

FOCUS



Your Local Newsletter

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Leyton High Road Facelift!



The Council has been given a grant of £5m to improve the areas around the Olympic site. Schemes that are being worked on include street and shop fronts in **Leyton High Road**, the **Ruckholt Road** area, **Crownfield Road** and **Cann Hall Road**. Further schemes are being designed for Leyton Mills, Bakers Arms and pedestrian and cycle routes in Lea Bridge Road.

Focus says: "This money is very welcome as Leyton is often overlooked. However it is strange that the government would not fund any work on Leytonstone High Road. We are trying to find out why."

Lib Dem Motion against Aircraft Noise



Leyton and Wanstead
Parliamentary Candidate
Cllr. Farooq Qureshi

presented a motion to the Full Council against the ever growing aircraft noise over Leyton and Wanstead, which is mainly due to the expansion of London City Airport.

The motion called amongst other things for the Council to write to the Borough of Newham and protest against their decision to grant permission for the expansion of London City Airport, without consulting Waltham Forest Council.

Focus says: "The Lib Dems are working with local voluntary groups to safeguard against this attack on our quality of life. They also welcome cross-party consensus on this very important issue."



*Merry Christmas &
a Happy New Year*

from your Forest

Lib Dem Focus Team

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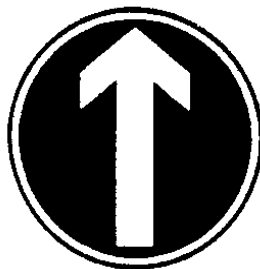
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Knotts Green Road One-Way

After a long delay the one-way system in **Knotts Green Road** is finally to be implemented.

The **Focus Team** has learnt that the Council has issued contracts for the work to be completed by the end of December. The one-way system will run from **Lea Bridge Road** to **Leyton Green Road**.

Focus will watch progress and keep you informed.



More Police Petition

There has been a massive response to the **Focus** and the Council's petition for more police on our streets.

You can still sign the petition online at: <http://ourcampaign.org.uk/wfpolice> or return the form in the previous **Focus** newsletter.



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Transport Double Whammy Fares Up and Freedom Pass Cut



Liberal Democrat councillors Naheed Qureshi, Winnie Smith and Bob Sullivan have joined London colleagues in reacting angrily to news that the Freedom Pass concessionary fares scheme in London is to be cut by £29m this coming year.

This is an outrageous proposal by the Labour Government who are insulting London's pensioners, disabled people, as well as council taxpayers. Labour is not cutting the grant in any other part of the country. London Council taxpayers will have to make up the shortfall.

After Boris Johnson's decision to hike bus fares by 20 percent, Londoners now face a double whammy with fares going up and this savage cut in funding for the Freedom Pass.

Focus says: If you are angry as we are then sign up for our campaign online at: <http://www.ourcampaign.org.uk/freedompass> or get a campaign pack from Laura Willoughby - laura.Willoughby@londoncouncils.gov.uk

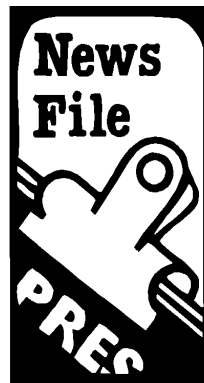
Leyton Underground Station

Cllr. Farooq Qureshi urged London Underground to take steps to ease congestion on the eastbound platform at Leyton Station, following safety concerns raised by residents.

After a disappointing response, **Cllr. Qureshi** has written to Transport for London (TfL), the London Mayor and the Olympic Delivery Authority asking for their help and support to ease congestion and help make Leyton Station accessible for disabled passengers.

Drivers beware!

Focus has learnt that new CCTV cameras are to be installed along **Leyton High Road**. Drivers should be aware that cars stopping on double yellow lines and dropping off people outside the station will be picked up on the cameras and a fine issued.



Lib Dem Councillors Surgery/Advice Centre

The Liberal Democrats are running a confidential Surgery/Advice centre.

Every Saturday

between 10.00am and 12.00 noon
at:

Waltham Forest Direct, at
Leyton Green

No appointments are necessary

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CPZ Extension

Residents of Belmont Park Road, William Street and Knotts Green Road have been calling for controlled parking in their roads. Following evidence provided by **The Focus Team** the Council has decided to carry out an official consultation in the said roads to analyse residents' opinion.

Focus says: *"Please make sure that you send the consultation back with your comments. Make sure your voice is heard."*

We want to hear from YOU

Name Tel. No.

Address E. Mail

I think something should be done about.....

RETURN TO: THE FOCUS TEAM, 233 VICARAGE ROAD, E10 7HQ

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.

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