

# FOCUS

Your Local Newsletter



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## Keep our 15 minutes free parking

In a rush to do a U turn on the scrapping of the 15 minute free parking in our High Streets, the Council has come up with a ludicrous scheme. There will be 5 minutes free parking with a 10 minute grace period before people get fined! Residents and businesses have said that the 5 minute parking will confuse people and will not encourage them to stop and shop. They are asking people to sign a petition to keep the 15 minute free parking.

**Focus says:** To change every sign in the borough from 15 minutes to 5 minutes is daft and will cost a fortune. We ask that the Council review its decision and keep the 15 minute free parking in our High Streets. If you agree, then please sign our petition below. There is also a Waltham Forest shopping survey you may like to log on to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8F6M8JZ>



## Disappointing exam results for borough schools

The published league tables for last summer's exams showed



that over half of our secondary schools in Waltham Forest were below the national average of 57.1 per cent whereas all the secondary schools in Redbridge were all above the national average.

**Focus says,** The Council needs to address why our schools lag behind most schools in England and particularly why nearby Redbridge out performs Waltham Forest.

## Liberal Democrats - Fighting for YOU

### Keep Our 15 Minutes Parking Petition

I/We the undersigned believe that the 15 minutes free parking encourages people to stop and shop in our High Streets. We therefore ask that the Council review its decision to reduce free parking to 5 minutes and to keep the 15 minute free parking in our High Streets

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

E MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to **THE FOCUS TEAM 24 THORNHILL ROAD E10 5LL**

The Liberal Democrats may contact you from time to time to keep you informed on issues we think you may find of interest. Please let us know if you do not wish the information above to be used for this purpose. Printed by Leyton & Chingford Liberal Democrats. Published by R. Sullivan on behalf of the Lib Dems all at 24 Thornhill Road E10 5LL.

## Residents split on humps

We have had a great response on our 20mph survey. Residents voted two to one against the Council's plans to implement a 20mph zone in Hale End and Highams Park. The majority also felt that there were too many humps planned.

**Focus** has found that despite the response from residents the Council will not take any notice. It will go ahead and carry out its original plans.

## Stop Press - DISGRACEFUL! Councillors vote themselves more money



At a recent budget meeting which put up Council Tax, Councillors also voted to pay themselves a whacking 7 per cent rise in allowances. They even had the cheek to backdate the rise to last year as well. Waltham Forest taxpayers now fork out over £1million to pay for their councillors. At a time when the Council has cut £100 million from our services, our councillors want more! This is disgraceful.

**LIB DEMS - KEEPING YOU INFORMED ALL YEAR ROUND**

# On Thursday 5th May you will have three coloured ballot papers to vote for a London Mayor and the London Assembly

Caroline Pidgeon for a London that works for everyone.

“I want to be Mayor so I can do something, not so I can be something”

Lib Dem candidate for Mayor of London Caroline Pidgeon has a plan to make London better.

Caroline is the most experienced candidate standing, with eight years on the London Assembly, to deliver the change our city needs.

London deserves a candidate who actually cares about the issues and isn't just in it to further their Westminster careers.



Caroline Pidgeon - Lib Dem candidate for Mayor of London



## New Homes for London

Caroline wants to build 200,000 new homes including 50,000 at council rents



## Half price fares

Caroline has been campaigning for half price fares before 7.30am, a one hour bus ticket and station re-zoning

## You have three ballot papers

Pink paper to vote for Caroline Pigeon as first choice for Mayor

**PIDGEON, Caroline**  
**Liberal Democrat**



Orange paper to vote Liberal Democrat for London

**Caroline Pidgeon's**  
**London Liberal Democrats**



Yellow paper to vote Terry Stacy for North East London

**STACY, Terry**  
**Liberal Democrat**



## Increased childcare

Caroline plans to introduce a luxury hotel tax of £2 a night and use the revenue to fund childcare in London

## 3000 new police officers

Caroline is planning for 3,000 new police officers to strengthen neighbourhood policing and tackle knife crime

If you support Caroline Pidgeon and the local Liberal Democrats and would like to help – then contact the Lib Dem Team on 020 8556 8335

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