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All meetings listed are held at the Town Hall, Ilford at 7.15pm unless stated otherwise.

Council Meetings

Thursday 21 June 2018

Thursday 20 September 2018

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Cabinet Meetings

Tuesday 12 June 2018 – 6.30 pm

Tuesday 17 July 2018 – 6.30 pm

Tuesday 4 September 2018 – 6.30 pm

Tuesday 16 October 2018 – 6.30 pm

If you wish to speak at meetings of the Cabinet, you must inform the Committee Support Officer by 5pm the day before the meeting at which you wish to speak. Contact: Jon Simes, tel: **020 8708 2163** or Helena Tredgold, tel: **020 8708 2203**.

Scrutiny Committees

Health Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 18 July 2018

Wednesday 10 October 2018

Overview Scrutiny Committee

Monday 11 June 2018

Monday 16 July 2018

Monday 3 September 2018

Thursday 11 October 2018

People Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 11 July 2018

Place Scrutiny Committee

Monday 9 July 2018

Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 5 July 2018

Public participation at meetings is welcomed. To find out more information go to www.redbridge.gov.uk/publicmeetings or contact: Tony Prescod, tel: **020 8708 2204** or Antoinette Davis, tel: **020 8708 2352**.

Councillor surgeries

Many Councillors hold regular surgeries in their wards or can be contacted directly to make an appointment so residents can discuss concerns or ask for help. To contact your Councillor or find details about surgeries, go to www.redbridge.gov.uk/councillors or call **020 8554 5000**.

Armed Forces Day 2018

As part of Armed Forces Day, from the 25 June the Armed Forces day flag will be flown above the Town Hall in Ilford to pay tribute to veterans and those who currently serve in the armed forces.

Join us and show your support as the Mayor makes a speech on the Town Hall steps at 10am on Friday 29 June.



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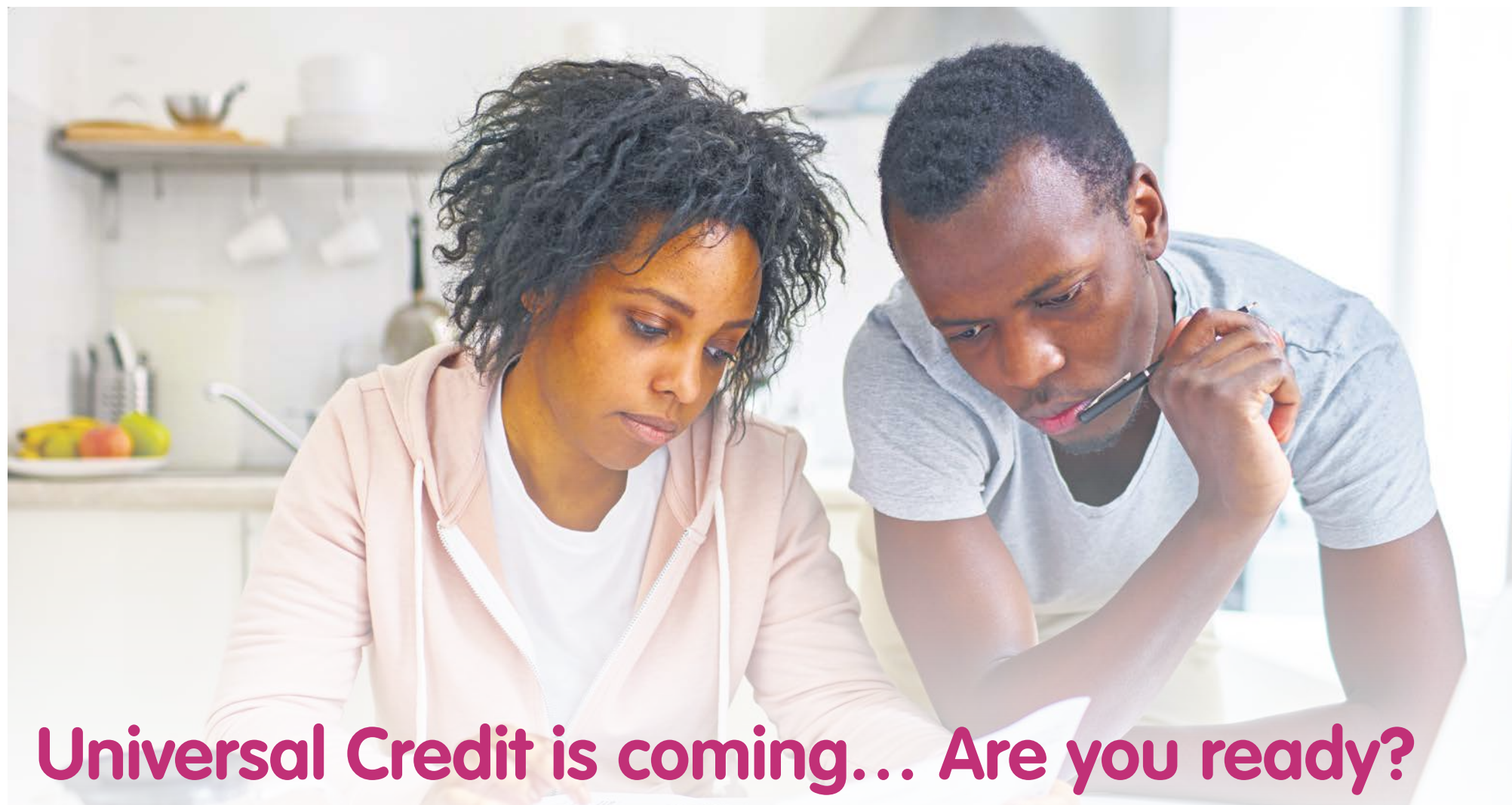
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Redbridge's priorities for the next four years

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Councillor Jas Athwal
Leader, London Borough of Redbridge



Universal Credit is coming... Are you ready?

Redbridge will become a Universal Credit full service area on 20 June 2018. This means that all working-age households making a new claim to Benefit will need to claim Universal Credit.

What is Universal Credit? Universal Credit is a government benefit from the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). Universal Credit replaces six other benefits now referred to as the 'legacy' benefits. These are; Housing Benefit, Child Tax Credit, Income Support, income-based Jobseekers' Allowance (JSA), income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) and Working Tax Credit.

Universal Credit features:

- It helps people of working age with living expenses and housing costs
- It's paid as one monthly payment into your chosen bank account
- You can only apply for it online
- If your Universal Credit payment includes help with your rent, you need to pay this to your landlord yourself

To find out more about Universal Credit visit www.understandinguniversalcredit.gov.uk

Who will be affected and when?

If you make a new claim for any of the legacy benefits listed above you will need to claim Universal Credit instead. You will not need to make a claim for Universal Credit if you are of pension age, have three or more children, or live in temporary accommodation or supported accommodation.

If you live in some E11, E12 and E18 post codes you will not be able to claim Universal Credit until 25 July 2018.

If you are currently receiving legacy benefits you will be moved over to Universal Credit from 2019 onwards. Exact dates have not yet been finalised by the DWP.

Further information

If you do not have access to the internet to make your claim for Universal Credit, you can visit your local library and use the online facilities free of charge.

If you need help to use the internet and/or you need help with budgeting your money, your work coach at the Job Centre will refer you to the council who will be able to help you.

Cabinet members announced

Redbridge council Leader Jas Athwal has unveiled his new cabinet following the local elections on 3 May.

The announcement sees Cllr Athwal take on responsibilities for growth and leisure, including developing the council's regeneration strategy.

Cllr Kam Rai becomes the Deputy Leader and remains as cabinet member for finance and resources.

The cabinet remit for children and young people stays with Cllr Elaine Norman, who will lead on the council becoming a UNICEF child-friendly Borough.

Cllr Bob Littlewood switches from employment and skills to crime, safety and community cohesion, while Cllr Farah Hussain retains the housing portfolio with responsibility for tackling homelessness.

Cllr John Howard retains his cabinet remit for environment, transport and cleansing but the portfolio name is changed to civic pride in recognition of residents' pride in their community.

Cllr Helen Coomb moves to a new role as cabinet member for transformation and engagement, which includes responsibility for customer services.

The planning and planning enforcement portfolio is taken on by Cllr Sheila Bain.

Cllr Mark Santos remains as cabinet member responsible for health and social care, with mental health and ageing added to the portfolio name.



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New leisure complex opens soon

The new swimming pool and public leisure complex at Mayfield School is set to open in July.

The first-class facilities at Mayfield Leisure Centre will include a six lane 25 metre pool with spectator seating, multi-purpose studio, 40 station hi-tech gym and a changing village.

Redbridge council has invested £4M in the centre, with an additional National Lottery award of £750,000 from the Sport England Strategic Facilities Fund.

The complex will be operated by Vision, the council's leisure partner who are developing a programme to meet the needs of the local community.

It will be open to the public from 7am to 10pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm at weekends.

A range of classes from Yoga to Box-fit, Zumba to Body Max will be on offer alongside specialist sessions for youth fitness and active lifestyles.

The swimming programme will include general, women, family, adult and disability sessions.

The council is investing heavily in leisure facilities. Alongside this new complex at Mayfield School, Loxford School pool has been refurbished and the council has announced plans for a state-of-the-art pool and gym complex at Wanstead High School.

Residents will also have access to school sports facilities run by Vision outside of school hours, including an all-weather pitch with new floodlights, multi-use games areas and a sports hall thanks to funding from Sport England.

These will be available from 5:30pm to 10pm during term time, 8am to 6pm on the weekend and 8am to 10pm Monday-Friday during school holidays.

For more information about swimming in Redbridge and how to sign up for the waiting list for swimming lessons visit www.vision-rcl.org.uk

If any local clubs are interested in booking the school facilities please email mayfield@vision-rcl.org.uk



Customer Centre in Ilford town centre opens

A new hub giving residents easy access to the most popular council services in one place has opened.

Redbridge Customer Centre at Lynton House in Ilford town centre welcomed its first customers in March after weeks of detailed building work.

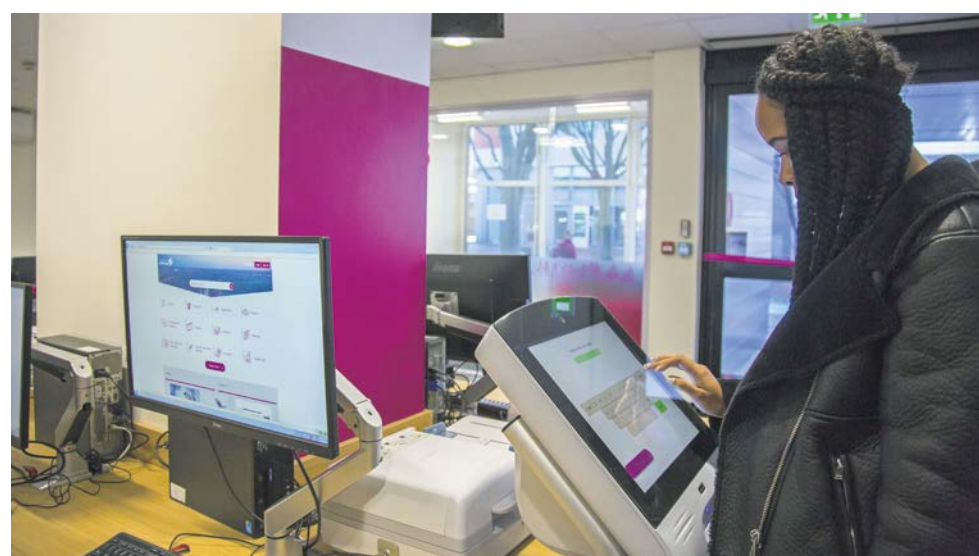
The state-of-the-art facility improves the customer experience by bringing together adult services, housing, revenues and benefits, planning, licensing, children's services and much more under one roof.

The bright and modern centre will aim to resolve queries at the first point, avoiding repeated face-to-face contact with different services.

Customers will be able to contact council services for free using the internet or phone.

The council has put the needs and wishes of residents at the heart of the centre's development by using recommendations from local people and the Royal National Institute for Blind People to ensure the centre is welcoming and accessible to all.

Consolidating services in one place means the council is able to offer residents both a better customer experience and deliver annual savings of £540K during a period of government reductions in funding.



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Mayor for Redbridge 2018/19

Cllr Debbie Kaur-Thiara was appointed Mayor of Redbridge council at the annual meeting in May.

She becomes the 54th Mayor of the Borough and first female Sikh to hold the position. The Deputy Mayor will be Cllr Taifur Rashid.

Cllr Kaur-Thiara spent 30 years as a senior policy adviser in central government.

A ward councillor for Aldborough since 2011, she has campaigned with residents for step free access at Newbury Park Station for the disabled and vulnerable and to save King George Hospital A&E.

The new Mayor has also helped the community by volunteering for a drugs line charity and a door-to-door library service.

Cllr Kaur-Thiara's focus during the year will be to promote children's services available in the Borough.

Her chosen charity is ELHAP, which is based in Redbridge and supports disabled and disadvantaged children through their adventure playground.

ELHAP was the third such adventure playground in the UK and remains one of only eight in the country.

Cllr Kaur-Thiara said: "To become Mayor of the Borough I have lived in all my life is immensely humbling. My passion has always been about giving our children a great start in life. I am delighted that this year's Mayoral charity will be ELHAP. They desperately need the support of everyone in the community and I will be working hard with my Appeals Committee to raise as much money and awareness as possible during my Mayoralty."



Cllr Debbie Kaur-Thiara describes the opportunity to become the Borough's first citizen as 'immensely humbling'.

During the ceremony tributes were paid to Cllr Linda Huggett, who has so far raised over £78K for Haven House Hospice and St. Francis Hospice during her 2017/18 Mayoralty.

Watch our videos of the ceremony at

<https://youtu.be/m9uDf3bd2DM>

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Disability Awareness Day Festival Comes to Redbridge

A Disability Awareness Day Festival is taking place from Midday on Wednesday 18 July in the leafy surrounds of Christchurch Green in Wanstead.

The festival aims to celebrate what people can do in an inclusive way, with art exhibitions, live acts, accessible sports, information, arts and crafts, family activities and much more.

To help raise funds and keep it as a free and open event for everyone with the very best activities, we ask you to donate via

<https://www.spacehive.com/disability-awareness-day-festival>.

Businesses can get involved through sponsorship, advertising in the festival brochure and/or becoming a stall holder at the event.

We're organising this festival alongside people with disabilities and Vision as well as voluntary organisations One Place East, Redbridge Forum and Uniting Friends.

Find out more about the event by going to <https://mylife.redbridge.gov.uk/disability-awareness-festival/> or by emailing mylife@redbridge.gov.uk.



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Government approves expanded licensing scheme



Redbridge council's efforts to crack down on rogue landlords received a major boost as the government confirmed the rollout of tough new licensing conditions which will now cover an additional 57% of the Borough.

The scheme, which will come into force from October 1st, means that all privately rented properties in 14 wards in the Borough will now need to be licensed and comply with conditions to ensure the property is safe and well managed. They will also be responsible for ensuring that their tenants do not cause problems for neighbours.

The council has seen a marked increase in the number of requests for assistance from tenants because of the condition of their rented home. Many had tried to get their landlord to carry out essential repairs for months.

Landlords in the identified wards will have to comply with licence conditions to ensure the property is safe and well managed.

Shelter UK, Ilford North and South MPs, Redbridge Citizens and Generation Rent joined forces with the council to support better regulation of the Borough's burgeoning private rented sector.

Cllr Jas Athwal, Leader of the council, said, "This is a flagship policy and we are pleased that the government agrees that it should be extended across the Borough. We are determined to crack down on rogue landlords and improve the housing conditions of often vulnerable people. Our existing scheme is already driving up standards in the private rented sector and this expansion will further improve the lives of thousands of our residents."

Cllr Farah Hussain, Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, said, "It's great that we've been granted permission to expand to these additional wards. Residents will reap the benefits of this scheme which will ensure that all private rented accommodation in these areas is in good condition and well managed. Landlords will benefit by being able to clearly demonstrate to prospective tenants that they meet our required standards. We want to clamp down on those rogue landlords that take rent for dangerous accommodation and wash their hands of the problems some tenants cause to their neighbours."

As with the current scheme the area within the new designation is based on previous ward boundaries.

These wards are;

- Goodmayes
- Loxford
- Snarbrook
- Roding
- Newbury
- Mayfield
- Cranbrook
- Seven Kings
- Chadwell
- Fairlop
- Aldborough
- Church End
- Valentines
- Clementswood

From October all privately rented properties within this area will need to be licensed. For information on property licensing search 'Private rentals' on the Council's website.

Rogue landlords named and shamed

The council has signed up to the Mayor of London's Rogue Landlords and Letting Agents Checker database to 'name and shame' the Borough's corrupt landlords.

Along with 32 other London Boroughs and the City of London, the council will regularly submit records of successful prosecutions and fines to the online database for public view.

Using Checker, residents and newcomers will be able to report rogue landlords as well as check if a landlord or letting agent of a rental property has been convicted of any housing offences – for absolutely no cost.

The council have already submitted records to the Checker and members of the public can view these on the Mayor of London's Rogue Landlord and Agent Checker website: www.london.gov.uk/rogue-landlord-checker

For information about landlord responsibilities visit the Landlord Zone

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Building a better Redbridge

Leader of the council Jas Athwal reflects on the achievements of the last four years and outlines the priorities and challenges for his new administration

This is the first Redbridge Life of a new administration. I'm proud and honoured that the people of Redbridge have chosen to put their trust in me and the 62 other Councillors elected on 3 May 2018.

I know every single one of them shares my determination to safeguard and improve the quality of life of the people we represent.

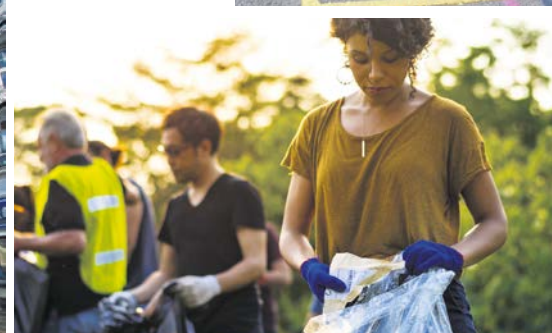
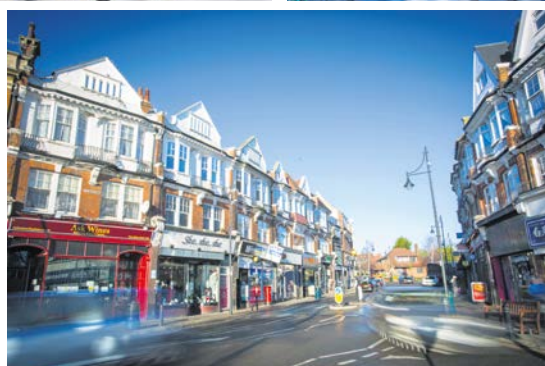
Our priorities for the next four years are clear: we want cleaner streets, less crime, better leisure and culture facilities and to start bringing the benefits of regeneration to our town centres. It won't be easy. We have wrestled with huge challenges over the past four years as Central Government cut our budget by £132m, with another £57m to come over the next five years. I do not expect life to get easier any time soon, but with strong financial management – including £12m of cuts to our staffing budgets – we are determined to deliver on our promises.

My first and biggest priority is our streets. We will invest an extra £300,000 in our cleansing service to help keep the streets clean, continue our free green garden waste service and keep our waste collection weekly at a time when most councils have moved to

fortnightly services. We will bring our waste collection services back in house so we have more freedom to redesign and improve the service. The council's new Our Streets strategy will give residents more control over the streets where they live and give our residents the tools they need to help create a great place to live.

Keeping our streets safe is also a priority. We are investing £1.5m in new state-of-the-art CCTV and Automatic Number Plate Recognition, to help the Police in preventing crime across the Borough. A new £50,000 Community Safety Fund has also been created to support neighbourhood watch schemes and community groups and we are tripling the number of enforcement officers to 30 to combat the blight of illegal dumping.

I promised very early in my first term that we would build the very best sports facilities for our residents because it is important not just for health but cutting anti-social behaviour and crime. With the impressive Leisure Centre at Mayfield School to open soon, the refurbishment of the Loxford centre complete and plans for a state-of-the-art pool and gym complex at Wanstead High School and new leisure facilities in Ilford, we are without a doubt delivering on our pledge.



My promise is that we will always balance ambition for our Borough with fairness and support for our most vulnerable residents. We want to end street homelessness in Redbridge. That means supporting the new homelessness hostel in Ilford to support those with no recourse to public funds and building 1,000 new affordable homes so that fewer people need to be on the streets in the first place. We will always ensure that we provide high quality services to support dignity in old age and keep our children safe and thriving. Since the election on May 3rd, we have already obtained the go ahead for the landlord registration to tackle rogue landlords and antisocial behaviour across most of the Borough.

Our single biggest opportunity is Crossrail and the new residents and investment it will bring. Regeneration means we can renew our town centres, bringing new jobs, shops and cultural opportunities as well a better environment. Our challenge is to balance the drive for change and renewal tomorrow with protecting the things our residents love about the borough today. We already have ambitious plans to transform Ilford town centre with a new cultural quarter and we will continue to make Redbridge a cultural centre of excellence.

I don't underestimate the difficulties we will face over the next four years, but I am confident the council has a team in place that can rise to the challenge. We are delivering results for Redbridge and will work hard to ensure the trust you have put in this administration is repaid with interest.



Our Streets matter

The council has launched its civic pride campaign, Our Streets, to help create a cleaner, greener and safer Borough.



Our Streets was developed from the work of the independent Redbridge Streets Commission. Over six months, the commission worked directly with residents to understand what they really value about the places where they live. The messages that came through were clear: people love our green spaces, the strength of our communities and our great transport links – but we need to do more to create and maintain the great neighbourhoods that our residents want and deserve.

As part of the campaign, services on the ground will be joined up into neighbourhood teams under the direction of a neighbourhood manager.

Street cleansing and environmental enforcement services will work closely together to keep streets clean by stopping littering and fly tipping before it happens, and respond quickly when it does.

The campaign will see a tripling of enforcement officers to 30 and a boost to street cleansing with the equivalent of 90 additional rounds.

A poster and leaflet campaign has been launched spelling out to everyone living, working or visiting Redbridge of the standards expected in keeping streets clean and how to dispose of waste and recycling.

Other activities include:

- Supporting social action to keep streets clean by working with local businesses to improve high streets.
- Using our resources wisely to adopt the very best technology, for example having sensors in litterbins to know when they need emptying to avoid emptying a half full bin.
- Working with businesses and landlords to agree clear street standards for Redbridge that everyone can sign up to, and when people don't sign up to them using our powers to fine them.

Don't rubbish Redbridge

Hard hitting stickers have been placed on pavements in streets where people have been fined for offences to get the message across.

#Don'trubbishredbridge is part of Our Streets – the council's civic pride campaign to create a cleaner, greener and safer Borough.

Posters and leaflets spelling out that the council can fine lawbreakers for anti-social behaviour such as flytipping will also soon be visible around the Borough.

The council has a zero-tolerance approach to people who dump rubbish and has issued eight hundred £400 fines, more than any other Borough.

Fly-tippers are caught in several ways. Evidence is gathered by sifting through the rubbish and finding clues to the identity of the culprit. Sharp eyed CCTV operatives are also on the look-out for suspicious behaviour and reports from the public go a long way to helping the council.

Other #Don'trubbishredbridge posters and leaflets will be launched making it clear to everyone living, working and visiting the Borough of the standards expected in keeping the streets clean and how to dispose of waste and recycling.

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Your new Redbridge Councillors by ward

The Labour Party has retained control of Redbridge council following the local elections on 3 May.

Labour won 51 out of 63 seats giving it an overall majority. They now form the decision-making administration of the council and decide how it spends its money on local services. The Conservative Party secured 12 seats.

Three Councillors were elected for 19 wards and two Councillors for three wards. Overall turnout was 38.78 per cent.

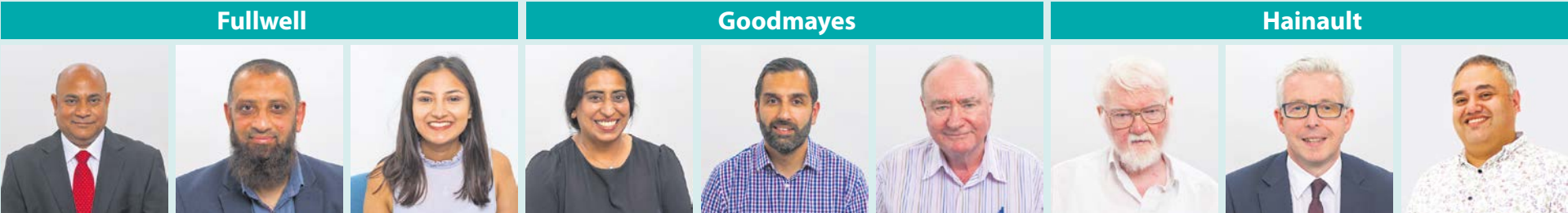
On these pages you will be able to find your local ward Councillors.



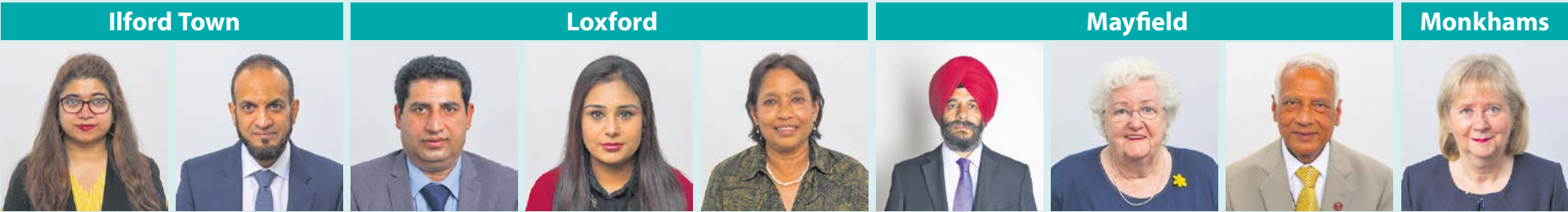
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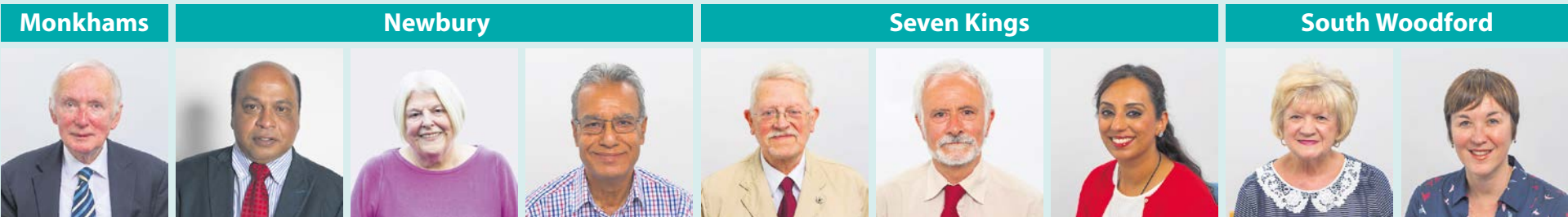
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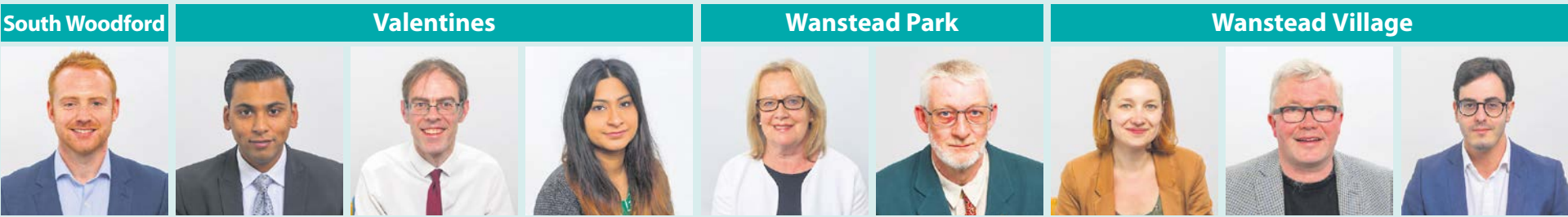
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- we need people to care for sibling groups
- we need people to care for young people aged 11 years and over

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Tuesday 10 July 2018 6pm – 8pm

Wednesday 12 September 2018 12pm – 2pm

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Council wins £1.8m for Cultural Quarter

The council's ambitious plans to transform Ilford town centre into a vibrant cultural hub have received a boost after the announcement of major funding support.

The council has successfully bid for £1.8m from the Mayor's Good Growth Fund for investment in the Spark project.

The funding helps pave the way for the council to transform the historic Town Hall and the area around it into a new cultural quarter.

The project includes artist studios, affordable workspaces and public spaces to create a vibrant hub in the heart of Ilford.

Public art and a programme of community outreach, entertainment and learning are also part of Spark.

To boost the look of the town centre and make it more attractive to residents and visitors, the council will also undertake a raft of improvements to local streets.

Total investment in the project will reach £5.3m. Work by the council's delivery partners Space, Mercato Metropolitano and Things made Public are due to begin very soon.

The hub will include studio space and affordable workspace for artists and creative enterprise, a purpose built covered market, enabling start up and food entrepreneurs to establish and grow, the buildings in Janice Mews, next to Kenneth Moore Theatre, utilised as space for start-up businesses, and opportunities for residents to benefit from a wide range of training and skills development.

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The Spark
Ilford
In the heart of Ilford's Cultural Quarter

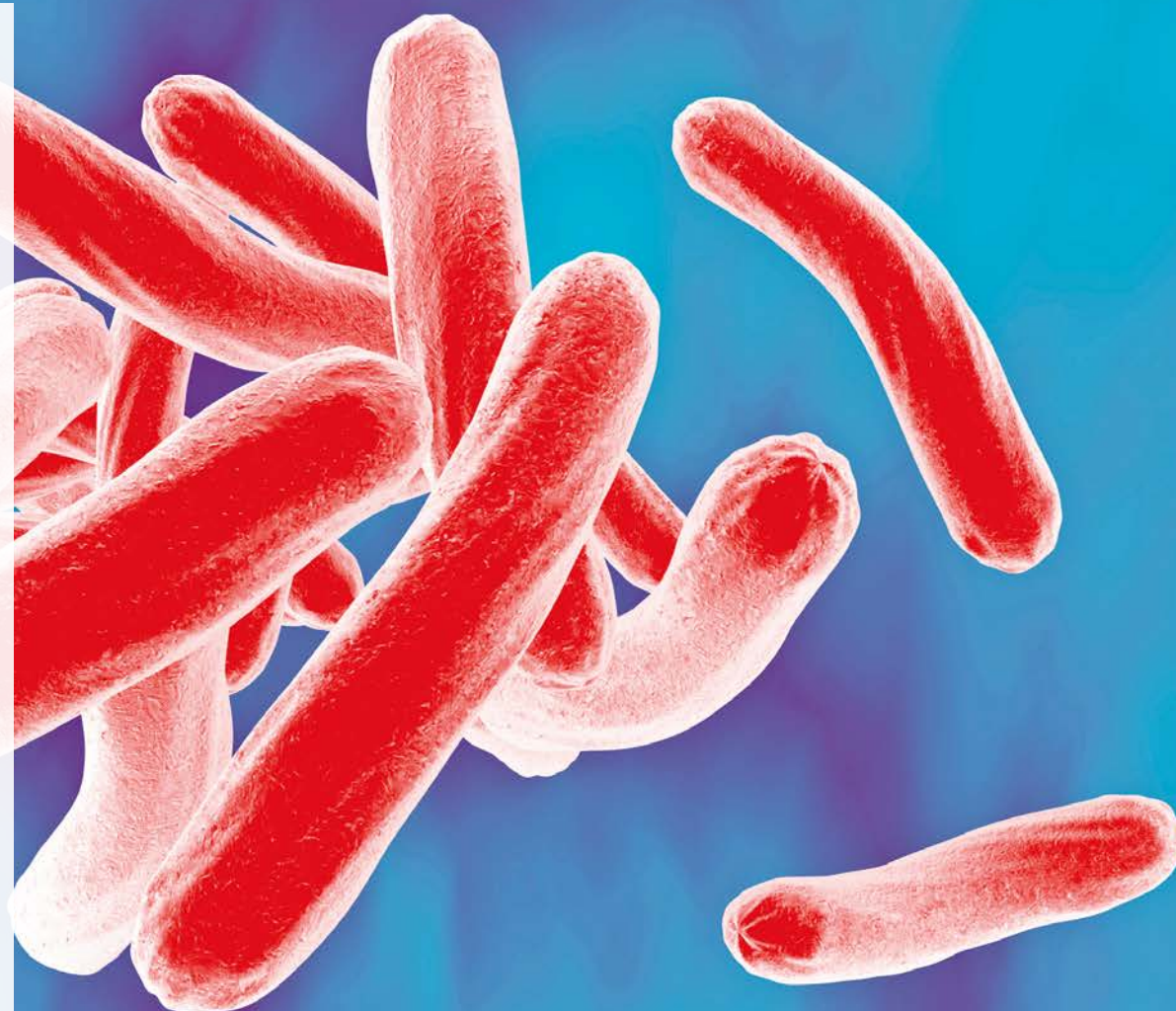


TB Awareness in Redbridge

RedbridgeCVS, a local charity supporting community and voluntary groups, is raising awareness about Tuberculosis (TB) amongst residents.

Health and Well-being Buddies from the charity have been working to raise community awareness of TB, including signs and symptoms, treatment and how to access TB services since 2013. They have delivered 288 TB awareness sessions in the Borough, directly reaching out to 8,870 residents who are most at-risk of getting TB.

For more information or to book a session, please call Shahida, Health and Well-being Project Co-ordinator on 020 3874 4132.





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How to contact

- to book an appointment or to find out further information on pests in Redbridge:



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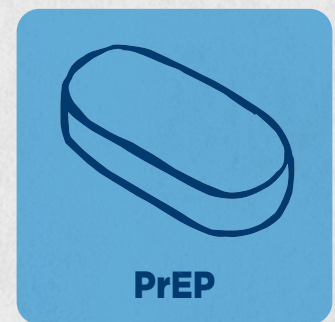
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Local HIV Support Service
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If you are looking after someone else's child or if your child is being looked after by someone else you might be part of a private fostering arrangement.

Private fostering is when a child or young person aged 16 or under (or 18 if they are disabled) is cared for by an adult who is not a close relative for more than 28 days.

A private foster carer may be:

- a friend of the family
- the parent of a friend of a child
- an extended family member such as a cousin, great aunt or great uncle
- someone previously unknown to the child's family who is willing to privately foster a child

Help us to keep children safe and support families by notifying us of private fostering arrangements. If you are a parent or carer of a child who is being privately fostered you have a legal duty to inform your local council. If you don't you might be missing out on free advice and support.



The Child Protection & Assessment Team, Lynton House, 255-259 High Road, Ilford, IG1 1NN.

020 8708 3885 cpat.referrals@Redbridge.gov.uk www.redbridge.gov.uk/privatefostering

Have a healthy holiday!

Planning on travelling abroad this summer?

Make sure you are up to date with all the vaccinations to have a safe and healthy holiday!

Before you travel away, it is essential to be aware of the health risks of overseas infections and how to prevent them. It is particularly important as in recent years there has been an increase in preventable infections that have been caused by travelling abroad.

You should visit your local GP practice or travel clinic at least six weeks before you travel. The recommended appointment is six weeks before your holiday because some vaccinations need to be provided further in advance or more than once to allow immunity to develop. Some travel vaccinations are also free if you are registered with a GP.

Some infections are highly dangerous, particularly to children. The UK childhood vaccination programme offers protection

against many diseases including tetanus and diphtheria, however does not provide cover to all of the diseases found abroad.

Not all infections can be prevented by vaccinations, yet there are many other measures you can take to avoid them. Some examples are maintaining good personal hygiene, avoiding insect bites and taking oral tablets for malaria if necessary.

For more information, you can find out more on our Redbridge MyLife website by searching 'health protection' and then 'travel health' at www.mylife.redbridge.gov.uk



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Get involved in Work Redbridge projects



Work Redbridge is a council service that supports residents in finding volunteering work, training courses, apprenticeships, jobs, growing a business and much more.

You can book an appointment with an advisor and speak about your current position and how you would like to progress in your career path. All appointments take place in Hub Central at Redbridge Central Library. The advisor will then be able to support you in the direction that best suits you. Further support is then offered to help you continue with your journey.

You can become one of the many success stories of Work Redbridge, developing your skillset and attaining the qualifications needed to get you where you want to be. By cooperating with local businesses, Work Redbridge can help you to find work in your community, helping both employers and employees.

There are many projects that you can get involved in. Work Redbridge are currently running:

Preparing for Work

If you are receiving out of work benefit, you can join the Preparing for Work project, an eight week programme of support. Across the eight weeks, you can develop skills and advice that enable you to be ready for the world of work. You are taught how to improve your IT skills to boost your confidence in technology for a work environment. You are also shown how to manage money and learn how to budget effectively. Preparing for work can be made easier with Work Redbridge helping you at your starting point.

Progress to Work

If you are experiencing health conditions or a disability that may affect your career opportunities, come along and speak to a Work Redbridge advisor for one on one support. You will be offered professional advice and help in searching for job opportunities that you would like to become involved in.

Go2Work

Interested in Construction or Hospitality? Free training is available for those who may not have the relevant qualifications. You can contact Work Redbridge for access to training in either sector, which leads to a work trial opportunity with a local employer and a guaranteed job interview.

Business Support

Work Redbridge can help you start your own business by providing advice on the starting stages. Business Advisors are available to help put together a business plan and finance plan to lay the foundations of your entrepreneurship.

To find out more about how Work Redbridge can support you, visit www.redbridge.gov.uk/workredbridge or call 020 8708 2298.

Work Redbridge Jobs and Apprenticeships Fair

Come along to the Work Redbridge Jobs and Apprenticeships Fair on Thursday 13 September from 11pm to 3pm in Redbridge Town Hall! After the successful turnout of the last Fair, Work Redbridge will be back hosting another event. It is an opportunity to meet over 40 local employers and training providers to talk to you about career options and what is available in your community. Advisors will be available to speak about your next training or career move and help improve your CV. Make the most of the Fair, introduce yourself to prospective employers and check out options that are available to you in Redbridge!





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