

FOCUS



Your Local Newsletter

Hale End Library under threat!



Hale End Library - facing destruction!

Local residents have been shocked to learn that the Council is planning to demolish Hale End library to use for housing. The Council wants to make the library smaller by moving it to rented units from Tesco's.

The Council's usual response when they want to close a library is to say it is too large and is not well used by local people. The same excuse was said when they closed the very popular Harrow Green Library in Leytonstone. Residents are angry that their local library, the last civic building in Highams Park, is likely to be turned into a block of flats. Residents are angry and have already set up a petition online. If you want to sign then contact: <https://www.change.org/search>

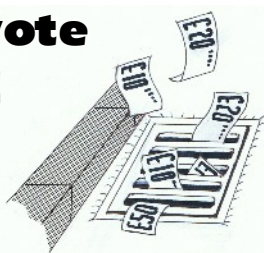
Focus says: Thousands was spent some years ago refurbishing Hale End library and to knock it down would be an act of vandalism. If you agree with us please sign the [petition](#).

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All Year Round - NOT just at election time**

DISGRACEFUL!

Councillors vote to cut £1 million from homeless budget but vote more money for themselves!

Waltham Forest taxpayers continue to fork out millions for Council propaganda, free events and a paper twice a month. This on top of councillors voting to increase their allowances by 7 per cent costing over £1 million. How can they do this? They have put up Council Tax, cut over £100million from vital services and on top of this they have now cut £1million from the homeless budget. **This is disgraceful.**



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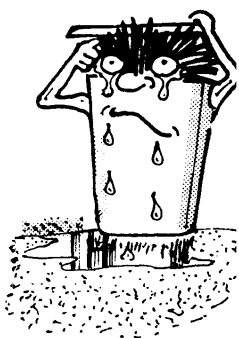
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*One person a minute has joined
the Liberal Democrats since
the EU Referendum*

Food and garden waste collection service cut!

The latest Waltham Forest News, the Council's propaganda paper, reminds us to use the brown bin for food and gardens waste. What it does not say is that the summer weekly collection service has been cut and brown bins will only be collected every two weeks.

Focus says: We can understand the two weekly collections in the winter when garden activity is low but in summer residents need a collection every week not just for the increase in garden waste but for food waste. Leaving food to rot for two weeks is surely a health hazard.



15 Minute Parking Petition - update Success for businesses and residents



The good news is that it looks like the Council has done a U turn on their proposal to scrap the 15 minute free parking. Following the mass petitioning and opposition they have come up with another plan.

Focus believes there will also be free parking in on-street bays between 8am to 10am, 1pm to 2pm and 4pm to 6.30pm. This is good news for local businesses and

residents. Full details of the plan in our next **Focus**.

The Liberal Democrat Focus Team Local People - Local Action All Year Round

High pollution rates recorded in Waltham Forest



Exhaust emissions endanger
our health

Last year it was recorded that cancer causing dust particles in the air in Waltham Forest were at the highest level since records began. Recent tests for nitrogen dioxide showed that some of our main roads far exceeded EU recommendations. Last October showed that Hoe Street was nearly double EU limits. Sixty-five per cent of this pollution comes from traffic. **Focus says:** With the Council's Mini Holland scheme forcing all vehicles onto our main roads it is no wonder that people are very concerned about the health risk to them and their families.



Police priorities

In consultation with Hale End and Highams Park residents the following three areas that the local police should concentrate on were criminal damage, non residential burglaries and violence with injury.

If there are other areas that need looking into them please contact **Focus**.

Problems - Ideas - Views - We'd Like to Hear From You

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Keep safe in your house



Local police have come up with some useful tips to help keep you safe. They say that you should not open your

door to anyone you do not know and always ask for I.D.

You should not have anything in gardens sheds that could be used as a tool for a breaking in.

The use of trellises on fences is a great deterrent to burglars as it will not take their body weight.

NEWSFLASH

Highams Park Lake - warning!

Toxic algae may be in **Highams Park Lake**.

The City of London Corporation which manages the area has warned people not to swim, fish or allow dogs to go into the water until they have fully tested the water.

This followed a number of dogs that may have died from drinking from the lake.

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