th - Paul Hagan (Tenor)

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#### Clock House Bowls Club

At Clock House Bowls Club we are gearing up for the new outdoor season. We would welcome new members, either existing bowlers or beginners. We are holding two open sessions on Tuesday 1st May from 6pm and Sunday 6th May between 10am and 1pm. If you think you might be interested, come along and have a roll up with us. Bowls will be provided, but please bring flat soled shoes. We are situated in Clockhouse Gardens, St Mary's Lane, Upminster (close to Waitrose). We are in competitive leagues for both men and women. There are also friendly matches with other local clubs and, if you prefer, social bowling with other Clock House members. You will find us a friendly social club who will make you very welcome. If you or interested please contact either Mike Long 01708 224107, or alternatively, just turn up at one of the open sessions.

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#### Royal British Legion

The Upminster and Cranham Royal British Legion, 316 St Marys Lane, Upminster, RM14 3HL are holding an Open Day/Mini Beer Festival on the 19th May. Craft beers, Hot food, Afternoon teas, Music, Craft stalls, Tombola, Face Painting, Glitter Tattoos, Competitions and more. The Royal Wedding will be shown on TV and so will the Cup Final. Did you know you don't have to have to be ex - Services to join, most of our members are social members. All are welcome. The club is open every day. Monday to Wednesday



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12-3pm / 8-11pm, Thursday 2-11pm, Friday 2-11:30pm, Saturday 1-12 midnight, Sunday 12-11pm.

Membership - If you would like to join pop in and get a membership application form. Further information email UpminsterRBL@aol.com or upminsterandcranham@ btconnect.com, or call 01708 220494. Find us on Facebook.

#### Thames Chase **Community Forest**

One of the good things about living in the Upminster area is the easy access we have to the open countryside on our doorstep, at various walks, cycle routes and bridleways such as the Forest Centre in Pike Lane and Pages Wood in Hall Lane.



However, many of these did not exist 30 years ago and the fact that we now take them for granted is a tribute to the various organisations and volunteers who have created and maintained the 40 square miles of countryside around the Essex and East London border, collectively known as the Thames Chase Community Forest. Wildlife has benefited from a more diverse habitat as over two million trees have been planted, with much of the land being re-generated from old quarry sites and similar areas of damaged landscape. I was lucky enough to be able to assist the Forestry Commission in improvement works at several of the sites in Havering around 15 years ago and remember being impressed by the dedication of all those involved. If you have not been to the Forest Centre or any of the woods then visit www. thameschase.org.uk for further information.

John Tyler

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## First Step Film

First Step are celebrating 30 years with special screenings of films released in 1988. The first Film is BIG to be shown on Thursday 17th May at 7,30pm at Premiere Cinemas Romford. Tickets £4 per person. Themed attire welcome, themed cocktails and mocktails! Please call 01708 556355 or email michelle.mitchell@firststep.org. uk to book your tickets.

#### **DIARY - MAY**

No **Upminster Ward** meeting on the 2nd May. Next Ward meeting on Wednesday 6th June.

10 Thursday - Cranham Ward **Meeting** at Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens at 7.15pm.

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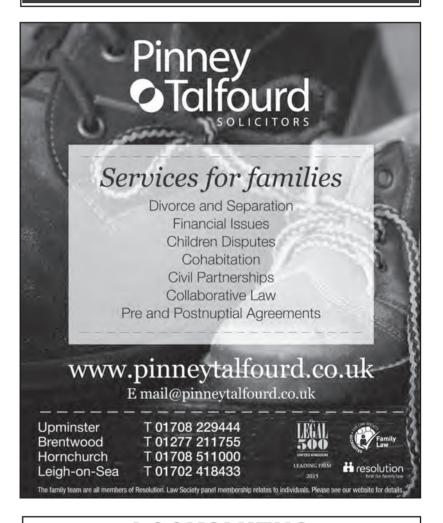
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