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# Easter and Bank Holidays

## Refuse and Recycling Collections

Haringey Council is working in partnership with Veolia Environmental Services to provide normal refuse and recycling collections on the Bank Holidays in April and May.

Bank Holiday	Service
<b>Good Friday</b> 22nd April 2011	Normal collections
<b>Easter Monday</b> 25th April 2011	Normal collections
<b>Royal Wedding</b> Friday 29th April 2011	Normal collections
<b>Early May Bank Holiday</b> Monday 2nd May 2011	Normal collections
<b>Spring Bank Holiday</b> Monday 30th May 2011	Normal collections

The Reuse and Recycling Centres in **Hornsey** and **Tottenham** will be closed on **Good Friday, 22nd April 2011**.

For more information on the new waste contract with Veolia, please see the feature on pages 20-21



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# News

## IN BRIEF

### Register to vote in the referendum

A national referendum on the country's voting system for Members of Parliament will take place on May 5. It will ask voters if they want to retain the current system of 'first past the post' or adopt a new approach called the alternative vote – often referred to as AV. If you're not registered, you won't be able to vote so ring 020 8489 2951, or email [elections@haringey.gov.uk](mailto:elections@haringey.gov.uk). Deadline for registration is April 21. Click on [www.electoralcommission.org.uk](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk) for more information about the referendum.

### Driver prosecuted

A driver who assaulted a Haringey Council Civil Enforcement Officer, and threatened him with a baseball bat, was found guilty of assault and possession of an offensive weapon at Highgate Magistrates' Court. Carl Edgar threw an object at the parking warden and threatened him with the baseball bat after being ticketed for parking illegally in Tottenham, last year. He was sentenced to an 18 month community order, 200 hours unpaid work and a two-month curfew order between 7pm and 7am.

### Cigarette fines

Haringey Council's war on littering is continuing with two residents fined for throwing cigarette butts in the street and refusing to pay fixed penalty notices. Both residents were found guilty of littering by dropping butts in Wood Green, and were ordered by Tottenham Magistrates' Court to pay increased fines and court costs.

## Investing in a green future

Haringey Council has pledged to invest in further energy saving measures to support its greenest borough ambitions.

The council will plough £1.5million from prudent borrowing and its financial investment reserve into carbon reduction technology to save money and help protect the environment.

The investment will help meet the target to reduce carbon emissions from all council-owned buildings by 40 per cent by 2015 and will cut the cost of bills by slashing energy consumption, delivering financial savings in the longer term.

Cllr Joe Goldberg, Cabinet Member for Finance and Sustainability, said: "We're determined to reduce our carbon footprint and become one of London's greenest boroughs and that means leading by example and doing our utmost to cut energy consumption in council buildings.



"The simple fact is that failing to invest in the short-term will cost more in the long-term as energy prices and taxes soar."

The extra investment will pay for measures including:

- Improved street lighting
- Draught-proofing, insulation, further voltage optimisation, lighting controls, variable speed drives and 'zoning' in council administrative buildings
- Upgrading condensing boilers
- LED car park lighting
- The use of some wind turbines

## Communal kitchen created for residents

Residents living in a supported housing scheme in Tottenham have received a brand new Decent Homes standard kitchen, thanks to National Apprenticeship Week.

To celebrate the week, 11 Homes for Haringey apprentices transformed a former storage space area to install a 'Symphony' style fitted kitchen, complete with cooker, worktops and Beechfront wall units, at Coombes House.



The apprentices with Cabinet Member for Housing Cllr John Bevan (third from right)

# Fairtrade Haringey



Haringey Fairtrade steering group chair Poppy Pickard with Cllr Reith and other members of the steering group

Fairtrade Fortnight delivered a double reason to celebrate when Haringey was declared a Fairtrade Borough.

The certification from the Fairtrade Foundation is in recognition of efforts by local residents, community groups, businesses, shops, restaurants, cafes, schools and the council to adopt Fairtrade

values which guarantee a reasonable deal for farmers and producers in poorer countries.

It follows years of campaigning by residents and Haringey Council Deputy Leader Cllr Lorna Reith.

Cllr Reith said: "It is great news that Haringey has been declared a Fairtrade Borough. It's really important that we all do our bit to guarantee a decent price for producers, and I hope that even more residents and businesses will now be encouraged to get on board."

Find out more about Fairtrade on Page 31.

## Haringey celebrates unsung women

Local women who have made an outstanding contribution to life in the borough have been presented with Unsung Women awards as part of the International Women's Day celebrations.

Eleven women who have devoted their lives to Guiding in Haringey were given awards at a ceremony at the College of Haringey, Enfield and North East London.

Between them Brenda Brown, Brenda Chillman, Chris Bright, Connie Topping, Janis

Bennett, June Summers, Kathy Greenfield, Liz Crawley, Trish Beasley, Ruth Harper and Kathleen Mulvey have given more than 250 years of service to Guiding.

They were amongst 21 women who received awards for their contributions.

Cllr Bernice Vanier, Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion, said: "They are an inspiration for hundreds and thousands of local girls and women."



## IN BRIEF

### £2,000 grant for sports

Haringey Council has been awarded a £2,000 grant to help 250 young people take up sport for the first time. The money from the London Youth Games Balfour Beatty/Help a London Child development fund will allow young people in Haringey to participate in athletics, volleyball, aquathlon, water polo and archery. Haringey Sports Development Trust will deliver the project, which will see young people taking part in activities including cross-borough sports festivals, weekly training sessions and the London Youth Games.

### Caravans moved on

Three caravans which were illegally parked in Clyde Road, Tottenham, moved away after street enforcement officers threatened to confiscate them.

Officers took action after a resident complained that the caravans had parked outside the travellers' site, which is full. They allowed time for the caravans to be removed, but warned that they would be confiscated and the costs passed on to the owners if they remained.

### Shared service to boost enterprise

Haringey Council has agreed to team up with neighbouring Waltham Forest to cut costs and boost enterprise and employment opportunities across both boroughs. The two authorities have agreed an initial business case for a shared Economic Development Service. The service will focus on tackling unemployment, youth employment initiatives and attracting investment for business and enterprise – and is expected to save an estimated £200,000 per year across the two boroughs.

# News

## IN BRIEF

### Changes to housing allocation

A new system for allocating social housing has been launched by Haringey Council. All new housing applicants will be placed in a housing needs band based on their circumstances, including whether they have a local connection to the borough. The new system has five bands from A to E, with top priority given to those in band A, including those families or individuals who need to move urgently because of a critical or welfare need.

More information is available at [www.haringey.gov.uk/allocations-policy](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/allocations-policy)

### Stroke services amongst the best in the country

Care and support provided for people who have suffered strokes in Haringey is among the best in the country, according to health watchdogs. Haringey was ranked fifth out of 151 primary care trusts and local authorities across England and was the best in London, say the Care Quality Commission (CQC). Stroke services are provided jointly by Haringey Council and NHS Haringey. The service makes sure people have the necessary support and advice to help them resume their lives in the community after suffering a stroke.

## Youth Council's new Cabinet

Haringey Youth Council – which provides a voice for young people in the borough – has voted in a new Cabinet team.

Male and female co-chairs of the council are Samuel Sesay, 15, from John Loughborough School and Trevona Jennings, 15, from Woodside High.

Other members of the cabinet include: Amy Garrard (secretary); Rozeena Hussain (treasurer); Chanel Michaels (junior champion); Paul Njoku (senior champion), and Leon Stone (environmental champion).

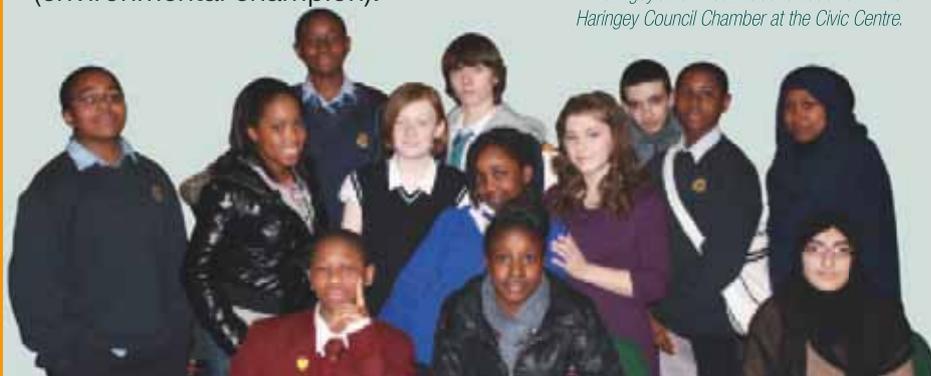
The shadow cabinet members are Yasemin Kose, Sean McQuaid, Francine Kamara, and Anab Abdi Ali.

The new members are joined by the UK Youth Parliament representatives for Haringey Joe Hopkins and Valerie Okoampah.

All youth council members are aged between 11 and 19.

More information on Haringey Youth Council and the UK Youth Parliament can be found at [www.youthspace.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.youthspace.haringey.gov.uk)

*Haringey's new Youth Council Cabinet in the Haringey Council Chamber at the Civic Centre.*



## Sport provision overhaul

Major changes to the way that sport and leisure services are provided in Haringey have been approved by the council's Cabinet.

The management and operation of Tottenham Green and Park Road leisure centres and the Broadwater Farm Community Centre will be offered to an external operator.

White Hart Lane Community Sports Centre and the Finsbury Park track and gym will be leased to local sport clubs or agencies, while funding will be redirected to the voluntary sector, allowing them to deliver some services.

Cllr Dilek Dogus, Cabinet Member for Adults and Community Services, said: "Because of government cuts, we need to fundamentally change the way we fund and deliver sport and leisure services in the borough.

"This new approach will help cut the costs of the service and help to focus on what is offered to the people who use the service rather than the running of buildings and facilities."





Kojo at work at the Broadwater Farm ILC

## Student builds a strong career

A Haringey student has taken his first steps towards a career in construction after landing a job with Mulalley, the building firm behind the Broadwater Farm inclusive learning campus (ILC).

Kojo Hurley-Holder, 19, is studying for a BTEC National Certificate in Construction at the College of Haringey, Enfield and North London. He will gain six years on-the-job experience after being put forward by a tutor.

Cllr Toni Mallett, Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration, said: “The partnership between the council’s Haringey Guarantee scheme and Mulalley has been very good – creating jobs for local residents and offering interviews to Haringey Guarantee participants.

“Residents were clear that they wanted to see the community benefit from opportunities created through the construction of the ILC and I’m sure they’ll be pleased to learn that local residents have earned work.”

Kojo said: “Mulalley have been great, my managers are helpful and encouraging. I have always wanted to go into construction and would love to be a site manager one day.

“I am really enjoying the work so far and to be on site and actually seeing the building come together is really good.”

## Cleaner air for Haringey

The council has launched an Air Quality Action Plan to reduce pollution in the borough.

The plan outlines steps to use a mix of transport, non-transport and awareness raising measures to improve air quality – exploring options such as reducing car emissions, promoting green travel and cycling, reducing car use and investigating biomass and industrial emissions.

All London boroughs must produce a plan on how they will reduce pollutants N02 and PM10, which predominantly come from road transport.

Cllr Nilgun Canver, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, said: “Nobody wants to breathe in all these pollutants and unless we come up with serious strategies for their reduction things will only get worse.

“This plan looks at what the council is doing to help: installing electric car charging points, hosting a car club to cut unnecessary car use, introducing cycle lanes and safe walking routes to schools, and monitoring pollutant levels.

“We hope residents will also do their bit too and make the most of the carbon cutting initiatives available.”

## IN BRIEF

### Another empty property brought back into use

Haringey Council has sold another long-term vacant property in Tottenham to bring it back into use. The large flat in Talbot Road has been empty for 17 years and is in need of repair. The flat was sold at auction for £217,000.

Once the council has recovered the debt of nearly £13,000 owed in council tax, the remainder of the proceeds will be paid into the court in accordance with the court order. The enforced sale process has so far helped the council to recover £242,000.

### Focus on fostering

Haringey Council has launched a campaign to highlight private fostering and provide information to people caring for children in this way. The campaign was launched during Private Fostering Week in March. Someone is deemed to be fostering privately if they are looking after children under 16 (18 if disabled) but are not the child’s parent or a ‘close relative’ and have made private arrangements with a parent or carer for 28 days or more.

For more information, visit [www.haringey.gov.uk/privatefostering](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/privatefostering) or [www.privatefostering.org.uk](http://www.privatefostering.org.uk)

### Car club success

Many more residents in Haringey could retire their cars under plans to increase the number of on-street car club bays. The club has proved so popular with local people the council proposes to increase the number of parking locations exclusively for car club vehicles from 55 to 74. For more information on the proposals click on [www.haringey.gov.uk/carclubs](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/carclubs)

## ACCESS TO SERVICES

# Integrated Access Team

## It is now easier to access Adult Social Care in Haringey

Adult Social Care has established an Access Team to provide a single point of contact for you and, as a result, it is now easier to contact the Integrated Access Team who will be able to assist you with any of the following:

- A first point of contact for new users of Adult Social Care services, their carers & families
- A simple screening process aimed at resolving local residents' social care needs as quickly as possible
- Where needs are more complex, or where there are concerns regarding the safeguarding of vulnerable adults, a speedy referral to the most appropriate service
- Better information and advice on a range of services and activities locally
- Help, through signposting, to find advice and support outside of the council.

### HOW TO CONTACT THE ACCESS TEAM

#### By Telephone:

020 8489 1400  
(Opening Hours 09:00-17:00 Monday - Friday)

By Fax:  
020 8489 4900

#### By Email:

IAT@haringey.gov.uk

By SMS:  
Text IAT to 80818  
(charged at standard rate depending on provider and subscriber's package)

#### Or Write to

Integrated Access Team,  
London Borough of Haringey,  
1st Floor, 40 Cumberland Road,  
Wood Green, N22 7SG

Where one of our dedicated team of Community Care Officers will be pleased to assist with your enquiry

Or please access Haringey's new Adults Social Care website at

<http://haricare.haringey.gov.uk/>

#### OUT OF USUAL HOURS

Contact the Emergency Duty Team on 020 8348 3148



## New chapter for Haringey's libraries



**Council Leader Claire Kober explains how the council is bucking the trend and looking to expand the role of libraries**

*We've come a long way since the days when libraries were seen only as places for quiet reflection and checking out the latest best-sellers.*

These days Haringey's nine libraries are abuzz with all sorts of activities – and do much more than the traditional lending of books, important though this is.

'Something for everyone' may be a well-worn phrase – but it really does apply to what's on offer. They are places where people can meet up for everything from playing with their children – to reminiscing with friends, health checks and much, much more.

Now we are planning to offer even more by transforming the buildings into community hubs for access to an even greater range of council services.

### Among possibilities being considered are:

- Having customer care staff based in libraries – offering advice, help and support for all council services
- Expanding drop-in sessions, and lunch clubs, for older people

**“Something for everyone' may be a well-worn phrase – but it really does apply to what's on offer.”**

- Offering advice to families that is currently available at children's centres
- Providing facilities for people to pay council bills.

In addition to all of this, we will also continue to offer free internet

access - which is important in a borough where one in five residents can't get on the web at home - along with running adult learning courses for people needing help with their English or other basic skills needed to get qualifications.

In short, our libraries already play an essential role in the life of the borough – and are about to buck the trend of closures in other areas by building on this contribution and offering even more for local residents.

Far from bearing the brunt of government-imposed spending cuts, as seems to be happening elsewhere, we want to see libraries expand their roles as the lifeblood of many local communities.



If you'd like more information about libraries in the borough, go to

[www.haringey.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/libraries)  
or call 020 8489 1000

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to anyone.

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It's **time** to **fill** it in

Visit [www.haringey.gov.uk/  
census](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/census) for more information or to find  
a Census 2011 event near you.



## School safety

# Zig-zags to cut risk from school run parents

*Haringey People reports on the launch of a campaign to make drivers think twice before pulling up or parking outside schools.*

In the UK, almost 300 children are admitted to hospital each day because of accidents, and nearly every day one child dies. Most of these accidents happen at school opening and closing times.

The danger of briefly stopping when so many children are heading to and from the school gates is that it blocks sight lines and in the rush children may dart out into moving traffic.

Haringey Council regularly enforces 'Keep Clear' signs and markings outside schools, but some drivers simply ignore appeals from staff.

The main culprits are parents dropping off and picking up their children and ignoring restrictions so that they can get closer to the school gates.

Haringey's new campaign is marked by banners and leaflets which show children lying on the zig-zag lines

to highlight the dangers of stopping on them.

At the worst affected schools, council enforcement officers will work in teams to prosecute persistent offenders.

Haringey's Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Cllr Nilgun Canver, says: "It can be really embarrassing for children who know their parents are breaking the rules and putting other pupils in danger, especially if they ignore warnings from teachers and school staff.

"The fact is that parking and stopping around schools can be very dangerous. In the mad rush to and from the school gates children can be preoccupied and careless, especially when they see friends across the road, but drivers dropping off can also be less

vigilant in the chaos and that's when accidents happen."

Keep Clear signs and yellow zig-zag lines are provided by school gates to ensure a better view for both motorists and children.

If a school is within a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) then the Keep Clear section will also be covered by a single yellow line.

Cllr Canver adds: "I want drivers to respect the school rules and the road markings and not drop off or pick up around the school gates. Best of all, if possible, walk or bus your children to school!

"If drivers continue to park dangerously they will be prosecuted."



# Caring for someone else's child?

Did you know, if you care for someone else's child for **28 days** or more and are not a close relative, you may be a private foster carer?

If this applies to you, you must notify your local council.

To notify us or find out more call  
**0800 634 0480**



# Benefits

## Changes to your housing benefits

*Central government changes to the welfare benefits system will come into force this month. Haringey People outlines how the changes may affect you.*

From April, Housing Benefit using Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rules for private sector tenants will change, and this could mean that the amount of LHA you're entitled to goes down.

Cllr John Bevan, Cabinet Member for Housing, said: "We realise that the changes to benefits introduced by the government could be a cause of concern for many Haringey residents.

"We are here to help and will offer support and guidance wherever we can to try to make the transition as easy as possible for local people."

If you already receive housing benefit:

- If your circumstances don't change, you may have up to nine months at your current rate from the date we next reassess your entitlement. After that time, you will be paid LHA at the new rates
- If there is any change in your circumstances which reduces the number of rooms you are entitled to, the lower rate of LHA will become payable immediately
- If you currently receive up to £15 per week more in housing benefit than you pay in rent, this will end as soon as your entitlement is reassessed

Anyone making a new claim for housing benefit will be assessed against the new LHA rates set by the government. The new rates will also apply to anyone changing address.

Under the new rate caps, weekly housing benefit in any area cannot be more than:

- £250 for a one-bedroom property
- £290 for a two-bedroom property
- £340 for a three-bedroom property
- £400 for a four or more-bedroom property

The four-bedroom rate is now the maximum rate available, regardless of the number of people in your household.

The way in which LHA is calculated will also be changed – meaning that fewer properties may be affordable to people on benefits.

LHA rates will reduce so that around three in 10 properties for rent in your area should be affordable to people on housing benefit. At the moment, around five in 10 properties are affordable to people on housing benefit.

In addition to the changes to LHA, the government has changed the level of deduction which can be made from benefits. The amount of benefit which will be deducted if you have a non-dependant adult living with you will be increased under the new rules.



### Information

**Haringey Council**

[www.haringey.gov.uk/lha](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/lha)

### Government

[www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

### The Valuation Office Agency

(VOA) holds information on LHA, rent, council tax and other related topics: [www.voa.gov.uk](http://www.voa.gov.uk)

### Citizens Advice Bureau

[www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

### Shelter, for housing, benefits and debt advice

[www.shelter.org.uk](http://www.shelter.org.uk) or call freephone 0808 800 4444

# MOTORCYCLE SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Powered Two Wheeler (PTW) riders account for 1% of traffic on our roads but 19% of the killed and seriously injured; reflecting the seriousness of the problem and the need for it to be addressed.

Haringey's Smarter Travel Team are focused on reducing PTW casualties by tackling this challenging target group.

To help achieve this and with the overall aim of encouraging safer riding practises, Haringey Smarter Travel Team are sponsoring a set number of **free** 'Compulsory Basic Training' (CBT) and 'Back to Biking' courses for borough residents.

Complimentary places will be subject to approval and allocated on a first come, first serve basis. For further details please contact Central School of Motorcycle Training on: 020 8887 0562.



# Ofsted report

## Significant and sustained improvement in safeguarding

*Children's safeguarding services in Haringey have achieved 'significant and sustained improvement' since the last major inspection, Ofsted found in its latest inspection report.*

The report follows a two-week inspection by both Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission in January when inspectors scrutinised both safeguarding services and support for looked-after children.

The findings recognise that many aspects of key safeguarding services have been 'transformed' since 2009, including introduction of a groundbreaking first response team - bringing together a range of key local agencies - as well as health visiting and police responsiveness.

The inspection also found effective partnership working, good contact, referral and assessment of children at risk and 'sustained and consistently strong leadership'.

Overall, the report judges safeguarding services to be adequate with 'good prospects for improvement' - with the same grades also applying to services for looked-after children - and the report goes on to make suggestions for further improvement.

These include better use of social work assistants; improving attendance of key agencies at some meetings; ensuring that all staff supervision records are up-to-date, and development of better joint arrangements for the evaluation of services.



The inspection report was followed by a positive annual Children's Services Assessment by Ofsted - which also acknowledged 'good progress' in child protection, adding that the majority of services for children were 'good or better'.

Haringey's Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Cllr Lorna Reith, said: "We implemented fully the recommendations of the serious case reviews into the tragic death of Baby Peter in 2007 - which we have accepted could, and should, have been prevented.

"It is in this context that we have set about the rebuilding of services designed to protect vulnerable children. We take heart from this latest confirmation that we are making progress and are heading in the right direction.

"Clearly there is no room for complacency - and we will certainly be taking on board inspectors' requests to improve in certain key areas. I can assure local people that our commitment to improvement is as strong as ever - and will be acted upon."



The full report can be found at  
[www.haringey.gov.uk/ofsted2011](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/ofsted2011)

# Spending cuts

## Supporting Haringey residents through hard times

*The council has placed tackling inequality and protecting vulnerable people at the heart of its plans in the face of unprecedented funding cuts from central government.*

Haringey People looks at how the 2011/12 budget will affect those who live, work and study in the borough.

Cllr Joe Goldberg, Cabinet Member for Finance and Sustainability, said: "The deep cuts made by the government have forced us to look at every single penny we spend as we try to find savings to plug the £41million funding gap imposed on us.

"Wherever possible, we have made cuts to back-office functions. But the speed and depth of the government's cuts mean that some impact on frontline services is unavoidable.

"We're grateful to residents who have helped to mould this budget by taking part in the Shaping Our Future survey and telling us which services are the most important to them."

### Investing in services

While the government cuts leave little opportunity for

investment in services, Haringey Council will prioritise spending to areas of greatest need, including:

- £2million over the next four years as a starting base to tackle unemployment, particularly among young people
- Keeping each of the borough's libraries open and supporting them to become community hubs
- Increased investment to match the rise in demand in children's safeguarding and early intervention
- Supporting older people through personalisation of social care

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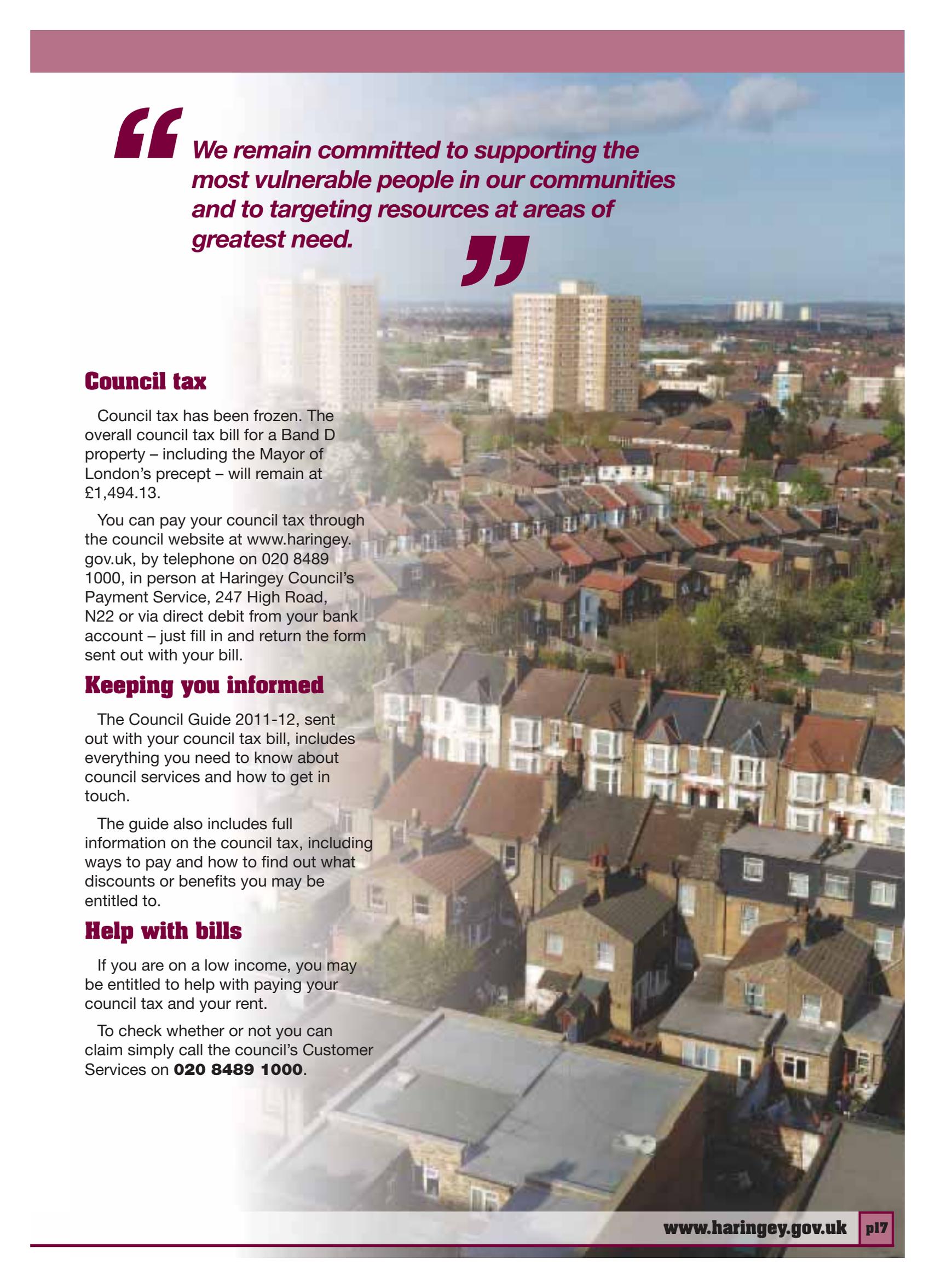
- Increasing primary school place provision
- Improving secondary school facilities through the Building Schools for the Future project

- Improving homes through the Decent Homes programme
- Repairing roads and pavements and improving local road safety

### Facing up to the cuts

Some of the difficult proposals the council has made to deliver this year's budget include:

- Significant back office cuts and staffing restructures and redundancies
- Reducing funding for voluntary and community groups
- Increasing prices for recreation services such as leisure centres to cover more of the costs to the council
- Reducing the amount the council can subsidise parking schemes – meaning that the cost of fees and permits will increase
- Closing Hornsey and North Tottenham customer service centres
- Increasing allotment fees to fully cover council costs
- Closing some older people's day and drop-in centres
- Closing some mental health services
- Reducing youth service provision



**“ We remain committed to supporting the most vulnerable people in our communities and to targeting resources at areas of greatest need. ”**

## **Council tax**

Council tax has been frozen. The overall council tax bill for a Band D property – including the Mayor of London’s precept – will remain at £1,494.13.

You can pay your council tax through the council website at [www.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.haringey.gov.uk), by telephone on 020 8489 1000, in person at Haringey Council’s Payment Service, 247 High Road, N22 or via direct debit from your bank account – just fill in and return the form sent out with your bill.

## **Keeping you informed**

The Council Guide 2011-12, sent out with your council tax bill, includes everything you need to know about council services and how to get in touch.

The guide also includes full information on the council tax, including ways to pay and how to find out what discounts or benefits you may be entitled to.

## **Help with bills**

If you are on a low income, you may be entitled to help with paying your council tax and your rent.

To check whether or not you can claim simply call the council’s Customer Services on **020 8489 1000**.

# Advertise Here



**Advertise your local business here  
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**Call 020 8489 2993  
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**Haringey Council**

# Decent Homes

## Reduced funding for homes

*The government has axed £50m from Homes for Haringey's Decent Homes programme as part of its on-going austerity measures. Haringey People gauges the reaction of the council and tenants and the impact it will have on efforts to bring homes up to scratch.*

News came through in February that Haringey would receive £36m over the next two years to improve council houses and flats under the Decent Homes programme.

While this seems a lot of money in these times of severe financial constraints, it is £50m less than Homes for Haringey – which manages the council's housing stock – was originally going to receive for much-needed improvements to bring all homes up to standard.

It follows deep cuts by the government to Decent Homes funding, which saw arms length management organisations,

like Homes for Haringey, being ordered to reduce the amount of money they should request from the grant.

Phil Goodwin, who is a council tenant and vice-chair of the Homes for Haringey board, said the news would be 'devastating' to tenants still waiting for work to be done.

"This is especially the case as tenants will have seen how much work has already been carried out across the borough since 2008," he said.

The council, via Homes for Haringey, refurbished 5,000 homes between 2008 and 2010.

Current work to bring a further 589 flats and houses up to standard will not be affected by the funding shortfall.

But a cut in the funding by 66 per cent and 50 per cent in each of the next two years means the council and Homes for Haringey will have to revise their estimations.

"In the short term we need to have a conversation with our residents about how we can seek to meet their aspirations with less money," added Mr Goodwin.

"The government's funding cuts will deal a massive blow to residents across the borough who have patiently waited to see new kitchens, bathrooms and windows installed," said Claire Kober, leader of the council.

"With the reduced resources available we will continue to maximise every penny so that we make as many homes decent as possible. However, given the scale of the cuts this will clearly mean residents missing out."

Haringey has been allocated £15m for 2011/12 and £21m for 2012/13 from the Decent Homes programme, while the original 2008 allocation would have delivered improvements worth £44m and £41m respectively

## Waste contract

# Improved waste services for Haringey

*Substantially increased recycling rates, cleaner streets, carbon reductions and significant savings to the council and taxpayer – just four of the major benefits of a new waste management contract starting this month. Haringey People reports on a ‘trailblazing’ service set to boost the council’s greenest borough ambitions.*

When the council formally entered into a long-term partnership with waste management firm Veolia Environmental Services in March it was an important milestone in the council’s long term plans for a cleaner, greener borough.

At its heart is a commitment from Veolia to achieve a 40 per cent recycling rate by 2015, saving around 12,000 tonnes

of carbon, and also to cut the carbon footprint from its own operations by 40 per cent through use of lower-emission vehicles and localised street sweeping.

The partnership is committed to continuous improvement throughout the contract, meaning the expected standards on issues like street cleansing and fly-tipping will increase each year. Resident satisfaction with the services will be one of the key measures of Veolia’s performance.

Under the 14-year contract, which will save the council £28million on its existing service, free bulky waste collections for reusable and recycling items will be offered, which residents will be able to use as often as they want.

Wheelie bins will be introduced for recycling, to replace the green doorstep boxes. Recycling, food and garden waste will all

continue to be picked up weekly, with collections of general non-recyclable waste moving from weekly to fortnightly in a phased programme starting in January 2012.

“Under this new service up to 75 per cent of household waste will still be collected weekly with the new bins more easily containing more recycling, helping to keep gardens tidy,” says Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Cllr Nilgun Canver.

“We recognise that residents will need time to adapt and to step up their recycling so we are phasing in the changes, starting in areas where people are already keen recyclers. We will also work with residents to iron out teething problems or address other concerns.”

As well as integrating recycling and refuse operations, the plans

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will see the launch of a new type of street cleansing service, routinely operating six days a week, run from eight local 'village depots'.

Each village team will have a manager and staff dedicated to their local area, able to clear up fly-tipping and dog mess more quickly. Every street in the borough will be swept on average twice a week, with main thoroughfares swept more frequently.

“The 'village approach' to street cleansing will result in a more visible sweeper presence on the streets, with each sweeper taking great pride in their own village,” explains Veolia's London municipal operations director, Pascal Hauret.

To support anti-litter campaigns, 450 extra bins will be installed over the next five years, and a fly-tipping action plan will be produced for each village.

Veolia will also take over responsibility for winter gritting and graffiti removal.

“This contract is a fantastic deal for council taxpayers, a boost for the environment and a trailblazing approach which will help us deliver our carbon cutting promises,” adds Cllr Canver.

“I really hope residents will take full advantage of all our collection services and work with us to keep Haringey clear of dumped rubbish, clean and green and a better place to be.”

## The new waste contract includes:

- household refuse and recycling
- operation of the two Reuse & Recycling Centres
- twice-weekly street cleansing
- graffiti removal and winter gritting

## What the changes mean for you.

For homes with gardens:

- weekly recycling collections will continue, involving a bigger 240 litre wheelie bin to replace existing small green boxes
- weekly food and garden recycled waste collections will continue
- fortnightly collections of general waste will be phased in across Haringey from January 2012, starting in the Muswell Hill area
- no changes in collection arrangements for residents living in flats, estates and homes above shops

## Cleaner Haringey

A dedicated officer from each village depot will monitor hotspots to help catch rubbish dumpers. Smaller fly-tips will be cleared within six hours of being reported and dog mess will be picked up within 24 hours.

# Thinking about Fostering?

Many people have the skills and qualities to become good foster carers for Haringey

If you are reliable, understanding and calm when presented with a challenge and live in or near Haringey we want to hear from you.

Fostering is a way of offering children and young people a home while their own family is unable to look after them.

Children and young people come into care for a whole range of reasons. Children who need foster homes come from a variety of cultural, religious and social backgrounds. Children and young people who are fostered may require different levels of support depending on their needs.

As a foster carer you will provide a safe, secure and nurturing family environment for a short or long period of time. While fostering can be demanding of your time, energy and your emotions, it is also a lot of fun and very rewarding. We have invested in our support services to ensure we provide our foster carers with everything they need to support the children they are caring for.

**Just as there is no such thing as a typical family there is no such thing as a typical foster carer:**

- You don't have to be married – you can be single or part of a couple, gay, lesbian or heterosexual.
- You don't need special qualifications.

**Here are some of the things you will be expected to do as a foster carer:**

- Attend meetings and advocate for children and young people
- To be patient and firm
- Promote contact with families
- Commit time and energy

**“Just as there is no such thing as a typical family there is no such thing as typical foster carer.”**

**We provide all our foster carers with:**

- A named supervising social worker who will visit regularly to offer support
- Many great training opportunities to help develop carers skills.
- Computers and internet access.
- Emergency 24 hour support.
- Regular opportunities to meet with other foster carers.
- Financial support

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**Visit our website or register for one of our information sessions to find out everything you need to know to make a decision**

Website: [www.haringey.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/fostering)

Tel: 020 8489 3754

Email: [fosteringrecruit@haringey.gov.uk](mailto:fosteringrecruit@haringey.gov.uk)



**Haringey Council**

## Credit Union

# Credit Union – help others by helping yourself

*Following the launch of the Haringey, City and Islington Credit Union, Haringey People explores the generous side of saving.*

Saving through a credit union is a perfect way of helping others while helping yourself.

That's the message from the Haringey, City and Islington credit union, which is now welcoming new savers and borrowers from across the borough.

Credit Unions rely on both savers and borrowers for their success – with money invested by savers helping to support loans to borrowers, and interest rates from loan repayments helping to deliver interest to savers.

Because there are no highly paid directors pocketing large bonuses, savers are able to earn generous interest rates while borrowers can be sure that they won't be saddled with unreasonable loan repayments.

Cllr Toni Mallett, Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration, said: "When we talk about the credit union, it's easy to see it simply as somewhere to go for cheap credit, but it is so much more than that.

"Credit unions also offer great deals for those who want to save, and the fact is that saving through a credit union gives you the chance to really help out someone else in the local community by making more credit available to people who need it most.

"Investing in the credit union is a fantastic way of keeping things local and doing something to help the community while also helping yourself."

Credit union members can save between £1 and £10,000 and the union is owned by its saver members. Profits are returned to members through an annual dividend on their savings.

Saving options through the credit union include secure savings accounts; young savers accounts; school savings clubs; payroll deduction savings schemes with local employers, and savings advice.



For more information, visit

[www.haringey.gov.uk/creditunion](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/creditunion)

or call **020 7561 1786**



# History

# Crouch End Festival Chorus

*When the Crouch End Festival Chorus added its mellow voice to the raucous Kinks classic You Really Got Me a couple of years ago – at the request of local pop legend Ray Davies – they hit the headlines in a big way and reached number five in the Amazon charts.*

Yet the Chorus is no overnight success. Set up back in 1984 by two friends from Crouch End, who shared a love of choral music, theirs is a story of gradually gaining a voice at first locally – and then, more recently, nationally and across the world.

The extent of the early ambitions of founders John Gregson and David Temple, when they put flyers in local shops and launderettes, was to form a classical music choir to appear at the fledgling Crouch End Arts Festival.

That led to invitations to other concerts – with two key turning points in the mid 90s. First was a Royal Festival Hall performance of Michael Tippett's A Child of Our Times, closely followed by a record deal which widened the chorus' audience still further.

With classical music still the singers' main focus under musical director David Temple, the 150-strong chorus is now one of the best-known symphonic choirs in the country. Recent highlights included performing Mahler's Eighth Symphony at the first night of the BBC Proms at the Royal Albert Hall last year, sell-out performances at the O2 arena with Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli, and another major concert at the Royal Albert Hall with legendary Hollywood composer Ennio Morricone. Then there was the famous collaboration with patron Ray Davies – and chart success for the Kinks Choral Collection – and the rest, as they say, is history.

Crouch End Festival Chorus welcomes new singers, particularly tenors and basses. Singers rehearse every Friday evening in the south wing of Fortismere School, in Tetherdown, Muswell Hill, from 7.30pm. To book a place as a guest at one of these rehearsals, contact [newmembers@cefc.org.uk](mailto:newmembers@cefc.org.uk).

Or if you just want to hear CEFC, the choir's next concert is on Saturday 16 April at the Barbican (7.30pm) when it will sing Bach's beautiful St John Passion. For more information, visit [www.cefc.org.uk](http://www.cefc.org.uk)



Photo by Jim Lasbury

# Councillors' surgeries

You can contact your local councillors by writing to them c/o **River Park House, 225 High Road, Wood Green N22 8HQ**, or email using the format **fistname.lastname@haringey.gov.uk** unless an alternative address is listed below. If you are not sure who your local councillors are, please use the ward search on [www.haringey.gov.uk/ward-search](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/ward-search) or call **020 8489 2947**.

## ALEXANDRA

All surgeries held at Alexandra Park Library, Alexandra Park Road, N22

### Cllr Dave Beacham (L/D)

3rd Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
☎ Mobile: 07528 443838

### Cllr Nigel Scott (L/D)

1st Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
☎ Mobile: 07794 218556

### Cllr Juliet Solomon (L/D)

3rd Thursday of month  
10am-11.30am  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002204

## BOUNDS GREEN

### Cllr Joanna Christophides (L)

1st Saturday of month  
10.30am-12 noon  
Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07854 544697

### Cllr Matt Cooke (L)

2nd Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-8pm \*128 Community Room\*,  
128 Myddleton Road, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07814 238115

### Cllr Ali Demirci (L)

1st Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-7.45pm  
Ground Floor, Newbury House, Partridge Way, N22  
1st Thursday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
Ground Floor, John Keats House,  
Commerce Road, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07540 854293

## BRUCE GROVE

### Cllr Dilek Dogus (L)

4th Friday of month  
5.30pm-6.30pm  
Marcus Garvey Library, Ground Floor,  
Tottenham Green Leisure Centre,  
1 Philip Lane, N15  
☎ Mobile: 07852 146446

### Cllr Joseph Ejirofor (L)

Last Saturday of month (excluding bank  
holiday weekends)  
11am-12 noon  
Bruce Grove Youth Centre, Bruce Grove, N17  
3rd Saturday of month  
10am-11.15am  
Marcus Garvey Library, Ground Floor,  
Tottenham Green Leisure Centre, 1 Philip  
Lane, N15

### 3rd Saturday of month

11.30am-12.30pm  
Room 1, 639 High Road, Tottenham, N17  
☎ Mobile: 07940 005507

### Cllr Stuart McNamara (L)

1st Saturday of month  
10.30am-12 noon  
Marcus Garvey Library, Ground Floor,  
Tottenham Green Leisure Centre,  
1 Philip Lane, N15  
☎ Mobile: 07854 544696

## CROUCH END

Surgeries will be rotated between  
Councillors Strang and Weber on the 2nd  
and 3rd Saturday of each month. If you  
wish to see a particular councillor, contact  
them directly to book an appointment,  
otherwise just come along.

### Cllr Paul Strang (L/D)

2nd Saturday of month  
11am-12 noon  
Highgate Library, 1 Shepherd's Hill,  
Highgate, N6  
☎ Home: 020 8826 9914

### Cllr Lyn Weber (L/D)

3rd Saturday of month  
11am-12 noon  
The Collection, 73 Crouch Hall Road London  
N8 8HD  
☎ Home: 020 8348 9796  
☎ Mobile: 07814 238100

### Cllr David Winskill (L/D)

1st Saturday of month  
11am-12 noon  
Hornsey Central Library, Haringey Park,  
Crouch End, N8  
☎ Home: 020 8374 5650  
☎ Mobile: 07870 157724

## FORTIS GREEN

All surgeries are held at the United  
Reformed Church Hall, Tetherdown, N10.  
Please call at least 24-hours before to  
make an appointment.

### Cllr Matt Davies (IND)

1st Wednesday of month  
7pm-8pm  
☎ Mobile: 07976 457453

### Cllr Sophie Erskine (L/D)

2nd Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002437

### Cllr Martin Newton (L/D)

Last Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
☎ Home: 020 8489 4005

## HARRINGAY

All surgeries held at Turnpike Lane Citizens  
Advice Bureau, 14a Willoughby Road, N8.

### Cllr Gina Adamou (L)

2nd and 4th Saturday of month  
11am-1pm

### Cllr Karen Alexander (L/D)

1st and 3rd Saturday of month  
11am-12pm  
☎ Home: 020 8348 3892  
☎ Mobile: 07875 490055  
Email: Karen.alexander2@haringey.gov.uk

### Cllr David Schmitz (L/D)

1st and 3rd Saturday of month  
11am-12 noon  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002742

## HIGHGATE

Surgeries will be rotated between  
councillors.

1st and 3rd Saturday of month  
11am-12noon  
Jacksons Lane, 296A Archway Road, N6  
(corner of Jacksons Lane)  
2nd and 4th Saturday of month  
11am-12pm  
Highgate Literary & Scientific Institution,  
11 South Grove, Pond Square, Highgate N6

### Cllr Rachel Allison (L/D)

Home: 020 8372 0812  
☎ Mobile: 07794 218591

### Cllr Bob Hare (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8348 2710  
☎ Mobile: 07870 157703

### Cllr Neil Williams (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8351 7756

## HORNSEY

Surgeries will be rotated between  
councillors.

1st Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Hornsey YMCA (Boardroom),  
Tottenham Lane, N8  
3rd Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Campsbourne Community Room (Camspace),  
1 Eastfield Road, Hornsey, N8  
4th Wednesday of month  
7pm-8pm  
St Mary's C of E Junior School,  
Rectory Gardens, N8

### Cllr Robert Gorrie (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8348 2119

### Cllr Errol Reid (L/D)

☎ Mobile: 07866 775731

### Cllr Monica Whyte (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8888 3433

## MUSWELL HILL

Surgeries will be rotated between  
councillors.

1st Saturday of month  
11am-11.30am  
Moravian Church Hall, Priory Road, N8  
3rd Wednesday of month  
6.15pm-7pm  
Hornsey Central Neighbourhood Health Centre,  
151 Park Road, N8  
Last Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Muswell Hill Library, Queen's Avenue, N10

### Cllr Jonathan Bloch (L/D)

☎ Mobile: 07785 550043

### Cllr Gail Engert (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8489 4005

### Cllr Jim Jenks (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8347 7083

## NOEL PARK

### Cllr Pauline Gibson (L)

2nd Tuesday of month  
5.30pm-6.30pm  
Shropshire Hall, Corner of Gladstone Avenue  
and Darwin Road, N22  
3rd Saturday of month  
12 noon-1pm  
Wood Green Central Library, High Road, Wood  
Green, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002794

### Cllr James Stewart (L)

1st Saturday of month  
10.30am-11.30am  
Wood Green Central Library, High Road, Wood  
Green, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002410

### Cllr Alan Strickland (L)

2nd Saturday of month  
10.30 - 11.30am  
Wood Green Central Library, High Road, Wood  
Green, N22  
4th Tuesday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Shropshire Hall, Corner of Gladstone Avenue  
and Darwin Road, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07854 481050

## NORTHUMBERLAND PARK

### Cllr Kaushika Amin (L)

1st and 4th Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Coombes Croft Library, N17  
☎ Mobile: 07977 562105

### Cllr John Bevan (L)

1st and 2nd Monday of month  
5pm-6pm  
Neighbourhood Resource Centre  
177 Park Lane, N17 OHJ  
☎ Mobile: 07967 336448

### Cllr Sheila Peacock (L)

2nd and 3rd Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Coombes Croft Library, N17  
☎ Home: 020 8808 9160  
In addition, the Northumberland Park ward  
councillors hold monthly coffee mornings  
at venues within the ward. For further  
details contact Cllr Sheila Peacock.

## ST ANN'S

Surgeries will be rotated between  
councillors.

Every Saturday of month  
11am-12 noon  
All surgeries held at St Ann's Library, Cissbury  
Road, N15.

### Cllr Zena Brabazon (L)

☎ Home: 020 8216 9151

### Cllr David Browne (L)

☎ Mobile: 07854 481295

### Cllr Nilgun Canver (L)

☎ Home: 020 8352 2752

## SEVEN SISTERS

### Cllr Dhiren Basu (L)

2nd and 4th Wednesday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Triangle Play Centre, 91-93 St Ann's Road,  
South Tottenham, N15  
☎ Mobile: 07971 804722

### Cllr Joe Goldberg (L)

1st Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
Henry Abrahams Hall, South Tottenham  
Synagogue, gateway between 111 and 113  
Crowland Road, N15  
4th Tuesday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
Lifelong Learning Centre,  
Association House, Hermitage Road,  
380 Green Lanes, N4  
☎ Mobile: 07794 218566

### Cllr Claire Kober (L)

1st and 3rd Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
Triangle Play Centre, 91-93 St Ann's Road,  
South Tottenham, N15  
☎ Office: 020 8489 2964

## STROUD GREEN

Surgeries will be rotated between  
councillors.

1st Thursday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
Stroud Green Primary School, Woodstock  
Road, N4.  
3rd Thursday of month  
2pm-4pm  
Stroud Green Baptist Church Hall, 40a  
Stapleton Hall Road, N4  
2nd Saturday of month  
10am-11.30am  
Hornsey Vale Community Centre,  
60 Mayfield Road, N8

### Cllr Ed Butcher (L/D)

☎ Mobile: 07814 238150

### Cllr Katherine Reece (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8341 0722  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002554

### Cllr Richard Wilson (L/D)

☎ Home: 020 8341 7052

## TOTTENHAM GREEN

All surgeries held at Marcus Garvey  
Library, Ground Floor, Tottenham Green  
Leisure Centre, 1 Philip Lane, N15 apart  
from where specified.

### Cllr Isidoros Diakides (L)

3rd Saturday of month  
11am-12.30pm  
No appointment necessary  
4th Wednesday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Tenants Room, Lomond Close, N15  
By appointment only  
For an appointment, call 020 8340 8477

### Cllr Bernice Vanier (L)

2nd Saturday of month  
10.30am-12 noon  
☎ Mobile: 07817 954961

### Cllr Richard Watson (L)

4th Saturday of month  
11am-12.30pm  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002873

## TOTTENHAM HALE

All surgeries held at Marcus Garvey  
Library, Ground floor, Tottenham Green  
Leisure Centre, 1 Philip Lane, N15

### Cllr Lorna Reith (L)

4th Saturday of month  
11am-12.30pm  
☎ Home: 020 8376 2310

### Cllr Reg Rice (L)

1st Saturday of month  
10.30am-12 noon  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002078

### Cllr Alan Stanton (L)

2nd Saturday of month  
10.30am-12pm  
☎ Home: 020 8376 4223

## WEST GREEN

### Cllr Eddie Griffith (L)

1st Saturday of month  
12 noon-1pm  
Hall alongside Christ Church, Waldeck  
Road, N15  
3rd Wednesday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Professional Development Centre,  
Downhills Park Road, N17  
☎ Mobile: 07870 157701

### Cllr Gmmh Rahman Khan (L)

1st Saturday of month  
11.30am-12.30pm  
Broadwater Farm Community Centre, Adams  
Road, N17  
Last Saturday of month  
11.30am-12.30pm  
West Green Learning Centre at Parkview  
Academy, West Green Road entrance, N15  
No surgeries at WGLC during school holidays  
☎ Home: 020 8374 1630 (9am-6pm)  
☎ Fax: 020 8889 5160

### Cllr Toni Mallett (L)

2nd and 4th Saturday of month  
11.30am-12.30pm  
Broadwater Farm Community Centre, Adams  
Road, N17  
☎ Mobile: 07870 157883

## WHITE HART LANE

### Cllr Charles Adje (L)

2nd Saturday of month  
10am-11am  
Bruce Castle, Lordship Lane, N17  
4th Friday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Rowland Hill Nursery School, White Hart  
Lane, N17  
☎ Home: 020 8800 7658

### Cllr Gideon Bull (L)

1st Wednesday of month  
6pm-7pm  
Residents' Meeting Room, Larkspur Close  
(off Fryatt Road), N17  
4th Wednesday of month  
3pm-4pm  
Somerset Gardens Family Health Centre,  
4 Creighton Road, N17  
☎ Home: 020 8352 1261  
☎ Mobile: 07792 437268

### Cllr Anne Stennett (L)

1st Friday of month  
2pm-2.45pm  
Age Concern Haringey,  
20e Walthef Gardens, N17  
3rd Friday of month  
1.30pm-2.30pm  
IntoUniversity Haringey North, (Tower Gardens  
Community Centre), Tower Gardens Park,  
Risley Avenue, N17  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002675

All three councillors are happy to visit  
you, please call Cllr Bull on 020 8352 1261  
for details.

## WOODSIDE

### Cllr Pat Egan (L)

3rd Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
3rd Saturday of month  
10.30am-11.30am  
Haringey Civic Centre, High Road, N22  
☎ Telephone: 020 8888 9828

### Cllr George Meehan (L)

2nd Saturday of month  
10.30am-11.30am  
Haringey Civic Centre, High Road, N22  
3rd Friday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
George Lansbury House, Progress Way, N22  
☎ Telephone: 07967 336120

### Cllr Ann Waters (L)

1st Wednesday of month  
6.30pm-7.30pm  
4th Saturday of month  
10.30am-11.30am  
Haringey Civic Centre, High Road, N22  
☎ Mobile: 07854 002470

## HARINGEY CIVIC CENTRE WEEKLY SURGERIES

Surgeries will be rotated between Labour  
councillors, every Saturday 10.30am-11.30am  
Haringey Civic Centre, High Road, Wood  
Green N22



## BRUCE CASTLE MUSEUM EVENTS

Lordship Lane, London N17 8NU

For more information contact museum. services@haringey.gov.uk or call 020 8808 8772.

### EXHIBITION

#### The Phoenix Cinema: 100 years

Until 27 May 2011

The Phoenix Cinema, just outside the borough in East Finchley, is arguably the oldest surviving purpose-built cinema in London. This exhibition celebrates the centenary of the Phoenix, placing it in the context of the history of cinema buildings in Barnet and Haringey.

**FREE**

### EXHIBITION

#### In My Father's Footsteps

Until June 2011

Memories of Tottenham 70 years ago. Oil paintings by ex-coalman, Ricky Clarke

Open Wed-Sun 1pm-5pm

**FREE**

### EXHIBITION

#### Inspiring Schools, Inspiring Pictures

From 13 April to 27 May 2011

Photographs taken by students from Haringey Schools. Co-ordinated by Haringey Council's Children & Young People's Service

**FREE**

### TALK

#### Telling Tales: A pick of Tottenham's Oral History

Monday 18 April 12.15pm doors open at noon

Deborah Hedgecock,

Curator Bruce Castle Museum

**FREE**

### EVENING TALK

#### A Vision Realised: the Evolution of Hornsey Town Hall

Wed 27 April 7.30pm doors open at 7.00pm

Steve Amor, Architectural Artist and Historian

**FREE**

### JACKSONS LANE EVENTS

Archway Road, N6 (opposite Highgate tube)

Call 020 8341 4421 or visit [www.jacksonslane.org.uk](http://www.jacksonslane.org.uk)

### MAGICIAN

#### Wally Watthead and His Lost Glow

Janne Raudaskoski / Magic Theatre

16 and 17 April

Jacksons Lane is delighted to present Helsinki's legendary magician, Janne



Raudaskoski with the thrilling performance of Wally Watthead and His Lost Glow for their only London dates. This adventurous performance is for both, young and old alike.

2pm

**All tickets £9.95**

### DANCE AND THEATRE

#### Boxed-im-Perfect and At the Moment

Bonnie Oddie and Company

27 and 28 April

In this brilliant dance-theatre double bill, Boxed-im-Perfect tells the story of one woman's desperate attempts to create a perfect life. Ideals get crumpled into messy reality and the lesson is: life's not perfect... even when it comes in a





box! At the Moment is a heartfelt work exploring the question "What changes and what stays the same?" So far, the question stays the same, but the answer keeps changing...

8pm  
**£10 (£5 students)**  
**Jacksons £5**

## THEATRE

### Flogging a Dead Horse

### Faulty Optic

**3 and 4 May**

Amongst the inkblots, intercoms, coffee rings and pizza, there's a little doorway down to the deepest, darkest ocean, where the seabed sludge has a similar chemistry to that of the human brain. The brain hosts trillions of neutrons and each is playing an endless game of mental ping-pong! Faulty Optic is world renowned for its haunting tales, visual theatre, strange animated figures, dark, dark humour and surreal puppetry for adults.

8pm  
**£12.95 (£10.95)**  
**Jacksons £5**



## THEATRE

### Beneath My Feet

**Layla Rosa**

**14 and 15 May**



Inspired by Saint Saens' 'The Carnival of the Animals'

Supported by Jacksons Lane, Little Angel Theatre and The Albany

Acclaimed Shunt artist and co-founder Layla Rosa presents these special preview performances for family audiences. Developed at Jacksons Lane, this is a visually stunning celebratory tale of curious encounters, fascination with fishes, small shoes and big hearts. Using aerial circus, bendy bodies, animation and puppetry with live music - prepare to be amazed and in awe at this astonishing feast for the eyes.

3pm  
 Ages 4+  
**£7.95**

## CHILDREN'S THEATRE OVER EASTER

### Lost and Found

### Travelling Light & Polka Theatre

**20 April at 2pm and 21 April at 11am and 2pm**



He didn't know where it came from or who it belonged to. The penguin looked sad and the boy thought it must be lost. So he decided to help it find its way home, even if that meant rowing all the way to the South Pole. Based on the award-winning book, Lost and Found is a heart-warming tale of adventure, bravery and true love.

Ages 3+  
**£8.95**

### Wolf Tales

**8 May**

Little Red Riding Hood is out on stage telling the world the same old story about Grandma and the Big Bad Wolf, blah, blah, blah! Come backstage and meet Mr B.B. Wolf, renowned

## Libraries

There are events of all kinds in Haringey libraries, from under-fives' messy mornings to poetry readings, author events, concerts and health and wellbeing sessions. Check your local library for details.

### Alexandra Park

Alexandra Park Road  
 Wood Green, N22 4UJ  
 ☎ 020 8489 8770

### Coombes Croft

Tottenham High Road,  
 N17 8AG  
 ☎ 020 8489 8771

### Highgate

Shepherd's Hill  
 Highgate, N6 5QT  
 ☎ 020 8489 8772

### Hornsey

Haringey Park, N8 9JA  
 ☎ 020 8489 1118

### Marcus Garvey

Tottenham Green  
 Leisure Centre  
 1 Philip Lane  
 Tottenham, N15 4JA  
 ☎ 020 8489 5309

### Muswell Hill

Queen's Avenue  
 N10 3PE  
 ☎ 020 8489 8773

### St Ann's

Cissbury Road  
 Tottenham, N15 5PU  
 ☎ 020 8489 8775

### Stroud Green

Quernmore Road  
 N4 4QR  
 ☎ 020 8489 8776

### Wood Green Central

High Road  
 Wood Green, N22 6XD  
 ☎ 020 8489 2780

thespian and notorious villain, as he takes a break between scenes to



set the record straight.

Is Red Riding Hood as innocent as she seems and is Grandma as sweet as she claims?

2pm  
Ages 5+  
**£7.95**

## ALEXANDRA PALACE EVENTS

Alexandra Palace Way, N22

### FAIR

**Antiques, Collectors, 20th Century and Art Deco Fair**

**1 May**

London's premier antiques event with over 600 stands featuring complimentary antiques valuations and appraisals.

9.30am to 4.30pm

Great Hall, Alexandra Palace, N22

To pre-book tickets visit [www.nelsonfairs.co.uk](http://www.nelsonfairs.co.uk)

### OTHER EVENTS

#### FUN DAY

**WaterWorks Fun Day**

**13 April**

Take part in a whole array of fun activities at this unique wildlife haven containing one of the largest bird hides

in London. On site over 322 species of plants, 25 species of breeding birds and a quarter of all British butterflies have been recorded.

10am to 3pm

WaterWorks Nature Reserve and Golf Centre, Lammas Road, off Lea Bridge Road, Leyton, London E10

Visit [www.leevalleypark.org.uk](http://www.leevalleypark.org.uk) or call the Information Service on 08456 770 600.

**FREE**

#### WALK

**Tottenham Civic Society: Ferry Lane Estate - Thirty Years On**

8 May

Architect Jack Lambert and Ferry Lane Action Group members lead a tour around the estate. Built by the Greater London Council on the site of the old Lebus Works, Ferry Lane Estate is a success story of public housing design – residents like it, choose to stay and the estate boasts a thriving residents' association. Explore the estate and enjoy refreshments at Markfield Park's Pistachio Café.

Meet at 11.45am the W4 bus stop on Jarrow Road, N17.

Visit [www.tottenhamcivicsociety.org.uk](http://www.tottenhamcivicsociety.org.uk) or call 020 8347 7684

**FREE**

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are normally held in the Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22, and are open to the public. Meeting times and dates can change. Check [www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/meetings) for the latest information.

### April

#### Planning Committee

Monday 11, 7pm

#### Cabinet

Tuesday 26, 7.30pm

### May

#### Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Monday 9, 6pm

#### Planning Meeting

Monday 16, 7pm

#### Full Council

Monday 23, 7.30pm

## WATCH

If you can't come along to a meeting and you have internet access, you can now watch main council meetings through the council's website, live or at a later date. Just follow the 'videos of council meetings (webcasts)' line from the home page or meetings page at [www.haringey.gov.uk](http://www.haringey.gov.uk)



## Have Your Say Haringey

### CURRENT CONSULTATION

**Shape the future of children's centres in Haringey**

Have your say on the future of children's centres, the services they offer and increases to childcare fees.

Closing date: **22 April 2011**

See [www.haringey.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/haveyoursay) for more information on this and other current and forthcoming consultations.

### Family Information Service Directory

The 'one stop shop' for parents to find up to date information about services for children and young people ages 0-20. Click on [www.haringey.gov.uk/fisd](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/fisd) or call 020 8489 1000.

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\*New term starts 9 May 2011–12 week term

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# Day in the Life

*Poppy Pickard has devoted almost two decades to issues surrounding poverty and promoting fair trade.*

She has a long-running involvement with Traidcraft, an organisation that fights poverty through trade, and her efforts as chair of the Haringey Fairtrade Steering Group have helped to elevate Haringey to Fairtrade Borough status.

The recent certification from the Fairtrade Foundation is in recognition of efforts by local residents, community groups, businesses, shops, restaurants, cafes, schools and the council to adopt Fairtrade values.

But for Poppy, the seal of approval is just the start of a long journey to persuade everyone in Haringey to follow the Fairtrade principles.

“This is a real commitment, not just for the council but for the borough as a whole,” explains Poppy.

“It’s about getting the whole community on board – showing that we embrace this concept. The ambition we have is to get everybody involved and to generate as much enthusiasm as possible for Fairtrade.”

Fairtrade products – from food and drink to clothing, arts and crafts – come with a guarantee that the producers are paid a fair price which can bring about life enhancing changes that we often take for granted in the UK – such as enabling children to attend school or simply having adequate meals.

Poppy says: “It’s about saying that we stand in solidarity with these farmers who could otherwise be exploited. It’s about justice for the world’s poor.

“If we buy Fairtrade we can guarantee that a fair proportion is going back to the producer. There’s also a social premium which goes to the local cooperative or village and that enables them to build things like a school classroom, health clinic or water pump.”

Poppy – who has visited Kenya with Traidcraft to meet producers first-hand

# Poppy Pickard

– regularly visits schools in Haringey, where young people are embracing the challenge.

St Aidan’s primary was the first in Haringey to win Fairtrade status, and others shouldn’t be too far behind.

“Children can help spread the word,” says Poppy. “When they compare their lives with family life in poorer countries, they’re very quick to see what’s unfair and to think about their own solutions.”

Poppy is also a firm believer in little changes leading to big ones – with every Haringey household having a part to play.

“Switching to Fairtrade doesn’t have to mean changing everything overnight,” says Poppy. “Take one product you use regularly, swap it for Fairtrade and build it up from there. It all makes a difference.”

## Five tips for being Fairtrade

1. Change what you buy one product at a time
2. Visit a Fairtrade event to meet producers and find out more
3. Check out the Fairtrade website at [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)
4. Join a campaign to persuade your shops to switch to Fairtrade
5. Show off your Fairtrade labels!



It doesn't make a difference if I complete the Census 2011 form.

*Rumour*

Each person registered on the Census means up to **£650** in government grants for the borough.

*Fact*

It's **time** to **fill** it in

Visit [www.haringey.gov.uk/census](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/census) for more information or to find a Census 2011 event near you.



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