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## UPMINSTER & CRANHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

### Upminster Pitch & Putt Update

The Council has, to date received an incredible 1074 letters of objection with regard to the planning application to develop the Upminster Pitch & Putt in Hall Lane, with 48 properties including flats. This is a substantial amount of letters for officers to process and the Planning Department has also confirmed that there are outstanding matters in respect of the applicant and application, which they are awaiting confirmation on. It is quite possible due to the information required, a process of re-consultation with individuals and formal consultees will be necessary. At the time of writing, no date has been provided for the launch of the consultation process, with regard to the sale of the site.

We had received an offer from a professional drone operative to do a survey of the site including the locations and species of trees, which has unfortunately been refused by the council. There are approx. 82 individual trees, together with 14 groups of trees within the site, which are currently being assessed for their amenity value before the council can reach a view on whether a Tree Preservation Order should be made. We can also confirm that the impact of the proposed development upon the trees on the site, are still being assessed and this includes comments from the Council's Arboricultural officer and the Urban Design Officer with landscape architecture background.

We will continue to keep you posted through all of our communication channels, as and when information becomes available.

Councillor Gillian Ford

### Friends of Upminster Mini Golf Course - AGM

The Friends Group of Upminster Mini Golf will be holding their AGM on Monday 8th July at 7.30 pm in room 10 at the Cranham Community Centre, see page 2 for further details.

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Acting Chair Kevin Kilby

## Upminster Cricket Club v Essex CCC

The Annual Benefit Match will be played at the Recreation Ground on Sunday, 8 September next from 1.30

pm onwards. Funds raised from the fixture will be devoted to The Essex Cricket Foundation, a charity formed for the continuing development of cricket within the County.

## Upminster Ward Meeting Dates

The **Upminster Ward** Surgery is on **3rd July** at St Joseph's School Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster at 7:30pm. There is also a 'meet and greet' session on Monday **8th July** at the Thatched House, from 11.00am to 12.00pm - this will give the residents of the Cathedral Estate an opportunity to see us in person.. Please note you can always contact us, our details are on page 22 of the Bulletin

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN  
Cllr RON OWER  
Cllr CHRIS WILKINS

## Cranham Ward Meeting Dates

The details of Residents' Association Ward meetings and 'Meet the Councillor' dates for **Cranham Ward** for the next twelve months are below. One or more of the Residents'

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If you wish to meet your Cranham Councillors to discuss a concern in person, you can do so on the following:  
**Thursdays at Cafe4You, 99 Front Lane, Cranham** (below the Cranham Social Hall) between **11am-12 noon** on:

**2019** - 18th July, 19th Sep, 17th Oct, 21st Nov & 19th Dec

**2020** - 16th Jan, 20th Feb, 19th Mar, 16th Apr & 21st May

**Cranham Residents' Association Ward meetings** are usually held on the 2nd Thursday of each month (except August and January) at 7.15pm in the **Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens**. The dates are:  
**2019** - 11th July, 12th Sep, 10th Oct, 14th Nov & 12th Dec  
**2020** - 13th Feb, 12th Mar, 16th Apr & 14th May

Cllr GILLIAN FORD, Cllr JOHN TYLER  
& Cllr LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

## Old Chapel Upminster Tea & Talks

Talks at the Old Chapel, St Mary's Lane, Upminster.  
**Weds 10th July** - Tony Benton - Upminster's Historian - Thomas

Lewis Wilson 1833-1919  
**Weds 14th August** - Keith Finch - History of William Morris  
**Weds 11th Sept** - Bob Edwards - History of Stubbers  
**Weds 9th Oct** - Lois Amos - Romford Civic Society  
**Weds 13th Nov** - David Williams - City of London Guide  
All start at 10.30am.

## Upminster Author

I've lived in Upminster since 1993 and was caught up in the 7/7 London bombings in 2005. I was in the carriage with the suicide bomber on the circle line at Edgware Road. I was fortunate to escape with my life, 5 other passengers did not. A few years later I lost my wife to breast cancer. Both were obviously traumatic life changing events. Now that time has passed I have written a book about dealing with change at a personal level. It is called 'How to Keep Calm and Carry On' and was recently published by Austin Macauley. It is available from Swan Libraries who are holding a small stock and Amazon. I thought it might be of interest to those that know me as well as other residents that may be struggling with change in their lives.

Bill Mann

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## Parking Problems

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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.

## Congratulations to Coopers Athletics Team!!

The Coopers Girls' Team who represented England in the World Schools Games event in Croatia had an amazing time and made lasting friendships. Many of them achieved Personal Bests in their events and one is the World Champion in her discipline!! Overall the Team, with all points counted, finished 6th in the world. Total points of 704 in the previous year would have put them second, so competition was very tough. We send our congratulations to all the team and wish them well in future competitions.

Cllrs CHRIS WILKINS and LINDA VAN DEN HENDE

## Community Meeting

Residents' Association councillors were recently in the audience for a

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community meeting with local MP, Julia Lopez, local London Assembly Member, Keith Prince, and Havering Council Leader, Damian White. The event had been publicised as a chance to meet with a senior police officer but the audience were told that the police had pulled out at short notice. Despite this, many policing issues were brought up by audience members and discussed. Cllr White re-iterated that Hornchurch Police Station would remain in use and audience members insisted that it should be open to the public for more than the three hours a week at present. Cllr White highlighted the Council's decision to pay for five extra police officers, stating that they would be tasked to investigate crimes that the police considered low priority and used on raids on Homes of Multiple Occupation where offences were suspected. Cllr Tyler welcomed extra officers (but not that we had to pay extra for them), but pointed out that there had been no consultation with Residents' Association (or any other) councillors

as to the priorities for these officers and that we would welcome the chance to have input. At the time of writing we are still waiting!

Cllr JOHN TYLER

## Community Partnership

On 25th & 26th May, about 30 people from local churches, Street Pastors and Street Watch were privileged to serve hot & cold drinks and give a range of practical help to weary and disorientated revellers from the WeAreFSTVL, from 10pm-2am. A stall operated from Trinity Church, Station Road and constant supplies of bottled water were handed in the street to a remarkably appreciative group of people. We thank the RA for their gift of £300 towards the work, and for encouraging comments from passers-by and on social media.

Paul Thompson Leader of King's Church, Upminster

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CLlr LINDA HAWTHORN

## U.C.R.A. Coach Outings

Our donation of £100 to Abberton Reservoir Wildlife Trust on our recent visit was gratefully received and will contribute to helping this amazing charity which relies on donations to carry out its work for the wildlife and people of Essex. Abberton Reservoir (owned by Essex Wildlife Trust) plays host to some 40,000 wetland birds each year and is definitely worth a visit!

**Saturday 6th July 2019**

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## Havering Consultations

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## Big Band Event

The Rotary Club of Hornchurch and Upminster would like to thank all those who supported our recent Big Band charity event held at the New Windmill Hall in St Mary's Lane. Rotarian Terry Monk said "It was a sell-out evening and we were brilliantly entertained by the Ken Turner 17 piece Big Band. Just one of the highlights of the night was a rousing chorus of Land of Hope and Glory and Jerusalem where everyone joined in". All the proceeds of the event, topped up with donations by the Hornchurch and Upminster Rotary Club, resulted in cheques for £1,000 being sent to First Step and £1,000 being sent to Saint Francis Hospice.

If you would like further information about the Rotary Club and activities, please go to the website

hornchurchrotary.org or contact  
Brian Taffs on 01708 250855.

## U.C.R.A. Coach Outings Donation

The previous committee who organised the coach outings donated £3313 to St Francis Hospice at the beginning of the Year. St Francis Hospice is now in its 35th year. Maureen Ballard, community fund raiser, thanked the committee on raising this wonderful amount and said 'The money will be put to the best use possible as we care for people with life-limiting illness, both here at the hospice and in the Community'.

## Upminster and District Probus Club at Fete

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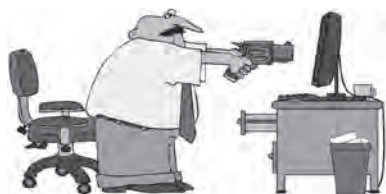
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## Havering Essex Wildlife Events

Sunday 21st July 2019

Open Gardens

26 Courtenay Gardens, Upminster RM14 1DD, 12-5pm and The Walled garden at Bedford's Park, Broxhill Road, RM4 1QH, 11am - 4pm. Suggested donation £3 at each garden.

Refreshments will be available.

Contact Joy Emerson, secretary 01708 440297.

Monday 12th August 2019

Wildlife Night - Bats And Moths.

Meet at the entrance to Parklands, Corbets Tey Road, Upminster at 8.00 pm for bats and then onto Cranham Marsh for moth identification. Please bring torches.

Contact Tony Gunton on 01708 220897.

## Havering Talking Newspaper wins Queen's Award

The Havering Talking Newspaper, a group of volunteers based in Harold Wood, have been honoured with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the UK. The Havering Talking Newspaper is a free weekly service of local

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Two representatives from The Havering Talking Newspaper attended a garden party at Buckingham Palace in May, along with other recipients of this year's Award. The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service aims to recognise outstanding work by volunteer groups to benefit their local communities. Representatives of The Havering Talking Newspaper will receive the award from the Lord Lieutenant of London later this summer.



Gwyn Halliwell (news presenter and visitor) on the left and Bob Wickington, Chairman at the Queen's Garden Party



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Thank you to all those of you who kindly supported the event and donated raffle prizes which were fabulous, and also to those of you who came along to the Fund Raising Lunch in aid of Lymphoma Association. The sum of £952 was raised and donated. A big thank you to Cranham Tandoori Restaurant for their generosity and time, and for opening up on a Sunday afternoon. Shaun, you and your staff always treat us so well. Also a big thank you for raffle prizes from The Jobbers Rest, Thatched House Pub, Thames Chase, Hands for Healing and Cranham Tandoori. (As well as other donations from friends, family and other sources). Well done everyone, and thank you all for your support and help on the day, I couldn't have done it without you.  
**[www.lymphoma-action.org.uk](http://www.lymphoma-action.org.uk)**

Shirley Ward

## Havering Singers Jump The Q

Havering Singers Summer Concert - Summer Delights - A Selection from the Shows. Saturday July 20

2019 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm. Venue: St. Peter's Church, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood, Essex RM3 0QA. See [www.haveringsingers.org.uk](http://www.haveringsingers.org.uk) for more details on how to buy tickets for these events.

## Charity Concert

Charity concert by the Kingsley Choral Group at Trinity Church, Station Road, Upminster on Friday 19th July at 7.30 p.m. Tickets available at the door at £7.50 to include interval refreshments and there will be a raffle. All proceeds to be divided equally between Trinity Church and the Whitechapel Mission, Trinity's charity for 2019.

## Allotment Open Day

Open Day at the allotments in Norfolk Road, Derby Road, RM14 2NS on Saturday 27th July. 10.00 am - 4.00 pm. Tea coffee and cakes. Produce for sale - jams, honey and flowers.

## Jump The Q

Jump the Q Season Tickets are now on sale! You can see all of the Autumn Season at the Queen's Theatre with a money saving Jump the Q Season

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### 4 - 28 September Stiletto Beach

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### 7 - 28 September So Here We Are

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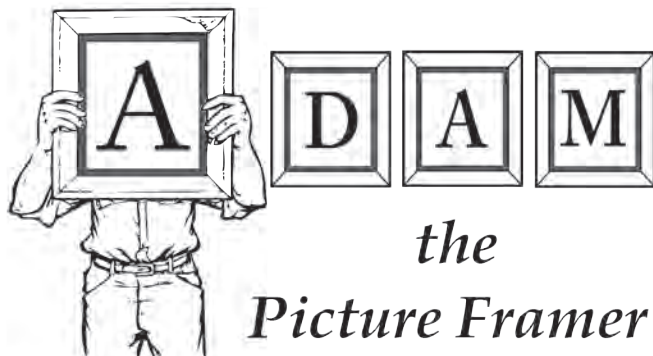
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before crossing the line, picking up special medals made from hazel wood that had been coppiced by the Thames Chase Conservation Volunteers earlier in the year. The money raised will help to provide two further defibrillators at the Centre and to take whenever volunteers are working out in the Forest.

### Events at the Forest Centre in July

#### Friday 5 July - Jazz in the Barn

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#### Friday 19 July - Musical cream tea

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#### Sunday 21 July - 10:00-14:00 Sunday craft and produce market.

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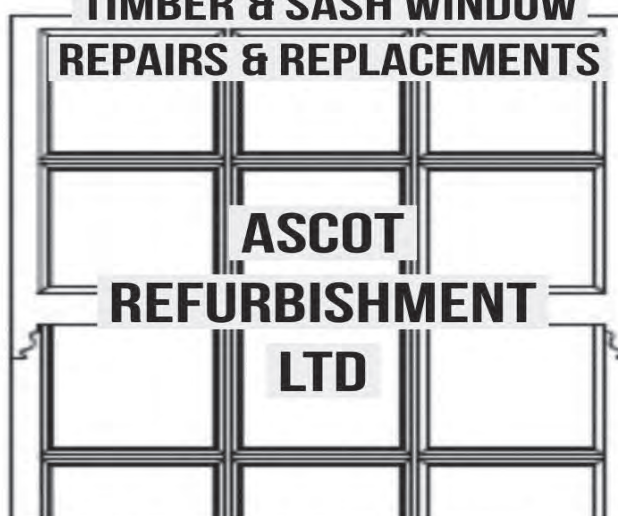
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## Sky Blue Mondays

Nelmes United Reformed Church, on the corner of Nelmes Road and Burntwood Avenue has a new approach to Mondays. Calling it 'Sky Blue Mondays' they have started to open up the church on a Monday Evening from 7pm to 8pm. Claire Bottone from Nelmes URC has said 'We are hoping to provide a space for our community to come and have some time of reflection and calm. We hope that people will come along and take the opportunity to light a candle if they wish, or add their name or names of a loved one to our prayer book. We also have a separate room where we will serve tea coffee and biscuits should somebody just want to come along for a chat. There is no sermon, no prayers or readings, just an open church with some gentle music and a calm atmosphere. We are hoping to reach out to the local residents in this mad world of conflicting information and high stresses for some, but extreme loneliness for others and provide a space where people can just have some quiet time, relieve their loneliness with a chat or maybe just sit for a while and recharge their batteries' Claire adds that all faiths are welcome and people may stay for 5 minutes or the whole hour.

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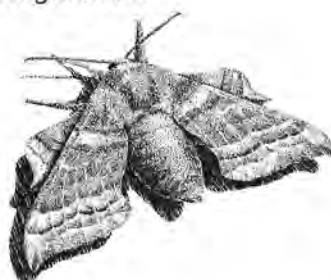


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- 10 Wednesday - **The Front Lane Community Association Tea Dance** at Cranham Social Hall, Front Lane, Cranham, RM14 1XN on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Doors open 2.15 p.m. Come along and make new friends, whilst dancing to music by 'John'. £3.50 inc refreshments. Pay on the door. Further details contact Val on 01708 224166.
- 10 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

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**10 Wednesday - Havering U3A**  
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**12 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

**14 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.

**15 Monday - Diabetes UK** - Havering Group Meetings are held at North Street Halls, 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.

**16 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.

**16 Tuesday - Upminster U3A Dr. James Taylor** on Brilliant British Humour in the Forgotten Art of the Picture Postcard 1840-1950. 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](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/upminster)

**17 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](mailto:frelia.deverill@talktalk.net)

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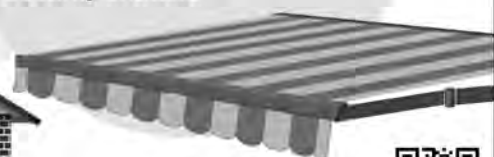
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variety of speakers and wine tasting.  
For more information contact Maureen  
Jasper on 01708 223956, or simply  
come along on the night. You will be  
most welcome.

**19 Friday - Havering Antique Collectors  
Club** meet at the Neighbourhood  
Centre, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood.  
Guest Speaker Chris White - Art  
of Essex. 7.30 for 8.00 - Guests £4.  
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**20 Upminster Tithe Barn Museum of  
Nostalgia**, in Hall Lane Upminster  
Open (10.30am to 4pm).

**24 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,  
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more information contact Deborah  
Pryor on 01708 226127 or Ann Monk on  
01708 226305 or simply come along.

**26 Friday - Single Over Sixty lunch**,  
last Friday of every month 12.30 for  
1pm, All Saints Church, The Chase  
Upminster Tel: 01708 228308.

**31 Wednesday - Upminster and District  
Probus Club** meet at The Cranleigh, 84  
Station Road, Hornchurch, RM12 6LX  
on the last Wednesday of the month.  
Malcolm Wells MBE talking about So  
Far So Good - Gulf war experiences  
etc. Contact Barry on 01708 703783  
and leave a message or send an email  
secretary@upminsterprobus.com.

## AUGUST

**3 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. 'Safety  
& Numbers - The history of migration,  
refugees and the U.K.' with Carol  
Harris. The Internet & Technology  
Group meet at the same venue 11am  
- where a Q&A session is followed by  
'Presenting your Family History. Ideas  
on improving presentation, content  
and medium' with Sue Gibbons.  
Teas and coffees can be purchased.  
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either or both.

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

**6 Tuesday - Oglethorpe W.I Garden  
Party** - venue to be arranged. Visitors  
and new members are always welcome  
to our meetings which are held on  
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Cranham, RM14 1XN at 7.45 pm.  
Please note, however, that the venue  
might be changed this month. Further  
information contact **Secretary Mrs. E.  
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**6 Saturday - Cake Decorating Club.**  
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## Drugs Sweep in Upminster Town Centre

Councillor Gillian Ford recently joined a Havering council officer and the Police for a drugs sweep in Upminster, as part of a bigger focus in reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

Starting at Upminster Station, the team walked along Station Road, towards Bell corner with a sniffer dog. The dog was very well controlled and was encouraged to approach all people along the route. Walking at a very fast pace, the dog was incredibly efficient at checking groups of people for drugs, and I am pleased to say that on this occasion there was no evidence of drugs.

The one success of the day was the removal of a 'dangerous dog' from the streets, a Pit-bull Terrier.

There will be further targeted police activities over the coming months.

Cllr GILLIAN FORD

## We Are FSTVL

The majority of the We Are FSTVL 2019 progressed well. However, there was one major incident, which occurred on the first day, which was the Saturday. The incident involved overcrowding at the event entry gate, leading to a breach of the barriers and security measures. This was widely

reported on social media and in the press. Council representatives were at the festival, in the control room, monitoring the situation. The Police worked with the event organisers as first responders.

Our main concern, at the time, was that this didn't take place when people arrived at the Festival the following day. A revised plan was put in place to ensure there was a quicker entry process that didn't compromise the security arrangements. These arrangements proved to be successful and Sunday was incident free with regards to access. However, Upminster Councillors did raise concerns, at the Festival debrief/review meeting last year, regarding security access, as well as safety, and were given assurances, by the organisers, that this would be dealt with effectively this year, sadly this does not seem to have been the case. Upminster Councillors were in contact with Council Officers throughout the weekend and were provided with regular updates. The Council are collating a Festival debrief/review log and your Ward Councillors have been forwarding on residents' concerns about the event to ensure they are logged. The Council have also organised a Safety Advisory Group Meeting on 2nd July, in the Council Chamber, which will include a detailed debrief/review on the We Are FSTVL with the event organisers present. We will provide you with further updates following this meeting.

Upminster Ward Councillors

## Canopy - Byron Mansions

As readers will have noticed, the glass has been removed from the canopy over the shops in Corbets Tey Road - this was done as a safety measure, as the glass was getting brittle, with fragments falling off and the panes themselves in danger of collapse - this could have caused a very nasty injury, if it had fallen on anyone walking below. The glass should be repaired by the landlords and pressure is being put on them by the Council to restore new glass. I will continue to monitor this.

Cllr LINDA HAWTHORN

## Subscriptions

We are currently collecting subs and the good news it's still only £2 per year. If you can assist in collecting please get in contact, details on p22. We endeavour to call a number of times but we will leave an envelope if there is no response, do please return.

## Upminster People 2018

Upminster Camera Club photographed over 1000 people 'doing what they do' between the 1st of January and the 31st of December last year. 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. The Exhibition is on now until 10th August at The Havering Museum which 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 Tuesdays at the Cranham Community Centre in Marlborough Gardens and can be contacted via info@upminstercameraclub.co.uk

## Cranston Park Tennis Club

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	27-30/09/2019

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Cllr JOHN TYLER

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## Thomas Lewis Wilson Exhibition

Havering Libraries' Local Studies Library, with local historian and author, Tony Benton, have created an exhibition to mark the centenary of the death of the Upminster historian, Thomas Lewis Wilson, who died on June 27th 1919. Wilson was the first published author of a history specifically about any of the towns and villages in Havering, with his Sketches of Upminster in 1856, followed in 1881 with the illustrated History and Topography of Upminster. His books and research papers have been a major resource and inspiration for local historians in the district ever since. The exhibition opens at Upminster Library on 27th June 2019 and runs until 25th July 2019. In addition, Tony is giving a talk on 4th July at 7pm "Upminster's Historian - Thomas Lewis Wilson 1833-1919" tickets are available from Upminster Library £2.00, booking is essential. Telephone Upminster Library 01708 - 434933 for further details.

## Upminster Floral Art Society

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## DIARY - JUNE

**Upminster Ward Meeting**  
**3rd July** at St Joseph's School Hall, St Mary's Lane, Upminster at 7:30pm.  
**Upminster Meeting**  
**Monday 8th July** at the Thatched House, from 11.00am to 12.00pm.  
**Cranham Ward Meeting**  
**11th July** at 7.15pm in the Cranham Community Centre, Marlborough Gardens.  
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