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Thank You



A very big thank you for everyone who voted to return a Residents Association Councillor for Cranham on 9 May. I am very grateful for your support and trust in me. I will do my very best to support all residents over the next three years and in doing so continue the good work that our friend and colleague Clarence Barrett did for many years. I will work with my two colleagues Councillors, Gillian Ford and John Tyler to ensure Cranham issues are well represented in

Council business. This result is a vote against the current Conservative administration who are seeking to damage the things that make Cranham a good place to live and work. I look forward to meeting many of you over the coming months.

Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

New Charges

After years of The Havering Show being free, the Council's Tory Administration are now planning to charge an entrance fee, and also, to keep things consistent - their phrase, not ours, the traditional June Langton's Concert, which attracts thousands of visitors each year will also have a charge. A per day ticket will be £3 for the Town Show this year but only if you book tickets on line. Whilst accepting that a vast majority of people have access to a computer these days not all wish to put their credit card details on line, due to the possibility of being hacked. The cost is £4 at the gate, subject to availability (Free for children under 10) for the Langton's Concert the charge will be £3 - we consider this a retrospect step and it will be interesting to see in which Council pot this money goes.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

Hall Lane Pitch and Putt site

Please note we understand from the Council they have received over 730 objections to the Tory Council's Planning Application to build 48 flats and dwellings on the Pitch and Putt site.

This is one of the highest number of objections the Council has received to a Planning Application.

World Athletics' Championship Pupils

Pupils of the Coopers' Company and Coborn school were selected to represent England at the International School Sports Federation (ISF) World Athletics' Championship that took place in Croatia, in May this year.

The English Schools' Athletics' Association selected The Coopers' Company and Coborn School above all other state and independent schools in the country to represent England on the world stage. This was a great honour for both Upminster and Havering.

The squad of six girls, ranging from years 9-12, experienced opening and closing ceremonies, similar to the Olympics, where they had the honour to walk behind the England flag.

Unfortunately, the cost was significant and The English Schools' Athletics' Association was unable to provide any funding, therefore the school and girls were required to fund travel, accommodation, food and competition entry. The girls worked hard to fund raise with support from parents and local businesses for sponsorship. The Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association also supported the students and provided them with a £1000 donation.

Below is a photo showing Councillor Chris Wilkins and newly elected Cranham Residents Association Councillor Linda Van Den Hende presenting the donation to the students prior to leaving for Croatia.



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Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

Exchange House Planning Application

Further to our article in a recent Bulletin regarding planning application for flats at the building (former furniture store) opposite Waitrose Supermarket, St Marys Lane the Council has received a further

planning application for Exchange House, 180-182 St Marys Lane RM14 3BT. Reference P1482.18."Conversion and extension of existing building to provide seven 2 bedroom flats including extension at third floor level, construction of 2 storey building providing two 2 bedroom flats at the rear (south) of the plot. Associated car parking provision, hard and soft landscaping."

We will keep you up dated on this application.

Riding for the Disabled

We were delighted to nominate for the Mayor's Civic Award Stella Johnston, Kath Hatwell and Joyce Truscott on behalf of the Upminster branch of Riding for the Disabled, now in its 46th year.

Photo from the left Stella, Kath



and Joyce at the Town Hall having received the award from the Mayor. They have been involved for over 30 years and do a magnificent job.

Cllrs LINDA HAWTHORN, RON OWER, CHRIS WILKINS

Upminster June's Surgery

This month, we intend to visit the Corbets Tey area. We will be in the Huntsman and Hounds on Monday 10th June, from 11.00am to 12 noon - we look forward to seeing you and listening to your problems. In the meantime if you have any queries our contact details are on page 22.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN
Cllr RON OWER
Cllr CHRIS WILKINS

Cranham 'Meet The Councillor'

The next Cranham 'Meet The Councillor' ward surgery is on Thursday 20th June from 11am-12 noon at Cafe 4 You, Front Lane, Cranham (Below Cranham Social Hall). Please come down if you have any concerns or queries for your local

Cranham Ward councillors, contact details are on page 22.

Christine Willett Trust

The Christine Willett Trust raises money for the six Essex hospitals that have a cancer department. To date we have raised £320,000 with help from local businesses.



"The Christine Willett Trust would like to thank Murat and his customers of Sea World, 8 Willow Parade, Cranham for raising over £3000 in the Christine Willett Trust collection box over the last 12 years. This is a great achievement, many thanks from Colin Willett Chairman."

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Cllr JOHN TYLER & Cllr GILLIAN FORD

Memories Of Roomes Stores

In 1955, when my wife and I were living on the south coast, we visited Roomes Stores and ordered curtains and floor

coverings to be fitted in our house being constructed in Fleet Close, prior to moving into the property in January 1956. When a statement of account arrived subsequently from the store, the proceeds of sale of our former home having not been sent to me, I found myself in the embarrassing situation of being unable to promptly settle their account. Consequently I visited the store without delay and met with the then managing director, who was the grandfather of Stephen and Michael Roome, the present directors, to explain my predicament. His understanding and kind response was to thank me for my prompt explanation and to tell me that no further requests for settlement would be sent but asked that I discuss the situation with him again if I remained unable to make payment after the elapse of a period of three months. Fortunately, I was able to fulfil my obligation for payment within that time but the memory of that kindness and understanding extended to me, as a young man, remains with me after the passage of more than sixty years. In later years, when my late wife and I visited the store, we would take with us our first son, Nicholas, who had been born with Down's syndrome. David Roome, who was a Director and was Stephen and Michael's uncle, was often to be found walking around in the store welcoming customers, and whenever he saw our son he would make a great fuss of him and take him for rides up and down in the store lift, after which David became a good friend of mine until he moved away to Cornwall, where sadly

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Michael Leigh

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Rotary Club Events

Sat 6 July

Havering East Rotary club will be Fund Raising on the Hornchurch Queen's Theatre Green with their usual Plant stall.

Sat 13 July

Rotary Fund Raising. Time for Tea & Flowers. Havering East Tea Party will be held at 2A Berther Road RM11 3HS from 2.00 - 5.00pm. Selling Tea, Sandwiches, Cake and Fruit salad, plus Flowers and Plants. Phone 01708 458092 for more details.

Lower Thames Crossing

Please note the Highways Agency received over 28000 representations

on their proposals for a new crossing to relieve traffic at the current Dartford Crossing. We have asked Highways England for the timetable on their proposals as soon we receive these we will let you know.

Cllr RON OWER

Cranham By-Election Results

Residents Association	2421
(Linda Van Den Hende)	
Green	312
UKIP	208
Lib	120
Lab	219
Tory	257

Quiz Night

The Rotary Club of Havering East are holding a Quiz Night at Upminster Golf Club, Hall Lane with all monies going to charity First Step. Tickets are £21.00 per table of six this includes food you can purchase drinks from the bar and there will be raffle tickets on sale in the interval we hope that it will be a very good night. Tickets from Christine Birch on 01708 458092 or 07828 510319.

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Garden Sheds

We have received several reports locally of attempted thefts from garden sheds and one nasty case where thieves tried to steal some copper piping at the rear of a dwelling. Please ensure you protect your property, keep sheds and garages locked. The Police have asked us to remind you not to leave valuables on display in parked cars. It's best to be safe than sorry!

Sink Hole

In April a smallish sink hole appeared in Cranston Park Avenue that went down quite a way which could have been very dangerous. I am pleased to say that although late in the evening our Havering Council's emergency services were there, cordoning it off that night and a temporary repair was done the next day with the full repair the day after - our thanks to them for this prompt action. Please note their Emergency number 01708 433999. Please try and give them a postcode if at all possible but they will of course act on location details if this is not possible.

CLlr LINDA HAWHORN

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My approach to dealing with the strains of GCSEs is to do revision but make sure I have time to have fun and be with my friends and family. It is important to have a balance of studying and fun, as your mental health plays a huge part in being successful. So then instead you can feel: PREPARED, RELAXED AND IN CONTROL!

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We are campaigning for the council to involve themselves in schemes which lessen the impact of air pollution for schools. This is now being actively being dealt with in other boroughs. One or two thoughtful actions could make a difference to air pollution. For example, don't leave your car engine idling, especially outside schools. Better still, avoid school journeys by car altogether.

Secondly, dangerous pesticides are harming bees, which are essential to pollinate our crops. Avoid using pesticides yourself. Weed-killers like Roundup are now considered to be harmful to humans and pets.

Contact us for our leaflet about how to grow bee friendly plants so that your garden is a haven for wildlife.

Third: plastics. The damage that plastics are doing to the environment has shocked us all. We are trying to cut our use of plastics as individuals. One useful idea is to use a bar of soap instead of single use plastic soap dispensers. Also, try to buy clothes which are made from natural products such as wool or cotton, and which therefore do not contain plastic fibres.

We are happy to give any advice you may need to address these concerns and we can give talks to community groups about these and other environmental issues. Havering FoE Co-ordinator is Ian Pirie: ian_michael_pirie@btinternet.com

Wednesday Music Evenings

Wednesday 5th June - Our Record Requests - hosted by Harry Newman. The presenting team take to the stage under Harry's watchful eye to introduce recordings that the audience have requested in the past year and additionally, if time permits, their own personal choices. This is our final programme until the Autumn.

All programmes take place in the 1st Floor Meeting Room, Hornchurch Library, North Street and commence at 7.30pm ending by 9.30pm. Admission is free but a

small donation is requested to cover interval refreshments. No need to book a seat - just turn up. Should you require more information contact Stephen Raindle 01708 470670 or email sraindle@aol.com.

Shirley Ward Donations

Shirley Ward who runs Shirley Ward Tours has donated £600 each to Hall Mead School, Engayne Primary School, James Oglethorpe School, All Saints Church Cranham and All Saints Scouts Cranham from the funds raised by running her trips. Thames Chase also received a small donation, please support/visit them if you can.

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Summer Concert

The Havering Concert Orchestra (HCO) is pleased to announce its Summer Concert - Thieves, Lovers and Princesses.

Under their newly appointed Conductor, Lawrence Tatnall, they are performing some popular favourites. Both the Rossini and Suppé are about the plight and frustration of lovers - both pieces end in exciting musical climaxes.

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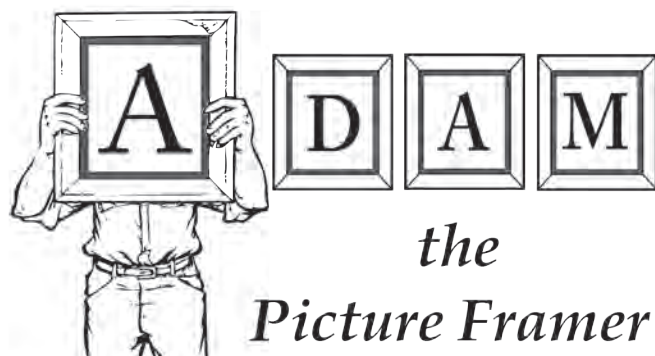
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Perhaps the concert should have been called "Thieves, Lovers, Princes and Princesses" as Borodin's Symphony No 2 is said to be based on Borodin's Prince Igor. It's one of Borodin's greatest works.

The concert takes place at 7:30 pm on Saturday, 22 June 2019 at the Frances Bardsley Academy, Brentwood Road, Romford RM1 2RR. Interval drinks will be served in the outdoor quadrangle subject to the weather.

Advance tickets are now available online via www.hcweb.co.uk at £8 or £10 on the door.
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Upminster Wine & Social Club

We are a Social club that was first formed in 1965. We meet at 8p.m. every third Thursday in the Month at Cranham Social Hall, Front Lane, Cranham.

We are a lively friendly group with an interest in wine as our roots were from a Home Made Wine and Beer club. We have a wine of the month to taste each meeting and an invited speaker. The talks are varied and embrace many different topics.

Other Social activities include two dances held each year, as well as outings to places of interest, theatre

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For more information visit www.beacouncillor.co.uk. If you would like to find out what it is like to be a councillor from a local perspective, please contact me or any of your other Residents' Association councillors, details on page 22.

Cllr JOHN TYLER

Thames Chase Community Forest

The historic farm buildings at the Forest Centre, including the 17c restored Essex threshing barn and stables, once formed Broadfields Farm. These buildings will be used to form the centre for the story of farming through the Community Forest area. The story will include a collection of memories from the community. Anyone willing to share their memories or who would enjoy helping to collect stories, please either send them to enquiries@thameschase.org.uk or contact the Visitor Centre on 01708 642970. The heritage project, Land of the Fanns, will also be collecting general memories and stories of the area and would appreciate help in the same way.

Events at the Forest Centre
Sunday 2nd June – Thames Chase 10k and family Fun Run – please go to the website for booking instructions.
Friday 12th June – Musical Cream Tea with the theme of 'Sunshine' from 2.30-4.30pm. Enjoy tea, scones and cake whilst listening to live music. £9 per person (booking essential).
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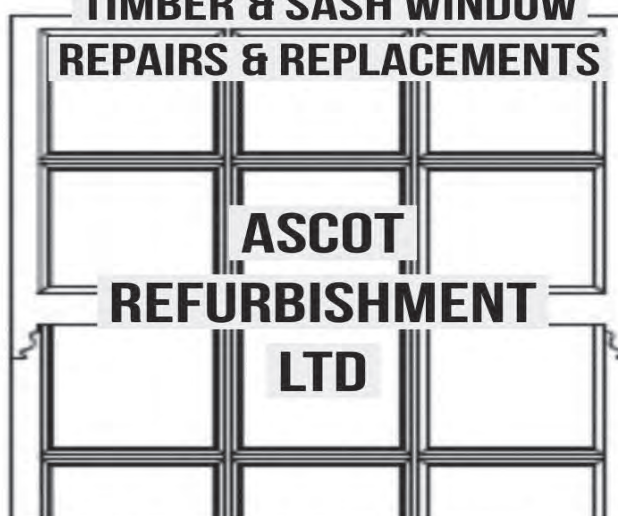
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August 21st Wed, Windsor Trip.

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Summer Fair

Summer Fair at St Mary Magdalene, Church Lane, North Ockendon, RM14 3QH on Saturday 22nd June from 2.00 to 4.00pm. Everybody is welcome. Lots of stalls and games to play with prizes to be won. Cake stall, tombola and grand raffle. Refreshments, cakes, teas, coffee and soft drinks.

Vanilla Bake Club

Vanilla Bake Club meets up again on 24th June 2019 at 6.30pm at the Old Chapel, Upminster when our theme for the evening will be DISNEY! Interpret this in any way you wish. As usual the theme is not compulsory, just bake your favourite thing if you'd rather.. If you haven't been to one of our events before, this is how it works: we all bake something, sweet or savoury, bring it along to share with our members. There's plenty of tea, coffee and chat with a friendly crowd of regulars and you may pick up a baking tip or recipe or two. At the end of the evening there are always lots of goodies to take home if you haven't managed to try everything. There's no joining fee or membership but we charge £5 per session to cover unlimited tea and coffee and hall

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Great British Spring Clean

In support of the Great British Spring Clean, which ran from March 22nd to April 23rd, Havering Council created five 'Litter Picking Hubs' where residents and community groups could borrow a litter picking kit to give their street, local area or park a spring clean. The kits included a high visibility vest, a pair of gloves, a litter pick and some waste sacks, (available to both adults and children). One hub was in Upminster Library.

Unfortunately, we were informed too late for inclusion in last month's Bulletin but it seems such a good idea that we will look to promote it in advance next year. Details of the 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign can be found at the website - www.KeepBritainTidy.org.

As part of the recently approved Council Budget for 2019-20, street cleaning in residential roads is due to rise from once every three weeks to once a fortnight. If you think that your road has been missed by the Council's teams you can report this

online via www.havering.gov.uk, searching 'street litter' and filling out the online form. Alternatively you can phone the council on 01708 434343.

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Cappella Singers

The Cappella Singers Of Upminster will be performing their Summer Concert on Friday 28th June 2019 at 8.00 p.m. at The Old Chapel, St. Mary's Lane, Upminster, Essex (opposite Upminster Windmill). The programme includes light music by Elgar and J.S. Bach. Tickets inclusive of light refreshments costing £10 may be purchased on the door or in advance from Mr. Ian Pirie on (01708) 641718.

Old Cooperians Football Club

As local football club 'OCFC' prepares itself for their 7th consecutive season in the Brentwood Sunday League, the blues are actively looking for local businesses who could be interested in providing sponsorship for 2019/20. Estate agents Hunters of Hornchurch and Bollywood Spice in St. Marys Lane have already pledged to help towards new equipment and help the side edge closer towards their target of £2500. If your business could be interested then

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The restoration so far in photographs by local photographer Andrew Conway. Talented local photographer (and windmill Trustee) Andrew Conway has been documenting every step of the restoration of Upminster windmill.

Sanctuary Yoga

Yoga has always been popular here at The Sanctuary. We are blessed with teachings from the amazing Denny and we are delighted that Denny is now offering Yoga on Saturday mornings! Our second Yoga related announcement introduces a new children's class to our timetable. Meeta Rajani has been teaching this particular class for a couple of years and is bringing it to The Sanctuary from Thursday 6th June! And finally we are overjoyed to be bringing back Pregnancy Yoga with an amazing tutor, Toma. Classes will be on a Wednesday evening starting from 15th May! www.healingandteaching.co.uk

LOCAL FUTURE EVENTS JUNE

Hornchurch & Upminster Rotary Club, every Thursday 12.30 for 1pm, The Railway Hotel, Station Road Hornchurch Tel: 01708 250855.

- 4 Tuesday - **Oglethorpe W.I.** This is when we discuss WI Resolutions on current topics. Visitors and new members are always welcome to our meetings which are held on the first Tuesday of each month at Cranham Social Hall, 103 Front Lane, Cranham, RM14 1XN at 7.45 pm. Further information contact Secretary Mrs. E. Bell on 01708 251 161 or just come along on the evening.
- 9 Sunday - **OASIS** - A 'disability-friendly' meeting, 3.00 to 4.30 pm at Cranham Baptist Church, Severn Drive. Oasis meetings are for adults with disabilities and their carers. All our meetings are accessible, friendly and informal. Contact the Oasis Team on 01708 223551 or 07714 853545.
- 11 Tuesday - **Upminster Camera Club**. Roger Hance FRPS AFIAP BPE5 - "My Latest Images". Meet every Tuesday at 7.45pm for an 8:00pm start at Cranham Community Association, Marlborough Gardens, Cranham, RM14 1SR.
- 12 Wednesday - **The Front Lane Community Association Tea**

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12 Wednesday - Nelves Women's Institute meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and welcome new members of all ages. Meetings are held at Nelves United Reformed Church Hall (corner of Nelves 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.

12 Wednesday - Havering U3A The Lost Generations of 1914/18 by Michael Gilbert. Havering U3A meets at 2:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month at St. Michael's Church Hall, Main Road, Gidea Park, Romford. Interest groups run throughout the month. www.u3asites.org.uk/havering

14 Friday - Scottish Country Dancing, every Friday at St Laurence Church Minor Hall RM14 2BB. 10.00 to 11.45 am. Beginners welcome. Further details from Fiona 07976 438950

15 Upminster Tithe Barn Museum of Nostalgia, in Hall Lane Upminster Open (10.30am to 4pm).

17 Monday - Diabetes UK - Speaker

Dr David Long BSc University College London- "Lymphatics: a new treatment target for kidney deceased in people with Diabetes" (including using Zebra fish as a model), No July Meeting. Havering Group Meetings are held at North Street Hall, 24 North Street, Hornchurch - Opposite Iceland, RM11 1QX. Normally on the third Monday of each month (except for August and January) at 8PM. Contact our secretary, Ann on 01708 935779, for more details.

18 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.

18 Tuesday - Upminster U3A AGM. New Windmill Hall in Upminster. Doors open at 12.30pm for a 1pm start. 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

19 Wednesday - Deyncourt Ladies Probuss Lunch Club meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month (except August) and welcome new members who are retired. Meetings are held at the Masonic Centre Deyncourt Gardens Upminster. Meetings commence at 11.30 am lunch is 12.00pm and we have a speaker to follow. Please contact Julia Deverill for further details on:- tel. 01708745788 Email:- frelia.deverill@talktalk.net

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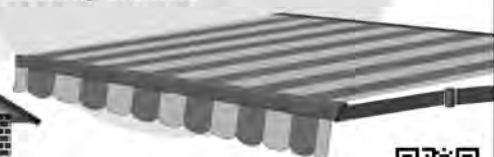
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01708 226305 or simply come along.

26 Wednesday - Upminster and District

Probus Club meet at The Cranleigh, 84
Station Road, Hornchurch, RM12 6LX
on the last Wednesday of the month.
Graham Parry - The Essex Wildlife
Trust, Ingrebourne Valley. Contact
Barry on 01708 703783 and leave a
message or send an email secretary@upminsterprobus.com.

28 Friday - Single Over Sixty lunch,

last Friday of every month 12.30 for
1pm, All Saints Church, The Chase
Upminster Tel: 01708 228308.

JULY

2 Tuesday - Oglethorpe W.I.

"Let's
make some jewellery" with Sharon
Gould. Visitors and new members are
always welcome to our meetings which
are held on the first Tuesday of each
month at Cranham Social Hall, 103
Front Lane, Cranham, RM14 1XN at
7.45 pm. Further information contact
Secretary Mrs. E. Bell on 01708 251161
or just come along on the evening.

6 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. 'Breaking
down Brickwalls' with Ian Waller. The
Internet & Technology Group meet
at the same venue 11am - where a
Q&A session is followed by 'Wicked
Wiki's Providing data & information'
with Ian Waller. Teas and coffees can
be purchased. Members and visitors
welcome to either or both.

6 Saturday - Cake Decorating Club.

Fairkytes Arts Centre, Billet Lane,
Hornchurch RM11 1AX. Doors open
at 1.15 for 1.30 start to 3.30pm. Visitors
pay £7, inc tea and cake. We are a very
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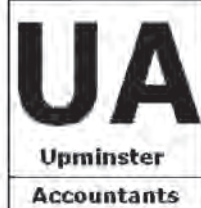
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Upminster People 2018

The ambitious project to capture a slice of Upminster life through its people in 2018, is now complete and ready to view. Upminster Camera Club photographed over 1000 people 'doing what they do' between the 1st of January and the 31st of December last year. Club President Dave Wilcox said "The reaction of people to be part of something which reflects 'community', has been both amazing and heartening. We have met such lovely people and listened to their stories; and now we are proud to share this experience at our Exhibition in Haverings Museum". Some 40 framed prints will be on display, along with a fully interactive large display of all the images captured. Each photo is accompanied by a short bio about the person. Following the exhibition, the whole project is being formally handed over to Haverings expert archivists - Haverings Local Studies Library. Exhibition Dates are 29th June until 10th August.



The Havering Museum can be found at the site of the old Romford Brewery, 19-21 High Street, Romford, RM1 1JU. (Note: the Exhibition space is sometimes in use, so it is worth phoning the museum before making a special journey on 01708 766571.) Upminster Camera Club meet weekly on Tuesday at the Cranham Community Centre in Marlborough Gardens and can be contacted via info@upminstercameraclub.co.uk

Chapman's Farm update

Decision delayed until 7th June

The decision on the planning application (P1673.18) to build 9 houses on the Chapman's Farm stable yard in Hall Lane, has once again been put back and is now due by 7th June. This is to allow the Council more time to consider the scheme. Should the decision be to refuse, then the application ends - but further applications could be made or the applicant could appeal the council's decision to the Planning Inspectorate. If the application is recommended for approval, then it will be presented to the Planning Committee for final decision. If that is the case, we shall advise on dates and processes via our website (ucra.co.uk), social media and The Bulletin.

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You are invited to sing along with our choruses, then cheer on our hero, gentle Tom; weep with our heroine, tragic Millie; boo and hiss our dastardly villain, the General Francis who has recently returned from exploring foreign parts. A major event not to be missed. Produced by Cranham's own award-winning Oglethorpe Players with all profits donated to the beautiful All Saint's Spire refurbishment fund. Please contact 01708 221923 for details and bookings. Friday 7th and Saturday 8th June at 8pm Vestry Hall, All Saints Church, The Chase, Cranham RM14 3YB. Tickets £10 per person payable prior to performances. Tables of eight, food supplied please bring own drinks.

Adult Badminton

The Hall Mead Friends Association are looking for new adult badminton members for their "pay as you play" sessions at Hall Mead School, Marlborough Gardens, Cranham on a Monday evening in Hall Mead Sports Hall. Monday evenings 7:30pm to 9:30pm (term time only), £4 a session. For more details please email jhand@hallmeadschool.co.uk

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Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association (U&CRA) AGM

The Upminster and Cranham Residents' Association AGM was held recently and was well attended by local residents from both wards. Chairman Chris Wilkins welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the many people who had supported U&CRA in the previous year, and hoped they would continue to do so. He then continued with the Chairman's report covering the following key points:

- Our six Councillors had been elected in the Upminster and Cranham wards, with significant majorities
- Our Councillors had battled to hold the minority Conservative administration to account.
- We had tried to suggest practical alternatives to some of the draconian measures proposed by the administration, such as the end to half hour free parking in Upminster and other parking charge increases and the reduction of council tax relief, which will impact on some residents with disabilities and others less able to pay, so far without success;
- The number and overall value of donations we have given to local charities and organisations has continued to increase, with the total in 2018 of £12,198, a record amount.

Chairman Chris Wilkins invited Ron Ower to pay tribute to former Councillor Louise Sinclair, who had recently passed away at the age of 97. Louise had first been elected as a RA Councillor in 1968 and had continued to serve until 2006.

The following were elected and appointed:

Chairman – Chris Wilkins
Vice-chairman - Howard Robertson
Secretary – Mike Long
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Advertising Manager - Martin Flower assisted by Janet Archer.

At the end of the AGM, Mark Halls' First Step Chief Executive provided the audience with an update in relation to the organisation, a video was used to show some of the excellent work that the charity provides for the children and their parents.

At the end of the presentation Mark Halls was presented with a Cheque for £5000 from the Association which was covered in a recent Bulletin.

Cllr CHRIS WILKINS

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Summer Fete

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Dave

Quiz Night

Saturday 29th June 7.45 for 8pm start At Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens. Tables up to 10 (please bring own drink & glasses) £5 per ticket please contact 01708 220941. Raising funds for your local community centre.

Lunchtime Recitals

St Laurence Church - Thursday Lunchtime, free admission with retiring collection. All concerts 1.05pm - 1.50pm.

June
13th Hexachordia (Suffolk)
27th Paul Hagan - tenor & piano

DIARY - JUNE

Upminster Ward Meeting

Wednesday 5th June. St Josephs Social Club, St Marys Lane, Upminster at 7.30pm.

Cranham Meeting

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